

WEEK 5 – May 31, 2020

Hello 4th and 5th Grade Parents!

Here are some At Home Activities *suggestions* for you to do with your child(ren). Everyone is different, so feel free to pick any or all of these ideas to fit the needs and desires of your family. If you are unable to print these pages, just use any substitute non-print ideas. ie: draw a picture instead of color the one provided. You can also find a simplified version of the lesson on the website called "4-5TH Parent Guide".

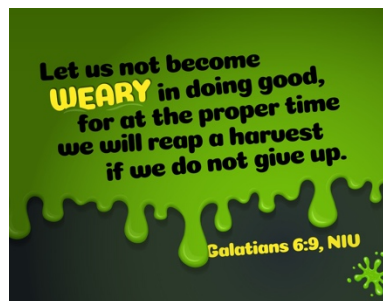
BE SURE TO FILL OUT THE HCKIDS ONLINE CONNECTION CARD:

<https://hillcrestcov.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/284/responses/new>

Praying you all are well and safe during our time apart!

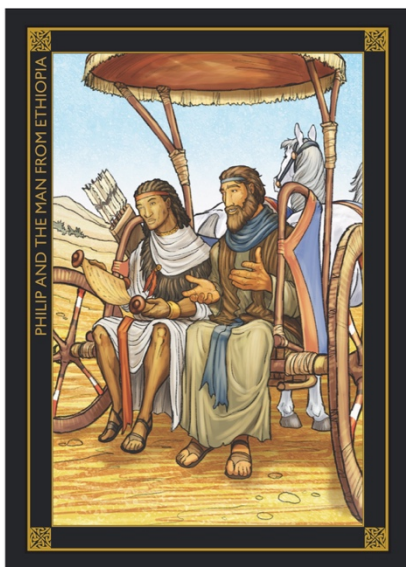
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BIBLE STORY

Acts 8:26-40



BOTTOM LINE



YOUR CHILD WILL EARN 3 POINTS TO SPEND AT THE STORE FOR EACH COMPLETED ACTIVITY AND 10 POINTS FOR A COMPLETED "GOD TIME"

~ PLEASE EMAIL ME POINTS EARNED EACH WEEK ~

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SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES:

1. WATCH VIDEOS (link is on the church website)
2. REVIEW/LIFE APPLICATION/DISCUSSION QUESTIONS
3. BIBLE STUDY/MEMORY VERSE
4. COLOR BIBLE STORY PICTURE and/or DRAW A PICTURE OF THE STORY
5. JOURNAL ENTRY **Key Question:** What questions do you have?
6. PRAY TOGETHER
7. "GOD TIME" FOR FURTHER STUDY THROUGHOUT THE WEEK (LAST 2 PAGES)

2. Review/Application/Discussion Questions

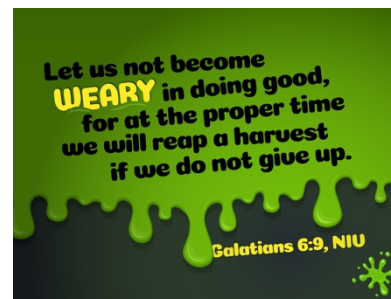
- What book from the Bible was the Ethiopian official reading?
 - The Ethiopian official didn't understand what he was reading so what did he do?
 - What important question did the Ethiopian official ask?
 - What was Philip's response to the Ethiopian's question?
 - Why had the Ethiopian gone to Jerusalem?
 - Why did Philip have to leave Jerusalem?
 - Imagine you are Philip. What question would you have wanted to ask the angel when the angel told you to leave Samaria?
 - Give an example from the story how the Ethiopian showed determination.
 - *(by reading the Bible and asking questions the Ethiopian showed determination to learn about God)*
 - Give an example how Philip showed determination.
 - *(Philip didn't give up and he took the time to sit with the Ethiopian and answer his questions, even though Philip didn't know why he had to leave Samaria he showed determination to listen to God)*
- **Wrap up and discuss:**
 - The Ethiopian official didn't understand what he was reading but he didn't let that stop him. He knew that learning about God's story was important so he asked questions about what he found confusing. We shouldn't be afraid to ask questions about God.
 - **Encourage** kids to give an example of someone in their lives they can ask questions about God or about what the Bible says.
 - **Be prepared** to share an example in your life of a friend or family member you go to when you have questions.

Ask:

- Why is it important to ask questions?
- What happens if we don't understand and we don't ask questions?
- When is it hard to ask questions?
- Are there questions that have no answers?
- What should we do if we don't get answers to our questions?

3. Bible Study/ Memory Verse -

- **Read** Galatians 6:9.
- **Ask:**
 - What does this verse mean to you?
 - Do you have any questions about this verse?
 - What do you do when you have questions about something you have read in the Bible? Who do you go to with questions about the Bible?
 - How can you show determination when your questions don't get answered or don't have answers?



4. Color picture and/or draw picture of Bible story.



Philip told about Jesus. Acts 8:35

5. JOURNAL ENTRY

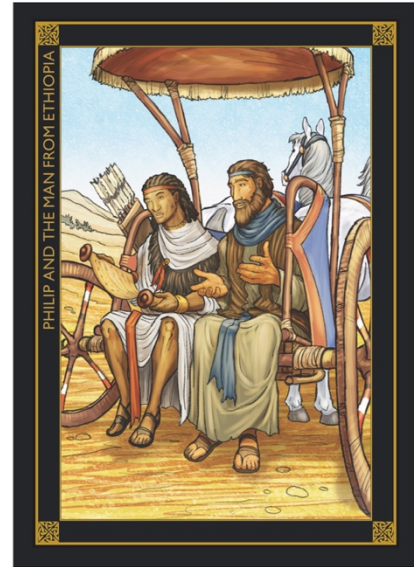
- WRITE THE ANSWER TO THIS

Key Question: What questions do you have?

Talk to God about it. Ask Him to give you a Bible verse that helps you with trusting God to help you even when it's hard to keep going. Write down anything He says to you about your situation.

OTHER JOURNALING SUGGESTIONS:

- WRITE OR DRAW ABOUT THE BIBLE STUDY -
- WRITE A PRAYER ABOUT THE BOTTOM LINE



6. Pray Together

- **Explain** that it's important we ask questions. Just like the Ethiopian official in our story today, when we don't understand something about God or the Bible, we need ask questions so we can get to know God even better.
- **Ask** kids to think of specific people in their lives who they can turn to when they have questions.
- **Close** in prayer encouraging kids to thank God specifically for the people in their lives who will help them with questions they have.

"God, You know everything! And we can ask You anything! We are so thankful for the Bible. Help us show determination and to keep going even when we have questions. God, You have given us people in our lives we can turn to when we have questions. Thank You for *(give kids an opportunity to say names of people they can turn to with their questions)*. Amen!"

7. "GOD TIME" FOR FURTHER STUDY THROUGHOUT THE WEEK (LAST 2 PAGES)

~WORTH 10 POINTS~

Day 5

Now that you've practiced spending the day asking questions, you're going to work on embracing question-asking with your life. Grab a journal or a few sheets of paper, and make these headings:

Questions about God
Questions about life
Questions about my future
Questions about schoolwork
Questions about my passions/interests

Any time that you're tempted to quit something because you don't understand, come back to your journal and write your question down. Then dig deeper and see if you can find the answer. If you can, come back and write down the answer. If you can't, keep going anyway, and come back and write down how your determination to keep going even when you didn't have all the answers paid off.

Make "asking questions but going ahead anyway without all the answers" a practice in your life, and one day you'll look up and see you finished what you started and learned a whole lot along the way!

**What questions
do you have?**



Day 1

Go to Studio252.tv and watch this week's episode of The So & So Show. (Click on Fun2Watch! then The So & So Show.)

Even if you already saw it at church, feel free to check it out again!

SO & SO TOP 3

After watching, write one thing that . . .

1) YOU LIKED: _____

2) YOU LEARNED: _____

3) YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW: _____

PRETEEN

Day 2

Read Acts 8:26-40

As you read Acts 8:26-40, underline all of the questions the Ethiopian man has.

Notice even his last question:

What can stop me from being baptized?

This isn't really even a question—it's more of what we might call a rhetorical question, a question for effect rather than a question that really needs answering.

Asking questions is not a bad thing—in fact, it's a good thing! When we stop asking questions, we often stop learning. And learning about God and His Story is always a great thing!

Day 3

Did you know that God is okay with your questions? In fact, He welcomes them! Why? Because asking questions is a great way to get to know someone, and when we ask God questions about His character, His love, His plan for our lives, we are opening the door to get to know Him better! Fill in the blanks of the prayer below, and then use your answers in a prayer to God.

One thing I love about God: _____

One thing I don't understand about God: _____

One thing I wish I knew about God: _____

One thing I wish I knew about God's plan for me: _____

One thing I know about God that helps me know I can trust Him: _____

End your prayer by thanking God for welcoming your questions and wanting to have a deeper relationship with you!

Day 4

Today, you might annoy people around you a little. But that's okay. Because for one day, you're going to aim to ask as many questions as you can. Don't ask annoying ones (like the constant "why?"), or things that you already know the answer to, but anytime you come across anything you don't understand, ask. Intentionally look for things around you that don't make sense, or that you don't know how they work, and ask someone who knows.

At the end of the day, share all the information you learned with a parent. Talk about how you looked at things differently when you were truly trying to understand. Did you ever want to give up on something because you didn't understand it? **How did it feel to keep going anyway?**

