

BANANA NEWS



GO DEEPER

BOTTOM LINE

GOD IS A PROMISE KEEPER

MEMORY VERSE

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect. *Romans 12:2 (NLT)*

DAILY DEVOTIONS

DAY 1: GOD'S 1st PROMISE TO NOAH

READ - Genesis 6:8-9, 17-18; 8:1, 15-16

Why does God promise to save Noah's family? How did God keep His promise to take care of Noah? God promised to take care of Noah and his family, and He did - even through the storm. What storms do you have in your life right now? Ask God to help you trust Him more.

DAY 2: GOD'S 2nd PROMISE TO NOAH

READ - Genesis 9:11-13

What 2nd promise did God make to Noah? God protected Noah and his family from the flood, keeping the promise He'd made to them. After the flood, God made a rainbow to symbolize His promise to never send a flood to destroy the entire earth again. Whenever we see a rainbow, we can remember that we serve a God who is a Promise Keeper.

DAY 3: BIBLICAL EXAMPLES THAT GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES

READ - Biblical Story Cards

Read the summary of promises God has made to people all throughout the Bible. Look up and read some of the stories in more detail. Which promise do you find the most amazing? Print and cut out the cards and keep them as a reminder that God is a Promise Keeper. You could even use your cards to play a matching game with your friends or family.

DAY 4: GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES TO US

READ - Deuteronomy 31:6, John 16:33, Psalm 50:15, Psalm 37:23-24

God has made many promises to us, and we can count on God to do what He says. Why does God keep his promises? Couldn't He break them if He wanted to? God keeps His promises because He's good. God keeps His promises because He never lies. God keeps His promises because He cares for us and loves us. Take time today and thank God for His promises to us!

DAY 5: GOD'S PROMISE TO SEND THE SAVIOR

READ - Isaiah 7:14; 9:6-7, Luke 2:11-14

Have you ever had to wait a long time for something someone promised you? Maybe you had to wait for a vacation or a special toy. How hard is it to wait? God promised the people of Israel that He would send a Savior. Do you know how long they had to wait? Hundreds of years! But did God keep His promise? Yes! Because God is a Promise Keeper.



Materials: Aluminum Foil, Coins, Paper, Origami Instructions (https://www.origamiway.com/origami-boat-2.shtml)

God instructed Noah to build a very specific type of boat. He entrusted Noah to build the ark so he, his family, and animals would be saved from the flood. Get creative and see if you can build a strong boat using the aluminum foil. Then test your boat in a sink or tub of water. Place coins in the boat to see how well your boat will stay afloat. Use the same foil and try again, making your boat a different shape. Which boat shape was able to hold more coins?

CHALLENGE: Origami Boat - God gave Noah specific instructions for building a boat big enough to hold Noah's family and at least two of every animal. Follow the instructions to make your own origami boats!



Materials: Long Strips of Paper, Thick Paper or Thin Cardboard, Scissors, Cotton Balls, Glue, Pen

God is a Promise Keeper. In Genesis, God used a rainbow to remind Noah of His promise. Make your own rainbow reminder of God's promises. Cut a cloud shape out of thick paper or cardboard. Cover it with glue and cotton balls. Next, color your paper strips so that one is each color of the rainbow. Then, write one promise on each of your colorful strips of paper. Attach paper strips to the back of your cloud. Hang your rainbow somewhere in your room to remind you that God is a Promise Keeper!

Promises:

- o Jeremiah 29:11 God has plans for you
- o Matthew 11:28 God will give you rest
- o Hebrews 13:5 God will never leave you
- o John 10:11 God is the Good Shepherd
- o 1 John 5:15 God listens to you
- o Psalm 32:8 God will guide you
- o Isaiah 41:10 God is your strength and help





Materials: Printed Pinwheel Template, Straw, Paper Brad

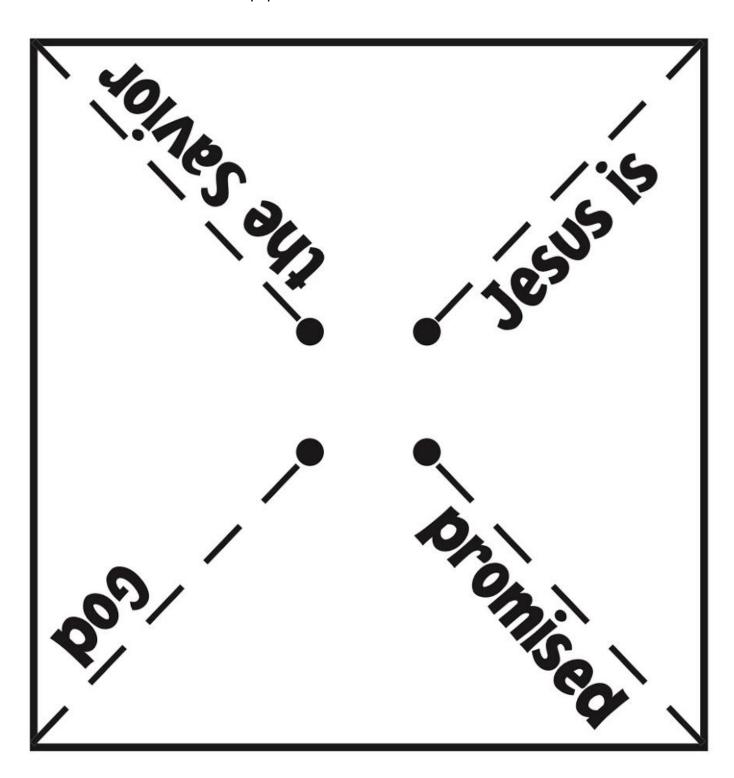
This pinwheel is to remind you that God keeps His promises. Your pinwheel will spin when the wind blows. You may have to wait for the wind, but it will come. When God gives us a promise, we may have to wait sometimes to see it happen, but we can trust that it will!

Print the template, and color the square. Cut out the square, and then carefully cut along the dotted lines, stopping at the dark circle. Fold every other corner to the center, leaving the corners with the words extended. Use a paper brad to fasten the folded corners to a straw.

Take your pinwheel outside and wait for the wind to blow. You may have to be patient, but when the wind comes you will see your pinwheel spin!

PINWHEEL PROMISE

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GOD PROMISES TO GIVE A CHILD TO ABRAHAM AND SARAH



ABRAHAM AND SARAH GIVE BIRTH TO A SON NAMED ISAAC



GOD PROMISES TO FREE THE ISRAELITES FROM SLAVERY AND LEAD THEM TO A NEW LAND



GOD SAVES HIS PEOPLE FROM THE EGYPTIANS AND GIVES THEM THE PROMISED LAND



GOD TELLS THE SHEPHERD BOY DAVID THAT HE WILL BE KING AFTER SAUL



GOD PROTECTS DAVID FROM SAUL AND DAVID BECOMES THE NEXT KING OF ISRAEL



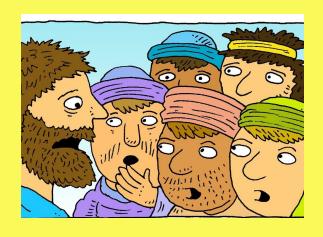
GOD PROMISES TO PROVIDE A SAVIOR



JESUS - GOD THE SON - OUR SAVIOR IS BORN



JESUS TELLS HIS DISCIPLES THAT HE WILL DIE



JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS FOR OUR SINS AND THEN COMES BACK TO LIFE AFTER 3 DAYS



JESUS PROMISES THAT HE WILL SEND HIS SPIRIT TO HIS FOLLOWERS



THE SPIRIT COMES UPON JESUS' FOLLOWERS IN JERUSALEM

