

BANANA NEWS



GO DEEPER

SPECIAL WORDS

MEMORY VERSE

HAVE FAITH

(MAKE CROSS WITH ARMS)

IN GOD

(POINT UP)

AND FOLLOW HIS INSTRUCTIONS

(WALK IN PLACE)

Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see.

Hebrews 11:1(NIRV)

DAILY DEVOTIONS

DAY 1: HALL OF FAITH

READ - Hebrews 11:7

https://tinyurl.com/handstorm *Create a rainstorm using your hands*. We need the rain, but sometimes storms can be scary. Some people call hard times we go through in life a "storm." This week's Hall of Faith champion is Noah. Noah survived the greatest storm of all time because of his faith. We can ask God to help us when things feel scary or hard like a storm. **Remember: Have Faith in God and Follow His Instructions**

DAY 2: ODD INSTRUCTIONS

READ - Genesis 6:11-22

God gave Noah specific instructions that probably seemed quite odd. Can you imagine building a boat and filling it with more animals than you would find at a zoo?!? God also gives us instructions in His Word, the Bible. When we read and follow God's instructions to us, sometimes they can seem odd. Like being kind to those who are mean to us or putting others needs before our own. But we can have faith in God and know He will always guide us in what is right and true. **Remember: Have Faith in God and Follow His Instructions**

DAY 3: DON'T GIVE UP

READ - Genesis 7:1-6, Galatians 6:9, Philippians 4:13

Have you ever put together a lego set? Even with the instructions it takes a lot of hard work to complete. God gave Noah instructions, but it still took a lot of hard work. But Noah didn't give up! Sometimes it may feel hard to follow God's instructions, but He will help you! When you feel tired, or like something is too hard to obey, you can ask God for His help. **Remember: Have Faith in God and Follow His Instructions**

DAY 4: FAITH IN THE WAITING

READ - Genesis 8:1, 15-19, James 1:12

Play a waiting game. Place a treat in front of your child and set a timer for 5 minutes. Tell them they need to wait before the timer goes off before they get to eat the treat. Was it easy or hard to wait for your treat? From the time when God closed the door of the ark until the earth was dry again was 1 year, 1 month, and 27 days! That's a really long time! Noah kept His faith in God even when he had to wait. If you were on the ark do you think you would struggle to trust God? **Remember: Have Faith in God and Follow His Instructions**

DAY 5: GOD HAS A PLAN

READ - Romans 3:23, 5:8, 6:23, 10:9, 10:13

God was going to destroy man because they had turned away from Him. But Noah had faith in God and followed His instructions, so God had a plan to save Noah and his family. Our sin, the wrong things we do, separate us from God. But God has a plan for us too. He offers us freedom and forgiveness from our sin through Jesus Christ! **Remember: Have Faith in God and Follow His Instructions**



Materials: Aluminum Foil, 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 or toys 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/toys?

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!



FEED THE BIRDS

Materials: Half Egg Carton, Markers, Birdseed, Yarn

Some of the instructions God gave to Noah included what food to bring onto the ark for the animals. Follow the instructions to create your own bird feeder. Remember Noah followed God's instruction and you can too!

- Cut the lid off of the egg box and then cut it in half across the middle.
- Cut a small hole in the two raised center bumps of the carton
- Use markers, stickers, and other craft supplies to decorate the bottom of the egg carton.
- Take your yarn and thread one end through each hole and then tie the ends together.
- Hang the carton on a tree brand.
- Fill each compartment with bird seeds.





CUDDLE CLOSE

Materials: None

Before bed pull your child close beside you and say, "I can follow God's instructions. I find them in the Bible!" As you tuck them into bed, sing, "I Trust in Him" (https://tinyurl.com/ITrustinHim). Then pray together, pausing after each phrase, to let your child repeat after you:

Dear God,

Thank you for the Bible.

Help me to choose to obey your instructions.

In Jesus' name, amen.