

**GO DEEPER**

**BOTTOM LINE**

**Have Faith in God and Follow His Instructions**

**MEMORY VERSE**

"Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see."  
**Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)**

**DAILY DEVOTIONS**

**DAY 1: HALL OF FAITH**

*READ - Hebrews 11:7*

Some people call hard times we go through in life a "storm." Sometimes life can feel full of rain and storms. But when we have faith in God and follow His instructions, we are able to stay afloat! This week's Hall of Faith champion is Noah. Noah survived the greatest flood of all time because of his faith. What things in your life feel hard right now? Take time and talk with God about the hard things you are facing. **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 on dry land or gathering more animals than would fill 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 the needs of others 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 and concentration to complete. God gave Noah instructions, but it still took a lot of hard work. But he 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*

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! Talk about a really long time to be stuck on a boat with a bunch of animals! But 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? Is there something in your life that you are struggling to trust God with? Keep your faith in God, He will not forget you! **Remember: Have Faith in God and Follow His Instructions**

**DAY 5: PLAN FOR SALVATION**

*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! But it takes faith and choosing to follow His instructions. **Remember: Have Faith in God and Follow His Instructions**



## FOLLOW THE 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!



## COMIC STRIP STORIES

*Materials: Paper, Markers*

Think of a time God showed that He was faithful in your life. God being faithful could look like...

- Being forgiven of your sin because of what Jesus did on the cross.
- Going to a new school and asking God for friends and He provided.
- Being sick or having a sick family member and asking God for healing and He did.
- Feeling scared after a nightmare, and asking God to help you be less afraid and you felt His peace. Etc

Take the story that you have thought of and turn it into a comic strip. Place one part of the story in each box. Then, share your comic strip story with someone and encourage them to have faith in God!.



## 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!

Put the lid off of the egg carton and then cut it in half across the middle.

Put 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 branch.

Fill each compartment with bird seeds.