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**Day 1**

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| **Faith Fact**  I will follow God’s Word.  **Faith Verse**  2 Timothy 3:16 (NLT)  All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true.  **Question of the Day: Why should I build my life on God’s Word?** |

**Read about It**

**Read:** Luke 6:47–49

Imagine that you are on a beach on a warm and sunny day. It’s a perfect day to build sandcastles. You gather your bucket and shovel and build the most beautiful sandcastle anyone has ever seen. Then, a giant wave comes crashing out of nowhere and demolishes your sandcastle, sweeping it bit by bit into the water with the following waves.

Now, think about this: What would have happened if, instead of building your sandcastle of sand, you had built it with big rocks using an even bigger rock as the base? A strong castle made of rocks isn’t going to be knocked over easily by the waves. It’s going to stand strong because it’s stronger than the waves.

It’s important for us to build our lives on something strong too—God’s Word. When we spend time in God’s Word and choose to follow Him, we can stand firm on the truths found in God’s Word. When hard times come or when we are tempted to do something wrong, we can know that He will speak to us and guide us to help us make the right choices.

**Talk about It**

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| **Question 1.** What happened to the house that was built on the rock?  **Answer 1.** It stood firm. (Luke 6:48) |
| **Question 2.** What happened to the house that was not built on the rock?  **Answer 2.** The house collapsed. (Luke 6:49) |
| **Question 3.** Why is it important to build your life upon God’s Word?  **Answer 3.** Answers will vary. |
| **Question 4.** What sometimes stops you from spending time with God?  **Answer 4.** Answers will vary. |
| **Question 5.** What can you do during the week to help you find time to spend with God?  **Answer 5.** Answers will vary. |

**Pray about It**

God, thank You for Your Word that gives us direction and shows us how to live. Help us to not just read and listen to Your Word, but help us to follow it. May our lives be built upon the firm foundation that is Your Word. Amen.

**Day 2**

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| **Faith Fact**  I will follow God’s Word.  **Faith Verse**  2 Timothy 3:16 (NLT)  All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true.  **Question of the Day: How can I know which way God wants me to go?** |

**Read about It**

**Read**: Joshua 1:6–9

Have you ever been hiking? On a hike, you might take a map with all the directions you need to get to the end of the hike. You’ll probably also see warning signs that give clear instructions to stay on the path. This is because if you leave the path that has been marked, you could easily become lost, find yourself in a dangerous spot, and not finish your hike at the intended destination.

God has given us a map with very clear instructions on how to follow the path He has planned for our lives. That map is His Word, the Bible. When we are careful to study His Word, we can understand and walk boldly in the path that He wants us to take. We can be strong and courageous and follow God’s Word with all our heart!

**Talk about It**

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| **Question 1.** How is being on a hike like following God’s Word?  **Answer 1.** Answers will vary. |
| **Question 2.** How often should we study God’s instructions?  **Answer 2.** Continually (Joshua 1:8) |
| **Question 3.** How can we prosper and be successful in life?  **Answer 3.** By studying God’s Word, meditating on it, and obeying everything in it (Joshua 1:8) |
| **Question 4.** When have you had a hard time being strong and courageous when it came to following God’s Word?  **Answer 4.** Answers will vary. |
| **Question 5.** What can you do to increase your courage?  **Answer 5.** Answers will vary. |

**Pray about It**

God, thank You for helping me be strong and courageous. Help me to follow Your Word and stay on the path that leads to You. I love You. Amen.

**Day 3**

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| **Faith Fact**  I will follow God’s Word.  **Faith Verse**  2 Timothy 3:16 (NLT)  All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true.  **Question of the Day: Why should I allow God’s Word to guide me?** |

**Read about It**

**Read:** Psalm 119:101–105

A lighthouse is usually a tall tower built near a body of water. The lighthouse has a bright light that burns on top of it. Lighthouse lights are used in the dark of night to warn passing ships about dangerous rocks and cliffs or to help guide boats into a safe harbor.

Today’s verses talk about how God’s Word is a lamp to guide our feet and a light for our path. Sometimes life can be dark, difficult, and filled with tough decisions and situations that we don’t know how to handle. When we follow God’s instructions and remain obedient to His Word, He will show us the path that leads to everlasting life with Him.

**Talk about It**

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| **Question 1.** Why are lighthouses important to boats on the water?  **Answer 1.** Answers may vary. |
| **Question 2**. What two things does Psalm 119:105 compare God’s Word to?  **Answer 2.** A lamp and a light |
| **Question 3.** How is God’s Word working in our lives similar to how a lighthouse works?  **Answer 3.** Answers will vary. |
| **Question 4.** What can happen when we don’t allow God’s Word’s to guide our feet and light our path?  **Answer 4.** Answers will vary. |
| **Question 5.** In what part of your life do you need to follow God’s Word more?  **Answer 5.** Answers will vary. |

**Pray about It**

God, we thank You for Your Word that leads us and guides us into all the things You desire for us. Help us to follow You and be obedient to every instruction You’ve given us. Amen.

**Day 4**

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| **Faith Fact**  I will follow God’s Word.  **Faith Verse**  2 Timothy 3:16 (NLT)  All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true.  **Question of the Day: Why is it important to know God’s Word?** |

**Read about It**

**Read:** Psalm 119:11

There are many movies and books that tell exciting stories about the ocean, ships at sea, and pirates who search for priceless buried treasure. These stories tell about the great lengths that pirates would go to for valuable treasure. The stories tell how pirates would do everything in their power to guard it, protect it, and keep it when they find it.

God’s Word is a special treasure that He gives to us freely. We can guard ourselves from sin by treasuring and storing His Word in our heart and allowing it to change us into the person He wants us to be. When we hide God’s Word in our heart by reading and studying it, it becomes part of who we are. We can follow it by living and doing what it says.

**Talk about It**

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| **Question 1.** How is God’s Word like a treasure?  **Answer 1.** Answers will vary. |
| **Question 2.** Why should we hide God’s Word in our heart?  **Answer 2.** So we don’t sin against Him (Psalm 119:11) |
| **Question 3.** How can we hide God’s Word in our hearts?  **Answer 3.** By reading it, studying it, memorizing it, and thinking about it |
| **Question 4**. How can knowing God’s Word help us when we are tempted to sin?  **Answer 4.** Answers will vary. |
| **Question 5.** Why is it sometimes difficult to follow God’s Word?  **Answer 5**. Answers will vary. |

**Pray about It**

God, thank You that Your Word is always true. Help me to know and experience Your Word for myself. Amen.