

HEY FAMILIES!

This month's theme is:



Here's what we're learning:



Monthly Memory Verse

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. Romans 15:13

Jacob and Esau (Genesis 25:24-34; 27-28)

Week 1

Brite Idea: God gives us hope.

He Question: Why is God the God of hope?

God is the Lord of the universe. Not only is He in control of everything, but He is also good and loving. He keeps His promises to His people.

We Question: What does hope mean for us?

Hope is being able to look ahead and trust that everything will be okay. When we trust in Jesus, we can have hope because He has made a way for us to have eternal life and one day He will make everything new again.

Joseph (Genesis 40-41)

Week 2

Brite Idea: God gives hope for the future.

He Question: Does God know the future?

God is omniscient, which means He knows everything — past, present, and future. Time and events are in His control. He has a plan, and His plan is good.

We Question: How can we have hope when things don't go our way?

God has a plan for His people and for the whole world. He often works in ways we don't understand, but He has a plan that is good for His people and brings Him glory.

Birth of Moses (Exodus 1-2)

Week 3

Brite Idea: God's hope is unstoppable.

He Question: What is greater than God?

Nothing and no one is greater than God. He is the most powerful and wisest of all.

We Question: If God's plan is unstoppable, why do His people get hurt?

Because our world is broken by sin, bad things happen to everyone. But nothing can stop God's plan. He is good and can heal our hurt and use our hurt to help others.

Plagues (Exodus 7-12)

Week 4

Brite Idea: God is in control of all things.

He Question: What does God have control over?

God has control over absolutely everything. He created it all and He is in charge of it all.

We Question: How is life different when we realize God is in control?

We have hope because even when things seem scary and broken around us, we know that God is in charge. We can live boldly, without fear of our circumstances.

The Red Sea (Exodus 13:17-22; 14)

Week 5

Brite Idea: God makes a way when things feel hopeless.

He Question: Why would God help His people?

God loves His people deeply. He rescues us to bring us into a relationship with Him and to show His glory.

We Question: What can we do when we realize we need help?

Whenever we are afraid, we can trust that God is with us. He knows our situation, and He knows what is best. We can always pray to Him and seek His way.

FAMILY CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY & SATURDAY
REMEMBER & RESPOND	WONDER & DISCUSS	EXPLORE	REVIEW	PUT INTO PRACTICE	PREPARE AHEAD
<p>WEEK 1 -----</p> <p>Brite Idea: God gives us hope. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: Psalm 39:7 Who is our hope?</p>	<p>Play "Follow the Leader" and talk about how living like Jesus and looking to Him give us hope.</p>	<p>ROMANS 15:13 What does joy and peace feel like?</p>	<p>Find something worn or broken in your home. Work together to "redeem" it and make it like new.</p>	<p>Hold hands and run in a zigzag path. Then run in a straight path. READ TOGETHER: Hebrews 10:23 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p>WEEK 2 -----</p> <p>Brite Idea: God gives hope for the future. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: Jeremiah 29:11 What do you think God's plans for you might be?</p>	<p>Draw a family collage of how you think God's future for your family might look.</p>	<p>ROMANS 15:13 Who gives us hope?</p>	<p>Write "God gives hope for my future" on the Dec. 31 square of your calendars. Pray over the coming year together.</p>	<p>Make and decorate a picture frame for a family portrait with the reference, Jeremiah 29:11. READ TOGETHER: Genesis 41 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p>WEEK 3 -----</p> <p>Brite Idea: God's hope is unstoppable. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: Job 42:2 What can stop God's plan for us?</p>	<p>Play "Red Light, Green Light" or "Freeze Tag" as a family. Talk about how God's plan can't be stopped.</p>	<p>ROMANS 15:13 How does knowing that God's plan is unstoppable bring us joy and peace?</p>	<p>Write "God's hope is unstoppable" on rocks and decorate with markers or paint. Leave them around your neighborhood for people to discover.</p>	<p>Use sticks to make your own woven basket like Baby Moses's. READ TOGETHER: Exodus 1:15-2:9 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p>WEEK 4 -----</p> <p>Brite Idea: God is in control of all things. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: Matthew 8:27 What did the miracle in this verse teach the disciples about Jesus?</p>	<p>Play "Simon Says" or "Mother, May I?" as a family. Talk about how God is always in control.</p>	<p>ROMANS 15:13 How does knowing that God is in control give us hope?</p>	<p>Show the love of Jesus to someone who is going through brokenness. Rake their yard, bring them cookies or write a kind note to them.</p>	<p>Hide pictures or items around the house that represent each of the plagues. Go on a hunt together and talk about each item. READ TOGETHER: Exodus 7-12 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p>WEEK 5 -----</p> <p>Brite Idea: God makes a way when things feel hopeless. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: Isaiah 41:10 How does it make you feel to know that God is with you?</p>	<p>Make a Red Sea out of food and part it!</p>	<p>ROMANS 15:13 How does God give us hope when we feel hopeless?</p>	<p>Talk about something happening in your life that feels hopeless. Pray together over these concerns.</p>	<p>Record ways you see God fighting for you. Store them in a "Fear Not Box." READ TOGETHER: Exodus 14:13-14 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>