



RLA Kids Weekly Devotional Guide

September 20, 2020

Remember: this guide is meant to help facilitate conversations and engagement with Jesus throughout the week, so don't feel like you need to do this all in one day!

What We're Learning This Week

“THE BOOK OF NUMBERS” NUMBERS

Our lesson this week is an overview of the book of Numbers, the next book of the Bible that we will be going through together as a church. The book talks about God's presence with His people in the midst of the wilderness they find themselves in.

Before we meet together on Sunday

- Initiate and/or continue conversations as a family regarding everything going on in our world today, how your kids are feeling and processing it all, and how they can still trust in the promises of God through it all. Read through the [Family Resources for Current Events](#) page for equipping and resources for all of that.

After the kids watch the video on Sunday

Discipleship Through Scripture and Conversation

- Talk to your kids about the Bible lesson they watched on video. Ask them to explain what they learned/what stuck out to them in the video, and expand upon the truths of the Bible that they are bringing up. Some helpful conversations this week could be:
 1. The Book of Numbers takes place after the Exodus from Egypt but before the Israelites reach the Promised Land, as the people are wandering through the wilderness.
 - What promises had God made to His people at this point in Scripture? What ways do we see God keeping His promises, and what ways does it seem like He is not?
 - What does the wilderness represent in the Bible? What ways is it unlike God's perfect plan for the world? How does this setting feel relevant to our lives today?
 2. Talk together as a family about some of the big themes we will be seeing in our journey through the book of Numbers.
 - God is faithful to His people and to His covenants.
 - God is merciful, but He also righteously judges sin.
 - God is with His people in the wilderness.

3. Additional resources for Preteen students:

- Watch [this video](#) from the Bible Project on the book of Numbers.

Discipleship through prayer

- Spend time this week praying through the major themes from the book of Numbers that we talked about in the episode. Talk to God, wrestle with Him, and pray through the big questions that the wilderness brings up (Why is this so hard? Where is God in all this?) Continue to pray for everything surrounding the coronavirus and racial equality in our country - for safety, for healing, for unity, and for specific people you can serve as a family.
- Ask each member of your family - adults included - to share one thing they would like prayer over. Have someone to pray for that person's request. Encourage your family to pray for that person for the entire week.

What's Coming Up?

- Follow us on Instagram for daily story time! Our handle is [@RealityLAKids](#)
- Stay connected by joining the [RLA Kids page on RLA Connect](#)
- Continue to be informed through the [Family Resources for Current Events](#) page for equipping and resources for all of that.

Do Your Kids Have Questions About the Video? Want to See Something on the Videos?

We love hearing from you! You can email kids@realityla.com at any time with any feedback or questions that your kids have about the video lesson (or any of your thoughts)...we would love to read some on our next video and answer them! We also them want to see us be silly, so send suggestions in and we will see what we can do. We also love to be praying with and alongside your family, so please send over prayer requests as well (those will be kept off screen, we just want to pray with and for you.)