



RLA Kids Weekly Devotional Guide

November 8, 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

“IS GOD TRUSTWORTHY?”
NUMBERS 20:10-13

More complaining, rebelling, and distrusting God by the people of Israel - but this time, Moses and Aaron also disobey God! After complaining about not having water, Moses pray to God and He tells them to speak to a rock; after they do, water will flow from it. Moses reached the end of his rope - he lashed out at the people and called them rebels. He angrily reacted and said “I guess Aaron and I have to provide water for you again, huh?” and then struck the rock instead of speaking to it. Moses put himself in God's place and forgot that it was God who provides for His people, not Moses. God wants us to trust him and obey him. We learn that like the people of Israel, we complain and fail to trust him like he wants us to. But because Jesus lived sinlessly, died on the cross and rose from the grave, we can enter into God's presence - eternal life - through him!

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 people of Israel continued to complain and distrust God, and Moses finally fell into disobedience and sin himself.**
 - What ways had God already shown His faithfulness and trustworthiness to the Israelites while they were in the desert? What does that show about who He is and His character?
 - What were some of the things wrong about Moses' heart and Moses' actions? How did God put himself in God's place? What promises of God was Moses forgetting? Was God's punishment of Moses fair?

2. God desires for us to trust and obey Him. We constantly fail at that, but there is still good news.

- What ways do we fall short of trusting God and His promises? What do we deserve as a consequence for our failure?
- How does Jesus' life, death, and resurrection redeem us? What do we need to do to earn it?

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 praising God for the ways that He has provided for His people and the ways He has shown Himself to be trustworthy. Pray for hearts of obedience that come from the freedom we have in Christ. Continue to pray for everything surrounding the coronavirus, the election, 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 in 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.)