



# Reality LA Kids Weekly Devotional Guide

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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

### "ISRAEL'S UNFAITHFULNESS"

After the death of Joshua, God's people repeatedly turned from Him. The judges saved the people from the consequences of their sin, but not the cause of it. God's plan was to one day send a true Deliverer—Jesus, His own Son—to be the King of His people. Jesus saves people from sin forever.

## Discipleship Through Scripture + Conversation

Talk to your kids about the Bible lesson. Ask them to explain what they learned/what stuck out to them, and expand upon the truths of the Bible that they are bringing up. Some helpful conversations this week could be:

- 1. After Joshua died, the Israelites fell into a pattern: sin, bondage, crying out to God, and deliverance. Sin always led to bondage.**
  - Why is it important to obey God's law and how do we set our hearts on his law and not on sin? (Supplemental verses: Joshua 2:10b; Deuteronomy 11:18-20; Proverbs 2:1-5)
  - One of the main ways the Israelites sinned was by worshipping other gods. What are things that you worship that are not God? How do we become free from the bondage of sin? What does it mean to repent from sin?
- 2. Crying out to God led to God delivering his people.**
  - What does it look like to "cry out" to God? God's timing is not often fast enough for us, therefore, how do you take courage and maintain hope when he is "slow" to answer?
  - Who has God provided as our ultimate deliverer? What does that mean for us? How should we respond to this good news?

## Discipleship Through Prayer

Spend time this week praising God that He fights for and leads His people. Pray for God to reveal areas of your heart that you are prone to turn away from Him and His goodness, ask Him to reveal why, and repent of those things. Pray for a trust in God's plans and victory, Pray for God to allow the truths of the Gospel to become real to you and to others and to help you turn from sin.

Continue to pray for everything surrounding the coronavirus, politics, gun violence, 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 for. 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 all of our RLA Kids news! Our handle is [@RealityLAKids](#)
- Stay connected on big events and announcements 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 Scripture or Anything in the Teaching?

We love hearing from you! You can email [kids@realityla.com](mailto:kids@realityla.com) at any time with any feedback or questions that your kids have about the Bible lesson, or send us any of your thoughts. We also love to be praying with and alongside your family, so please send over prayer requests as well.