

# FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

Make me  
beautiful!

Show the love,  
add some colour!

Me too!

# ACTIVITY

Look at me.  
I see.

Me two  
too.

# PACK 2

Make me the most  
beautiful!

## SERIES 2 FAITH





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## ABOUT THIS PACK

### WHO MADE IT?

This resource was created by Olly Goldenberg from Children Can, to accompany our daily podcasts.

### HOW CAN I USE IT?

You can use this activity pack and the podcasts however you want. You can:

- Just listen to the podcast
- Use the podcast to provoke discussion
- Use them as part of a daily family devotion. It might look something like this:
- Worship together singing some songs from the internet.
  - Listen to the podcast
  - Use the 'Discuss' or 'Dig deeper' sections of this pack
  - Do the action from this pack
  - Respond in prayer and take time to listen to God
  - Do one of the activities from this pack.

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## EPISODE 6: FAITH DEFINED

### DISCUSS

- What did you discover from today's podcast?
- Can you think of any example of people acting by faith?
- What is possible by faith?

### Go DEEPER

These Bible verses were mentioned in today's podcast.

- Hebrews 11:1

Read this passage carefully: 2 Kings 4:1–7. Whenever you study the Bible it is always good to ask these questions about the passage:

- What do we learn about God?
- What do we learn about people?
- What does God want me to ask or think from this passage?

You might want to ask these questions too:

- What was the widow's need?
- If the widow did not believe God was speaking through Elisha what would she have done differently?
- The widow had to use her ears and her hands to see a miracle. Think about how we have to use our ears and hands to act by faith and see God move.

### ACTIONS

Talk about a problem you are facing which seems impossible. What does God want to happen in this situation? What do you need to do about it? Step out in faith.

**ACTIVITIES**

**GROUP ACTIVITY: THE TRUST FALL**

One person stands behind another. The person in the front closes their eyes and falls backwards – will they trust that the person behind them will catch them or will they move their feet and open their eyes before they are caught?

**PUZZLE: THE HALL OF FAITH**

Each clue in this crossword is a verse from Hebrews chapter 11. Write the person of faith as the answer to the clue. Be careful: there are six people from verse 32 – do all the other clues first and then see if you can work out where to put each of their names.

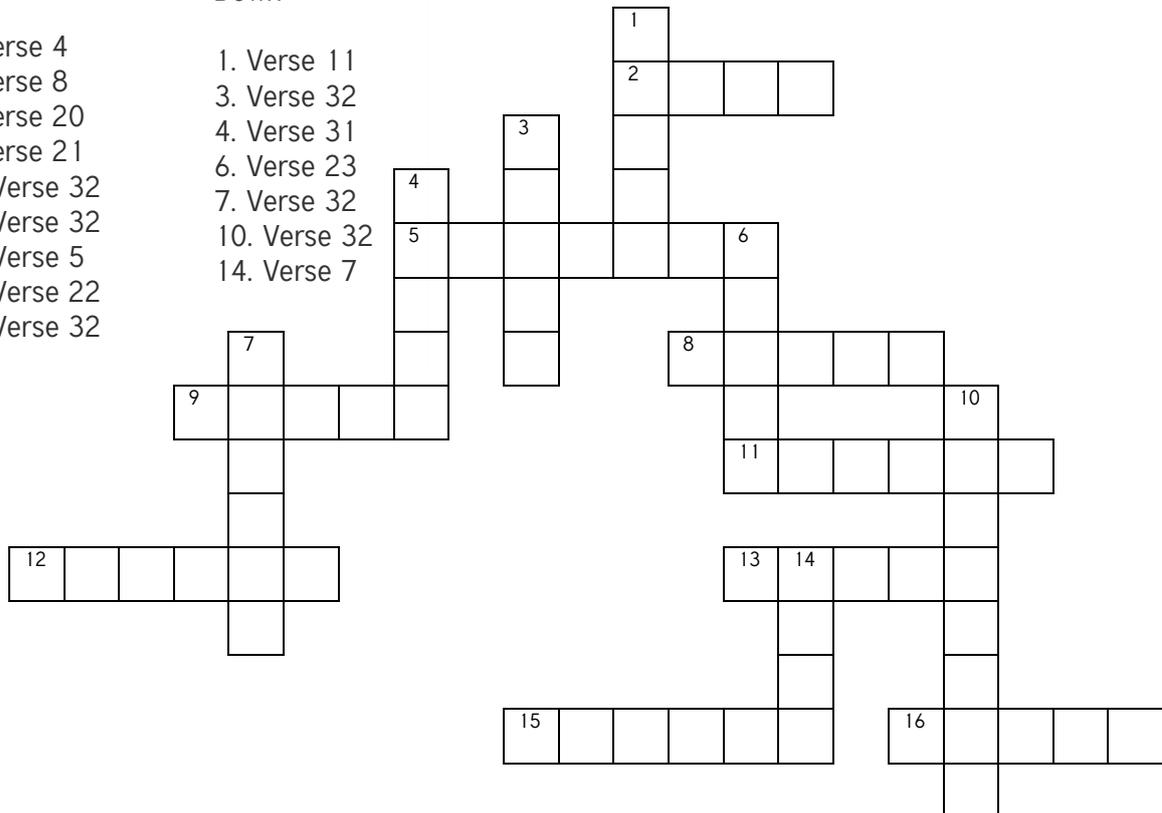
**CLUES**

Across

- 2. Verse 4
- 5. Verse 8
- 8. Verse 20
- 9. Verse 21
- 11. Verse 32
- 12. Verse 32
- 13. Verse 5
- 15. Verse 22
- 16. Verse 32

Down

- 1. Verse 11
- 3. Verse 32
- 4. Verse 31
- 6. Verse 23
- 7. Verse 32
- 10. Verse 32
- 14. Verse 7



**Go AND Do IT: GOD DID IT**

Decorate a notebook to keep a record of all the things that God has done for you and your family. You might record things by writing them down, drawing a picture or sticking in something to remember what God did (like the receipt from a free meal he gave you).

## EPISODE 7: PLEASING GOD

### DISCUSS

- What did you discover from today's podcast?
- Why is it impossible to please God without faith?
- What does it look like when someone has faith?

### Go DEEPER

These Bible verses were mentioned in today's podcast.

- Hebrews 11:1-6
- Romans 4:3

Read this passage carefully: Genesis 22:1-19. You might want to act it out as you read it. Whenever you study the Bible it is always good to ask these questions about the passage:

- What do we learn about God?
- What do we learn about people?
- What does God want me to ask or think from this passage?

You might want to ask these questions too:

- What would have other people have thought about Abraham if they knew what he planned to do?
- How can we be sure God if it is God speaking to us?

### ACTIONS

Ask God for one thing he wants you to do – this may be linked to something you are asking God for or it may be something totally different. It may be something God wants you to change or somebody God wants you to help. Make sure you do what he asks you to do today.

**ACTIVITIES**

**GROUP ACTIVITY: EGG DROP**

You will need an egg, straws, masking tape and other packaging materials. Use the materials to build a structure on the floor that can catch an egg. When you have finished, see if it will catch an egg from the height of the tallest person, without cracking.

**PUZZLE: SUDOKU FAITH**

Each large squares, row and column should contain all 4 of the words below:

See  
Hope  
Love  
Trust

Hope	See	Love	
			See
Love			Hope
	Hope		

Now try this harder one (Hint: if you get stuck try switching the words for numbers).

Faith  
God  
Grow

Hope  
Jesus  
Love

Please  
Prayer  
Trust

	Love				Faith		Prayer	
				Jesus	Prayer	God		Grow
Grow		God	Love					
	Trust			Prayer	Jesus		Grow	
Prayer			Hope		God	Love		
		Hope	Grow		Love		Trust	
					Grow	Jesus	God	Trust
God					Hope		Faith	Please
	Jesus	Please			Trust		Hope	

**Go AND Do IT: PLANT A FAITH SEED**

Get some seeds (like water cress) and plant them. As you watch them grow each day ask God to grow your faith too.

## EPISODE 8: HOW TO GET FAITH

### DISCUSS

- What did you discover from today's podcast?
- What do you need to do to grow in faith?
- Write a list of all the things that you can think of that God says he will do in the Bible.

### GO DEEPER

These Bible verses were mentioned in today's podcast.

- Hebrews 11
- Romans 10:17

Read this passage carefully: 2 Timothy 3:16–17. Whenever you study the Bible it is always good to ask these questions about the passage:

- What do we learn about God?
- What do we learn about people?
- What does God want me to ask or think from this passage?

You might want to ask these questions too:

- Make up an action for each of the four things mentioned in verse 16 that Scripture does.
- Examine verse 17 – Think who does Scripture affect, in what way, for what purpose.

### ACTIONS

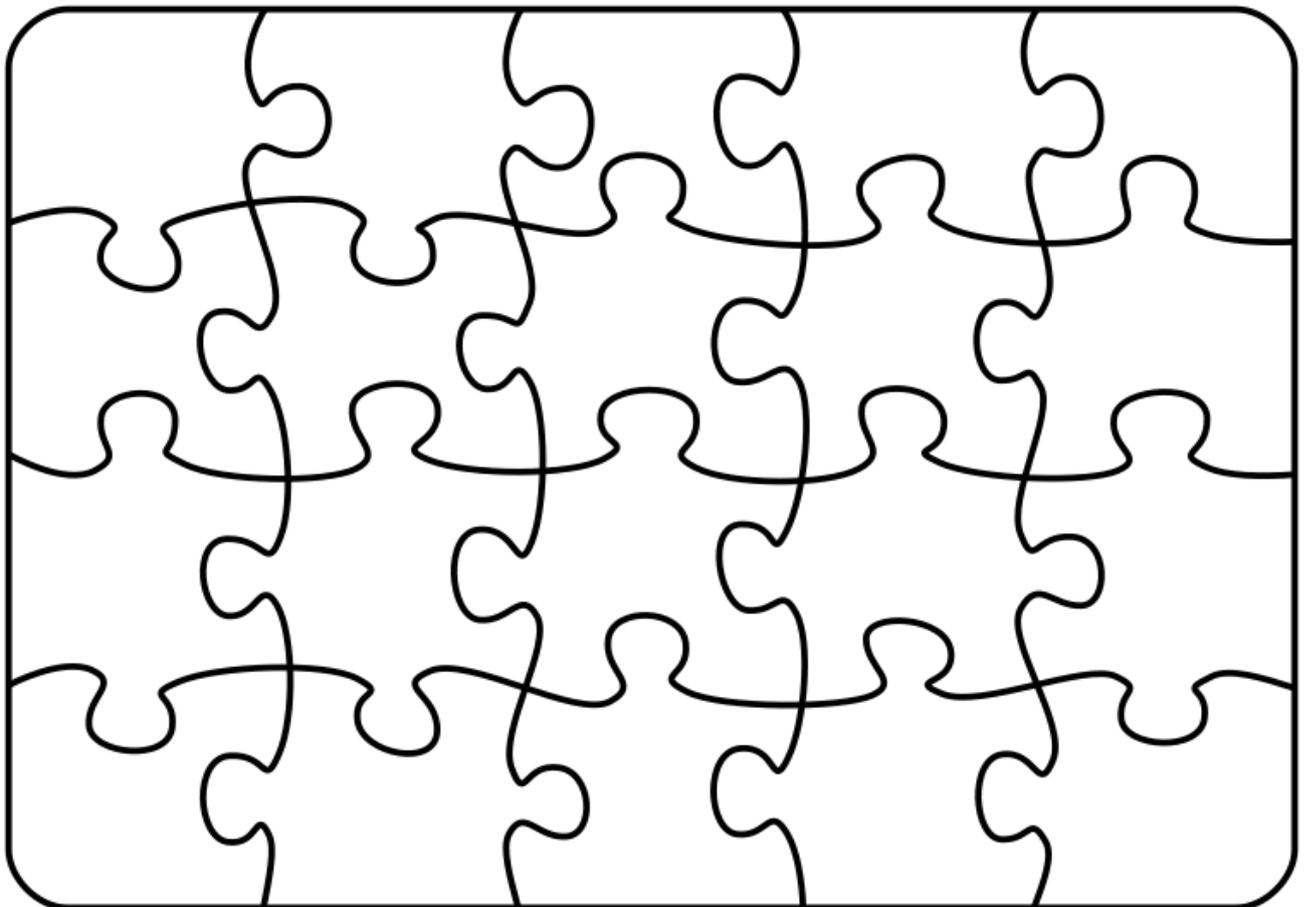
Read the Bible every day. Download or create a Bible reading plan for the next month and mark off as you read it each day.

**ACTIVITIES****GROUP ACTIVITY: SILENT CHARADES**

Choose one person to start. They must think of the title to a book, movie or song to act out. Using only actions they have two minutes to act out the title while others try to guess. If you have eight or more people, create two teams to play against each other.

**PUZZLE: JIGSAW**

Create your own jigsaw using the template below. You could draw a picture of your face (but don't draw on your face.) Print the template on card, then draw and colour a picture on it. When you have finished, cut along the lines and enjoy making and remaking your very own jigsaw puzzle.

**Go AND Do IT: DINNER TIME**

In today's story, Simon loved sausages. His three favourite meals were: Sausage and mash, sausage casserole or sausage crumble. Look up the recipe for one of these meals in a book or on the internet then make it for dinner.

## EPISODE 9: FAITH IN THE STORM

### DISCUSS

- What did you discover from today's podcast?
- What kind of storms do people face in life?
- How can you rejoice when bad things happen?

### Go DEEPER

These Bible verses were mentioned in today's podcast.

- Romans 5:1–5
- James 1:2–8
- John 9:1–12

Act out all of John chapter 9, then read this part carefully: John 9:35–41. Whenever you study the Bible it is always good to ask these questions about the passage:

- What do we learn about God?
- What do we learn about people?
- What does God want me to ask or think from this passage?

You might want to ask these questions too:

- What does Jesus mean by seeing people will become blind?
- Why does Jesus say the Pharisees are guilty?
- What did the blind man do differently to the Pharisee and how can you copy him?

### ACTIONS

Find someone who is going through a hard time. Make a card for them and give it to them then offer to pray for them and expect God to change things in their life.

## ACTIVITIES

### GROUP ACTIVITY: MAKE A STORM

Sit in a circle with one person as the leader. When the leader does an action the person sitting to their left has to copy them and so on until everyone is doing the same action. Then when the leader chooses they can switch to the next action and watch it change around the circle.

These are the actions for the leader to do in order: 1. Silence, 2. Rub hands (Wind), 3. Pat thighs (Light rain), 4. Snap fingers (Rain showers), 5. Clap hands (Heavy rain), 6. Stomp feet and clap hands (Thunder), 7. Clap hands (Heavy rain), 8. Snap fingers (Rain showers), 9. Pat thighs (Light rain), 10. Rub hands (Wind), 11. Silence.

### PUZZLE: LOGIC PUZZLE

There are four children, Abi, Ben, Charles and Matthew that are aged 7, 8, 9 or 10. Each child has a favourite season: Spring, Summer, Autumn or Winter. Use the clues below to figure out how old each child is and what their favourite season is.

	7	8	9	10	Spring	Summer	Autumn	Winter
Abi								
Ben								
Charles								
Matthew								
Spring								
Summer								
Autumn								
Winter								

Clues:

1. The ten-year-old is a girl and does not like Autumn.
2. Ben is the youngest and likes Spring.
3. Charles is one year older than Matthew.
4. The 8-year-old likes Summer.

### GO AND DO IT: BOAT IN THE STORM

Paint a picture of a storm. At the very bottom of the picture staple blue paper with a wavy line. Cut out and decorate a small boat and stick it onto a craft stick. Then paint a picture of a storm on a large piece of paper.

When the picture has dried, make a blue piece of paper the same width as your picture, but a quarter of the height. Cut it with a wavy line at the top and staple it either side of your picture at the bottom. Then put the stick of the boat in the gap in between the wave and the storm and make it sail.

## EPISODE 10: OBEYING ORDERS

### DISCUSS

- What did you discover from today's podcast?
- How do our emotions and feelings help us?
- How can we make sure we are led by the Holy Spirit?

### GO DEEPER

These Bible verses were mentioned in today's podcast.

- Galatians 5:17–18
- Romans 8:14
- John 15:14

Read this passage carefully: Acts 16:6–10. Whenever you study the Bible it is always good to ask these questions about the passage:

- What do we learn about God?
- What do we learn about people?
- What does God want me to ask or think from this passage?

You might want to ask these questions too:

- What places did Paul and his friends not go to and why?
- How did the Holy Spirit show them they should go to Macedonia?
- How do you think the Holy Spirit stopped them from going places?

### ACTIONS

Take a moment to listen to the Holy Spirit. Start by worshipping God with a song (don't just sing it, but sing it to God). Then close your eyes, keep thinking about God and ask him if there is something he wants you to do. Wait for a moment and see if any thoughts pop into your head.

Don't forget to act on anything the Holy Spirit says to you.

## ACTIVITIES

### GROUP ACTIVITY: LAST SUNDAY I ...

The first person starts with this phrase: Last Sunday I ... then they add one action (like brushed my teeth, ate my breakfast, read the Bible, etc.). The next person repeats what they said and adds one more action to the list.

### PUZZLE: EMOTICON PUZZLE

																	
A	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	L	M	N	O	P	R	S	T	U	W

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Romans 8:14

### GO AND DO IT: FACE PAINTING

Find some face paints and paint your face as well as the face of anyone else who is willing to volunteer.