

Faith At Home

Welcome to “Faith at Home” resources. Each week we will be sending your family a pdf like this one with a theme word, memory verse, Bible story, family devotion, and family activities.

The word of the week is **Seek!**

Overview

Key Word: Seek -the action of looking for or wanting to find God

Message: When we look for God, He finds us.

Memory Verse: “Those who know your name trust in you, for you, LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you.” – Psalm 9:10 NIV

Bible Story

Zacchaeus Seeks Jesus and Jesus Found Him

Luke 19:1-10 NIV

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man named Zacchaeus lived there. He was a chief tax collector and was very rich. Zacchaeus wanted to see who Jesus was. But he was a short man. He could not see Jesus because of the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree. He wanted to see Jesus, who was coming that way.

Jesus reached the spot where Zacchaeus was. He looked up and said, “Zacchaeus, come down at once. I must stay at your house today.” So Zacchaeus came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

All the people saw this. They began to whisper among themselves. They said, “Jesus has gone to be the guest of a sinner.”

But Zacchaeus stood up. He said, “Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of what I own to those who are poor. And if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay it back. I will pay back four times the amount I took.”

Jesus said to Zacchaeus, “Today salvation has come to your house. You are a member of Abraham’s family line. The Son of Man came to look for the lost and save them.”

Family Devotional

This week the Faith @ Home story is about Zacchaeus. What happened in the story? Do you have any questions about the story? If so, what?

How did Zacchaeus SEEK Jesus?

Why did Jesus want to be friends with Zacchaeus?

Why do you think Jesus' friendship changed Zacchaeus?

How can we seek Jesus?

Hide and Seek – Family Game

Have a family game of hide and seek.

For a twist, have the Seeker countdown like normal and begin to look for those hiding while the hiders now try to sneak up on and tag seeker.

Backyard Scavenger Hunt – Family Challenge

In your own backyard or a nearby nature trail have your family SEEK the items on the Nature Scavenger Hunt pdf. If the item is living leave it there for others to enjoy.

Wax Leaf Rubbings– Preschool Fun

Materials:

- Unwrapped wax crayons
- A few leaves of different sizes and shapes
- White printer paper
- Optional: newspaper

Work on a table, set down a large sheet of newspaper to cover the creative craft area. Place down a single leaf upside down (or a few leaves in a pattern you like). Place the white paper over the leaf. Using the side of the wax crayon gently rub over the white paper to pick up the texture and shape of the leaves below. You can find a good example in this YouTube video:

<https://youtu.be/OvegBhx8510>