

Cliffhanger: The story isn't over

Use this guide to help your family learn how God can help us have grit.



First, watch this week's video!

Grit: Refusing to give up when life gets hard

Memory Verse

"Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up." Galatians 6:9, NIV

Bible Story

Burning Bush and the 10 Plagues
Exodus 3-6:12, 7-12:42

Key Question

When have you been through a hard time?

Activity

20 Questions

What You Need:

scrap paper; pencil

What You Do:

Before the activity, write down the names of several famous people or characters. You can choose from this list or come up with some of your own.

- Buzz Lightyear
- Mickey Mouse
- Elsa
- Darth Vader
- Superman
- Charlie Brown
- Mary Poppins
- Cinderella

Then, mix together the names in a bowl and have your child draw a name without looking at it and hand you the name for you to see. Then, have them ask yes-or-no questions in order to reveal who they "are."

For example,

- "Am I a cartoon character?"
- "Am I female?"
- "Was I in Disney movie?"

They can only ask 20 yes-or-no questions to figure out who they are. Repeat for as many rounds for as long as time allows. Once you're finished with the activity, say, "That was a challenging game! When the game got started, you had no idea whose name you were going to draw. Thankfully, God knows every little detail of every part of our lives and who we are."



Talk About the Bible Story

How would you have felt if you had been Moses and saw a burning bush *talking* to you?

When does it feel like it would be easier to just give up? (*ie: during a particularly challenging football practice, studying for a really big math test, or while completing a long list of chores at home*)

How does it feel in the middle of something hard, when you're not sure how things will turn out?

Parent: Share a story of a time when you knew God was with you. Make sure your kid knows that even though what you were going through was hard, God knew what you were going through, and was with you the whole time.



Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, we know that in your Word, You encourage us to not grow tired of doing good, and that at the right time we will gather a crop if we do not give up. Thank you for understanding the details of our lives. We know we can trust you, and that we can hold on because You know every detail of our situation and your presence is always with us. We love You. In Jesus' name, Amen."