



PERSEVERE

**FALL 2020
DEVOTIONAL**

Hey RidgeKids! Hey Parents!

Are you ready to PERSEVERE this Fall? Persevere is a church-wide challenge to move closer to God. It is our hope that each of our RidgeKids will accept the challenge to Persevere each week through this Fall Devo.

Each week is full of daily activities for you to engage and spend time with God from watching the video, reading the story, learning the memory verse, applying what you learned to how you live, and a fun perseverance challenge. Each week we will also have a prayer prompt for John who is the Compassion child from Kenya who we sponsor.

Make sure you stay connected to our FaceBook group “River Ridge: Elementary Parents” for prompts, ideas and encouragement through this devo!

As you complete the activities each week, check them off in the boxes at the top of each section. Each week’s activities will connect back to our weekend lesson. We hope that we’ll move closer to God through these activities, learn how to spend time with God and have a lot of fun with the Perseverance challenge.

Whether you attend church in person, or online, you can Persevere with us! We can’t wait to see your posts and pictures on our Facebook page.

Love, The RidgeKids team

This image shows a blank sheet of white paper with horizontal ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There are no margins, text, or other markings on the paper.

September 13: David Was Anointed



STORY POINT

God chose David to be king instead of Saul.

MAIN IDEA

David wasn't the oldest or the strongest of Jesse's sons. God saw that he had love for God. God blessed David because of his heart.

KEY PASSAGE

1 Samuel 16-17

FILL YOUR MINDS



Watch the video: <http://www.riverridge.org/2020-ridgekids-crw/> or on the River Ridge Elementary Parents Facebook page.

David reminds us of Jesus who came to save us. David did not look like a mighty warrior who could defeat Goliath and save the Israelites. God chose David to fight Goliath. God chose Jesus to come to Earth to save us from our sin.

How was David like Jesus?

What did God have Jesus do to save us?

READ THE STORY



Read 1 Samuel 16:6-13 17: 3-11; 31-50

Finish the sentence by filling in the blanks.

1. God told Samuel, "Do not pay attention to what he looks like. You look at what you can see on the _____, but I see the _____."
2. The Philistines had a great warrior named _____.
3. The Israelites were _____ of Goliath.
4. David said, "I'll fight him." He _____ God to keep him safe.
5. David slung a rock at Goliath and hit him in the _____ .

Word Bank: (hint: not all words will be used)

head outside Goliath afraid
David trusted belly heart Saul

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY



Read Psalm 145:13 in your Bible and fill in the blanks

The Lord is _____ in _____ His _____.

And _____ in _____ His _____.

Word Bank

faithful all gracious words all actions

APPLY IT



David did not look like a king or a mighty warrior, but God chose him to be king over Israel and gave him victory over Goliath. The Israelites were too weak and afraid to face Goliath; they needed David to fight on their behalf. In a similar way, though Jesus did not look like a warrior or king, we need Him to fight for us. Jesus gives us victory over sin and death.

Make a poster or sign to hang in your room that says “Jesus fights for me.” Anytime you feel scared or overwhelmed this week, look at the sign and repeat this prayer:

Prayer: Jesus, thank you so much that you fight for me. You give me victory over all my sin and over everything I am afraid of. I can trust you. Amen.



CHALLENGE!



David wasn't the oldest or the strongest in his family yet he was the one who defeated Goliath because he persevered when things got hard and kept his eyes on God.

Shuffle the deck of cards. Each person turn over one card at a time. Every time a face card is turned over, each person does 10 jumping jacks. That is 160 jumping jacks!

PRAY FOR JOHN



John's favorite sport is soccer. Pray for John that he will work hard and practice soccer. Pray that God will keep him strong and keep him safe.

September 20: David Showed Mercy



STORY POINT

David showed mercy even though Saul hated him.

MAIN IDEA

David showed Saul mercy when he shouldn't have because he knew God would protect him from Saul.

KEY PASSAGE

1 Samuel 24

FILL YOUR MINDS



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David showed mercy to Saul, his enemy, because David trusted God's plan. Jesus showed mercy to His enemies because He trusted God's plan.

What is mercy? _____

READ THE STORY



Read 1 Samuel 24:1-22

Answer the questions.

1. Who was hiding in the wilderness? _____
2. Who was jealous of David and wanted to kill him? _____
3. David got close to Saul and secretly cut off what? _____
4. David had a chance to kill Saul, but he showed him what instead? _____
5. What did Saul realize? _____

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY



“The Lord is faithful in all His words and gracious in all His actions.” Psalm 145:13

Cut a piece of paper into 15 squares. Write a word from the verse on each square, jumble them up and then see how quickly you can put the verse back together.

APPLY IT



David showed mercy to Saul, his enemy, because David trusted God’s plan. Jesus also trusted His Father’s plan. He died on the cross so His enemies could experience God’s mercy and live forever as part of God’s family.

Make a list of 5 things in your life that you can trust God’s plan for:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Prayer: Jesus, thank you so much that I can trust your plan. You trusted your Father’s plan for your life when you died on the cross. Help me to remember that as I learn to trust your plan for my life. Amen.



CHALLENGE!

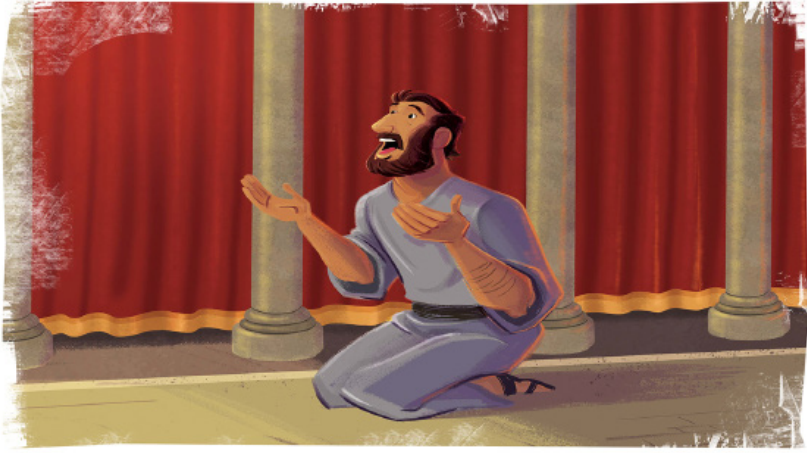


Each person stands on one foot and takes turns rolling the dice. When the person rolls a DOUBLE 6, that person can put his/her leg down. Keep rolling until every person is standing on 2 feet or only 1 person is left in the game. If you put your foot down before you roll a double 6, you are out. You may choose to show mercy to your teammates by allowing them to stay in the game if they put their foot down on accident.

PRAY FOR JOHN



John lives in a small house with many of his family members. Will you pray this week that John will show mercy to the other people in his house when they get annoyed or frustrated with each other?



STORY POINT

God promised that the Messiah would come from David's family.

MAIN IDEA

David did not think that he deserved the promises that God made him. But David knew that there was no one like God and even though he may not have deserved the promises, God was going to keep them.

KEY PASSAGE

2 Samuel 6-7

FILL YOUR MINDS



Watch the video: <http://www.riverridge.org/2020-ridgekids-crw/> or on the River Ridge Elementary Parents Facebook page.

God promised David that every future king would come from David's family and David's kingdom would last forever. God kept his promise by sending Jesus through David's descendants.

Who is our King for forever? _____

How is Jesus your King? _____

READ THE STORY



Read 2 Samuel 7:1-17

Answer the questions True or False.

_____ 1. God chose David to be the next King of Israel.

_____ 2. David wanted to build a temple for the ark of God.

_____ 3. God told David that his son would never be king of Israel.

_____ 4. David did not trust or believe in God.

_____ 5. Jesus was a descendant of David.

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY

The Lord is faithful in all His words and gracious in all His actions. Psalm 145:13

Cut a piece of paper into fourths. Write the verse on each of the 4 pieces of paper. Tape 1 in your bedroom, 1 in the kitchen, 1 in the bathroom, and 1 in another place in your home where you will see it everyday!

APPLY IT

God promised David that every future king of Israel would come from David's family, and David's kingdom would last forever. God kept His promise by sending His Son, Jesus, as one of David's descendants. Jesus is our King who will rule over God's people forever.

List out a word beside the letters K-I-N-G that described Jesus. Then pray thanking Jesus for being your King.

K _____
I _____
N _____
G _____



CHALLENGE!

God has given us many promises in His word, the Bible. Sometimes it takes perseverance to wait on God's promises to be fulfilled.

There are 16 8's in a deck of cards. Shuffle the deck. Take turns turning over one card at a time. Wait for 30 seconds before the next person turns a card. Every time an 8 is turned over, name a promise that God has made with us.

PRAY FOR JOHN

Pray today that John will be reminded of all the promises that God has given us.



STORY POINT

David showed kindness to Jonathan's son.

MAIN IDEA

David kept his promise to Saul and took care of his family. He had shown kindness to Jonathan's son named Mephibosheth and gave him Saul's land and had him eat meals at his table with David. David also told him that he was Mephibosheth's servants.

KEY PASSAGE

2 Samuel 9

FILL YOUR MINDS



Watch the video: <http://www.riverridge.org/2020-ridgekids-crw/> or on the River Ridge Elementary Parents Facebook page.

Who was Jonathan? _____

Who was Jonathan's son? _____

READ THE STORY



Read 2 Samuel 9

Draw a line from the description on the left to the correct answer on the right.

David's best friend

Land

Jonathan's son

Feet

Part of Mephibosheth that was injured

The Palace

David gave this to Mephibosheth

Jonathan

David moved Mephibosheth here

Mephiosheth

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY



The Lord is faithful in all His words and gracious in all His actions. Psalm 145:13

Make a video of yourself saying the verse in funny voices!
Be creative!

APPLY IT



“Use Your Eyeballs”

Draw three eyes on a piece of paper.

Look for three different times this week where you can help someone or show them kindness. You could choose someone in your family, a friend, or someone in your neighborhood, school or community.

Each time you help someone, or show them kindness, put a check mark over one of the eyes that you drew.

Kindness

CHALLENGE!

On a piece of paper, write your name going down the page. Think of an act of kindness for each letter of your name. Try to complete each act of kindness that you have written down. This might take a long time to complete. Remember to PERSEVERE and complete the challenge.

PRAY FOR JOHN

John lives in Kenya, Africa. Let's show John kindness by Writing a letter or drawing a picture for him. Once you have completed your letter/picture, mail it to:

River Ridge Church
ATTN: Lori Holbert
2090 Greenbrier Street
Charleston WV 25311

October 11: David Sinned and Was Restored



STORY POINT

David repented and God forgave him.

MAIN IDEA

God wanted David's heart to change so he would not sin again.

KEY PASSAGE

2 Samuel 11-12; Psalm 51

FILL YOUR MINDS



Watch the video: <http://www.riverridge.org/2020-ridgekids-crw/> or on the River Ridge Elementary Parents Facebook page.

David sinned against God and God forgave him.
Who was the beautiful woman David saw?

Who was her husband? _____

What did David do to her husband? _____

Who helped David see that what he had done was very wrong? _____

READ THE STORY



Read 2 Samuel 11:1-12:14

Answer the Questions True or False.

____ 1. David stayed in Jerusalem and sent another man to lead the army to battle.

____ 2. David had a baby with a beautiful woman named Bathsheba who was not his wife.

____ 3. David called Uriah and was honest with him about his wrong decision.

____ 4. David was killed in battle.

____ 5. David confessed his sin and prayed to God for a clean heart.

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY



The Lord is faithful in all His words and gracious in all His actions. Psalm 145:13

Have you memorized this verse? _____

Make up hand motions to help you always remember these truths about God!

APPLY IT



When David sinned against God, God forgave him, but sin always comes with a price. God spared David's life, but David's son died. When we sin, we deserve death. But we can receive God's forgiveness because God sent His Son, Jesus, to pay the price for our sin.

List 5 sins you committed this week. Then write the word "FORGIVEN" overtop of your list.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Pray: Jesus, thank you so much that you forgive all my sin. The price for my sin is Jesus. Thank you so much that you died for my sin. Amen.

Hide and Seek

CHALLENGE!



Many times we try to hide our sins from God. Regardless of what we do, God ALWAYS comes to find us.

Play a game of Hide And Seek. Find the hardest place you can hide. Have the seeker count to 60 before they come to find you. Once everyone is found, take turns being the hider and the seeker. Talk about if it is harder to be the hider and stay quiet and still or be the seeker trying to find everyone.

PRAY FOR JOHN



Today, thank God that John has asked God to forgive his sins and that John loves Jesus.

October 18: David's Psalm



STORY POINT

David wrote a psalm to praise God.

MAIN IDEA

David loved God with all his heart that he wrote songs to praise Him.

KEY PASSAGE

Psalms 23

FILL YOUR MINDS



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What is a Psalm? _____

Before David was a king, he was a _____

A shepherd protects and cares for his flock of sheep.
Who is our Good Shepherd? _____

READ THE STORY



Read Psalm 23 and fill in the missing words from Psalm 23 CSB.

"The Lord is my _____. I have everything I need.
He lets me rest in _____ pastures; He leads me
beside _____ waters. He gives me _____
and He leads me along the right _____ for his name's
sake.

Even when I go through the _____ valley, I
do not fear danger, for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff comfort _____ in the pres-
ence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my
_____ overflows. Only goodness and faithful love
will be with me all the _____ of my life,
and I will live in the house of the Lord _____."

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY



The Lord is faithful in all His words and gracious in all His actions. Psalm 145:13

David wrote a song to praise God. Sing this memory verse and praise God for how He is faithful and gracious to you.

Have your parents video you saying your memory verse and have them to either post it on the Elementary Parents Facebook page or send to Ms. Lori at loriholbert@river-ridge.org. You will be entered in a drawing to win a prize.

APPLY IT



Choose a place to lay down and rest. If it is a nice day, lay down in your grass and look up in the sky. If indoors, try your couch or bed.

Set a timer for 10 minutes. Simply lay there, no screens, no games, no talking, (and NO checking the timer!)

Simply wait for the timer to chime. Think about how true rest is still and quiet.



CHALLENGE!



With your family, each person roll 1 die. Add all the numbers of the dice together. Take that total and together, write a song or a poem of praise to God using that many words. (Example: all the rolls added up to 20. Write a song of praise using 20 words!) Write your song in your best handwriting and put it somewhere everyone will see every day. Sing or say your song/poem every time you see it.

PRAY FOR JOHN



Praise God for John. Thank God that we are able to know and support John. Draw a picture of John to put in your room!

October 25: Solomon Asked For Wisdom



STORY POINT

God gave Solomon wisdom to lead his people.

MAIN IDEA

Solomon prayed to God and asked God to make him wise and obedient to God. He asked for God to help him know the difference between wrong and right. Also, Solomon wanted to lead God's people well.

KEY PASSAGE

1 Kings 2-3

FILL YOUR MINDS



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Solomon was a wise king who wanted to do God's plan. Solomon wasn't perfect but God had a bigger plan to give his people a greater and wiser king -- His Son Jesus! Jesus completely trusted God by dying on the cross to forgive us of our sin. Then, Jesus rose again to conquer death!

READ THE STORY



Read 1 Kings 2:1-4; 10-12: 3:1-15 in your Bible.

Who was David's son? _____

Who became king after David? _____

What did Solomon ask for? _____

What else did God give him? _____

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY



Look up James 1:5 and fill in the blanks:

If any of you lacks _____, he should ask _____,
who gives _____ to all without finding fault, and it shall
be _____ to him.

Word Bank:

generously God wisdom given

APPLY IT



Read Luke 2:52-Who grew in wisdom? _____

Read Luke 2:42. How old was Jesus at this time? _____

Growing in wisdom is important.

Grab a sharpie and on your left hand write the words “Make the” and on your right hand write the words “Wise Choice.”

As you go through the next couple of days, use those words as a reminder to grow in wisdom just like Jesus.

Pray: Jesus, help me to remember to make wise choices.
Help me grow up like you, one wise choice after another.
Please keep me from making foolish choices. Amen.



CHALLENGE!



Wisdom is knowing how to use information in the right way. Knowledge is knowing facts.

Shuffle the deck of cards. With the pile of cards in front of you, take turns turning over each card. When a RED card is flipped, share some KNOWLEDGE with your opponents. When a BLACK card is flipped, share some WISDOM. It will take PERSEVERANCE to think of the difference.

PRAY FOR JOHN



Pray for John this week. Pray that as he attends his classes in school and gains knowledge that he will continue to grow in wisdom by studying the Bible.

November 1: Wisdom For God's People



STORY POINT

Wisdom is fearing the Lord and obeying His Word.

MAIN IDEA

Solomon wrote thousands of wise sayings called Proverbs. Also he wrote more than a thousand songs.

KEY PASSAGE

Proverbs & Ecclesiastes

FILL YOUR MINDS



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Wisdom from the Bible shows us how to be like Jesus in our words, our actions and our life.

What 3 books of The Bible did Solomon write to share God's wisdom?

_____, _____, _____

What is the opposite of a wise person? _____

READ THE STORY



Read Proverbs 3:5 and fill in the blanks:

Trust in The _____ with all your _____, and lean not on your own _____.

Read Ecclesiastes 3:1-8.

Solomon tells us there is a time for everything!
What are your favorites that he mentions?

A time to _____ and a time to _____

A time to _____ and a time to _____

A time to _____ and a time to _____

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY



If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it shall be given to him. James 1:5

Cut a piece of paper into fourths. Write the verse on each of the 4 pieces of paper. Tape 1 in your bedroom, 1 in the kitchen, 1 in the bathroom, and 1 in another place in your home where you will see it everyday!

APPLY IT



Read Proverbs 15:1.

Is it hard for you to be gentle with your words? _____

We want to be kind and gentle but a lot of the time, our words come out harsh instead. Pray for God to help you speak gently today.



CHALLENGE!



God wants us to make wise choices. Roll one die. Each time an ODD number (1, 3 5) is rolled, every person shares a wise choice. Each time an EVEN number (2, 4) is rolled, share a unwise choice. Go around the circle taking turns rolling the die. Are wise or unwise choices easier to think about?

PRAY FOR JOHN



Pray John will make wise choices this week. Pray that he will be wise in his words, and his actions with his family and friends this week.

November 8: Solomon Built The Temple



STORY POINT

God led His people to build a temple where He would dwell with them.

MAIN IDEA

When Solomon thought about the future he knew Israel would sin again so he prayed to God and asked for forgiveness. Solomon also prayed that God would hear their prayers. After Solomon was finished praying, he encouraged the Israelites to love and obey God.

KEY PASSAGE

1 Kings 6-8

FILL YOUR MINDS



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The _____ was a place where God's people could be with him. They could go and make sacrifices and worship _____. Today we trust in Jesus and he is with us wherever we go. We no longer have to make sacrifices for forgiveness of our sins because Jesus's death was the ONLY sacrifice needed for our forgiveness.

READ THE STORY



Read 1 Kings 6:1-4, 11-13, 38 and 8:3-95, 54-61

Mark each statement as True or False.

_____ 1. David began building the temple of the Lord.

_____ 2. The temple was built in 14 years.

_____ 3. When the temple was complete, Solomon moved the ark of God to the new temple.

_____ 4. Solomon refused to ask God to forgive the people from their sin and God did not hear his prayers.

_____ 5. Solomon encouraged the Israelites to love and obey God.

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY



If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it shall be given to him. James 1:5

Write your memory verse down on a piece of paper, then cut apart & fold each strip of paper. Put them into a bowl, then pick the words out, and put the memory verse in order.

APPLY IT



Draw a picture of what you think the temple looked like and then beside it draw a picture of your favorite place to go to be with God.

Prayer: God, thank you so much that your Spirit is with us wherever we go after we trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help me to remember you are always with me. Amen.

November 8: Solomon Built The Temple



CHALLENGE!

Build a temple of cards.

Using the deck of cards, lean the cards and stack the cards on the sides and on top of each other. Try to make the tower sturdy. This will not be able to be built fast. You must take your time and PERSEVERE under the pressure. Take a picture of your card tower and share on the Ridge Kids Elementary Parents Facebook page!

PRAY FOR JOHN

This week pray that John will share his faith in Jesus with others. Pray that he will be able to be bold and courageous with his friends and family as he tells others about Jesus.



STORY POINT

God divided Israel into two kingdoms because Solomon sinned.

MAIN IDEA

King Solomon loved God but not with his whole heart. Solomon's many wives turned him away from God; he began to worship the false Gods that his wives worshiped.

KEY PASSAGE

1 Kings 11-12

FILL YOUR MINDS



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King Solomon failed to lead God's people perfectly. God's people needed a better king, a perfect king! Through David's family, God would send His son, Jesus Christ to be the perfect king over God's people forever. Jesus is a better king than Solomon because Jesus brings His people together and leads them back to God.

Who turned Solomon away from God? _____

Who became king after him? _____

Who was the other king? _____

READ THE STORY



1 Kings 11:4-6, 9-13 and 12:1-14, 25-33

Place the following events in order by numbering the statements 1-6.

_____ Solomon's son, Rehoboam became King after Solomon died.

_____ King Solomon loved God but he began to worship false Gods.

_____ Rehoboam made the people's work even harder. The people did not want to serve him as King.

_____ Jeroboam made two golden calves for the people to worship.

_____ The people did not like the hard work of Rehoboam, so some of them chose to follow Jeroboam.

_____ God was angry and told Solomon that he would take the Kingdom away from him.

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY



If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it shall be given to him. James 1:5

Make a video of yourself saying your memory verse in different voices! Be creative!

Have your parents video you saying your memory verse and have them to either post it on the Elementary Parents Facebook page or send to Ms. Lori at loriholbert@river-ridge.org. You will be entered in a drawing to win a prize.

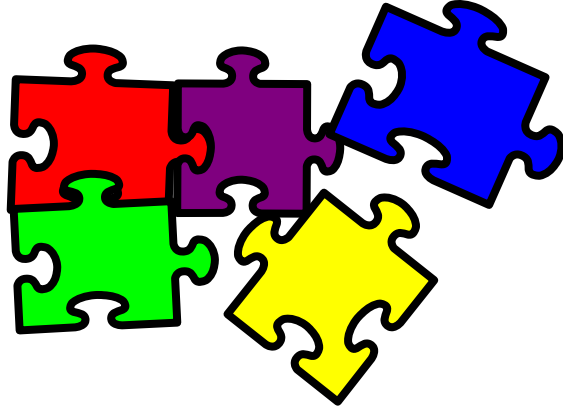
APPLY IT



Rehoboam went to his father's friends and then his own friends to ask for advice. They each gave him different advice.

Who do you go to to ask for advice? _____
Sometimes it is really hard to make the best choices.

Make a list of people God has placed around you to help you make the wise choices.



CHALLENGE!

Take a piece of paper and cut it in 10 paper puzzle pieces. Mix up the puzzle. Have a friend put the puzzle together. After they try to put it together, you try to put the paper together. After everyone tries to put the puzzle together alone, work at it together. Was it easier doing it alone or together?

PRAY FOR JOHN

Make a list of all the things you know about John. Post that list somewhere you will see it every day. Each day, say a specific prayer about one of the things that you listed on the paper. It will take perseverance to pray for John every day.



STORY POINT

God provided in miraculous ways

MAIN IDEA

God miraculously provided through Elijah to give food to the widow and life to the widow's son. Many years later, God miraculously provided through His own Son, Jesus. Jesus is greater than Elijah. In Jesus, God provides salvation and life to everyone who trusts in Him.

KEY PASSAGE

1 Kings 17

FILL YOUR MINDS



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Fill in the blanks:

God miraculously provided through Elijah to give _____ to the widow and life to the widow's _____. Many years later, God miraculously provided through His own Son, _____. Jesus is greater than Elijah. In Jesus, God provides salvation and life to everyone who trusts in Him.

READ THE STORY



Read 1 Kings 17:8-24

Answer the following questions:

1. Who did God tell Elijah to get water from? _____
2. What did the widow tell Elijah when he asked her for a piece of bread? _____
3. Elijah told her not to be afraid. He told her that the Lord God of Israel said, "The flour jar will not become _____ and the oil jug will not run _____."
4. Did the widow obey and make bread for Elijah? _____

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY



Find Isaiah 42:8 in your Bible and fill in the blanks:

I am The _____! That is my _____!

I will not _____ my glory to _____ or my _____ to idols.”

Word Bank

name another Lord yield praise

APPLY IT



God miraculously provided through Elijah to give food to the widow and life to the widow's son. Many years later, God miraculously provided through His own Son, Jesus. Jesus is greater than Elijah. In Jesus, God provides salvation and life to everyone who trusts in Him.

Think about how God provides for you. Make a list of 3 things God provides for your daily needs and 3 things he provides for your spiritual needs.

Daily

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Spiritual

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.



CHALLENGE!



Gather a total of 10 plastic Solo cups (5 cups in a single color and the other 5 a different color). You'll also need masking or electrical tape. Make a tic-tac-toe board with the tape on a table top. Assign each person a color of cups and provide them the stack of cups. Each person must flip a cup and land it on the table to place it on the tic-tac-toe board. The first person to land 3 cups and get them in a line wins the game.

PRAY FOR JOHN



Fold a piece of paper into fourths. Think of 4 things you know John needs and draw a picture in each box. Pray for John to trust God to provide all he needs.

November 29: Elijah at Mount Carmel



STORY POINT

God showed that He is the one true God.

MAIN IDEA

God is not like the false gods. We do not have to work hard to show God we love Him. Instead, He showed His love for us by sending His Son, Jesus. Jesus died to rescue us from sin, and He hears us when we cry out to Him.

KEY PASSAGE

1 Kings 18-19

FILL YOUR MINDS



Watch the video: <http://www.riverridge.org/2020-ridgekids-crw/> or on the River Ridge Elementary Parents Facebook page.

Answer the following questions:

Who was the false God? _____

What did God send down? _____

Who was the king Elijah spoke to? _____

Who was the king's wife? _____

READ THE STORY



Read 1 Kings 18:20-39

Answer the following questions as True or False.

_____ 1. Elijah was the only remaining prophet of the Lord.

_____ 2. There were 45 prophets of Baal.

_____ 3. Elijah challenged the people to see which God was real by preparing a bull for sacrifice and seeing which God could answer with fire.

_____ 4. The people shouted loudly for Baal to light the fire for hours, but no one answered.

_____ 5. Elijah instructed the people to fill 4 water pots with water and pour it on the offering. They did this 1 time.

_____ 6. Elijah called out to the Lord and the Lord caused fire to consume the burnt offering.

_____ 7. When the people saw this, they still did not believe in the Lord.

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY



I am The Lord; that is my name! I will not yield my glory to another or my praise to idols. ~ Isaiah 42:8

Each time you say God's name today, whether it is a prayer at mealtime, a conversation with a parent, or an activity you are doing, draw a heart in the chart below. See how many times God comes up today by how many hearts are in your box at bedtime. Praise His name!

APPLY IT



The people who worshipped Baal danced and cried out for hours to show that they loved Baal. But we do not have to work hard to show God we love Him. Instead, He showed His love for us by sending His Son, Jesus. Jesus died to rescue us from sin, and He hears us when we cry out to Him.

Put a check beside the things that feel like working for God.

- ☐ Coming to church or watching church online
- ☐ Getting baptized
- ☐ Working on a devotional
- ☐ Reading the Bible
- ☐ Prayer

All of these are good things, but we don't have to earn God's love.



CHALLENGE!



Gather two plastic cups and a piece of paper.
Build a tower like this on your counter or table:
Plastic cup, sheet of Paper, Plastic cup

Start a timer for 60 seconds and see how many times you can rip the sheet of paper from between the two cups and cause the cups to land inside of each other without falling down!

PRAY FOR JOHN



Pray that John would call on the name of The Lord. The language of Kenya is Swahili. God in Swahili is Mungu. Write Mungu on a piece of paper and tape it where you will see it everyday. When you see it, ask for John to know & feel the love of Mungu, to trust in Him and be strengthened by His power.

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