

BIG IDEA

We can encourage each other.

GOD STORY

Encouraging Letters (Ephesians 6:18–23; Philippians 2:25–30; 2 Timothy 1:3–10 & 2:14–17)

KEY VERSE

Encourage each other. (From 2 Corinthians 13:11, NLT)

MUSIC

"Cheer Each Other On" (The Meeting House Kids Music)

1 | Start

SUPPLIES

- Cards
- Envelopes
- Stickers
- Markers
- Scrap paper
- Writing and colouring supplies

TIP

 If your child needs some help with writing, you could print the words on a piece of scrap paper for them to copy or write on the card in a light colour so your child can trace over the words with a darker colour.

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Choose one or more people from your community (e.g., pastor, neighbour, crossing guard) who your family would like to encourage.
- b. Work together to write on and decorate the encouragement cards. Help the children with adding encouraging messages.
- c. As you work on the cards, chat about ways that we can encourage each other.
- d. Make a plan to deliver the cards this week.

2 | Watch

SUPPLIES

Media player

INSTRUCTIONS

a. Watch this week's video from the Now Playing Early Years playlist on the One Story YouTube channel.

3 | Craft

SUPPLIES

- Craft activity pages
- Drawing supplies

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Give each child an activity page and some drawing supplies.
- b. Read aloud the text printed on the page.
- c. Encourage the children to draw a picture of Paul writing letters.
- d. As they draw, review today's Bible stories.



4 | Key Verse

SUPPLIES

Key Verse heart

TIP

• If your family enjoyed the Key Verse activities from previous weeks, do them again today!

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Place the Key Verse heart on a table or on the floor where everyone can see it.
- b. Before lifting the flaps, find out if anyone remembers the verse for this series.
- c. Lift each flap to reveal part of the verse.
- d. Prompt the children to say the words with you.
- e. Chat about ways we can encourage each other.



5 | **Pray**

SUPPLIES

None

INSTRUCTIONS

a. Take a walk around your neighbourhood now or later today. As you pass the homes of people you know or see them on the street, lead your family to say short sentence prayers for them. Take the opportunity to share encouraging words with others, too!