

BIG IDEA

We know how to be faithful because God is faithful to us.

GOD STORY

Faithfulness (Hebrews 8)

KEY VERSES

The Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. (Galatians 5:22–23a, NLT)

1 | Conversation Starter

SUPPLIES

None

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Describe a variety of incredible but possible scenarios (e.g., lifting a car, eating a hot dog in twelve seconds, walking from South Africa to Russia, etc.).
- b. Discuss: Would you believe someone if they told you they could do those things? Why or why not?
- c. Ask the kids if they know what the word "faithfulness" means.
- d. Explain that faithfulness is doing what you say you'll do and showing you can be trusted.
- e. Introduce today's Big Idea: We know how to be faithful because God is faithful to us.

2 | Watch

SUPPLIES

Media player

INSTRUCTIONS

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

3 | Discuss

SUPPLIES

None

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Review and discuss the video teaching:
 - What are the Key Verses for The Look of Love series? (Galatians 5:22–23a)
 - What stood out to you in today's Life Story?
 How about the God Story?
 - Who is one of the most faithful, or trustworthy, people you know? Why do you trust them? For example, have they proven themselves faithful in the past?
 - Can you think of ways God was faithful to the Israelites? (If needed, prompt with questions such as: How did God help the Israelites when they were enslaved in Egypt?)
 - What are some examples of God's faithfulness in your life or in the life of someone close to you?
 - How can God's faithfulness help us be faithful to other people?



4 | Activity

SUPPLIES

- Station instructions
- Bible(s)
- God's Faithfulness activity pages
- Writing supplies

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY

- Spread out the instructions to create stations around your home.
- If you have multiple Bibles, place them open to the following passages at these stations: Genesis 21:1-3 at station 1; Exodus 6:13 at station 2; and 2 Samuel 7:11-17 at station 4.

TIP

• You could carry one Bible from station to station.

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Give an activity page and something to write with to each person.
- b. Visit each of the stations together.
- c. Guide the kids to complete the corresponding section of the page at each station.

5 | Pray

SUPPLIES

Large, lightweight item

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Emphasize that sometimes it can be hard to commit to things and follow through on them.
 However, we know how to be faithful because
 God is faithful to us!
- b. Work together to hold up an object—using only one finger each.
- c. While you're all holding up the object, encourage the kids to pray for the courage and ability to remain faithful to God and show their faithfulness to others. They could also thank God for being faithful to his promises.
- d. When you're done praying, lead a countdown before dropping the object.