Wonder@Home

In God's Big Story

God gives the prophet Jeremiah a warning for King Jehoiakim and the people of Judah, calling them to turn from their wicked ways and be forgiven, but the king ignores the message, cuts up the scroll, and burns it in the fire.

Elementary Wonder Truth: God Invites Us to Respond to Him

Early Childhood Wonder Truth: God Invites Us to Listen to Him

Scripture: Jeremiah 36

WATCH GOD'S BIG STORY



JEREMIAH AND THE SCROLL

ELEMENTARY VIDEO

EARLY CHILDHOOD VIDEO

WORD OF WONDER

Work together this week on memorizing this verse! Use our motions video or this video to help you!

ELEMENTARY:

Be still, and know that I am God. I will be honored among the nations. I will be honored in the earth. The LORD who rules over all is with us. The God of Jacob is like a fort to us.
— Psalm 46:10–11 (NIrV)

EARLY CHILDHOOD:

Be still, and know that I am God.
—Psalm 46:10a

WONDER ABOUT IT!

- What is one thing you're curious about from this week's part of God's big story?
- How can you live differently or respond to God with what you're learning?

WORSHIP@HOME

Listen and watch from our worship playlists any time!

SCAN FOR MORE WONDER@HOME!

FAMILY CONVERSATIONS

Families, use this to prompt conversations at the table, in the car, and anywhere else your family experiences life together.

- What's your reaction when someone points out that you're wrong?
- Why is it important to tell God you're sorry when you choose to do something He wouldn't want you to do?
- How does it feel to be forgiven?
- God wants us to respond to Him. How would you describe God?

HANDS ON

Great for Older Kids!

Create a Scroll

In Jeremiah 36, we learn that God invited King Jehoiakim and the people of Judah to respond to Him by asking for forgiveness. God was ready to forgive them if they turned to Him. As a family, reflect on the idea that God invites us to respond to Him. Talk to one another about whether or not it's easy for each of you to talk to God when you haven't lived as He has commanded.

Draw the outline of a scroll on a piece of paper. As a family, brainstorm as many words as you can that describe God and write them on the scroll. If God invites us to respond to Him, even when we're wrong, what does this fact teach us about what God is like? Encourage each person in your family to share at least one word that describes God.

When you finish your list, pray together as a family. Thank God for who He is and for His offer of forgiveness.

WALK IT ACT IT MOVE IT

Great for Younger Kids!

The True Leader

In God's Word, He tells us to be still and know Him. God wants us to have a relationship with Him. Just like a good parent or caretaker gives his children instructions to keep them safe, God shows and tells us the best way to live. Talk about how God loves us and wants the best for each of us.

Help your kids understand this idea by playing this game in your home or outside on a walk. You'll need at least three people—designate one person as the true leader, one as the misguided leader, and at least one as the follower. The true leader and misguided leader will both walk in the front with the follower(s) behind. Every time the true leader changes directions or does a particular action (such as turn to the right or jump up and down three times), she will do and say the instruction out loud. Throughout the game, the misguided leader will do and say instructions that are different from the true leader's. The follower(s) must try to follow what the true leader says and does and to ignore what the misguided leader says and does. After a few minutes, consider trading roles.

After the game, talk about what the follower(s) had to do to succeed: listen to and follow the true leader, not the misguided leader. When we follow God, we learn to listen to His voice because we know He wants us to listen and respond to Him!