



TRINITY
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SCOUTS & DISCOVERERS ACTIVITY GUIDE

SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2020

INTRODUCTION

We end the month in **Acts 8:26-40**, and discover a Jesus follower named Philip. An angel told Philip to travel toward the desert. On the way, Philip met an Ethiopian official who was reading the Jewish Scriptures. He had questions and asked Philip. Philip answered the man's question and pointed him to Jesus. The official put his faith in Jesus and was baptized.

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BIBLE STORY

Philip and the Man from Ethiopia — Acts 8:26 - 40

MEMORY VERSE

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

LIFE APP

Determination — Deciding it's worth it to finish what you started.

BOTTOM LINE

Keep going even when you have questions.

BASIC TRUTH

I can trust God no matter what.

UNSTUCK

DON'T GIVE UP

Parent Cue • K3 • Week of May 31st

Use this guide to help your family learn how God can help us live with determination.

First, watch this video:

<https://bit.ly/KidsUnstuckWeek5>

Then follow up with the activity below!

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(Acts 8:26-40)

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ACTIVITY: Hopscotch Holdup

WHAT YOU NEED:

Construction paper, tape, marker, a die (from a board game)

WHAT YOU DO:

Create a six-to-12-space hopscotch path with construction paper. If possible, use tape to secure the pages to the floor. Draw a question mark on three or four of the pages. Let someone roll the die, which will tell them how many spaces they should hop. (The spots with two squares next to each other count as two spaces.) Whenever someone lands on a “?” spot, ask them a story review question from the list below. Continue rolling the die until you reach the end of the path. Then it’s the next person’s turn. If you run out of questions, repeat them, or ask the person whose turn it is to name a situation in which it’s hard to have determination.

Talk about the Bible story:

- Who appeared to Philip while he was telling people about Jesus? (an angel of the Lord)
- What did the angel tell Philip to do? (to leave and go to the desert road that led to Gaza)
- Who did Philip meet while he was traveling on the desert road? (an Ethiopian official)
- What was the man doing? (he had traveled to worship God in the temple and was trying to read Scripture)
- What did God tell Philip to do? (go to the chariot)
- What did Philip do after he realized the Ethiopian official needed help understanding the Scripture? (he told the man about Jesus)
- What did the Ethiopian official decide to do after learning all about Jesus? (he got baptized)
- What happened to Philip after the man was baptized? (God’s Spirit took him away so he could continue telling people about Jesus)

PRAYER

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

“Dear God, it’s so cool to know that we can keep going even when we have questions. If there’s something we don’t understand, we can ask—just like the Ethiopian official did in the story. Thank You that no question is too big or too small for You. Thank You for always being with us—even when we can’t see the full picture of what’s happening in our life. Help us trust You no matter what. We pray this in Jesus’ name. Amen.”



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

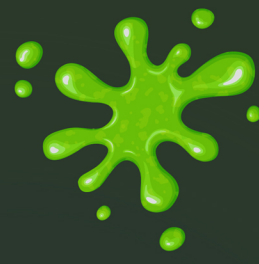
- Why is it important to ask questions?
- What happens if we don't understand and we don't ask questions?
- When is it hard to ask questions?
- Are there questions that have no answers? Encourage your kids to think of examples.

QUESTIONS?

Contact us with any questions you have about this activity guide. Please note, we can best support you during the week (Monday thru Friday). No question is too big or too small. We're here to help! With love, Elisa Booker and Danielle Swink.

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Galatians 6:9, NlrU



DETERMINATION

Deciding it's worth it to finish what you started

WEEK **5**
K-1st

BOTTOM LINE: Keep going even when you have questions.

Read Jeremiah 29:11

DAY

1

Keep Going

Have you ever heard of a guy named Abraham Lincoln? If you haven't yet, you will soon! He was the 16th President of the United States. But you know what? Becoming President didn't come easy. He failed a lot before he was finally successful and became our President. Ask an adult to help you read about all the failures that eventually led to Abraham Lincoln becoming an amazing President. Do you think he questioned whether he was doing the right thing? Of course, he did and all those failures along the way prepared him to be the President that he was. It's the same for all of us. The hard stuff that we might have questions about now, help us to become who God wants us to be.

Remember that when we have questions, God has a plan!

DAY

2

Pop That Question

Ask an adult to help you look up our Bible story this week in **Acts 8:26-40**. How cool is it that God used Philip to answer questions that the man had about faith? God puts people in our lives to help answer the questions that we have, too. Grab some latex balloons, small pieces of paper, and a pencil. On each piece of paper, write a question that you have, stick it inside a balloon and blow it up. Place the balloons around your room and each day, pop one and find someone to ask one of your questions! After you make your balloons, take some time to pray this prayer.

Dear God,

I am so grateful that You put people in my life that I can ask questions. Give me the courage to ask people the questions I have. I love you. Amen.

DAY

3

God Knows

Ask an adult to help you look up this week's verse in Jeremiah 29:11. As you read it, see if you can fill in blanks below.

I know the _____ I have for _____. I want you to _____ success. I do not _____ to _____ you. I will give you _____ for _____ to come.

Jeremiah 29:11 (NIrV)

What an amazing verse for us to remember when we feel like we have questions!

Thank God that when we have questions we can know that He has a plan for our lives!

DAY

4

I Have A Question!

Have you ever been in school and there's something you don't understand? What do you have to do? You have to ask questions to help you understand. There are people in our lives that we can trust to ask hard questions. We're not ever going to know everything but when we ask questions it's like giving us a piece to a puzzle. Take a minute and think about the people in your life that you can trust to ask hard questions about life and faith. Flip over this sheet and see if you can cut out all the puzzle pieces and put them back together!

Know that we can keep going even when we have questions!

**KEEP
GOING**

**even when you
have questions.**

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WEEK FIVE

PHILIP AND THE MAN FROM ETHIOPIA • ACTS 8:26-40



SAY THIS:

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YOU HAVE QUESTIONS.

REMEMBER
THIS:

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GALATIANS 6:9, NIV



DO THIS:



Sometimes life can feel pretty confusing. The awesome thing is that God knows everything, and He wants to give you what you need to keep going, whether it's wisdom for a decision or an answer to a tough question. He will send the answers we need at the right time. Pray that God would give you peace and the power to keep going, even when you have a lot of questions.

DETERMINATION:

DECIDING IT'S WORTH IT TO FINISH WHAT YOU STARTED

CELEBRATE YOUR FAMILY WINS

By Holly Crawshaw

You and your family have made it to the end of another school year. Regardless of your school situation, it feels like an achievement for all of you, doesn't it?

It's a big deal! And it's definitely something worth celebrating. Before you fully dive into summer, get a date on the calendar to gather your family together to talk about all the awesome things that happened this school year.

Below are some suggestions for what this celebration could look like:

- Make the celebration a little more enticing by offering everyone's favorite snack. Cupcakes usually draw a crowd!
 - Consider adding some decorations if you're celebrating at home—a few streamers, some noise makers, and if you're extra brave, some silly string.
 - Prepare some fun awards beforehand. You can even print out certificates or buy objects that represent the award. For example, "The No Cavities Award" could get a new toothbrush. Or the "New Bike Rider Award" could get a bike horn.
 - Start the celebration with your fun awards. Take time to share funny stories that go with the awards. End by taking a family selfie with your awards.
 - Talk about your family wins by asking and answering the following questions.
- What's one new thing you learned?
 - What's one new skill you gained?
 - What's an area you improved in?
 - What's one way you grew in character?
 - What's one way you grew in your faith?
 - What's one thing you're really proud of from this school year?
 - What's your favorite friend-related memory?
 - What's your favorite family-related memory?
 - What are some things we could do next school year to make it even better than this last one?

Record some of the family-related answers in a creative way. Maybe on a chalkboard, a whiteboard, poster, cardstock—whatever you have on-hand. Post this in a central location so you can celebrate the wins all summer long.

After you're finished with your questions, give each family member a sincere compliment, telling them some of the wins you've noticed. End your time together by spending a few minutes in prayer, thanking God for the past year, and praying for an awesome, safe, and connected summer.



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