

God Helps Gideon Defeat the Midianites

Week 1



► Bible Point

We can trust God with the future.

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Key Verse

“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand” (Isaiah 41:10).

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We learned this week that the Israelites faced years of suffering at the hands of their enemies and that God seemed far away. Yet when the time was right, God spoke to Gideon and gave the Israelites a miraculous victory over the Midianites. Like Gideon and the Israelites, we can trust God with our future (Judges 6:1-16; 7:1-24). Strengthen your family’s faith learning and growth at home with this easy idea.

Parents ■■■■■

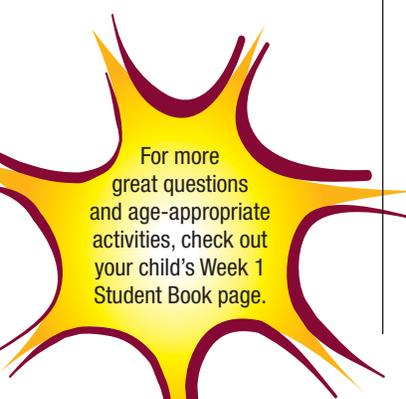
Share with your children about a time you were afraid of the future and trusting—or not trusting—God was a big issue. If you did trust God, what happened? If you didn’t, what happened? Encourage your family members to come up with day-to-day situations in which you might need to trust God. For example, you might have to trust God when dealing with someone mean at school, facing the loss of a job, or making a major decision about college. Then discuss ways you can encourage each other to trust God during each of these situations this week.

Pray ■■■■■

God, thank you for always caring about us. Please help us trust that you have everything under control. Give us the courage to turn to you when things get tough—instead of running away or trying to solve things on our own. In Jesus’ name, amen.

Our family thanks God for:

Our family talks to God about:



For more great questions and age-appropriate activities, check out your child’s Week 1 Student Book page.

■■■■■ Sneak Peek

Don’t miss next week when we discover that God gives us gifts to serve him.

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