BIG TRUTH: GOD'S PEOPLE ARE DEPENDENT

2 Chronicles 14:11; Exodus 15:2; 2 Corinthians 1:9; Galatians 3:10; Philippians 4:19

BIBLE VERSE: JOHN 15:5; PSALM 20:7-8

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5

"Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God. They collapse and fall, but we rise and stand upright." Psalm 20:7-8

BIG IDEAS

- Sin leads us to trust ourselves instead of God.
- God's people continually trust Him.
- God's people thrive when they rest in Him.

BIBLE PASSAGE: JOSHUA 1-7

UNITE: LIVING IN COMMUNITY

The Unite year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are brought into the family of God- seen throughout the Old Testament as "God's People" and in the New Testament and today as the church (Exodus 6:7; Colossians 1:18). We are set free from our sin to walk in freedom in Christ (Galatians 5:1) and use our influence to call others to do the same.

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know...

- God has always been making and keeping a people for Himself
- In this age, the church is God's people
- Being a part of God's people should inform every aspect of our lives



Every student should strive to...

- Study the connections between God's people in the Old Testament
- and the church in the New Testament
- Memorize the Bible verse each week
- Invite others into God's people, the church



Every student should feel...

- Love for God and the people of God
- Accountable to God and to the church to pursue holiness
- Responsible to use their influence to make much of God alone



Every student should want...

- Be marked by their faith
- Talk about God every day, in every setting and circle of influence
- Live as a faithful member of their local church

FAMILY WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder how to discuss with our son or daughter the truth that we are dependent upon God. We will pray for our son or daughter to seek God's purpose in their lives as we lead them to practice trusting Him in all things.

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GOD'S PEOPLE ARE DEPENDENT





Read Joshua 1-7 this week and answer these questions in your journal:

- In Joshua 1:1-9, what promises does God make to Joshua and the Israelites? What are the conditions of these promises?
- In Joshua 2-4, what is significant about the way God keeps His promises? How do the Israelites reveal their trust of Him?
- In Joshua 5-6, what does God ask of His people? What is significant about this?
- How do God's people fail to rest in Him? What is the consequence of this?

Read and meditate on Joshua 1-7 this week. Use the following to guide your meditation:

- Ponder how to discuss with your son or daughter that believers are dependent upon God. How can you help them see their own need for Him?
- Consider how to talk with your son or daughter about God's power over all things. How can you help them see that He is trustworthy and can be trusted with all things?
- Ponder how you can discuss with your son or daughter their need to rest in God. How can you help them identify the things they struggle to trust God with?



Pray with your son or daughter this week.

- Ask God to guide them to trust Him daily and continually.
- Pray with your student this week. Ask God to help them identify the things they struggle to trust Him with.



Memorize John 15:5 and Psalm 20:7-8 with your son or daughter this week.

- Help your son or daughter memorize John 15:5 and Psalm 20:7-8 this week by writing the verses on index cards. Review the verses until they are memorized.
- Discuss with your son or daughter some of the things that you have struggled to trust God with and help your son or daughter identify some of the things they struggle to trust God with.
- Meet with your student to help them identify three ways they can rest in God this week.