

# ParentLink



**VerseLink** Help your child practice the Bible memory verses for this quarter:

### Lesson 1

The LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. *Deuteronomy 31:6*

### Lesson 2

Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know. *Jeremiah 33:3*

### Lesson 3

Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker. *Psalms 95:6*

### Lesson 4

When a man or woman wrongs another in any way and so is unfaithful to the LORD, that person is guilty and must confess the sin he has committed. *Numbers 5:6-7*

### Lesson 5

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. *John 3:16*

### Lesson 6

Come near to God and he will come near to you. *James 4:8*

### Lesson 7

Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. *John 13:34*

### Lesson 8

Everything is possible for him who believes. *Mark 9:23*

### Lesson 9

In the morning, O LORD, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation. *Psalms 5:3*

### Lesson 10

Where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them. *Matthew 18:20*

### Lesson 11

Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. *Hebrews 13:17*

### Lesson 12

Work together for the truth. *3 John 8*

### Lesson 13

God loves a cheerful giver. *2 Corinthians 9:7*

**TEACHER:**  
SEND ParentLink  
HOME TO PARENTS THE  
FIRST WEEK OF THE QUARTER





**HomeLink** Here's a family activity to support what your child has been learning in Sunday school each month.

### June

■ If your family is planning a vacation, select toys and games to take including a Bible, a Bible storybook, and some biblically-based games. If you will be staying over a weekend, take the opportunity to visit a different church. If you are vacationing where a church isn't easily accessible, you can plan your own worship and praise time. Emphasize that God is with you wherever you go. You can praise Him with family devotions as well as church services.

### July

■ Title a posterboard "Our Family." Draw pictures or write about your family events this month. Include prayer requests and their answers if appropriate. Encourage all family members to contribute throughout the month.

### August

■ Make cards of encouragement for the leaders in your church. Draw or create pictures of special events that your family participated in. Thank the people who were involved. Let them know that you are praying for them.

**KidLink** Help your second or third grader become aware of treating others as Jesus would.

- Encourage your child to talk with you regarding difficult situations he or she faces with other children. Practice treating others as Jesus would by roleplaying different situations. Pretend you are the school friend.
- Remind your child that his life is a testimony wherever he is. Read Proverbs 20:11 which says, "Even a child is known by his actions, by whether his conduct is pure and right."
- Help your child learn how to treat siblings with respect and love. Encourage them to talk to each other with positive words rather than negative ones. Have a "love your brother/sister day." See how many nice things can be done for each other.
- Memorize Colossians 3:20 which says, "Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord."
- Plan with your child how to show respect for older adults. Encourage ideas such as helping them carry things, speaking to them politely, offering to run an errand, etc.

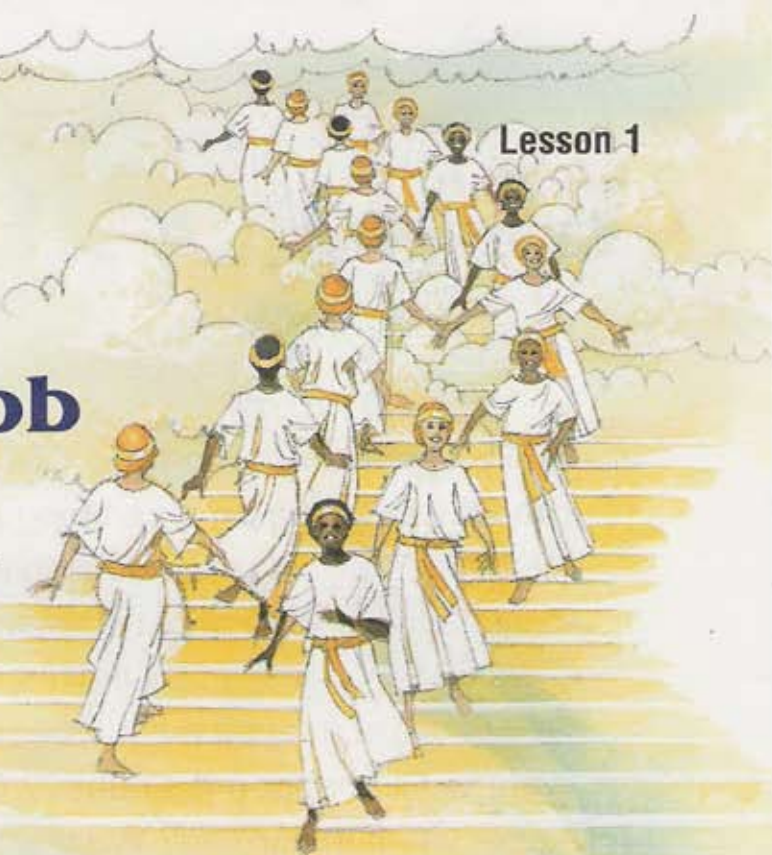


## God Is with Jacob

Bible Story from Genesis 28:10-22

Jacob was traveling through the desert. He was running away from home. He had tricked his twin brother, Esau, into giving away his inheritance.

Jacob was far from home. He stopped to camp at night when it became dark. Using a stone for a pillow, he lay down to sleep. While he slept, he had a dream. In his dream he saw a stairway between heaven and earth. There were angels walking up and down the stairs.



God promised that He would be with Jacob and watch over him wherever he went. He said: "I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land."

When Jacob woke up, he used his stone pillow to mark the place. He poured oil on top of it to show that it was a special place dedicated to God. He named the place Bethel which means the "house of God."

God made promises to Jacob. Then Jacob made a promise to God. Jacob promised that if God would be with him and watch over him, then Jacob would always worship Him as his God.

**This Week's Bible Memory Verse:**  
The LORD your God goes with you;  
he will never leave you nor forsake you.  
Deuteronomy 31:6



# KELLY, THE WORST WORRIER

**K**elly was scared. Her Kids' Club at church was going on a camping trip. All the kids would sleep outside in tents. Kelly worried about a snake crawling into her tent. Or a big spider. Or worse yet, maybe even a bear! What would happen if it rained? Or worse yet, if it stormed? What would happen if she got sick? Or worse yet, if she threw up in front of everybody?

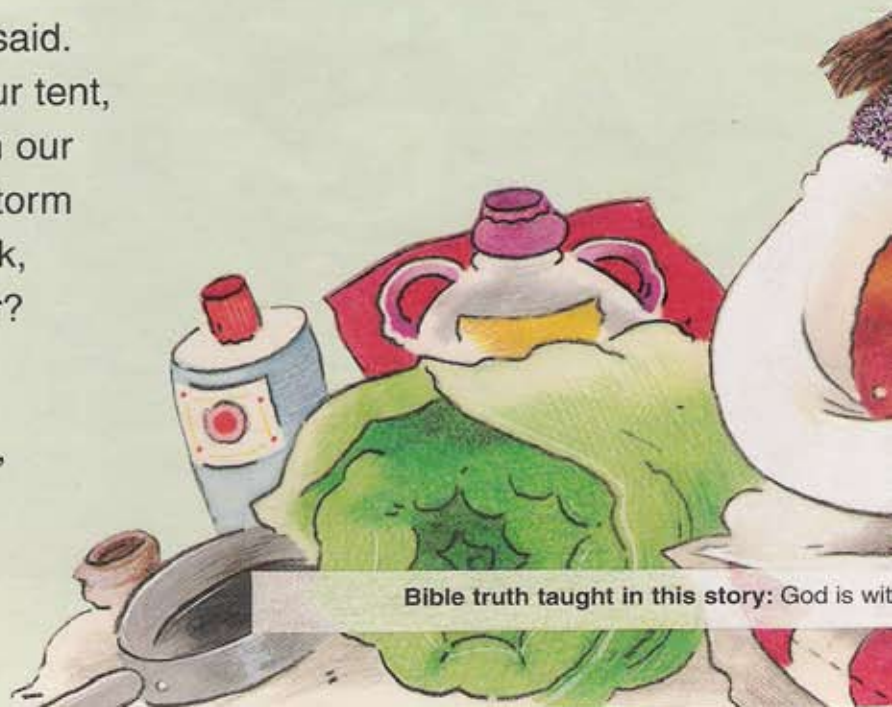
Kelly seemed to think of the worst things. "I don't want to go!" she told her mother. Kelly's mom listened. Kelly told her about the snake and the storm. She told her she might get sick in front of everyone.

"Kelly, think about it," her mom said. "There might be a spider by your tent, but couldn't there be a spider in our house, too? Could there be a storm *here* tonight? When you are sick, doesn't God help you get better? God is with you and helps you wherever you are. He'll be with you when you go camping, too."

Kelly thought about it and decided to go camping. She had a great time! She went swimming. She made s'mores by the campfire. Everyone sang songs and stayed up very late! Kelly was happy she stopped worrying. Her mom was right. God was with her on her trip. Kelly knew God would be with her wherever she went!

## Talk-a-Bit

- Would God forget about Kelly if she went camping?
- Is there anyplace we can go where God won't go with us?

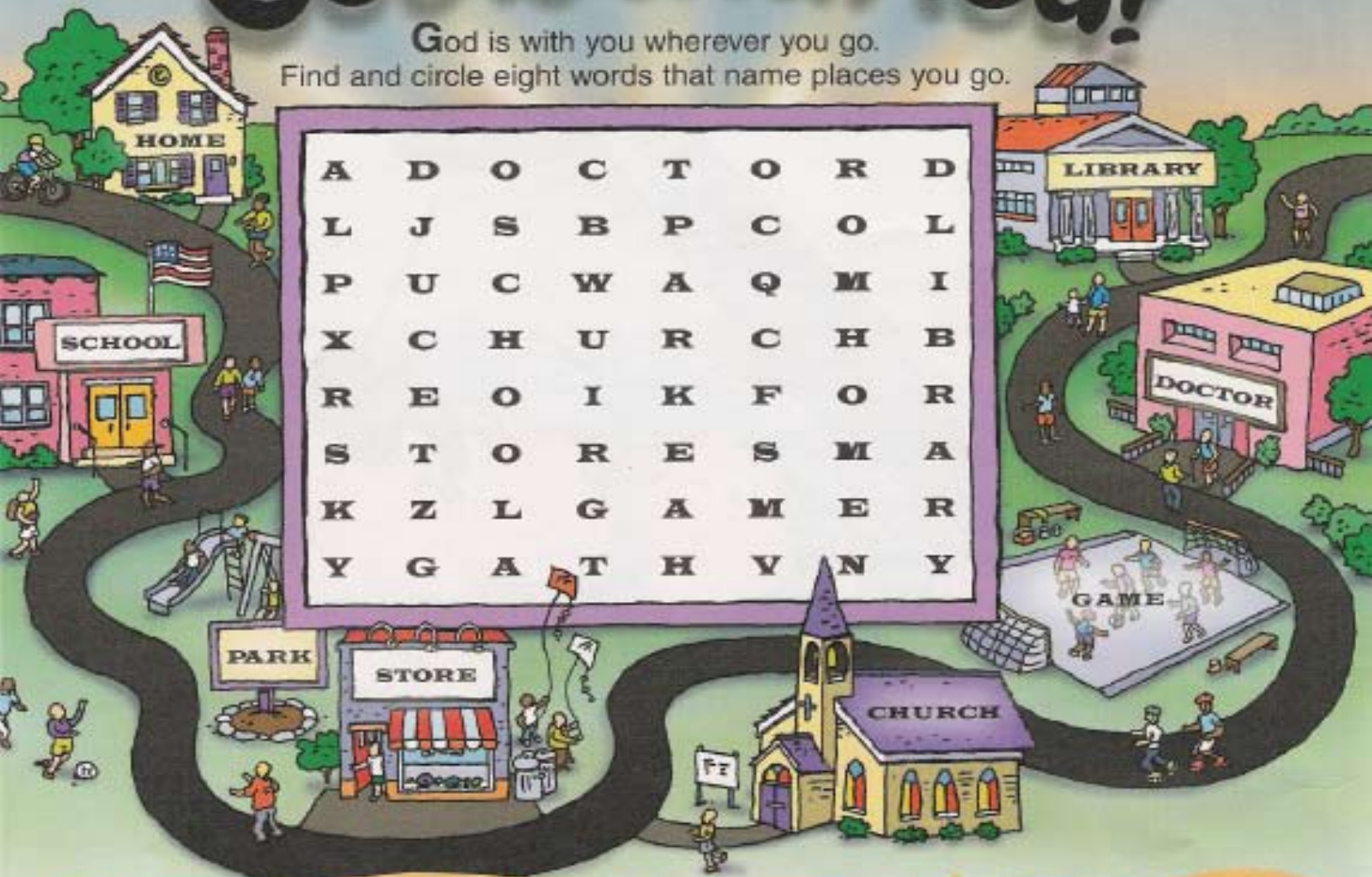


Bible truth taught in this story: God is with

# God Is with You!

God is with you wherever you go.  
Find and circle eight words that name places you go.

A	D	O	C	T	O	R	D
L	J	S	B	P	C	O	L
P	U	C	W	A	Q	M	I
X	C	H	U	R	C	H	B
R	E	O	I	K	F	O	R
S	T	O	R	E	S	M	A
K	Z	L	G	A	M	E	R
Y	G	A	T	H	V	N	Y



## Lesson Focus:

God is with you wherever you go.

## HomeLink

■ Take a field trip with your child by driving around town. Notice all the different places you could stop. Talk about how God is with you wherever

you go. Emphasize the point that God is with you even if you go to a new and different place.

## VerseLink

■ Write each word of the verse on a separate sheet of paper. Arrange in a circle. Play music while the family walks on the papers. Randomly stop the music. Whoever is standing on the reference says the whole verse.

*The Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.  
Deuteronomy 31:6*

time  
**OUT**

It can be hard to find time to connect with our kids! Try one of these ideas to create a one-on-one opportunity to chat:

- ❖ Go out for ice cream.
- ❖ Work on a craft, model, or puzzle together.
- ❖ Play catch or go biking.
- ❖ Have an indoor picnic on the floor.
- ❖ Declare one chair “off limits” except for when one of the kids wants to talk.
- ❖ Stay up late and eat popcorn.
- ❖ Start a “ping-pong letter” that goes back and forth between the two of you.
- ❖ Play together!
- ❖ Take time for a bedtime chat.

**There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven.**

☞ Ecclesiastes 3:1

**Today's Tip:**

**DON'T FEEL GUILTY ABOUT A MESSY HOME OR A MUDDY CAR. CHILDREN GROW UP, BUT YOUR DUST WILL ALWAYS BE THERE FOR YOU.**

## Coming This Summer in *Friends*

- 1 **God is with you wherever you go.** Genesis 28:10-22
- 2 **God knows how to help you with any problem.** Daniel 2:1-49
- 3 **God deserves our praise.** 1 Chronicles 29:1-9
- 4 **Confess your sin when you've done something wrong.** Ezra 9—10
- 5 **Jesus wants us to believe in Him.** John 20:24-29; Luke 24:33-48
- 6 **Make sure you spend time with Jesus.** Luke 10:38-42
- 7 **Jesus cares about our families.** John 11:1-44
- 8 **Keep believing that Jesus can help your family.** Matthew 15:21-28
- 9 **Sometimes we have to wait for God to answer our prayer.** 1 Samuel 1:1—2:19
- 10 **There's power in praying together.** 2 Chronicles 20:1-30
- 11 **Christian leaders help us grow closer to Jesus.** Ephesians 4:11-16
- 12 **Work together for God.** Ezra 1—6
- 13 **God loves a cheerful giver.** 2 Corinthians 8—9

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