

Good morning parents!

Happy November 1st! Thank you to all of those that came and participated in our Sweet Swap yesterday. It was so good to see you and your kids again! This week we will be continuing our Fruit of the Spirit series and will be talking about faithfulness. Your kids will learn about this fruit of the Spirit as we explore the friendship that David and Jonathan had. As well kids will be reminded that God is our most faithful friend. It is so great that God created us to be His friends. It was his plan, born out of love, right from the beginning with Adam and Eve and is also true for us. As Billy Graham once wrote "God has not changed – and neither has His purpose. We are not here by accident; we are here because God put us here – and He put us here so we could be His friends forever." This week, no matter what you face as parents, may you be encouraged that God is faithfully by your side.

We hope you have a great day and week as you and your family talk about these Fruits of the Spirit and see God growing them in your lives.

We find it a great joy to serve your family and to walk alongside you. Please remember that we are here if you are in need of prayer or support. Don't hesitate to reach out!

Kids Branch

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Note: In addition to our Kids Branch @ Home lineups we have other opportunities for your kids and you to connect with us this fall.

Check out our <u>November Newsletter</u> to read about what we've been up to and what
is coming up in Kids Branch this fall. Don't miss reading about the ways that you can
teach and practice generosity with your kids with the Operation Christmas Child
Shoeboxes or Angel Tree Christmas program.

Kids Branch @ Home Video Option - This includes worship and the Bible lesson

- Elementary Option https://youtu.be/YnVcZOrlNOs
- Preschool Option https://youtu.be/SfVill5Dblo

Kids Branch @ Home Parent Led Option

Worship Suggestions

During worship encourage your kids to sing, follow along with the actions, have a dance party or just listen and think about what the words say who Jesus is and who we are to him. All of these are ways that we can express our joy and love for God.

- Play "God is for Me" https://youtu.be/ZmMFCMiT-ac
- Play "My Best Friend" https://youtu.be/7JFjruVrrag

Bible Story Suggestions – David and Jonathan

Parent Recap: David and Jonathan are best friends, but Jonathan's father, Saul, hates David and wants to kill him. Jonathan is a faithful friend as he risks his life to find out whether David is in danger, then sends David safely away from Saul.

Read 1 Samuel 20 or watch 'David and Jonathan' by Slapstick Kids

Elementary Activity

• Try out this object lesson or craft idea to apply the concept of faithfulness

Preschool Activity

• Try out this game or craft idea (with handout) to apply the concept of faithfulness

Pray Together

Before you pray together share with one another about moments in your life that God was faithful. Thank God for His faithfulness and pray that each person would develop the fruit of faithfulness in their own lives so that they can be faithful friends, family members and followers of Jesus.

Join the church in prayer @ 7 PM every day. Find the specific prayer request and scripture on TOB's Instagram or Facebook story. If you or your kids would like to film yourselves reading the scripture verse and praying, please email us.

Memorize Scripture

"But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!" (Galatians 5:22-23)