



Use this guide to help your family learn more about God.

First, watch this video:

Then, follow up with the activity below!

Parent Activity · 1-4

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### MEMORY VERSE

“God’s grace has saved you because of your faith in Christ. Your salvation doesn’t come from anything you do. It is God’s gift.”

Ephesians 2:8, NIV

### LIFE APP

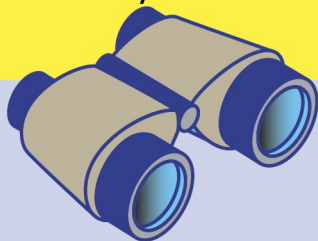
**FAITH:** Trusting in what you can’t see because of what you can see

### BIBLE STORY

Grace is a Gift  
(Ephesians 2:8-9)

### BOTTOM LINE

Jesus is a gift for everyone



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### ACTIVITY: Everybody In

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Flat bedsheet

**WHAT YOU DO:** Read Bible story passages: Ephesians 2:8-9

- Spread the sheet out on the floor. Shout “Everybody in!”, have everyone find a space to stand on the sheet
- Have everyone step off the sheet and fold over one of the corners to make the area a little smaller. Shout “Everybody in!” and again have everyone find a space to stand on the sheet.
- Continue folding the sheet as you continue through the activity, until the sheet can no longer fit everyone on

Talk about the Bible Story:

- Paul wanted the Ephesians to understand that God’s love for us is a gift. It isn’t something we can earn. It isn’t based on anything we’ve done. It’s all about what He’s done for us!
- We try our best to follow God and live His way, but sometimes we mess up. When we do wrong things, the Bible calls that SIN-all of us have sinned. The good news is that we don’t have to do everything perfectly to be part of God’s family. God loves us and accepts us, no matter what we’ve done or haven’t done. There is nothing in the world you or I could ever do to make God love you more than He already does! There’s nothing we could do to make Him love us any LESS either!
- When we put our faith in Jesus as our Saviour, we believe that He died on the cross to pay the price for our sins. Because of what Jesus did, we know that God FORGIVES us for all the wrong things we’ve done and will do. Jesus paid for our sin and made us right with God. And that is a free gift.
- When we do good things, we aren’t doing those things to EARN God’s love. We’re doing them because we already KNOW how much He loves us-and we want to share His love with others

### PRAYER

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

“Dear God, Thank You for sending Jesus to be our Saviour, and that He is a gift for everyone! You love us so much that You sent Your Son for us, and all we need to do is to put our faith in Him. Help us remember that You love us every day, even when we don’t deserve it. Thank You for this reminder today that we don’t have to earn Your love. You love us already. Help us to love You with all of our heart. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen”

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