

The Big Story Lesson #7 Something to Look To

Activity: The Debrief

Even if things aren't completely back to normal this is a great activity for around the dinner table, a bonfire, or before your lesson to connect with your kids around what God was up to in their lives these last few months.

Ask: You could make this more into a game by giving kids sheets of paper. After you read a question they write or draw out their answer. Then move onto the next question. Go around and have everyone share their answers and talk about where you saw God show up throughout these last few weeks.

1. **What were your 2 favorite parts of Quarantine?**
2. **What were the 2 hardest parts of Quarantine?**
3. **What is your favorite story in the Bible and where was God in that story? (What was he doing?)**
4. **Does God feel near or far to you right now?**
5. **How do you think God has been working in these last few weeks of Quarantine?**

***Other debrief options:** have your family come up with a simple skit that re-enacts your family's experience of quarantine. Have everyone write down best and worst moments, then throw them in a hat, mix them up, read them and try to guess who wrote what. If there is another way your family likes to debrief, do it, then always ask if they saw God working in any way.

Grab your Bibles

In the video we learned that trusting in God takes a lot of humility. There was a man in the Bible named David. Perhaps you've heard of his story with Goliath? David was just a man, but he was said to be a "Type" of Christ. That means that when people were looking for the Messiah, they were supposed to look for someone who was like David. Today, we are going to look at all the connections between David and Jesus and see how humility played a role in their lives, as well as how becoming more Christ-like could change ours.

Read 1 Samuel 16:1, 4-7, 10-13

Samuel was waiting for the man God would choose to be the next king. He was looking at people's handsome appearance and their height. What does the Lord say he's looking at?

David was the youngest of his siblings, and a shepherd. How could shepherding be a humble job?

Read John 10:14-18

How is Jesus a greater and ultimate shepherd?

Now we're going to a familiar story. If you know David and Goliath, retell it as a family to the best of your ability.

Read 1 Samuel 17:45-50

What does David say that he is coming against Goliath with? (verse 45)

David doesn't even bring a sword to fight against a giant, instead he comes with words. It seems unwise to go up against all the world considers strong and powerful with something that seems weak and humble. However, how else do you see God using words in the Bible?

Genesis 1:3-

Ezekiel 12:25-

Matthew 4:4-

Revelation 1:16-

(possible answers: to create order from chaos, to do his will, to defeat temptation, to bring restoration)

Even after he was anointed, David didn't become king. Saul, the current king tried again and again to kill him.

David ended up fleeing for his life on multiple occasions. He also had several opportunities to kill Saul, and didn't because he trusted that God would do what he said in his own timing.

What is a time when Jesus also trusted in God's way or timing for doing things? (Luke 22:42)

Read 2 Samuel 7:8-10, 12-16

These are the promises that God makes to David when he finally becomes king over Israel. They apply directly to David and his son Solomon, but they also foretell an even greater kingdom and Son who is to come. What similarities in these promises can you find to Jesus within this passage?

Promise:

"Your _____ and your _____ will endure _____ before me and your throne will be established _____"
2 Samuel 7:16

Big Questions:

What did humility look like in David's life? What did it look like in Jesus?

What is an area of your life that the Holy Spirit is asking you to humbly give over to God?

What are you looking forward to the most for when Jesus comes back?

What important work on earth has he specifically given you to do with him right now?