PARENT CORNER weekly

TODAY: OCTOBER 17-18

Bible Story: Hannah & Samuel *1 Samuel 1-2:11*

Big Idea: God Never Fails

Focus: God Always Cares About Me

Memory Verse: "Jesus looked at them and said, 'With people, this is impossible. But with God, all things are possible." *Matthew 19:26*

Bible Story Summary:

Read 1 Samuel 1-2:11, 1 Peter 5:7; Luke 12:6–7; 1 Samuel 12:24; Colossians 3:17

More than anything else, Hannah wanted a baby. She prayed fervently to the Lord, promising that if He gave her a child, she would dedicate the child to God's service forever. Hannah gave birth to Samuel. She kept her word and left him with Eli, the high priest, to serve in the temple.

He Question: Does God know what's happening in people's lives?
God knows everything, including the details of every single person's life. He knows us and cares about us.

We Question: How can we respond to God's goodness to us?
We can respond to God with thankfulness and a willingness to serve Him.

Me Question: How is God inviting me to respond?
Kids will be given the opportunity to reflect on the truth they learned about God and respond accordingly.



While you are driving, point out the sky, the sun, or the moon. Share that no matter how far you drive today, you are always under the exact same sky. Remind them that God's love is just like that. No matter where you go, God is always right there watching over you and caring for you.

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WEEK 3

God TIME

DAY 1

READ *Matthew 19:26 (NIrV)*

You have been working to memorize this verse all month long. Let's play a game to help you learn it. With the help of a parent, grab a piece of paper and something to write with. Begin by writing the verse on the paper and then cut or rip each word out. Then put the words in the correct order. After you say the verse a few times, choose one word to flip over and see if you can still say the verse. Continue flipping words over until the whole verse is flipped over. Can you still say it?

Which word did you flip over first?

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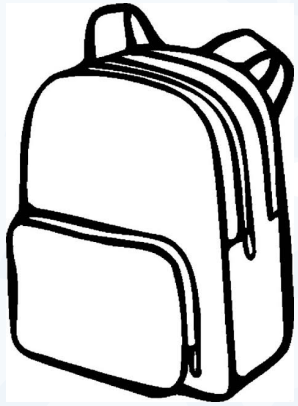
PRACTICE this verse so you remember that God never fails

DAY 2

READ *1 Peter 5:7 (NIrV)*

Close your eyes and think about the heaviest thing you could pick up.. A box of toys? A big basket of laundry? Sometimes, your heart can feel heavy too. When you get scared, are sad, or worried you might feel like you are carrying a big heavy backpack. This verse shares that God wants you to give your worries to Him. He cares about you and is always there to help you. He is never too busy for you.

With the help of a parent, color the backpack to help you remember that God cares about you and there's nothing He can't help you with.



KNOW that God Always Cares About Me

DAY 3

***READ** 1 Samuel 1:27(NIrV)*

This week you learned about a woman named Hannah. She was very sad and her heart hurt so much to have a child. She prayed to the Lord and promised that if He gave her a child, she would dedicate the child to God's service forever. God heard her prayer and gave her a son, Samuel. He didn't turn away and wasn't too busy for her. God always cares about you. Just like Hannah, He listens to you because He cares. When you pray, He always answers in a way that is best.

With the help of a parent, answer the following questions.

1.True or False: Hannah talked to God when her heart was sad.

2.True or False: Hannah gave her baby boy the name Michael.

3.True or False: God only cares a little bit about you.

BE THANKFUL that God Always Cares About Me

HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

Parent signature

Date

Return for 5 Bible Bucks!

DAY 4

***READ** 1 Samuel 12:24 (NIrV)*

Have you ever gotten a giant, amazing birthday present from someone? You probably said "Thank you" and gave them a great big hug. This verse shares that you should think of all the wonderful things God has done for you. God gives you the sun to warm you up. He gives you food to eat. He even gives you blankets to keep you warm at night. When you remember that God created you, loves you, and promises to always care for you, your heart should fill up with thankfulness. God is always good and always cares. You should want to respond to His goodness by praising Him just like Hannah did.

Take a moment and pray. Thank Him for knowing every detail of your life. Thank him for always caring for you. Ask Him to help you to remember his goodness and praise Him in the good and bad.

PRAY and thank God that He Always Cares About Me

parent CUE:

We want to let you know that we have an amazing opportunity for you and your child. We are learning the importance of giving (tithing) in UpTown. For many years the kids in UpTown have been caring for children through Compassion International and Forgotten Children Worldwide. We are currently sponsoring a boy named John that lives in Tanzania and a girl named Akeelo that lives in Uganda.

Our support will provide John and Akeelo with:

- **Food to combat malnutrition**
- **Health care and immunizations**
- **Education and income generating skills**
- **The Gospel message and spiritual guidance**
- **The love and support of the church staff**

Every week during Studio24 and Clubhouse, your child will have the chance to give an offering to help sponsor John and Akeelo. We pray that you will partner with us in this. Learning to have a heart of generosity will help your child grow to have a heart like Jesus.

at a GLANCE

Bibles-N-Bucks Shopping

October 24-25	2nd Grade
Oct. 31-Nov. 1	1st Grade
November 7-8	Kindergarten
November 14-15	4th Grade
November 21-22	3rd Grade

Ways to Earn Bible Bucks

Come to church ..... 1 Buck

Bring your Bible ..... 1 Buck

Recite Bible Verse .. 1 Buck

Do your GodTime ... 5 Bucks

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Child's Name: _____