

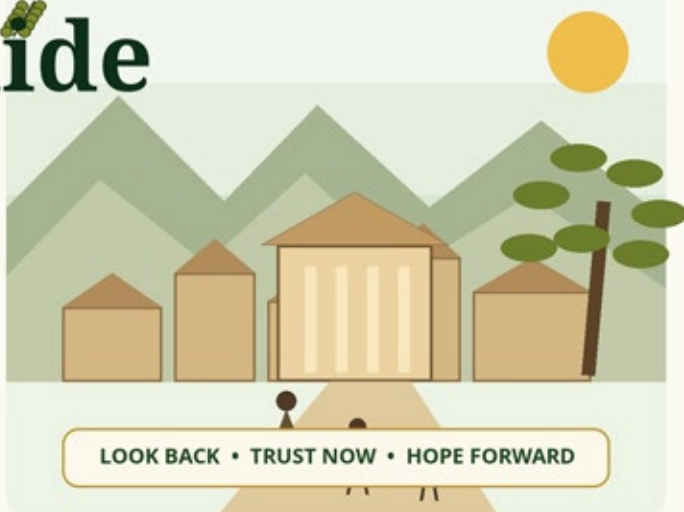


Family Faith Guide

The Chronicles – Week 1

God's Faithfulness

1 Chronicles 9:1



"The LORD ... sent persistently to them by his messengers, because he had compassion on his people and on his dwelling place."

— 2 Chronicles 36:15



Big Idea

God's faithfulness is always greater than our failure. He does not abandon His people, and He still works through imperfect people.



Why Chronicles?

- Written to returning exiles who needed comfort and hope.
- Retells Israel's story to remind them who they are, who God is, and what He promised.
- Focus: David, the temple, worship, covenant, and God's faithfulness.
- Scripture: 1 Chronicles 9:1.



Faithfulness > Failure

- Judah's exile came because of covenant unfaithfulness.
- Failure was real, but it was not the final word.
- The Chronicler points discouraged people back to a faithful God.
- Central truth: God's faithfulness is greater than our failure.



God Does Not Abandon

- Before judgment, God persistently warned and called His people back.
- Discipline is not the absence of love; it can be love refusing to give up.
- Failure did not cancel Israel's identity or God's covenant.
- Scripture: 2 Chronicles 36:15–16; Hebrews 12:6.



God Still Works Through Us

- God moved Cyrus to let the exiles return and rebuild.
- Kings, prophets, leaders, and ordinary people all became part of His work.
- God is not limited by our age, weakness, regrets, or imperfections.
- Scripture: Ezra 6:14–15.



Grace Has the Final Word

- The Davidic promise reaches its fulfillment in Jesus, David's greater Son.
- In Christ, we are not our worst failure, guilt, or shame.
- We are saved, sustained, restored, and sent by grace.
- What is broken can still be rebuilt.



Talk About It

1. Why did the Chronicler retell Israel's story?
2. How can God's correction be an expression of love?
3. What failure are you tempted to make your identity?
4. Where might God still want to use you?



Family Challenge

This week, read 1 Chronicles 9:1; 2 Chronicles 36:15–16; Ezra 6:14–15; and Hebrews 12:6. Share one story of God's past faithfulness, then pray: "Lord, help us trust Your faithfulness in the present and hope in what You will do next."



Prayer

Faithful God, thank You that our failures never outrun Your grace. Correct us when we wander, restore us when we fall, and remind us that we still belong to You. Use our imperfect lives for Your purposes, and keep our hope fixed on Jesus, the faithful King. In Jesus' name, amen.



Family Faith Guide for Kids

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God's Faithfulness

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— 2 Chronicles 36:15



Big Idea

Even when God's people failed, God did not give up on them. He stayed faithful, brought them home, and still gave them work to do.



What Is Chronicles?

- God's people had come home from exile, but they were discouraged.
- Chronicles retells their story so they remember: God had not abandoned them.
- It points back to David, the temple, worship, and God's promises.
- Scripture: 1 Chronicles 9:1.



Failure Is Not the End

- Judah went to Babylon because the people broke faith with God.
- Their choices had real consequences.
- But their failure did not get the final word - God's faithfulness did.
- God still called them His people.



God Corrects in Love

- Before judgment came, God kept warning His people and calling them back.
- God's correction did not mean He stopped loving them.
- Not every hard thing is discipline, but God's Word shows us when we need to repent.
- Scripture: 2 Chronicles 36:15-16; Hebrews 12:6.



God Can Still Use You

- God used Cyrus, leaders, prophets, and ordinary people to rebuild.
- You do not have to be perfect, strong, old enough, or important enough.
- Like the pastor's old level: something can look worn and still be useful.
- God sees what His grace can still do through you.



Jesus Is the Faithful King

- God's promise to David was not forgotten.
- The promise points to Jesus, David's greater Son.
- Jesus bore the consequence of our unfaithfulness and brings repentant people home to God.
- We are saved, restored, and sent by grace.



Talk About It

1. What did God's people need to remember?
2. Why can correction be a sign of love?
3. Have you ever thought, "God can't use me"? Why?
4. What is one way God could use you this week?



Family Challenge

BUILD IT AGAIN: Use blocks or cups to build something together. Knock part of it down, then rebuild it. Talk about how failure and brokenness are not the end of the story. Then each person shares: one way God was faithful before, one way to trust Him today, and one hope for what He will do next.



Prayer

Faithful God, thank You for never giving up on Your people. When we do wrong, help us listen, repent, and trust Your love. Remind us that Jesus is our faithful King. Please use our lives - even with our mistakes and weaknesses - to do Your good work. In Jesus' name, amen.

