



Day 1: God Has Not Forgotten You

Scripture Reading: Exodus 6:1-8

Devotional:

God had sent Moses back to Egypt and told Pharaoh, "Let my people go!" But Pharaoh refused. In fact, he made life even harder for the Israelites. God reminded Moses that He had heard the cries of His people and remembered His promise to them. He promised that He would rescue them from slavery and bring them into the land He had promised. The Israelites couldn't see how God was going to do it yet, but God was already working. Sometimes we may feel like God is far away because a problem doesn't go away quickly. We might pray and wonder why nothing seems to be changing. But just because we cannot see what God is doing doesn't mean He has left us!

Discussion:

1. Why do you think the Israelites might have felt like God had forgotten about them?
2. When something is difficult, what can help you remember that God is still with you?

Prayer:

God, thank You for never forgetting me. When I am waiting or things are difficult, help me remember that You are still with me and still working. Amen!

Welcome to our *Way Out West* Devo for week 3! Throughout this series, we are learning that the Lord is always working for the good of those who love Him!

This week, we are learning that God Never Leaves Us! *Let's Saddle Up*, we know you will learn so much!

Day 2: God Is Bigger Than What We Face

Scripture Reading: Exodus 7:14-24

Devotional:

Pharaoh refused to listen to God and would not let the Israelites go. So God began showing Pharaoh that He alone was God. God told Moses to meet Pharaoh by the Nile River. Moses told Pharaoh what God was going to do, and then Aaron struck the water with his staff. The water of the Nile turned to blood.

Pharaoh seemed incredibly powerful, especially to the Israelites who had been his slaves. But Pharaoh was never more powerful than God. We face things that can feel really big too. Maybe you are afraid of something happening at school. Maybe your family is going through a difficult season. Maybe there is something you cannot fix on your own. God never promises that we won't face hard things. But He does promise that we never have to face them without Him.

Discussion:

1. How did God show Pharaoh that He was more powerful?
2. What is something that feels big or scary to you that you can trust God with?

Prayer:

God, You are bigger and stronger than anything I will ever face. When I am afraid, help me remember that You are with me and I can trust You. Amen!

Day 3: God Is With Us in the Darkness

Scripture Reading: Exodus 10:21-29

Devotional:

One of the plagues God sent over Egypt was darkness. For three days, darkness covered the land. It was so dark that the Egyptians could not see one another or even move around. But the Israelites had light where they lived. We may never experience darkness like the Egyptians did, but sometimes life can *feel* dark. We might feel afraid, lonely, worried, sad, or unsure about what is going to happen next. Those feelings don't mean that God has left us. When we cannot see what is going to happen next, God can. When we feel alone, God is still near. When we are afraid, God stays with us. Even in the darkest moments, God never leaves us.

Discussion:

1. What was different about where the Israelites lived during the plague of darkness?
2. How can remembering that God is with you help when you feel afraid, worried, or alone?

Prayer:

God, thank You for being with me even when life feels dark or scary. Help me remember that I am never alone because You are always near. Amen!

Day 4: God Goes With Us

Scripture Reading: Exodus 12:31-36; 13:20-22

Devotional:

Finally, after all the plagues, Pharaoh told Moses and the Israelites to leave Egypt. The Israelites packed their things and began their journey. During the day, God went before His people in a pillar of cloud. At night, He led them with a pillar of fire that gave them light.

The Bible tells us something amazing: the pillar never left its place in front of the people. We may not have a pillar of cloud or fire to follow, but God has promised to be with us always. When life changes, God is with us. When we go somewhere new, God is with us. When we know exactly what to do or not, God is with us. God never leaves us!

Activity: "God Is With Us Path"

As a family, make a simple path through your house using pieces of paper labeled with places that your family goes. Like school, church, practice, etc. Then take turns walking the path and have each person say at each stop, "God is with me here!" After everyone goes, then read Exodus 13:21-22, and talk about how God led the Israelites wherever they went. Lastly, have everyone share one place they want to remember God is with them.

Prayer:

God, thank You for always being there wherever I go and whatever I face! Help me trust you everyday! Amen!

Memory Verse

"We know that God is always at work for the good of everyone who loves Him. They are the ones God has chosen for his purpose."

Romans 8:28 CEV

