🛡️ SUNDAY REPLAY

ARMOR UP! – WEEK 4: SHIELD OF FAITH

Hi Parents!

This week in KidZone, we continued our *ARMOR UP!* series by learning about the Shield of Faith! We discovered that faith helps us trust God even when we don't know what is going to happen. Just like a soldier uses a shield to protect himself during battle, God gives us faith to help us stand strong when fear, doubt, worry, and temptation come our way!

Our faith doesn't mean that problems will never happen. It means we can trust God and His promises no matter what we're facing!

Let's take a look at what we learned and how we can continue growing our faith together this week!

📖 MEMORIZE ME

Ephesians 6:10–11 (NIV)

"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes."

Remember: God gives us faith like a shield to help us stand strong when life gets difficult!

🎯 NEED TO KNOW

MY FAITH IS MY SHIELD! I CAN TRUST GOD NO MATTER WHAT!

Faith means trusting God even when we can't see what He's doing, understand what's happening, or know how things will turn out.

⭐ FANTASTIC 5

DAVID AND GOLIATH – 1 SAMUEL 17:1–50

This week, we learned about a young shepherd boy named David who faced a HUGE giant named Goliath!

Here are 5 things to remember:

1. **A GIANT WAS COMING!** The Israelites were facing Goliath, a huge and powerful warrior who terrified everyone.
2. **EVERYONE WAS AFRAID!** The Israelite soldiers were scared because Goliath looked too big and too strong to defeat.
3. **DAVID HAD FAITH!** David wasn't the biggest or strongest soldier, but he knew that God was bigger than any giant he would ever face.
4. **DAVID TRUSTED GOD!** Instead of relying on his own strength, David trusted that God would help him defeat Goliath.
5. **GOD GAVE DAVID THE VICTORY!** David defeated Goliath, not because he was the biggest or strongest, but because he trusted in his BIG God!

THE BIG LESSON: David didn't focus on how BIG his giant was. He focused on how BIG his God was!

💬 ASK ME THIS

Here are some questions to ask your kids this week:

- What is faith? (Hebrews 11:1)
- Who was the giant David faced? (1 Samuel 17:4)
- Why wasn't David afraid to face Goliath? (1 Samuel 17:45–47)
- What are some things that can make it hard for us to trust God?
- What does the Shield of Faith protect us from? (Ephesians 6:16)
- How can we trust God when we don't know what is going to happen?

GO A LITTLE DEEPER: Ask your kids, "What is something in your life right now that you need to trust God with?"

🚀 TAKE OFF

1. SHIELD OF FAITH CHALLENGE

Have your child draw a shield on a piece of paper. Inside the shield, write or draw things that remind them why they can trust God.

Examples:

- God loves me!
- God is always with me!
- God keeps His promises!
- God is bigger than my problems!

Put the shield somewhere they can see it throughout the week!

2. FACE YOUR GIANTS!

Talk about some of the "giants" your family might face. These don't have to be actual giants! They could be fear, worry, difficult situations at school, or things that make it hard to trust God.

For each one, talk about a truth from God's Word that reminds you to trust Him.

3. TRUST GOD THIS WEEK!

The next time your child feels scared, worried, or unsure about something, remind them to stop and say:

"MY FAITH IS MY SHIELD! I CAN TRUST GOD NO MATTER WHAT!"

🙏 PRAYER GUIDE

Take a few minutes this week to pray together as a family.

- **THANK GOD:** Thank God for always being with us, even when things are difficult.
- **ASK GOD:** Ask Him to help you trust Him when you're scared, worried, or unsure about what will happen.
- **PRAY FOR FAITH:** Ask God to help your family grow in faith and stand strong against fear, doubt, and temptation.

Family Prayer:

"God, thank You for always being with us. Help us to trust You even when we don't understand what's happening or know what will happen next. When we feel scared, worried, or doubtful, remind us that You are bigger than any problem we face. Help us put on our Shield of Faith every single day. In Jesus' name, Amen!"

❤️ PARENT CHALLENGE

This week, look for opportunities to model faith in front of your kids!

When something doesn't go as planned, when you're worried about something, or when you face a difficult situation, let your kids see what it looks like to trust God.

Remind them that faith isn't just trusting God when everything is going right. It's trusting Him even when we don't know the outcome.

Our kids need to see what it looks like to have faith, not just hear about it!

WE'RE BETTER TOGETHER! 💛

Parents, thank you for partnering with us as we help the next generation grow in their relationship with Jesus!

Remember, our faith is our shield. No matter what giants we face, what fears come our way, or what tomorrow holds, we can always trust God!

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We're praying for you and your family. See you next Sunday in KidZone!