

Faith Family Experience

May 17, 2020- The church ASKS God to Rescue Peter

Parent Pro Tips

- This FFE should take between 15-30 minutes, depending on the bonus activities you choose. You choose what fits your family best.
- Your kids will have more fun and be more engaged if you let them choose the activities, read the Bible stories, etc.

WORSHIP TOGETHER:

Today we are going to learn about bringing our requests to God. The Bible says that God is like a good Father, he cares for and listens to us when we pray. Let's praise our Father in heaven by lifting our voices in song like it says in Psalm 95, "Let us sing for joy to the LORD, Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation."

Introduce your kids to some of your favorite worship songs or use these Cherry Hills favorites below.

PRESCHOOL FAVORITES:

I Will Pray by Yancy: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7ZmpWgzlZtY>

Five Finger Prayer by Saddleback Kids https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0tnCgw8Dj_8

ELEMENTARY FAVORITES:

God is Listening from Group VBS: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=88m9vJYllV4>

Ask, Seek, Knock by Hillsong Kids: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J3vXskh1lig>

Who You Say I Am by Crossroad Kids: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6PpijnOTszs>

BIBLE STORY:

As we learn more about prayer, we learn that God wants us to come to Him with our requests and concerns. We can put our trust in God in all things. God wants us to **ASK** for his help, and as our loving Father, He listens. Read **Acts 12:1-19** or for younger children, you can watch a simple telling here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rr7Udj8IEUU&t=20s>

Watch the story here:

Bible Story Intro: <https://youtu.be/ZGP4Y7dDhQ8>

The church ASKS God to rescue Peter: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zzM9aFqkw6s>

Talking to God: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZG9uy0WtK98>

TALK ABOUT IT:

- Who was the king that arrested Peter and put him in jail? (*King Herod, Acts 12:1*)
- How many soldiers were guarding Peter? (*16, Acts 12:4*)
- While Peter was in prison, what was the church doing? (*praying for him, Acts 12:5*)
- Who did God send to rescue Peter? (*the Angel of the Lord, Acts 12:7*)
- What did the angel of the Lord do? (*woke him up, freed him of the chains, led him out of the jail, Acts 12:7-10*)
- Where did Peter go? (*to the house where his friends were praying, Acts 12:12*)
- What does this story teach me about God?
- What does the story teach me about prayer?
- What is God teaching me or showing me right now in my life?

BIBLE TRUTH:

Read this verse aloud together. Hang it up & challenge each other to memorize it this week.

“Here is what we can be sure of when we come to God in prayer.
If we ask anything in keeping with what he wants, he hears us.” 1 John 5:14

ACTIVITIES: (choose 1, *none* or ALL the fun!)

The Share Love Challenge: Call a friend or family member and ask them if there is something you can pray about for them this week. Lifting others needs up in prayer is a great way to show them love.

PRAY HopScotch: Using sidewalk chalk, draw a hopscotch. In each square, add each of the letters for the word PRAY. As you jump on each letter, say “Pause, Rejoice, Ask, Yield.”

Prayer Jar: Take an empty can or jar and wrap in some blank paper. Decorate using markers or stickers. Write little prayer requests on paper, fold and place in the jar.

The ASK Game: Choose someone to be “it.” Everyone else in your family should line up at one end of the yard (or room). One at a time, those lined up should take turns asking to move forward. For example, “May I hop three times forward?” or “May I take 5 big steps forward?” “It” can then say yes or no. When someone makes it across the yard (or room), that person wins and becomes the next “It.”

Prayer Tower: Grab some Legos or blocks. Stack the blocks, telling God thank you for something for each block you stack. Challenge a family member to see who can thank God for the most things and see who can build the tallest tower.

Memory Challenge: Choose a version of the Lord’s Prayer to memorize. When you have it memorized, take a video of yourself saying it and email it to Jessica@cherryhillfamily.org. Every person who completes the memory challenge by June 7 will receive a special prize in the mail.