



HOW DOES OUR FAITH GROW?

BIBLE STORY: Growing in Faith (2 Peter 1:1-15)

BIBLE TRUTH: God continues to work in us and through us as we grow to become more like Jesus.

BIBLE VERSE: His divine power has given us everything required for life and godliness through the knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. *2 Peter 1:3*

BONUS VERSE: Then I heard the voice of the Lord asking: Who will I send? Who will go for us? I said: Here I am. Send me. *Isaiah 6:8*

As a tree begins to sprout, it may be a bit of a mystery as to what type of tree it is. Will apples grow? Or maybe oranges? As it grows, you will know a tree by the fruit it bears. The same is true for us as believers in Christ. What does the world see when it looks at us? Do people see an envious woman or an angry man? Are we selfish and petty? Or do they see people who are at peace with one another and who love with a supernatural kind of love? God calls us to live a life of faith that others can see. What fruit do we bear?

Peter wrote about several attributes of the faithful Christian. It is a life marked by faith, goodness, knowledge of God, self-control, persevering, godliness, brotherly affection, and love. These things should be a natural outworking of our faith. Our faith in King Jesus is the beginning of a process of sanctification. From the moment we believe, we are on a journey of growing in our faith and what it means to be a Christian. Jesus is never done with us. We're called to be growing in our knowledge of God, submitting all things to Him. We give God all our ugly pieces, and He transforms them into something beautiful. What an amazing God we serve!

As believers, you and your child are on a journey with Jesus. Encourage your TeamKID in his or her faith this week. Help your child read the Bible and pray, gaining knowledge of who God is, what He is like, and the life He calls us to.

