

SPECIAL EDITION

Pastoring Your Kids



PLANNING YOUR WEEK:

1

Sunday

CHURCH TIME

2

Monday or Tuesday

BIBLE TIME

3

Thursday or Friday

FAMILY TIME

WEEK 11

FAITH:
DO IT

MEMORY VERSE:

James 1:22, "Do not merely listen to the Word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says." (NIV)

BOTTOM LINE:

If you believe the Bible you will do what it says.

2. BIBLE TIME

READ:

- James 1:22
- Hebrews 11:6
- Genesis 6:13-22

MAIN POINT:

When we act on God's Word it releases our faith. Noah acted on what God said and it saved his whole family. Sometimes we may have a struggle, but we trust God and His Word. (Noah had never seen rain, it didn't make sense but he obeyed.)

DISCUSS:

- Look at what God asked Noah to do, through Noah's eyes.
- It had never rained before, how long it took, how big the job was, getting all of the animals, what if he had not obeyed?
- Share a time when you may have struggled with what God was asking you to do, and what you did.

QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. God has given us a tool to access His blessings. What is that tool? (faith)
2. What is one way that we can release our faith? (by doing what God says)
3. What if you don't know what God says? (look in the Bible for what God says)

3. FAMILY TIME

YOU HAVE TO DO SOMETHING

MAIN POINT:

YOU have to use your faith to see results.

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Box of brownies & ingredients.

WHAT YOU DO:

- IN THE MORNING let your kids know that you will have delicious, chocolatey brownies after dinner tonight.
- Do not make the brownies during the day.
- Allow time after dinner to make the brownies as a family, but do not tell your family.
- They will be expecting brownies after dinner.
- Let them bring it up.
- When they do, your response would be,

"Oh, you mean I had to bake them?"

- Begin making the brownies as a family.

DISCUSS:

- Talk about how everyone was expecting brownies, but Mom had to do something.
- God wants to bless us in our bodies (healthy bodies, not sick), with our mind (being smart) and having the things we need, but we have to do something.
- When we use our faith it will bless others too. Like when Mom makes brownies it blesses others, but she has to make them first.

SPIRITUAL EXERCISE:

- Have each family member talk about something that they want to receive from God.
- Are they DOING it - using God's Word and applying it to see results?