

The Story at Home

Timeless Truth: God sent help for his people. God sends me to help others too.

Key Passages: Joshua 1:10–11; 2:1–24

Resources: *The Story for Little Ones* Ch. 7: “God’s Helper”



Ages 2–4

Preschool

Memory Verse

The Lord Himself (point up)

Will fight (hold up fists)

For you. (point to someone)

Just stay calm. (lower hands with palms facing down in front of your body)

Exodus 14:14 (Open hands like a book.)

This week’s Bible story is a fun one to act out. Build the walls of Jericho using blocks, facial tissue boxes, couch cushions, or any other household items that would make good walls. Your wall can be a straight line or a circle. Dress up if you want. Bath robes, towels, or old sheets make good Bible-time clothes. Walk around the walls seven times, pretending to blow trumpets. After you have marched around the walls, shout for joy as you knock down the walls. As you clean up the walls of Jericho that you knocked down, discuss how God knocked down the walls of Jericho and helped his people.

Build the walls of Jericho with cheese slices and crackers. As you eat the walls of Jericho, talk about how God helped his people and how he helps you.

Sometimes God helps us through other people. Talk about someone your preschooler knows that needs help. What can your family do to help? Decide on something you (and your preschooler) can do to help that person.

Read books about helping. Ask your child what the character is doing to help or not help in the situation.

Help your child remember part of the key verse using these motions.

Be strong (Show your arm muscles.)

And very brave. (Do a superhero pose.)

Joshua 1:7 (Open hands like a book.)

What did God do that was amazing in this story?

How did God help his people?

How does God help you?

How can you help others?



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