

The Story at Home

Timeless Truth: God's people promised to follow God. God wants you to follow him, too.

Key Passages: Ezra 1:1-7, 3:10-13; Hag 1:2-11; Zech 8:2-22

Resources: *The Story for Little Ones Ch. Chapter 19: "God's House"*



Ages 2-4

Preschool

- What did God's people build?
- Who did God's people promise to follow?
- Who do you follow?

Use blocks or cereal and snack boxes to build a church. Share with your child that the temple was a place where God's people worshiped him. Today, we worship God in a church. Play some of your child's favorite games. Talk about the ways that you are following directions. Rainbows remind us of God's promise to Noah. Color a rainbow picture of a church to remember that God's people promised to follow God and he wants us to follow him, too.

Memory Verse

The Lord (*point up*)

Is everything (*point out*)

I need. (*hands on tummy*)

I will (*point to self*)

Put my hope (*cross arms in front of chest*)

In Him. (*point up*)

Lamentations 3:24 (*open hands like a book*)

Use the following activity to help your child learn that he can follow God. First, draw a simple footprint on sheets of paper or print out a picture of a footprint you found online. Lay the footprints out in a path throughout your house. Have directions for an activity to do with your preschooler in each room. For example, in the bathroom, you might brush your teeth; in the bedroom, you might pick up toys; in the living room, you might read a Bible story; and in the kitchen, you can make a simple snack. You can tell your child the directions for each activity or make simple pictures for your child to guess the activity. At the end of your following activity, talk with your child about how he followed the footprints and the directions for each activity. God's people promised to follow him.

How can your family follow God?



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