

HOME connection

OT Unit: By Faith Alone, Lesson 3

D6 Family Theme:

A SONG OF ENDURING LOVE

Objectives:

Know: We serve a loving God who is always faithful to His promises.

Think: Rest in the assurance that God loves me and will keep all of His promises.

Do: Trust and praise God, even during times of discipline or hardship.



READ: LISTEN TO GOD

Read Psalm 89. God has promised many things to His people. We usually focus on the good ones, but we should not neglect the bad ones, either. God's promises—good and bad—are not empty. He always keeps His word.



PRAY: TALK TO GOD

Submit to and learn from God's discipline in our lives. Pray that you and your family will recognize God's discipline in your lives so you will not miss out on God's refining process for your lives.



DO: WALK WITH GOD

Option 1: God shows His love for us in many ways, including discipline. Even in times of discipline, we need to remember that God has promises for good and bad, and He will keep His word. His discipline ultimately shapes and molds us into who He wants us to be. Talk with your child about a mentor, such as a sports coach, choir teacher, art teacher, or youth pastor. When these mentors see an improvement your child needs to be making, they might provide discipline. These mentors desire for your child to be the best player, singer, artist, or Christian he or she can be. Because God loves your children, He is working to mold them into who He desires for them to be.

Option 2: *If you keep that up, there's going to be trouble! Don't make me come in there!* How do children respond when adults make such threats or promises, but never carry through until they lose their temper? What does it do to children's respect of those making such empty promises or threats and inconsistent enforcement? Discuss the idea of empty promises with your children.

THIS WEEK IN D6 CURRICULUM:



PRE-
SCHOOL

Today your child learned Jesus met two men who were walking to Emmaus. He made it so the men did not recognize Him. The men shared the news about Jesus' death and resurrection. When they arrived at the town, they asked Jesus to eat with them. As He blessed the food, they recognized Him and knew **Jesus Is Alive**.



K & 1
GRADE



2 & 3
GRADE



4 & 5
GRADE

Today your student learned Psalm 89 is a song of enduring love. He or she learned God's name, words, reign, and love never ends. Because God is eternal, we can trust He will always be there for us, and we can praise Him. Your student was encouraged to worship God with his or her thoughts, words, and actions.



YOUNG
TEEN



HIGH
SCHOOL

Teens were reminded of God's amazing love as explored in Psalm 89. They saw that tied to His love is His faithfulness to keep all of His promises. They were encouraged to trust and praise God even during times of discipline or hardship, knowing that God will be faithful through it all because He loves us and has our best interest at heart. Talk to your teens about the idea of discipline. Ask them why they think it is necessary and what purpose it should serve in a loving parent-child relationship.



YOUNG
ADULT

Group members discussed the love of God by examining Psalm 89. The group was encouraged to trust God's eternal promises even in times of difficulty or discipline.



ADULT

FUSION groups discussed how God's promises—good and bad—are not empty since He always keeps His word. Members were challenged to adopt a conscious attitude of praise during distress or discipline.