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this week's
video!

Knowledge:
Learning
something new
so you can
be better at
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Memory Verse

"The Lord gives wisdom. Knowledge and understanding come from his mouth."

Proverbs 2:6, NIV

Bible Story

Jesus Is Tempted in the Desert
Luke 4:1-13
(Matthew 4:1-11)

Bottom Line

Remembering what's true can help you make the wise choice.

Activity

Who Said It?

What You Need:

Paper plate, marker

What You Do:

Write "devil" on one side of the paper plate and "Jesus" on the other side. Invite your child to play a game. Hand them the paper plate.

Say, "I'm going to read some quotes from our Bible story today. If you think the devil said it, show the side of the paper plate that says 'devil.' If you think Jesus said it, flip the paper plate to the side that says 'Jesus.'"

Read the following quotes and allow your child to respond. If they get the answer incorrect, don't tell them yet; just keep moving.

- ▶ "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread." (*devil*)
- ▶ "It is written, 'Man must not live only on bread.'" (*Jesus*)
- ▶ "If you worship me, [all the authority of the kingdoms of the world] will be yours." (*devil*)
- ▶ "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God. He is the only one you should serve.'" (*Jesus*)
- ▶ "Throw yourself down from here. It is written, 'The Lord will command his angels to take good care of you. They will lift you up in their hands. Then you won't trip over a stone.'" (*devil*)
- ▶ "Scripture says, 'Do not test the Lord your God.'" (*Jesus*)

If your child got all the answers correct, tell them! If they got one or more incorrect, read Luke 4:1-13 aloud and then play another round.

When you're finished, say, "The devil tried to trick Jesus. But because Jesus knew what was true, He made the wise choice."

Talk About the Bible Story

What does knowing Scripture have to do with making the wise choice? (*When we read and understand what's in the Bible, we can live with God's wisdom.*)

What is the difference between a wise and foolish choice?

What are some potential consequences of a wise choice? What are some potential consequences of an unwise or foolish choice?

Parent: Share one way that you make a point to remember what's true—i.e. memorizing a verse, writing a verse on a notecard and putting it on your desk, or thinking about how a verse can change how you speak, think, or act.

Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, thank You for giving us so many places to go to find out what's true. We can look at the stories in the Bible of others who followed You, we can talk to grown-ups who have a relationship with You, and we do activities like this to learn more about You. Help us remember what's true, especially when we face a tough choice and have to figure out what the wise choice is. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."

Use this guide to help your family learn how God can give us knowledge.

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Key Question

What helps you make the wise choice?

Activity

Blown Away

What You Need:

Sheet of paper, marker, scissors, straw

What You Do:

Invite your child to play a game.

Ask, "What are some things that can distract you?" (Examples: friends, TV, video games, technology, etc.)

Then, share some of the things that distract you as well. Write down a few of your child's distractions. Cut out each individual distraction and place them in a pile.

Then, write down a few of your common distractions. Cut out each individual distraction and place them in a separate pile.

Put both piles at one end of a table. Say, "We're going to try to 'blow away' each other's distractions. Using this straw, let's see who can blow away the other's distractions the quickest."

Using the straws, race to see who can blow the other's pile away quickest. When you're finished, crown the winner! Say, "We really blew away some distractions today! In our story, when the devil tried to distract Jesus, He blew those distractions away with the truth!"

Talk About the Bible Story

How did Jesus battle the devil's distractions? (*By quoting the truth from Scripture*)

What happened when the devil realized that Jesus was focused on the Scriptures? (*The devil gave up*)

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Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"God, thank You for the Bible! We have so much to learn about You and about what's true. This week, help us to remember that You love us, and that You're with us always—now and forever. Show us what's true so we can make wise choices. Remind us to keep working on memorizing Scripture so we can live with knowledge and wisdom. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen!"