

BIBLE STORY

Faith Is . . . *Hebrews 11:1-12:3*

MEMORY VERSE

Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see. Hebrews 11:1 (NIrV)

LIFE APP

Faith Trusting in what you can't see because of what you can see

BOTTOM LINE

You can know Jesus even though you've never seen Him.

BASIC TRUTH

I can trust God no matter what.

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ACTIVITY: HIDDEN

WHAT YOU NEED: Small objects to hide (at least one for each person), lists of objects, timer

WHAT YOU DO:

Hide different objects around the room while kids are out of the room. Tell the kids that you have hidden objects around the room and the team that finds the most items wins. Give each person a list of the hidden items and set a timer to your desired time.

When you say, "Go," kids start finding as many items as they can. When either time runs out or all of the items have been found, count to see who found the most. Declare that person the winner!

WHAT YOU SAY:

Just because you couldn't see the hidden objects, didn't mean they weren't there! You know what? The same thing can be true about us and Jesus. Can you see Jesus? No, you can't see Jesus, but **[Bottom Line] you can know Jesus even though you've never seen Him.** You can know Him because you can see and hear how He's worked in others' lives.

It's like the writer of Hebrews tells us: *Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see (Hebrews 11:1, NIrV).* So, remember, *[Bottom Line]* you can know Jesus even though you've never seen Him.



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GOSPEL MOMENT

Hebrews 11:1 tells us that '*Faith* is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see.' We can't see God with our eyes, but can we be sure that God is real? (*Yes!*) How can we be sure? (*We can see the world He made. We can believe what the Bible says about Him. We can hear people talk about Him.*)

You can have faith in Jesus even though you've never seen Him. When you see the world He's made, when you read the Bible, and when you hear people tell about Him, you can know Him even though you've never seen Him. We say it this way: *[Bottom Line]* you can know Jesus even though you've never seen Him.

You may not understand all of this now, and that's OK. But if you'd like to talk about what it means to believe in Jesus, you can talk to me, one of the other *(name of your environment)* leaders, a parent, or someone you know who follows Jesus. We'll be happy to help you understand as much as you can. Just remember: *[Bottom Line]* you can know Jesus even though you've never seen Him!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- The people in today's story didn't know how everything would turn out, but they knew Someone had a greater plan. Who was that Someone? (God)
- There are things we can't see, but we know they're there—for example, air, the wind, or your heart. How do you know those things are there? (You can breathe air; you can feel the wind; you can feel your heart beat)
- How can you get to know Jesus even though you've never seen Him? (Read the Bible, talk to someone who's older and believes in Him)

PRAYER

Dear God, thank You for these stories of the faithful people who came before us. Help us to learn from them and discover how we can have faith and grow closer to You. Thank You for sending Your one and only Son to show us who You are, and to make a way for us to have a relationship with You. We love You. In Jesus' name, amen.