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GROWING

God's
Good
Story

Take
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truth

LESSON 6

We live what we believe

Philippians 2:14-16

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Read and understand

We live what we believe

PHILIPPIANS 2:14-16

TRUTH = We live differently because we know that we are children of God.

FAITH = Children living differently with God as the biggest influence on their thoughts and actions.

"Do everything without grumbling or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure," children of God, without fault in a warped and crooked generation". Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky as you hold firmly to the word of life." PHILIPPIANS 2:14-16



Talk together

7 and Under

- Who does God say we are?
- God says that when people live without listening to him and trusting him, they are living in darkness. How easy is it to do things well in the dark?
- What are we like when we live trusting God?



8 and Over

- The boy is wondering why he has to go to church when so many of his friends don't. How is his life different as a Christian?
- What might be hard about being different?
- What have you heard from God in Philipians that encourages you that it is worth standing out?

What would you like your future to look like? Will God be more influential in your life than your friends are?



Live it out

Talk to your child about messages they hear, from:

- TV, social media, music lyrics
- Teachers at school and after school activities
- Friends and family members

What would it look like to listen to God in his world most of all? Try to think about topics in Growing Up; marriage, feelings, bodies. Get practical!

NB: Some other messages say what God says and can stick. Others should be dropped.

Connect to the truth

- We are God's children.
- God tells us how to live in the Bible.
- We shine like stars as we live trusting God.

Pray

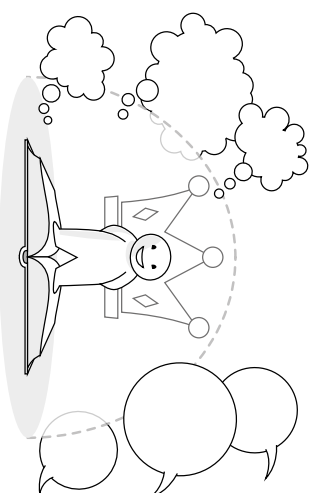
Use objects to help you connect with God.

- BIBLE - Thank God for his words of truth in the Bible. Ask God to help you to listen to him more than anything else, all of your life.
- STARS - Look at the stars shining in the night sky. Ask God to help you to shine for him.

Let's be people who hold tightly to God's true word and shine like stars in the darkness.

God's better story

- We are children of God - this is our unchanging identity.
- We live in darkness - the world is warped from God's good creation. We pick up crooked messages.
- If we hold firmly to God's word and live out the truth it tells us, we will shine like stars in the darkness.



We've got more on this topic on our podcasts. Listen in and carry on the conversation.



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