



Here are some activities you could do together as a family. Begin with the story and then do as many or as few as you like, in any order.

Bible Passage

Today we will be exploring together a story about the prophet Elijah

You can find it in your Bible in:

I Kings 19:1-15

Read the story together – choose a Bible translation or children's story version which best suits your family.



A prayer to say together

Dear God,

Thank You for being a God we can trust in every situation. Thank You for every thing that You have given us, and for showing us that You will take care of us.

Help us to pay attention to the ways you speak to us through Your creation, through the people around us, and most of all, to make time for quiet where we can hear Your voice.

In Jesus name,

Amen

Discussion

Questions for adults to ask children:

What did Elijah do when he learned Jezebel wanted to kill him?

Where did Elijah go after leaving his resting place under the broom tree/bush?

How did Elijah finally experience God?

Question to talk about together:

What are some of the distractions that make it hard for you to spend time with and listen to God?

Question for children to ask adults:

Where and when do you find silence during the day?



Family Activity 1



Wind-Earthquake-Fire

Play this game which is similar to "Rock-Paper-Scissors" for a fun way to remember three of the ways God showed Elijah his power.

- 1. Pair up and stand back to back.
- 2. On the count of three, turn around and signal either wind, earthquake, or fire.
 - Wind: wave both hands left to right
 - Earthquake: place hands straight out and shake
 - Fire: place palms front of face and wriggle fingers like flames

Wind beats fire, fire beats earthquake, earthquake beats wind.

Who can win best out of three rounds?



Daily Activities

Sunday

- Go outdoors with your family to a quiet place. Have someone read the lesson story in a quiet voice. Imagine Elijah listening to God's gentle whisper.
- Then walk down a path together. Ask someone to walk behind you and read your memory verse aloud (Isaiah 30:21). If you were lost, how would your memory verse make you feel?

Monday

- During family worship, read the lesson story in 1 Kings 19:1-18
- Why did Elijah feel afraid and sorry for himself?What did God do to help him feel better? (verses 5-7) Think of a time you felt afraid or sorry for yourself. How did God help you? Act it out. Draw a face of someone who has suddenly heard a loud voice.
- If possible, record your memory verse. If not, whisper it to yourself.

Tuesday

- What question did God ask Elijah—twice? With your family read it in 1 Kings 19:9 and 13.
- Make a question mark (?) shaped cutout and write God's question on it. Read Elijah's answer
 (1 Kings 19:10) with sadness and crying in your voice.
- Continue Elijah's sad tale of pity in your own words (see 1 Kings 19:11-14).

Wednesday

- With your family, read 1 Kings 19:11-13 again. Draw pictures of the four great things that happened while Elijah was in the cave.
- Discuss together: If you were Elijah, what would you rather hear? A loud voice or a soft voice?

Thursday

- During worship today, think of God's gentle whisper. Tell three ways you can hear His voice. Talk about conscience. What is it? How can it help you? Who speaks through your conscience? Does it ever tell you to do wrong? Read in Acts 24:16 what Paul said about his conscience.
- Draw the shape of an ear and write the memory verse on it. Then thank God that you can hear His voice.

Friday

- Sometimes God speaks in a big way. With your family, read one example in Exodus 19:16-19. Discuss: Do you think God will speak to you in a loud voice? Why? How can you make sure you don't miss God's voice? Have you heard His voice or felt His presence? When and where? Read
- 1 Kings 19:15-18 together.
- Write or draw about something you heard and acted on today.
- Ask your family to whisper your memory verse with you. Then thank God for speaking gently to you.

Saturday

- Start family worship by acting out this week's Bible story. Talk about things that keep you from hearing God's voice.
- Read together Psalm 46:10. Then play soft music. Ask everyone to close their eyes and say, "Be still, and know that I am God." Pay attention to thoughts God puts in your mind. After a while, stop the music. What did you learn from this quiet time? Was it easier to listen to God's voice? Why?
- Ask your family to whisper your memory verse with you.

What does God's way of speaking in this story tell us about His love?

Elijah and the Still Small Voice

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(1 Kings 19:1-18)

Unscramble the letters to see the words:

HLEJIA _____

Elijah kells God

isting the feels. Do You?

RBHEO ____

DWNI ____

EIFR ____

DFAARI ____ EOVIC ____

afraid ran horeb cave eat jezebel ahab voice

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fire earthquake wind mountain The place Elijah ran DOMY:

way should he go?

Draw Elijah looking scared:

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The final thing Elijah HelpElijah get to hear God. heard.

3. One of the things that God was not found within. ACROSS: 4. The place Elijah hid.

Colour these in

How many emojis are on this page?





Father's Day



