

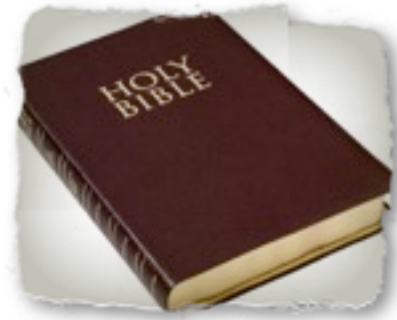
FAMILY BIBLE BITES

Nourishing a strong family, one truth at a time!

**Fun Bite-Size Family
Devotional Activities**



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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Family Bible Bites!



What better way to instill God's truth into our children than to memorize Bible verses? Family Bible Bites contains twenty one Bible verses for little hearts to learn and memorize. We used the number twenty one because educational studies indicate it takes twenty one days to form a new habit.

You can do all the activities on one day or break them into two or three days to increase memory. We have kept them short so you could slip them in more easily into your busy day! To increase memorization, the child can practice their penmanship by copying the verse onto lined paper.

Educational experts agree that when a child participates in visual, auditory and kinesthetic learning activities, information and revelation sticks with them for a long time. We at New Millennium Girl Books have included all three learning styles to help nourish little hearts for the King.

Our prayer is that our devotional book will help you will build strong families, one Bible verse at a time.

Blessings on your journey of faith!

~Jan

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Bite #1

His Angels Watch Over You



Play

Sing “God’s angels are all around us, around us, around us, to keep us very safe” to Here we go Round the Mulberry Bush.

Chat

God’s angels are his helpers sent from heaven to keep us safe from harm. We must be very important to God for him to send out His special army to watch over us! We don’t have to worry when scary or difficult things happen in our

lives because we know they will always be there to guard us. They watch everything we do so they can help us if we need it. We can believe what God says and trust that we will be kept safe. Can you think of a time when God may have sent His angels to protect you?

Pray

Ask the Lord to help you remember His angels watch over you in difficult situations so you can be brave.

Psalm 91:11

“For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways.”

Memorize!

Take a large piece of construction paper (11x14) and draw a grid on it so that you have boxes throughout the paper. In each box write a

phrase of the scripture verse until the whole verse is written out, then cut out the pieces. Put all the pieces in order and read it together. Scramble up the pieces and have your kids

put them in the order and read it out loud together. For something extra, set the timer for 1 minute and see if they beat the clock by unscrambling the verse.

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Bite #2

Christ is Lord of My Thoughts



Play

Swat that fly away! Call out an object that is either stinky or sweet. For example, dirty sneakers or flowers. Ask, stinky or sweet? Pretend to "Sniff" the sweet ones or "Swat that Fly Away" with your hands if it's stinky.

Chat

Bad thoughts can be like pesky flies trying to annoy us with negative feelings. Negative thoughts produce a negative life. When Jesus is the Lord of our thoughts He fills our thoughts with good

things so there is no room for negative ones. When the devil brings us thoughts of fear or worry, we should swat them away like pesky flies. Philippians 4:8 says, "Whatever is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, and admirable, think about these things. Do you need to swat away flies in your thinking today?"

Pray

Jesus, be the Lord of my thoughts today and alert me when I need to swat those negative pesky flies away.

Philippians 4:8

"Whatever is true, noble, right, pure, lovely and admirable, think about these things."

Memorize!

You will need a variety of construction paper in different colors for a crown and some colorful jewels. Cut out a piece

that is in the shape of a crown. Use the rest of the paper to cut out jewels as circles, diamonds, and squares. In each jewel write, "true," "noble," "right," "pure," "lovely,"

and "admirable." Glue each jewel to the crown then tape the ends together and let the kids put them on. Have them say the verse out loud and point to each jewel as they do.

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Bite #3

Christ is Lord of My Words



Play

Make up a story about a king building his kingdom. Each person takes turns adding one sentence at a time using an object he sees around him. Go around several times and see if you can build a fun story.

Chat

Words are like building blocks. Either they can be used to build good in others or bad. Ephesians 4:29 tells us not to let unwholesome words come out of our mouths but only what is helpful for

building others up. Words can build happiness and peace in others or sadness and fear. They can build a friendship or tear one down. Jesus wants to be Lord of our Words so we help build His Kingdom in the lives of others. What has your words built today?

Pray

Ask God to be the Lord over your words so you can help Him build His Kingdom here on Earth.

Ephesians 4:29

“Let no unwholesome words come out of our mouths but only what is helpful for building others up.”

Memorize!

Take the scripture verse and sing it with your kids to the tune of “Happy Birthday.” Emphasize the italicized words.

Here are the lines broken up, ready to sing:

Let no unwholesome words
come,
Out *ooooo* of our mouths,

But *ooooo* only, what is helpful,
For building others up!

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Bite #4

Believing in the Unseen



Play

“Invisible Pencil” Take turns writing the name of something that grows on farms in the air with your finger (invisible pencil). See if others can guess what you wrote.

Chat

When a farmer wants to grow a crop, he plants seeds in the ground. Even when he doesn't see anything for a while, he knows it's still there. Faith is like that. We might not see

anything happening for things that we pray for, but faith is in our hearts because we can feel it and know it's there. God knows it, too because He can see in our hearts. Faith in our hearts is like a promise that encourages us to keep hoping for the good things in life that God has promised us, even when we don't see them yet.

Pray

Lord, help us to keep believing in the blessings you want to give us even if we

Hebrews 11:1

“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”

Memorize!

Write out the scripture verse in phrases on some paper. Cut up the phrases into pieces (no too small). Have the kids close their eyes and count to 10 or 20

while you hide the pieces around the house (you can keep it to one room if needed). Once the kids are done counting, have them find the pieces. After all the pieces have been found

let them put the verse in order and say it out loud together! If you want an extra challenge try timing the kids while they are seeking the papers. Try to break record times!

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Bite #5

God's Word is True



Play

“Do you believe me?” Take turns giving three clues describing an animal. Make them funny and some not believable. For example: “I have green spots, live under a rock, and bark.” Then ask, “Do you believe me?”

Chat

Some things in life are not believable. But one thing we can count on is that God's word is always true. The Bible says that we are all born

separated from God and condemned to spiritual death. But God made a bridge through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. Not by doing a lot of religious activities trying to get God to accept us, but by believing in God's word that Jesus' atonement was enough for our sin. That's all we have to do.

Pray

Lord, we believe we have eternal life by believing in your words that Jesus took away our sins on the cross.

We have passed from death unto life.

Romans 10:9

“If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.”

Memorize!

Grab a ball and some fun music to play. You will need to be able to turn the music off and on so you may want one person to be

your DJ. Sit as a family in a circle. Play a game of hot potato. When the music stops, freeze. The last person to have the ball quotes the memory

verse. You can have the verse nearby for starters, but towards the end take the verse away and see who can say it all without looking!

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Bite #6

Visit and Pray for the Sick



Play

Ask the children to touch their noses without using their hand. They might use an elbow, arm etc. Ask them if they could tie their shoes without their hands. See if someone could come up with a creative way to do it.

Chat

It's not easy to get things done that we need to when we don't feel well. The Bible talks about helping those who are sick. We can clean their house, shop for groceries,

bring a meal or watch their children. It puts a smile on their face to know that someone cares for them. This is an opportunity to be God's hands of love to this world. Jesus said, "Whatever we do for the least of our brothers we do for him."

Pray

Lord help us to take the time when we see someone sick to pray for them and visit them. Ask the Lord if there are any people you know right now who could use prayer and pray for them.

Matthew 25:40

"Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me."

Memorize!

Bust out the crayons, markers, paints and paper. Have your kids draw a picture of them

paying a visit to Jesus, a sick friend or family member and praying for them. Use as many colors and textures as you want. When they are done have

the kids write the verse at the top of the page and read it out loud together.

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Bite #7

Helping the Needy



Play

Name the things you enjoyed today such as breakfast, playing with toys, talking with friends. Have the other person say, "Needs" or "Luxuries" as you name them.

Chat

There are times in peoples' lives when they may not have a lot of anything. Even the things they need. Maybe someone lost a job or lost a

loved one that took care of them. Jesus says it is good to share with others who are in need. What do you have extra of that you could share with someone in need?

Pray

God, open our eyes so we can see the needs around us. Show us what we have an abundance of and help us to take the time to help someone in need when we see it.

Proverbs 19:17

"Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed."

Memorize!

Take green and gray construction paper. Cut the green pieces into dollars and gray pieces into large cents (you can cut food or clothing pieces out as well). Then draw

a picture of a person in need on a poster size piece of paper. Write the verse in large letters across the top of the post board. Read the verse aloud together. Then flip all the pieces upside down. Take turns having kids pull one of the

pieces out of the pile and gluing it next to the needy person on the poster. Each time they paste an item on the poster recite the verse together. Play until all the pieces are glued on the board.

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Bite #8

Dealing with Fear at Night



Play

Play the Three Little Pigs Game by building a tent with pillows and blankets. Pretend you are building first with straw, then with wood, finally with bricks. Appoint someone to be the Big Bad Wolf.

Chat

Sometimes things we see or hear at night can be scary. The good news is you have a best friend named Jesus who is WAY bigger and stronger than all of them! He is like the bricks in the story, too strong

for any enemy to knock down and He has built His house of safety around us. The Bible says that He is always there for us to help us whenever we need Him. Anytime you feel scared you can call Jesus up by saying His name out loud. He will show you that He is there with you protecting you like a refuge.

Pray

Ask the Lord to be your refuge before you sleep at night and remember, no matter what, God is bigger!

Psalm 46:1

"God is our refuge and strength,
A very present help in trouble."

Memorize!

Grab a white or chalk board and draw a HUGE refuge fort. Then draw the kids in it safe and sound. Write the scripture

verse on it big and bold. Read the scripture aloud with the kids. Erase one word and say the verse aloud again. Keep erasing words and saying the verse together until all of the

verse is gone. Try saying the verse with all the words gone! You can do these as many times as you need to until it sticks.

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Bite #9

God is Our Power Source



Play

Gather up some flashlights then turn the lights out. Play finger games on the walls together or I SPY.

Chat

A light bulb or flashlight can light up a whole room though it's small, even in the darkest places. A light bulb is unique because its source of power is a huge power plant miles away from your house. That plant produces mega tons of electricity bolting through the wires connecting the two

together. The plant has enough energy for a million light bulbs! God is like that power plant. If we let Him flow through us, it doesn't matter how young we are because He is our power source. Let your faith turn the switch! The Bible says in Matthew 17:20, "If we have faith as small as a mustard seed, we can say to this mountain, 'move!' and it will obey us."

Pray

Lord, help me to remember that I can do anything

through Your strength. Be powerful through me this week!

Philippians 4:13

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Memorize!

Have the whole family make up hand motions for the verse that will help them remember the

words. You can have kids pump their biceps for strength or point to their eye. By doing motions along with saying the verse out loud, kids will be

using all their learning gates: sight, sound, and motion. After a few times try only motions or only speech to mix it up and test your memory.

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Bite #10

God is Love



Play

ABC Blessing Game: "This week when I get to school, dance class, soccer practice etc. I'm going to love others by A...Always being polite B... Being kind, C...Caring for others feelings

Chat

God's love for us has a special name: AGAPE. It's not based on how we act or feel-it's reliable and unconditional. He never withholds His love when we are grumpy or sin.

He loves us all the time whether we deserve it or not, that's why it's special. Like chalk rubs off in our hands when we touch it, God's agape love rubs off on us when we spend time with Him in prayer and reading the Bible. We can pass His AGAPE love to others too because we have His spirit and love in us.

Pray

Father, help us to live in You and Your love and rely on that love whenever we need it.

1 John 4:19

"God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him."

Memorize!

Use 3x5 cards and write down each word of the verse in blue on one side of the card. Then make a second set of the verse identical to the ones you

wrote in blue in another color. Next flip the cards upside down and scramble the sets together. Then lay them out in a grid and play the match game. Have your kids find the matches of the words of the verse. Once

you've found all the matches put the verse together and read it out loud. For children that do not read yet, draw a symbol or picture to go along with each phrase in the verse.

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Bite #11

God is the "I AM"



Play

Play the Guess what I AM game: Give 5 clues of what you are. Include size, color, living or nonliving, age, and something of your choice. Then ask, "What Am I?" The winner then gets to give the next five clues.

Chat

In Exodus God revealed Himself to Moses by calling Himself "I AM". I AM meant he has and is everything in Himself. In essence, He is saying, "I AM all you will ever need because I AM whatever you need whenever you need

it. From the moment you wake up, to the moment your head hits the pillow at night and even all through the night, there is nothing you ask for that I cannot help with or provide." From helping us with little things like finding socks in the morning or the giant things like facing that bully at school, if we ask Him, He promises to strengthen us for every situation. We may not be strong in ourselves to do it, but God in us becomes our strength. God becomes whatever we need when we need it! He gives us courage to face our everyday

challenges no matter how hard they are!

Luke 4:10

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last."

Pray

Dear God, be the I AM in my life today. Remind me in every situation, whether big or small that You can be everything I need whenever.

Memorize!

Make a picture out of paint, crayons, or markers of the situations that the kids might

need God to be the I AM in. Over the top of the page write the verse in bold letters. Read the verse out loud but a

whisper together. Gradually get louder and louder until the volume is a loud declaration of your faith.

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Bite #12

Made in the Image of God



Play

“What is this item made of?” Take turns naming off objects of both common and valuable materials. Use a variety of materials like cars, jewelry, coins, plastic toys, dishtowels, balloons, etc. Ask them, “Valuable or Common?” Ask them which of these are of greater value so we can treat them with greater care and respect?

Chat

We treat objects with care and respect because of what they are made of. Gold coins,

expensive jewelry, glass. Human beings are valuable also because of what they are made of. They are made up of the same eternal substance that God is. God’s image is stamped on their spirit regardless of how old they are, what they look like, or how they behave even if they are Christian or not. This is why we should love and treat with kindness every human being.

Pray

Lord, help us remember that You created every person with the stamp of Your image

on their spirits. Help us to treat them with care and respect no matter their age or how they look or act.

Genesis 1:27

“So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.”

Memorize!

Blow up some balloons. Using lighter colors will work best. Write one or two words on each balloon from the verse with

permanent markers. Bat the balloons back and forth while you say the verse in easy phrases out loud. When you say the phrase, the person who bats next must repeat that

phrase. Do this until the whole verse has been batted around and memorized. When a child thinks he knows it, he may recite the full verse then pop a balloon between his knees.

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Bite #13

We Have Jesus' Peace



Play

Have a scavenger hunt that focuses on the inner spiritual side of the Christmas holiday and not the mad rush of materialism around us. Check off the items as you drive: Bell ringer, Christmas lights, a church, nativity scene, evergreen trees, etc.

Chat

The world's way of finding peace is to stop the outward stormy circumstances that might be swirling around them. God's peace goes much

deeper-it's not conditional on what is happening around us. Jesus was in a boat while a storm raged around Him, yet He was so peaceful that he fell asleep! He knew everything would be alright if He just trusted in His heavenly Father. God sends a special peace to protect our hearts and minds when we trust Him- no matter what storms of life we face.

Pray

Lord Jesus, help me to trust You for Your special peace

that protects my hearts and minds no matter what goes wrong around us.

John 14:27

"Peace I leave with you,
My peace I give to you..."

Memorize!

Take a shoe box and cut a slit in the top big enough to slip folded pieces of paper through. Then write out the verse in phrases on 3x5 cards.

Place the cards in front of the kids and say the verse out loud a few times. Then have someone take a card away and place it in the box. Read the verse out loud without the missing piece.

Keep this process until all the pieces are gone. Can you say it without all the pieces? For something extra, you can hide a treat in the box for all to share when the game is over!

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Bite #14

Jesus Gives us Life



Play

Play the slide through derby! Take a paper towel roll and a wash cloth. See how many times someone can pull the wash cloth through to the other side in 2-3 minutes. They can use a dull butter knife to help. Let the winner get a treat, small candy, sticker etc. Play it several times, then take a larger cloth like a kitchen towel, it may be harder this time. Finally take an even larger one; one that would never get through.

Chat

Chat about how the big stuck towel is like death. It use to keep humans in its grip and keep them from getting to the other side and getting the prize of heaven until Jesus rose from the dead. He made the roll bigger, the way to heaven larger, so all those who trust in him could get in. Death is not the end for those who trust in Him, we go to the other side and enjoy the treasure of heaven.

Pray

Thank Jesus for dying and resurrecting for you. Let Him know you believe in Him. Ask Him to make His life known to you.

John 6:47

"Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life."

Memorize!

Grab three paper plates. Draw a traffic light on each one. Color one green, another yellow, and the last one red. Use these for a "Red Light, Green Light" game. Have each child decorate

a paper plate to their liking (these will be the kid's steering wheels). Hold up a traffic light and announce "Green Light", for kids to drive around the room. "Yellow Light!" kids drive slow and prepare to stop. "Red Light!" Stop and have everyone

say the verse out loud. Repeat many times until you have it memorized. If you want, write the verse down on a white board or chalk board and erase the letters with each stop for a visual.

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Bite #15

How God Directs our Lives



Play

Play the Hand Signs game. Write down the name of 10 road signs and put them in a jar. Take turns drawing one out. With your hands make a sign that you think goes along with the road sign. Use motions also but no words, see if others can guess which sign you pulled out Who can guess the most signs?

Chat

God is our GPS! If we are driving on a road trip, one of the most important items to

take along might be our GPS. We would set it to our destination and follow the voice to get us there safely. We would not only want to follow the words of the GPS, but also make sure they were not any detours that we didn't know about and watch for the signs as well. Both keep us on course. That's just like how God directs our lives. He talks to us through His word, like a GPS would. He also sets up signs along the way through circumstances, and if we need special guidance, we can call on Him in prayers.

Pray

Ask God to be your GPS to lead you each day. See what He says. If any Bible verses come to your mind write them down. a few moments in silence to listen!

Psalm 119:105

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."

Memorize!

Have each person draw a picture of themselves, a flashlight, feet, a lantern, and a path (you can do this for your kids if they are too little). Cut out the pieces and write phrases of the verse on them.

You can cut out a box or circle for the Bible reference. Put the pieces together in the right order and read the verse out loud. Scramble all the pieces up and have your kids put them in order. For more of a challenge turn the lights on and off while

the kids are trying to unscramble it. Ask them if it's easier to see in the light or dark and share with them how the light of God's word makes it easier to see in their life. Make a picture out of the pieces and hang them in their rooms.

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Bite #16

God has Special Jobs for Children



Play

Guess what sea animal I am by giving five clues, you start with a shark. The winner who guesses gets to give five new clues.

Chat

A sucker fish swims with sharks and makes its home inside of the shark's mouth. The tiny fish has a very important job to do: clean the shark's teeth to help them stay healthy. It would look silly having an octopus wrap its big arms around the shark trying to reach inside to clean

its teeth, or an orca whale, they are simply too big for the job. Just like God created smaller animals for special jobs, so he created special jobs for children too. Brainstorm ideas of what a little person could do to bless others and write it down on a list. Children seem especially good at giving hugs, planting flowers, and making the world a beautiful place.

Pray

Ask the Lord if there is something special that your little hands can do to bless others this week.

Matthew 19:14

"Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for such is the kingdom of heaven."

Memorize!

Use hand motions and actions to depict each part of the verse. Say it out loud with the kids

over and over with the motions. If you say different parts of the verse lower or higher pitches or louder and softer on certain parts it makes

it easier for kids to remember. Try it with you only doing the hand motions and see if the kids can say it on their own.

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Bite #17

Live in Peace with Everyone



Play

Take a roll of toilet paper and wrap up a volunteer. Each time you wrap the person talk about different ways people can hurt each other. The power of forgiveness sets us free from the bondage of sin. Say to the person, "I forgive you!" and break free.

Chat

Being hurt and offended will happen in our lives at one time or another. We need to realize that Satan would like us to stay mad and not forgive

others, ever! If we don't forgive them the anger and hurt only gets bigger inside and soon we start building Satan's kingdom with angry words, thoughts and actions. It's like a fish being caught on a hook. They wiggle, but can't get free. God says to remember how He forgives us and forgive others too. God asks us to forgive them and put that offense into His hands. In doing so, we stop trying to take care of it ourselves and let Him do it.

Pray

Ask God if there are any offenses that we need to forgive. Give that person and the hurt into God's hands and ask Him to take care of it. Ask God for the courage to let that person off the hook!

Colossians 3:13

"...as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive."

Memorize!

Go fishing! Cut out construction paper in the shape of fish. You can choose different colors and make big or little fish. Write each word from the verse on a

fish until the whole verse and its reference is written down. Now have some magnet fun! Tape or glue a magnet to the end of a large stick or ruler. Glue paper clips to each fish. Have your kids go fishing! For more of a challenge have them

close their eyes. When a fish is caught arrange it in the order of the verse. Keep going until all the fish are caught. Then read the verse our loud together. Repeat this until you feel the kids have memorized it.

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Bite #18

Build on the Rock



Play

Build a house of marshmallows and toothpicks! Ask, could we build our house from marshmallows? No they would melt when it rains! People choose brick or wood to build houses because they stand up to the storms, heat and rain.

Chat

God's word is just like that! Hearing and knowing God's word is a good thing! But if we hear it and don't act on it, Jesus said we are like a foolish man who built his house on sand. (or

marshmallows!) When the storms of life came, his house crumbled. When we hear God's word and are faithful to obey it, our spiritual lives become strong and no matter what we face in life, His word is able to help us stay strong! Act on God's word everyday and be like the wise man Jesus talks about in Matthew 7. When the storms and troubles of life come you will not crumble.

Pray

Lord is there an area of my life I keep hearing your word but not obeying it? Show me what it is so

Matthew 7:24

"Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock."

I can stay strong in you when the tough times come. Give yourselves a few moments in silence to listen!

Memorize!

Build a bible verse chain! Cut 50 seven inch strips of construction paper. Choose colors that easily show what you write on them. On 25 of the strips, write a word of the Bible verse. Using a glue stick, connect the ends of the strip

of construction paper together to form a closed circle. Be sure to have the words on the outside so you can read them. Put the strips with the words in the chain every other link with a plain one in the middle. Keep going until you have all of the words (and reference) glued

together to form a huge colorful chain. Read the verse out loud together. To make it harder hide some of the words on the chain by turning the words away from the kids. Hang it in a place they will easily see all week and let God's word sink into their hearts!

BIBLE BITES

Bite #19

God Takes Care of my Needs



Play

Put shoes on your hands and mittens on your feet and let the kids have a relay race, hopping, jumping and then jogging.

Chat

Is fairness a Biblical concept? Not really. Fairness means that everyone gets the same thing, even if they don't need it. It's as silly as if our hands wanted to wear the cool new shoes we bought and our feet felt jealous of the fun mittens we have. God sees us as individuals. He knows what

each of us needs and it may be different than someone else, even the kids in our own family! Noah may need new soccer shoes, and Anna may need to have a friend over, each need is different but necessary. God asks us not to worry over these kinds of things but to put our energy into seeking His Kingdom first. Then He will see our hearts and add to us anything we need.

Pray

God help me not worry about my brothers or sisters getting more than me. Help me know

you have just enough for me when I need it.

Matthew 6:33

"But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you."

Memorize!

Solve the puzzle! Have each child write out the whole verse on a piece of paper or cardboard. Have them decorate it however they want. Read the

verse out loud a few times. Then have them cut out odd shaped pieces like a puzzle. They can make some bigger or smaller pieces depending on their age. Scramble them up and have your kids put the

puzzle pieces together. Once all the pieces fit, read the verse aloud together. Repeat! To make it harder mix all the kids pieces together in one big pile so there are more pieces to choose from.

BIBLE BITES

Bite #20

The Church is the Body of Jesus



Play

Write parts of the human body down on slips of paper, fold them up and place in a jar. Draw one out. Everyone connects that body part together such as elbows, ears, pinky fingers, etc. Assign only one person who can use their hands to feel, only one who can use their feet to feel, and one who can use their eyes and voice. Then try walking into another room eyes closed as a connected group.

Chat

It would have been a lot harder to get into the other room without someone

helping who could see, guiding the way with their voice, without someone using their hands to feel, or their feet. Being a part of God's family is just like that. We are all connected by Jesus into one spiritual body and can help each other with things that are too hard to do alone. We help each other live and grow into God's will for our lives when we use the special talents and gifts that He has given to us as individuals.

Pray

Father, show us how we can use our special talents to love others for You.

1 Corinthians 12:12

"...the body is one unit and yet has many parts. As all the parts form one body, so it is with Christ."

Memorize!

Take a piece of poster board or an old box and cut holes to be targets. Tupperware lids, whiffle

balls, or bean bags can be thrown through each target. You can choose which objects you would like to use. Make the difficulty according to the age

of your children. Have them try to throw the object through the targets. Each time someone makes it through they recite the verse. Repeat!

BIBLE BITES

Bite #21

Serving Others



Play

Blow bubbles with chewing gum together as a family. See who can blow the largest bubbles, make the loudest noise when it pops. Or blow liquid bubbles and see who can blow the biggest or the most etc.

Chat

Serving others is like passing on part of the blessing that God has given to us in our lives. Just like bubble gum, if we keep it in the wrapper, it's no fun but once we put it to

use, it grows like a Joy Bubble. Even bubble gum loses its flavor after awhile. But the joy we get from serving others never goes away because joy is a spiritual thing, its eternal.

Pray

Lord, show us how to pass on your blessings of love and joy to others.

Acts 20:35

"...you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

Memorize!

Use hand motions and actions to depict each part of the verse. Say it out loud with the kids

over and over with the motions. If you say different parts of the verse lower or higher pitches or louder and softer on certain parts it makes

it easier for kids to remember. Try it with you only doing the hand motions and see if the kids can say it on their own.

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