



FAMILY TALK!

WEEK 1: VISION

Grab a pair of sunglasses and take turns looking through them. Talk about all the different ways sunglasses change the way you see things. Just like the sunglasses make the world around you look different, sometimes we need help seeing the people around us differently. We need God to give us ‘*Heavenly sunglasses*’ so we can see the people around us; our friends, family and yes, even the school bully the way He does. Pray as a family and ask God to give you the ability to see the people in your school, in your family and in your city the way that He does. Pray for specific names of people you know that need Jesus’ love right now.

Check out the TFH Kidmin YouTube page to watch this week’s episode of Minnesota Mandie’s Adventure about **VISION**.

WEEK 2: FAITH

At dinner time, go around the table and have everyone share something they are scared of. It could be as silly as Minnesota Mandie’s fear of mazes or as real as being scared of the dark. When it comes to being afraid there is really only one cure...love. In 1 John 4:18 it says “*Where God’s love is, there is no fear, because God’s perfect love takes away fear.*”

It can be scary to do what God asks you to do sometimes. It can feel so big like the dark or impossible like a math test. Luckily God gave us some great examples in the Bible of people just like us, that He asked to do impossible things. This week we learned about Abram and his great faith, his ability to trust God even when he couldn’t see what the end looked like. Read Genesis 12:1-5 as a family and watch how Abram responded to God’s big request.

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WEEK 3: PRAYER

As a family, go outside at night and look up at the stars, they kind of look like little dots. Try to see how many you can count.

This week we learned all about how God answered Abram’s prayer. **READ GENESIS 15:1-6 TOGETHER AND ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS:**

- WHAT DID ABRAM PRAY AND ASK GOD FOR?
- WHAT DID GOD SAY?
- HOW DID ABRAM RESPOND TO GOD’S ANSWER IN VERSE 6?

In James 5:16b it says, “*When a good man prays, great things happen.*” Take time to pray over your list of people you want to see come to church to see “great things happen” just like Abram.

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LET’S GO ON AN ADVENTURE TOGETHER!

– MINNESOTA MANDIE

WEEK 4: SURRENDER

WHY DO YOU THINK YOU ARE GOOD AT THAT? WHO DO YOU THINK GAVE YOU THAT ABILITY? You probably guessed the answer, God did. In Ephesians 2:10 it says “*God has made us what we are. In Christ Jesus, God made us new people so that we would do good works. God had planned in advance those good works for us. He had planned for us to live our lived doing them.*”

God has created you with special gifts, talents and abilities. He didn’t give you those abilities to use only for yourself. He gave them to you as part of his special plan to live your life using those abilities to point others to Jesus. Sometimes we get so excited about things God made us good at that we forget to share them with others.

Write a list of things you are good at. Then write a second list describing how you can use those gifts to make a place for your friends to meet Jesus.

EXAMPLE: I’m good at coloring. I can draw pictures of the things God created and give them to people to cheer them up.

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WEEK 5: GIVING

Go Fish is a game of give and take. Really, it’s more like a game of ask and give. What if God asked you to give up something you loved for something way better? Would you do it? Yes or no?

Read the pearl necklace story handed out at church this weekend.

- HOW DID THE STORY MAKE YOU FEEL?
- DID YOU KNOW WHAT WAS COMING BEFORE IT HAPPENED?
- WAS THE DAD BEING MEAN?
- WAS THE DAUGHTER HAPPY IN THE END?

Sometimes, God will ask us to give up something that we really love in order to give us something better. For this Imagine campaign God might ask you to sell some of your toys that you like so that your friends can have a place to come to church. He might ask you to give up some of your time and walk your neighbor’s dog so your family members have a place where they belong, at church.

- WHAT’S MORE IMPORTANT, TOYS OR FRIENDS? FRIENDS, OF COARSE!
- WHAT’S MORE IMPORTANT? TIME TO DO WHAT YOU WANT TO DO, OR YOUR FAMILY BEING WITH YOU IN HEAVEN WITH JESUS FOREVER?

Luke 6:38 says “*GIVE and you will receive. You will be given much. It will be poured into your hands – more than you can hold. You will be given so much that it will spill into your lap. The way you give to others is the way God will give to you.*”

WHAT CAN YOUR FAMILY GIVE SO GOD CAN GIVE TO YOU?

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WEEK 6: COMMITMENT

COMMITMENT: A PROMISE TO DO OR GIVE SOMETHING

Last week we learned that about how God asked Abraham to give his son back to Him... and he did it. He followed through, he committed the thing he loved most to God proving once and for all that he loved God most. That could not have been easy!

Your challenge this week is to share as a family the things you have chosen to sacrifice, or give up to be a part of God plan for your city. Come up with a creative way to make your commitment to God stick, to remember it.

ABRAHAM BUILT AN ALTAR TO GIVE GOD THANKS AND TO REMIND HIMSELF THAT GOD’S PLAN IS ALWAYS BETTER THAN OUR OWN. WHAT WILL YOU BUILD OR CREATE TO REMIND YOU?