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LETTER TO THE PARENTS

Dear Parents,

Thank you for sharing your child with me as we learn about God's Word together. Your child is going to enjoy learning the lessons for this quarter.

Unit I, "Looking at Our Faith," has five lessons from the books of Jude, 2 Corinthians, 1 Peter, Acts, and Mark. In lesson 1, Jude assures believers of God's promise to keep them from falling and to present them without blemish in God's presence. In lesson 2, Paul warns believers to examine themselves to ensure that they are living in the faith. In lesson 3, Peter urges his readers to defend their faith with humility, gentleness, and reverence. In lesson 4, Stephen is used as an example of how believers should be obedient to God during adversity. And in lesson 5, God raised Jesus from the dead and unlocked the door to Resurrection faith.

Unit II, "How Much Faith Do You Have?" has four lessons from the books of Luke and Matthew. The Scripture passage for lesson 6 cites four men who went through various obstacles to get their sick friend to Jesus for healing. Lesson 7 looks at the amazing faith of a centurion who believed that Jesus only needed to speak and his servant would be healed. Lesson 8 presents the faith of a sinful woman whom Jesus forgave. Lesson 9 identifies a Canaanite woman whom Jesus recognized and blessed for her great faith.

Unit III, "Learning to Stand in Faith," has four lessons from the book of Romans that encourage believers to continue standing in the faith. Lesson 10 indicates that the righteousness of God comes through believers' having faith in Jesus Christ. Lesson 11 provides an example from the life of Abraham. Lesson 12 explores the meaning of being justified by faith, and lesson 13 traces faith that comes from what is heard through the Word of Christ.

Your Child's Teacher



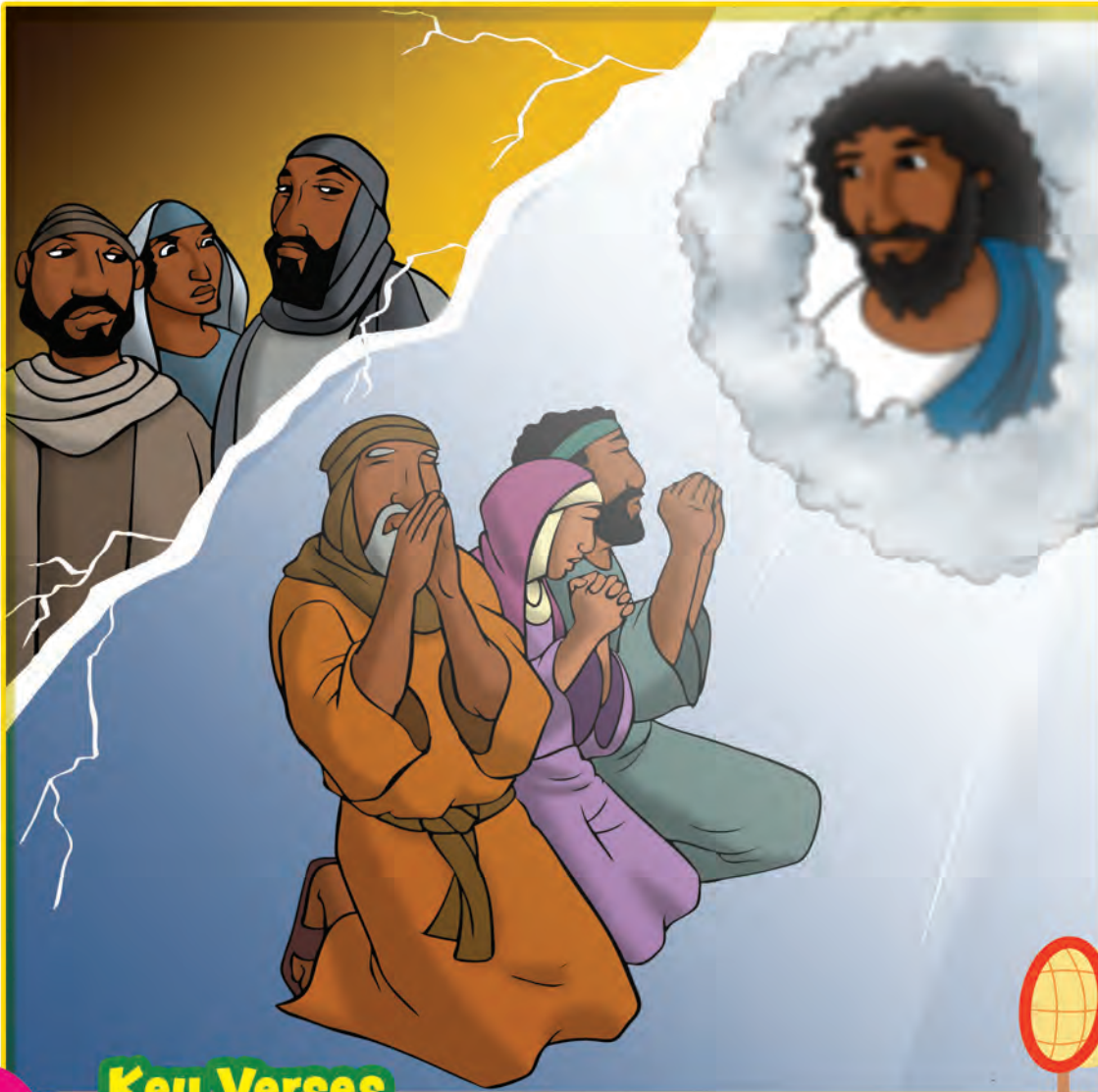
LESSON
1

Beginners' Stories

March 3, 2024

When We Stumble, He Restores Us

Lesson Scripture: Jude 17-25



Key Verses

[Jude wrote,] You, dear friends, . . . keep yourselves in God's love. (Jude 20, 21)





When We Stumble, He Restores Us

(Jude 17-25)

Jude reminded God's children that some people would make fun of their faith. These people are selfish. They do not love and follow God. They cause confusion and make God's

children not get along with each other.

Jude told God's children to have *faith* (trust God.) They must show kindness to those who were unsure of what they believed. God would keep His children from falling and following what is not good or right. However, if they stumbled, God would restore them (or help them to stand) in His presence.

For the Parents

Dear Parents/Guardians,

In today's lesson, your child heard that some people would make fun of their faith. Jude reminded the believers to remember God's love and the Holy Spirit that lived in their hearts. He encouraged the believers to trust God to restore them if they stumbled. Review today's lesson with your child. Talk to your child about God's love for him/her. Encourage your child to remember that God is with us all.

Your Child's Teacher



Faith Block

**God is always
with me!**



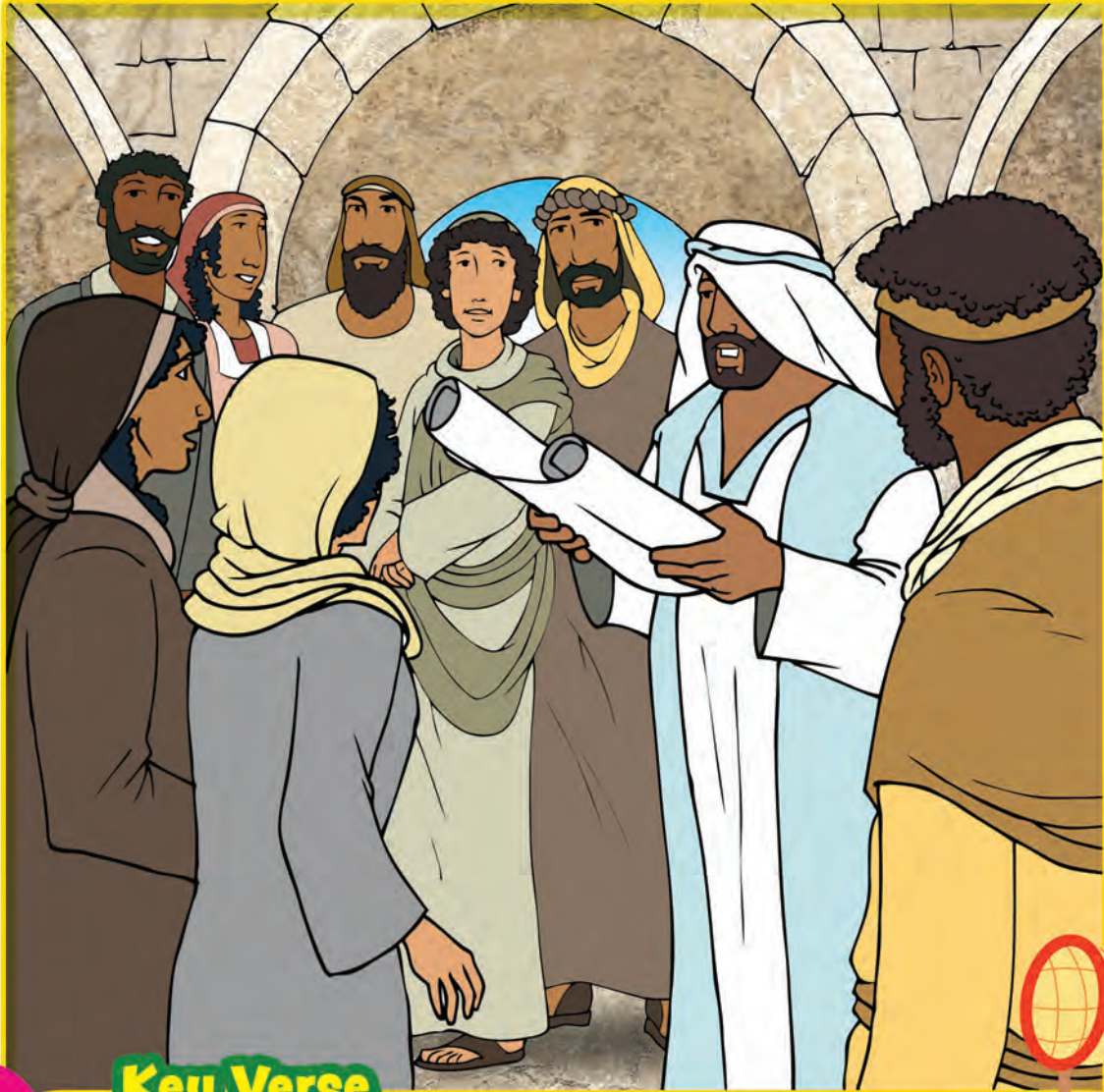
LESSON 2

Beginners' Stories

March 10, 2024

Meeting the Test

Lesson Scripture: 2 Corinthians 13:5-11



Key Verse

Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you. (2 Corinthians 13:11)





Meeting the Test

(2 Corinthians 13:5-11)

Paul encouraged the believers in Corinth to test themselves. They were to test themselves to see if Jesus' presence and power were in their lives. They must figure out if their *faith* (belief and trust in God) was real. Paul had

passed the test. Paul was approved by God.

Paul prayed that the believers would not do anything wrong. He told the believers to grow into mature and strong believers. Paul told the believers to rejoice (be joyful), be friends, and help one another. They should think alike and live in peace. And the God of love and peace would be with them.

For the Parents

Dear Parents/Guardians,

In today's lesson, your child heard about meeting the test. Paul encouraged believers to look at themselves and ask, "Is Jesus' presence and power in our lives?" Paul encouraged believers to spend time with God and learn more about God—and to live in peace with others because God was with them. Talk to your child about how he or she can meet the test and show God's love and peace to others.

Your Child's Teacher



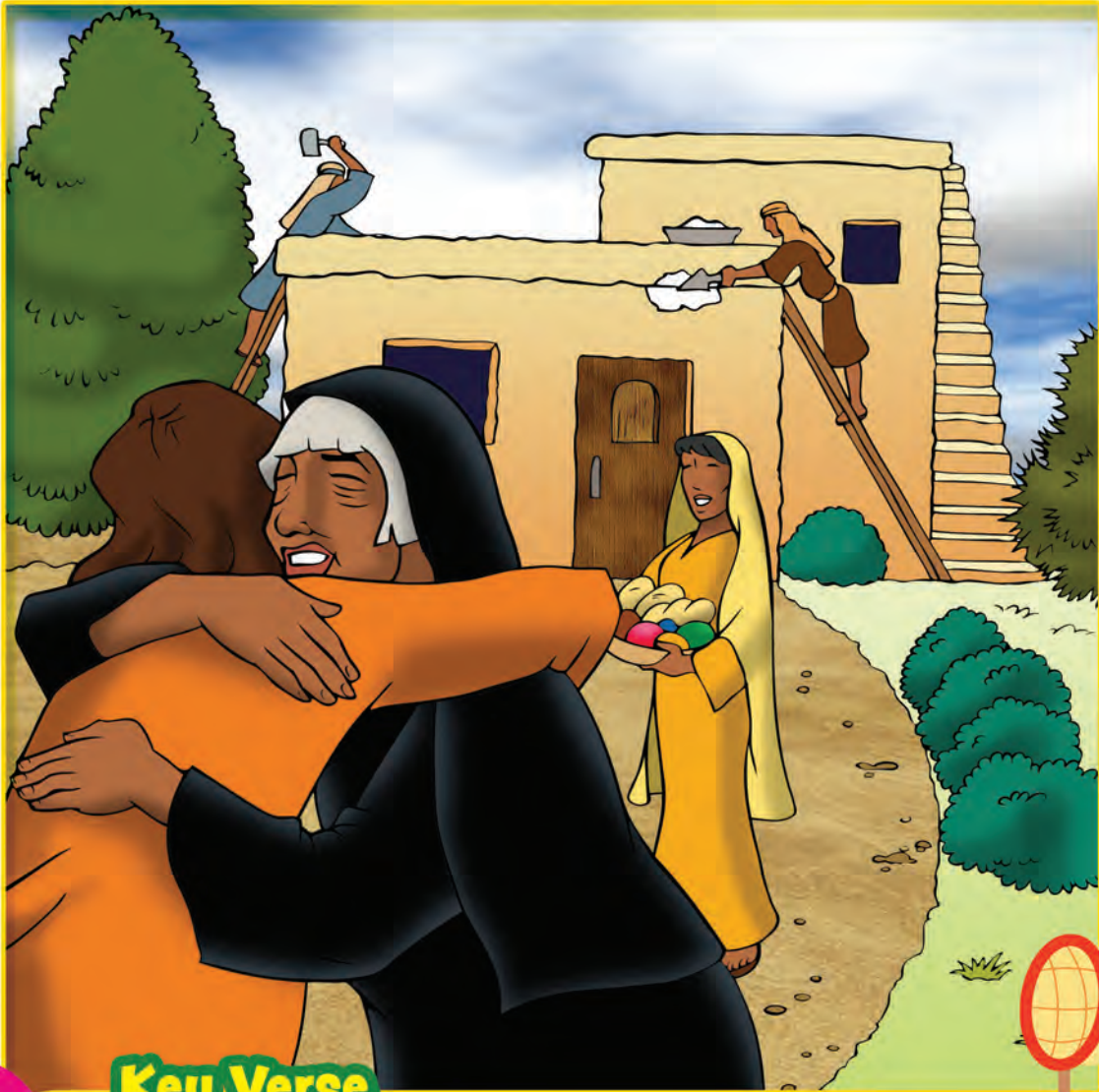
Faith Block

**I will live
for Jesus!**



Love Is the Best Way

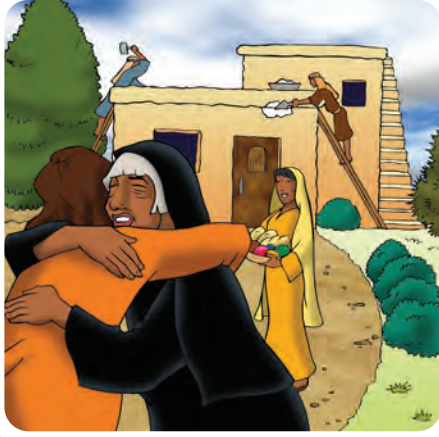
Lesson Scripture: 1 Peter 3:8-9, 13-17



Key Verse

Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble. (1 Peter 3:8)





Love Is the Best Way

(1 Peter 3:8-9, 13-17)

In today's lesson, Peter reminds believers to love one another. If people hurt us, we must not hurt them. Instead, we must be good to them. Love is the best way to respond if someone says or does something that is not nice. God will always take care of His children when we show His love and kindness to others.

When we are kind to others, we will feel God's love. If someone asks us about our love for God, we must tell the person why we love God. We must be kind and gentle when talking to others so that they know we love God.

For the Parents

Dear Parents/Guardians,

In today's lesson, your child heard that we should follow Jesus' example by showing love to others even when they are not kind. Love is the best way. Peter reminds us to be prepared to tell others about God's love. We must be kind and gentle when we tell others about God. This week, encourage your child to tell anyone who mistreats him/her that God loves them.

Your Child's Teacher



Faith Block

**I can show
God's love!**



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