

FAITH, NOT BY SIGHT!
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NOTE TO PARENTS from Ps Luke Aiasecca

Thank you for the privilege of ministering to your family through Kidmania Online. Today's Kidmania Online episode was **FAITH, NOT BY SIGHT!**

This parent info sheet can be used by you at home to support your Kidmania experience WITH your children and help them to get the most out of it.

The 'main ideas' section of this parent info sheet has been designed especially for you to enter into meaningful discussion with your children.

To help your children really share what is in their hearts and minds with you, and so YOU can actively build faith and wisdom into them, when it comes to the 'Ask' points, take care to not rush them... give them time to think and respond and really show them you are listening and that you understand.

We are here to support you! If you have any questions you would like to discuss please contact your location Kidmania co-ordinator or email me at luke.aiasecca@enjoy.church

God bless you!

Family Ice Breaker – Jesus Says!

This is a fun way to introduce what you will be talking about as a family.

In today's episode we had our blindfolded friend Gabriel follow instructions to be able to eat a donut (hanging from a pole on string). Only when he trusted the instructions and followed them did he manage to eat.

You might like to make your own version of this challenge.

OR you might like to play a version of Simon says where a person obeys when Jesus says, but not when silly Simon says.

Whatever you do, have FUN!

Today's Scripture Reference – John 21:1-9

1. Read through John 21:1-9 for yourself
2. Retell the story in your own words or read it aloud
(checking for understanding as you go)
3. Watch Online the full SUPERBOOK episode: *Cast Your Nets*

You can access Superbook resources and view full episodes for free at

<https://us-en.superbook.cbn.com/video/cast-your-nets>



In the KM Online episode today we used an excerpt from the SUPERBOOK episode: *Cast Your Nets* to help tell the story of when Jesus asked the disciples to trust His word by faith over what they see and think they already know.

The Main Ideas for Family Discussion

Read the Word:

[turn the page over to the **Today's Scripture Reference** section]

Topic introduction & Discussion:

Ask: Have you ever found it hard to obey your parent/teacher?

If YES – ask: What was the situation? Why was it hard?

[invite your child to share, and share with them as appropriate - something you were asked to do, by an authority figure in your life, that was fair and reasonable and ethical, that you found hard to obey even while you understood it was right to, and why you found it hard.]

Ask: Have you ever found it hard to obey just because you didn't understand the reason for it, but then when you did understand, it changed how you felt about it

If YES – ask: what was the thing you were asked to do? What was the thing you did not understand? How did you feel? Did you obey? Were you then glad you did, once you understood? Did you NOT obey? Were you then sad that you did not choose to obey? What did you learn from that experience (time)?

[invite your child to share, and share with them as appropriate - something in the Word that you did not want to obey and trust God with, that you needed help from God to do, and which you discovered was worth it.]

Ask: Have you ever found it hard to obey what the Bible teaches?

If YES – ask: Which part? Why?

[invite your child to share, and share with them as appropriate - something in the Word that you did not want to obey and trust God with, that you needed help from God to do, and which you discovered was worth it.]

Ask: Have you ever felt like God was speaking to you through someone else or something you were seeing in a movie or TV show?

If YES – ask: What was it? What do you think God was saying to You?

Further questions you can ask: How can we know if it is God talking to us? When you are seeing and hearing something that God does not approve of do you have a bad feeling inside? When you are seeing and hearing something that God approves of do you have a glad feeling inside? Do you ever see or hear something that reminds you of what God has taught in His Word (the Bible) that makes you remember it or wonder what God has to say about it? Have you ever had an idea of the right thing to do from seeing and hearing something? How do you know it is God?

[invite your child to share, and share with them as appropriate - a situation you experienced where God was speaking to you through your conscience or drawing your attention to a topic and causing you to consider it in light of all you know about Him in His Word, and even how you might have checked your understanding with another wise Christian.]

Let's pray!

Dear Heavenly Father... Thank You that You are always wanting to talk to us. Thank You that You show us who You are in Your Word (the Bible) and through our parents and leaders, and Kidmania leaders, and all who really follow You and love You. Thank You that You take every opportunity (moment) in whatever we are doing to teach us. Help us to want to know what you say about everything, and to see things and people how You see them. Help us to love everyone as You do, and be kind. Help us to hear and see You clearly. Help us to obey You (do as You direct/tell us to). We thank You for all the good that we will see You do, for us and in us ...in Jesus' Name, Amen!

