



BE A TRUTH SEEKER!

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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 **BE A TRUTH SEEKER!**

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 – Speedy Bible Look Up Race!

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

Today we watched as Esther and Ezra raced each other in finding Bible passages in paper Bibles.

You might like to have this race at home.

If you don't have any paper Bibles you could have the race with Bible Apps on devices.

Whatever you do, have fun!



Today's Bible Passages – read and memorise at meal times

John 8:31-32 (AMP)

So Jesus was saying to the Jews who had believed Him, "If you abide in My word [continually obeying My teachings and living in accordance with them, then] you are truly My disciples. And you will know the truth [regarding salvation], and the truth will set you free [from the penalty of sin]."

Acts 17:11 (AMP)

Now these people were more noble *and* open-minded than those in Thessalonica, so they received the message [of salvation through faith in the Christ] with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so.



The Main Ideas for Family Discussion (part 1)

Topic introduction

Say: Today Ps Luke taught us about the Bereans. They were the people of Berea, back when the Apostle Paul and Silas first preached the truth about Jesus being the Messiah who died, and rose again, and had gone to be with the Father in Heaven until it was time to come back for all His people. Paul and Silas preached the Gospel of Jesus; we are saved by FAITH in Him.

1. They were eager to 'hear' God's Word, and believe it
2. They were eager to make sure what they were hearing was actually true – they checked it out in the Scriptures (the Bible so far) for themselves!

The Bereans were real truth seekers. We should be like Bereans too. Let's check it out!

The Main Ideas for Family Discussion (part 2)

Ask: Where can we go to check it out? [the Bible – the WORD of GOD]

Read: *Scripture: Acts 17:11*

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Ask: Have you ever believed something is true, only to find out that it is not true/a myth?

If yes, ask: What was it? Once you had a chance to think about it, even if you liked to believe it was true, were you just glad to know what is true and what is not true?

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Ask: Have you ever heard a Bible message at church and then looked it up for yourself in the Bible?

If yes, ask: Can you tell me about it? Did it make you feel happy to know you had heard the truth?

Say: If you every hear a person teach something that is different to the Bible, you have a decision to make. You can decide to believe the WORD of GOD or the word of man (humans). Only you can do this for yourself. This is when YOUR faith and YOUR thinking comes into action.

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Say: The most important true thing we need to understand is that we are sinners in need of a savior, and that Savior is Jesus. When we place our faith in Him, we are saved.

Ask: Do you have faith in Jesus? Is He your Savior? [if YES, say: 'that's great!' If NO, ask if they would like to pray putting their faith in Jesus and asking to be saved – then pray with them]

Say: The next most important true thing we need to understand is that now we are saved we need to follow Jesus - we need to know all the truth He has to share with us, and we need to live in a way that shows that is true.

Sum up:

Say: Say after me:

- * I will be NOBLE - I will know what the right thing is, and I will do it.
- * I will be a truth seeker - I will look for and be ready to hear and believe the truth
- * I will use my brain and check it out for myself - I am not a robot
- * I will use my faith - for my own relationship with God

Let's Pray!

Dear Heavenly Father... Thank You for Your Word (the truth) and that you have given us people who want to help us to understand it. Thank You that You created us to have faith AND to use our brains. Help us to know the truth when we see it, hear it, and read it (so we can believe it and do it) and to know when something is not true (so that we do not believe it). Help us to be truth seekers (to want to know the truth and want to look for it). Help us to seek the truth in Your Word above all... in Jesus' name, Amen!

