



Family Battle Plan

A discipleship pathway to assist parents in engaging their children on their journey of faith

Week 4: Bible

3rd Grade

Theme Verse

"The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God remains forever" (Isaiah 40:8).

Objective

Everything in the Bible is true and will last forever.

Teach

What are some of the oldest things we have around our house? (You may need to prompt your child with ideas like books, fine dishes, or other special keepsakes.) When we look at these items, what makes them look like they are getting older? (Some ideas: worn edges, broken parts, no longer works.) Find and discuss something newer that is already showing signs of age. The items we have, whether they are new or old, quickly show signs of getting older and will eventually wear out.

The Bible, God's Word, is different. Everything in the Bible is true and will last forever. Our copy of the Bible, the book itself, may show age, but the words of the Bible are always true and will last forever. Isaiah 40:8 says this, *"The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God remains forever."*

The people who wrote the Bible were led by God to write those specific words, and that makes the Bible different from all other books. People write things that can be untrue. People make declarations that are often untrue. Just think about how hard it is for the weather forecasters to tell us what the day will be like. However, God helped the writers of the Bible, so everything in the Bible would be true. Everything in the Bible is from God, is true, and will always be true!

Discussion Questions

1. What are some things we can learn from the Bible? (Some ideas: Creation, God's rules people should obey, God sent Jesus to save us, how to treat others, etc.)

Play

God's Word, the Bible, has endured throughout hundreds of years and many, many generations. Some parts of the Bible are thousands of years old. Find some blooming spring flowers nearby and help your child observe how quickly they wither and fade. Then, compare that to the verse of the week, reminding your child that God's Word will never wither or fade.

Sing

["The B-I-B-L-E" \(Go Fish\)](#)

Live it Out

What are some things in the world you think may last forever (examples: rocks, mountains, oceans, trees, buildings)?

(Talk with your child about the items and the evidence of the limited lifespan of these items.) Rocks and mountains are broken up or eroded by weathering. Trees and buildings have visible signs of deterioration. Contrast that with the enduring truth of God's Word throughout all of history. The rocks, mountains, flowers, and grass will decline, but the Bible is forever.

Closing Prayer

God, thank You for giving us the Bible to help us know You and how we should live. Help us to treasure Your Bible every day. Amen.