Following Jesus (10)

GROWING IN FAITH



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Now we have begun to follow Jesus we have a new relationship with God. We call Him our Heavenly Father. As we spend time talking with Him and reading His Word, meeting with other believers and sharing about Jesus with others, our relationship will grow. Let's remind ourselves how we began this new relationship.

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| Ť | What did we have to do, to come into this new relationship with God? |
| | Romans 3:22, 27, 30 |
| 1. | WHAT IS FAITH? |
| | od's Word tells us that we cannot come to God because of the good things we have done. We are cepted by God only when we trust in Jesus Christ to take away our sins. This is called 'faith'. |
| • | What do you think faith is? Discuss. |
| ŧ | How does the Bible describe faith? |
| | Hebrews 11:1-3 |
| t | Why is Abraham called 'the father of all who believe'? What can we learn about faith from him? |
| | Romans 4:16-25 |
| t | Where does faith come from? |
| | Romans 10:14, 17 |
| | Ephesians 2:8 |
| • | Who first shared the Good News about Jesus with you? |
| Ho | e began to believe when someone shared with us about Jesus. As we listened to God's Word the bly Spirit gave us faith to believe and accept the message. In the same way we are now to pray others to believe, and share God's Word with them, so they will also be saved. |
| 2. | HOW CAN OUR FAITH GROW? |
| t | Now we have put our trust in Jesus how are we to live as God's children? |
| | Galatians 2:20 |
| Ť | How can our faith continue to grow according to these verses? |
| | Colossians 2:6-7 |

| t | What are some of the things we can do to help our faith grow strong? |
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| | Hebrews 4:14-16 |
| | Hebrews 12:1-2a |
| | Jude 20 |
| ÷ | What is another way God uses to help our faith grow strong? |
| | 1 Peter 1:6-7 |
| \$: | Have you gone through a trial or difficulty in your life that has made your faith in God stronger? Share with one another. |
| 3 | WHY IS FAITH IMPORTANT? |
| Ť | Why do you think our faith is so important to God? |
| | 1 Peter 1:7-9 |
| t | What does God promise when we have faith in his Word? |
| | 1 Peter 1:9 |
| | Romans 5:1-2 |
| | Matthew 17:20 |
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We come into a new relationship with God when we put our trust in Jesus to save us. Our faith is very important to God. He wants us to grow to trust and believe him more and more. As it says in Romans 1, everything in the Christian life is "accomplished from start to finish by **FAITH**."



Is anyone going through a trial or difficulty right now? Pray for one another.

Memory Verse

"Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of highest privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory."

Romans 5:2

