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SUPPORTING THE BIBLE

For many, opening the Bible with children can feel a little daunting. You might wonder where to start, how much to read, or how to help children understand what they hear. The good news is that exploring the Bible as a family does not have to be complicated. Small, regular moments spent listening to God's story together can make a big difference.

The Bible is a collection of stories, prayers, poems and teachings that help us learn about God's love for the world. Children do not need to understand everything straight away. Simply hearing the stories, asking questions and talking together can help faith grow naturally over time.

Explore the Bible

1. Story Time Together

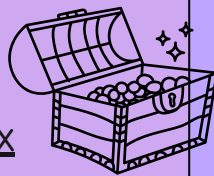
Choose a children's Bible or a short Bible passage and read it together. Ask simple questions such as:

- What was your favourite part?
- Which character would you like to meet?
- What does this story teach us about God?
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2. Create a Bible Treasure Box

Write the names of Bible stories on slips of paper and place them in a box. Each week, let a family member pick one at random to read together.



3. Bible in Action

After reading a story, act it out using costumes, toys or puppets. Children often remember stories much better when they can physically engage with them.



4. Bible Verse Display

Choose a short verse each month and display it on the fridge or a noticeboard. Decorate it together and try learning it as a family.



5. Pray About the Story

After reading, say a simple prayer: "Thank you, God, for this story. Help us to learn from it and follow you each day. Amen."

Loving God,

Thank you for giving us the Bible and helping us learn more about you. Guide us as we read your stories together. Help us to listen, ask questions and discover your love each day. Bless our homes and our families, and help us follow Jesus in all that we do.

Amen.

Activities

Noah's Ark Rainbow Craft

Read: Genesis 6–9

Create a rainbow using coloured paper, paint or crayons. As you make it, talk about God's promise to care for His creation.



Bible Story Scavenger Hunt

Hide clues around your home leading to different Bible stories.

Examples:

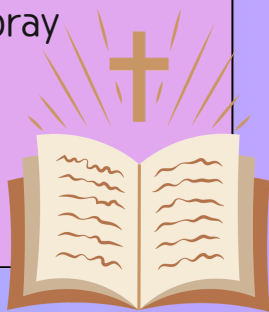
- Find something furry and remember Daniel and the lions.
- Find a toy boat and think about Noah's Ark.
- Find a coin and talk about Zacchaeus.

Build a Prayer Jar

Decorate a jar and fill it with prayer suggestions:

- Someone you love
- Someone who is poorly
- Something you're thankful for
- A person who needs help

Choose one each day and pray together.



Family Bible Challenge

Can you complete these during the month?

- Read one Bible story together each week.
- Learn one Bible verse.
- Say a family prayer before bed.
- Draw your favourite Bible character.
- Tell someone about a Bible story you enjoyed.

Bible Story Recommendation

The Feeding of the Five Thousand (John 6:1–14)

This is a wonderful story to share with children. It reminds us that God can do amazing things with even the smallest gifts.

Talk together:

- Why do you think the boy shared his lunch?
- How do you think the crowd felt?
- What gifts has God given us that we can share?

Activity: Have a family picnic and thank God for the food you have.

Remember: You do not need to be a Bible expert to explore God's story with your children. Simply spending a few minutes together each week reading, talking and praying can help nurture faith and create meaningful family moments. Happy reading! 📖❤️