

Our Bible Verse this week is John 15:10. This verse tells us to remain in Jesus' love by obeying Him.

In our Bible Story, Abram obeys God and leaves his home and family behind. Read Genesis 12:1-7.

Know Why-ning

Point out to your children that Abram didn't know why God wanted him to leave his home and family. It was a very hard thing to do and God didn't give him any reason, but Abram obeyed anyway. Make a chart that includes each member of the family. Write "Why-ning" at the top of the chart. Explain that we all need to follow Abram's example and obey without whining and asking why. Tell your family that you will begin keeping track of "Why-ning" on the chart, and the person in your family who best follows Abram's example of obeying without questioning will win a small reward.

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Write five to ten fun motions or actions on some cards. Some examples are jump in the air, stomp three times, whistle, clap three times, laugh, bray like a donkey, trumpet like an elephant. Stand in a circle with your family and turn over three or four of the cards. Sing the Alphabet Song together, or say the the alphabet together. When you get to a letter that is the start of one of the actions, everyone has to do that action. For example, if "bray like a donkey" is turned over, everyone must say the letter "B" and then bray like a donkey before going on to the letter "C." If someone says the next letter before they do the action, they are out of the game. Each round turn over different actions. If someone does an action that is not turned over, that person is also out of the game. Tell your family that just like they had a hard time obeying the cards if they didn't pay attention to them, we will have a hard time obeying God if we don't pay attention to what God is asking us to do.