

# FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

## LESSON 5

**GOD IS MY HELPER; I SHOULD DO WHAT HE ASKS ME TO DO!**

### **BIBLE STORY**

Read Joshua 3-4. God told Joshua to do something that was very difficult, but He was with Joshua and helped him accomplish it. What is something that God has asked you to do that is not easy?

### **IT'S HARD TO PART WATER!**

One evening this week have the whole family come to the kitchen table. Fill a clear plastic tub, larger than shoe box size, with water and put it on the table. Let each family member take turns trying to part the water. You can use your hands, arms, blow on it, etc. You will see just how difficult it is to part water. However, as we see in our Bible story (Joshua 3-4), God told Joshua to cross the Jordan river, Joshua trusted God, and God parted the water. This story shows us that when God asks us to do something, even something that seems very difficult, we need to be obedient and trust that He will help us accomplish it.

### **COOKIE HUNT**

Without your children knowing it, hide a plate of cookies somewhere in your house. Tell the children that there is an exciting surprise hidden in the house and let them try to look for a minute on their own. Have the cookies where the children can't find them without help. Then give step by step instructions on how to find the cookies. While you enjoy the cookies, discuss how it was possible to find the cookies because you helped them. God does the exact same thing, and we need to trust that God will help us accomplish the tasks He has given us.

**BUT DON'T JUST LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD. YOU MUST DO WHAT IT SAYS. OTHERWISE, YOU ARE ONLY FOOLING YOURSELVES.**  
JAMES 1:22

**AS A FAMILY, COMPLETE THESE ACTIVITIES AND CIRCLE THE ONES YOU COMPLETED BELOW. HAVE YOUR CHILD PUT THEIR NAME IN THE BLANK. CUT THIS CORNER OUT AND TURN IT IN THE NEXT TIME THEY COME.**

**BIBLE STORY**

**COOKIE HUNT**

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**CHILD'S NAME** \_\_\_\_\_