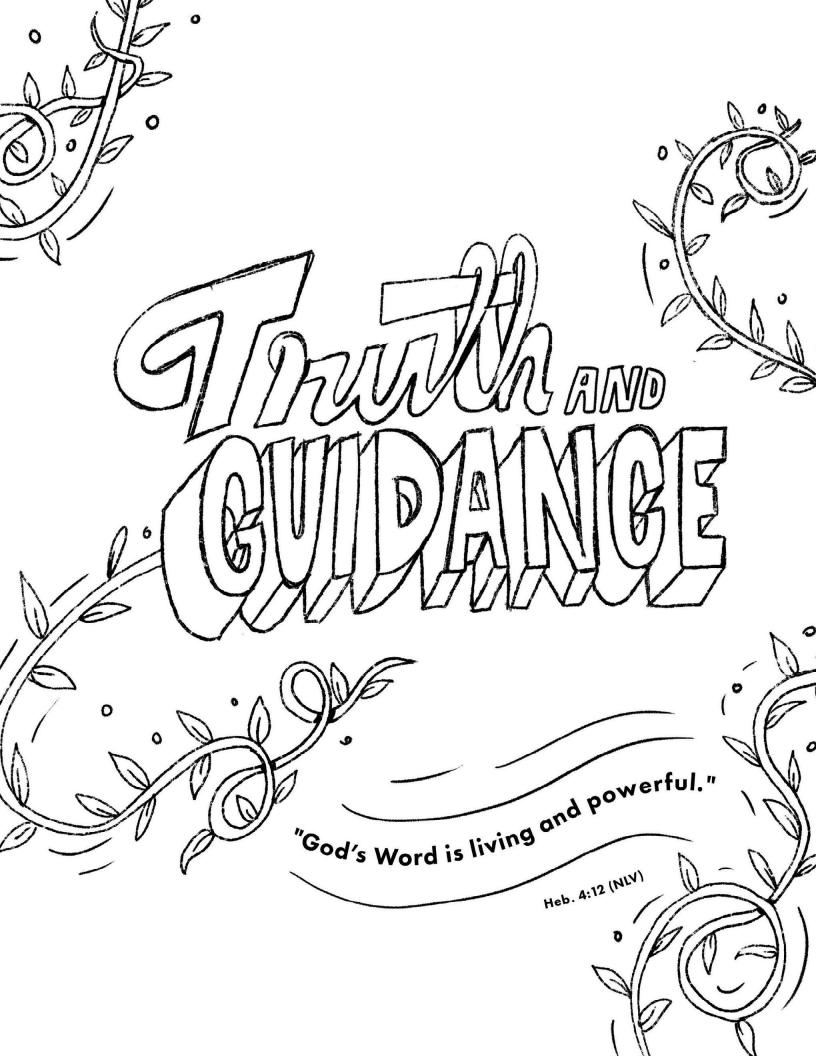
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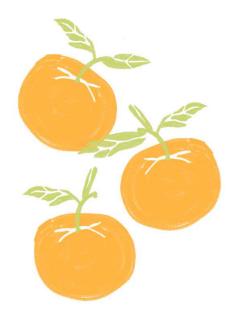








We all need God to help keep us strong and safe.



Dive into the Word

"Anyone who listens to My teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won't collapse because it is built on bedrock. But anyone who hears My teaching and doesn't obey it is foolish, like a person who builds a house on sand. When the rains and floods come and the winds beat against that house, it will collapse with a mighty crash."

-Matthew 7:24-27 (NLT)

Family Moment

Gather some building supplies such as cards, blocks and marshmallows. Work as a family to construct houses, then test them by blowing air or shaking the table. Which ones survived? Which collapsed? Why do you think Jesus told the story in Matthew 7? What might it mean to build your house on the rock? Pray and ask the Holy Spirit to guide you and help you be obedient to God, even during difficult times.

Let's Pray!

- 1. Remember, God has what others need, and when they see that you have it, they will want it, too!
- 2. While you pray today, thank God for His truth, and ask Him to reveal more of Himself to you.
- 3. Pray: "Father, thank You for being the solid rock I can stand on. Amen."





God gives us a secret place with Him where we are always safe.



Dive into the Word

"He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, 'He is my refuge and my fortress; my God, in Him I will trust.' Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the perilous pestilence. He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler. You shall not be afraid of the terror by night, nor of the arrow that flies by day, nor of the pestilence that walks in darkness, nor of the destruction that lays waste at noonday. A thousand may fall at your side, and ten thousand at your right hand; but it shall not come near you." —Psalm 91:1-7 (NKJV)

Family Moment

Create a family fortress with pillows and blankets. Gather inside and discuss what everyone thinks about when they hear the word "refuge" and "fortress." Read Psalm 91:1-7 together. What does it mean to say God is our "refuge" and "fortress"? Share examples of God's protection in your life and from the Bible. Is there something you're afraid of today? After sharing, invite everyone to speak God's Word over each fear shared: "God, You're my refuge. I trust in You, and I'm safe!"

Let's Pray!

- 1. Whenever we need help, we can always run to God for anything.
- 2. Take some time today to thank God for all He has done for you and your family.
- 3. Pray: "Father, You are an amazing protector! Amen."

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Life is noisy, so we must keep our ears open to hear God speaking to us.



Dive into the Word

"Show me Your ways, Lord, teach me Your paths. Guide me in Your truth and teach me for You are God my Savior, and my hope is in You all day long."

—Psalm 25:4-5 (NIV)

Family Moment

Listening to Jesus can be difficult with all the distractions in our daily lives. Adults, choose a simple message (e.g., "We pray for God to protect you every single day"). Have one person listen and one parent read the message in a low voice while the rest of the family shouts contradictory messages, makes noises and creates as much distraction as possible. See how hard it is to hear that one voice in the chaos? Now whisper the message into their ear while everyone is quiet. That's how prayer can work! Life will be full of chaos and distractions, and it's so important we keep our eyes and ears open to Him every day.

Let's Pray!

- 1. Reread Psalm 25:4-5. As you do, pray those words back to God.
- 2. Think of a friend that is having a hard time following God's best. Pray that God would guide them into all that He has prepared for them.
- Pray: "Father, thank You for always looking out for me and guiding me. Amen."

