

# GenKids Summer Updates

Kids have been invited to participate in prayer time and are such sweet voices to hear from. If your child has prayers during the week, encourage them to share those during our prayer time together before gatherings.

## July

Our toddlers through 3rd graders have finished reading the entire **New Testament** and are now diving back into the **Old Testament** this summer! They're learning big words and big truths including *sin*, *rescue*, *Messiah*, *promises*, *disciples*, and names such as *Isaiah*, *Peter*, *Paul*, and *Jesus*. This month's focus will be on **Noah** and **Abraham**.

Our tweens are exploring the study **God, Heroes, and Everyday Dragons** this summer! Each Sunday morning, they complete one/ two days' readings and questions, as well as watch the related video together. During the week, they're encouraged to work through **two more Days at home**, continuing the conversation and discovering how God helps us face challenges with courage and faith.

We'd love for families to keep reading together each week and celebrate what your kids are discovering. If you'd like to take the next step or do more at home, let **Morgan** know to help you get equipped for what's next!

## August & September

Younger kids will continue in the **Old Testament**, learning about **Joseph** and **Moses**, then **Joshua** and **Ruth**. Tweens will continue their study and will also be invited to use the **SEEDS** method to participate in gatherings on the **last Sunday of each month**. The **SEEDS guide** is included on the back for parents to use at home, making it easy to keep faith conversations going throughout the week.



# SEEDS METHOD

## SHARE

Start by talking about the day. This is a time to tell each other the good things and the hard things. Listen to each other and have someone repeat back what the last person said (this makes it easier to remember and pray for).

Questions:

1. What's one thing that made you smile this week? Something you're grateful for?
  2. Is there anything that made you feel sad, worried, or upset?
- Pray together – God, please teach us and help us hear Your voice today.



## EXPLORE

Choose a scripture and read the Bible passage together. Afterwards, retell it in your own words, or ask someone else if they would like to try.

## EXAMINE

Next, notice anything interesting, surprising, or important in the passage. Everyone can share their thoughts – there are no wrong answers! God can show each of us something different or even the same.

Question:

What observations or thoughts do you have about the text?



## DO IT

God speaks to us in different ways – through the Bible, through thoughts, or through ideas that help us follow Him better. We want to listen and then decide how we can live it out.

Questions to consider individually:

1. Do you feel like God is telling you something today? What do you think God wants you to remember or do?
2. Would you like to draw or write that?

## SEEK GOD'S KINGDOM

Sometimes we may not feel like we hear anything from God and that's okay. God often speaks to us in gentle ways – like a soft whisper, through things we keep noticing, or through pictures and ideas He places in our minds.

Share what you think God might be asking you to do or remember from today's reading. After sharing, pray together and ask Him to help us listen and obey.

