

Fall Family Faith Kit



DEVOTIONS & ACTIVITIES
TO BUILD YOUR CHILDREN'S FAITH



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A NOTE FOR PARENTS

Fall Family Faith Kit is designed for families to incorporate faith into their fall family fun. This resource is to be used for the month of September. This month we will be focusing on Ecclesiastes 3 and talking about the different seasons of life. It includes the following:

- 4 Family Devotions (1 per week)
- 4 Games (1 per week)
- 4 Crafts (1 per week)
- 4 Snack Ideas (1 per week)
- Fall Family Bucket List

When is a good time to do these activities each week?

- Use it on Saturday or Sunday and do all activities for that week in one day.
- Spread out the activities over the whole week. For example, you could read the devotion before school one morning. Then another day do the craft, next day game, next day create the snack.
- Pick out one or two items off the Fall Family Bucket List to do each week.

Fall is a great time to start the habit of spending time together in God's Word as a family. Once you create this habit, your children will want to do it every day and will remind you if you miss a day! These habits will hopefully form in your children a love of God's Word that will stay with them throughout their lives. You are building a foundation of God and His love into your children by spending time together in His Word.

Fall Family Devotion

WEEK 1 - ECCLESIASTES 3:1

"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven."

It's time for a new season! Fall is probably my favorite season of the year. I love the cool weather, the color of the leaves changing, and just the overall feel of the season.

But did you know that you can go through different seasons in your life? I'm not talking about weather seasons. I'm talking about times of change. Instead of the weather changing, our lives change. Different things can happen to us that bring about change in our lives.

In the book of Ecclesiastes, there is a portion of chapter 3 when King Solomon (the author) talks about there being a time for everything. He talks about the seasons of life that we go through. We will walk through different seasons of our life at different times. One day may be the greatest day ever and the next day may not be so good. We may have really easy days at school where we understand everything, then we have days where we just can't seem to understand anything. There may be days when we find ourselves laughing a lot, and then other days are sad. Seasons change and there is a time for everything.

Whenever I have those not so good days, I am reminded of this verse. It brings me hope because of several reasons. One, I know that I am not alone when I walk through the hard times. God is walking with me through it and I don't have to be afraid. Two, it reminds me that this season will pass and things won't stay bad forever. Good days are coming. And three, it reminds me that God works all things for good. He uses everything for good. And we know this because He says it in the Bible (check out Romans 8:28).

If you are finding that you are in a tougher season right now, I invite you to pray. Ask God to give you the strength to get through whatever you are going through. Thank God for whatever season you are in...good or bad. And then keep your eyes open to all the ways you will see God work in whatever season you are walking through.

Loving God, thank You for the seasons of life. Give me hope and remind me of Your presence during all seasons of my life. I love You, Lord, Amen.

Fall Family Game

WEEK 1 - GUMMY SEARCH

Supplies Needed: *gummy snacks (you can use fruit snacks, gummy bears or gummy worms), whipped cream, paper plate, towel*

When we walk through difficult seasons sometimes we have to open our eyes to see the good that is hidden. In this game, you will be searching for the good (the gummy snacks) among the pile of whipped cream that keeps them hidden!

On a paper plate, lay out several gummy snacks. Then pile whipped cream on top and fill the plate.

With their hands behind their back, each child will use their mouth and search through the whipped cream to find the gummy snacks. Once they find a gummy snack, they can set it aside. After they finish finding all the gummy snacks, have them recite the Bible memory verse for the week. Then they can eat all the gummy snacks!

Fall Family Craft

WEEK 1 - FALL TREE CRAFT

Supplies Needed: light blue cardstock, brown construction paper or cardstock, red, orange, yellow and green construction paper or cardstock, paper cutter, gluestick or glue dots, scissors

I found this craft on the I Heart Crafty Things website. For detailed instructions on how to do this craft, visit their website:

<https://iheartcraftythings.com/fall-tree-paper-craft.html>

After your child has finished this craft, have them write the Bible memory verse for the week on it: Ecclesiastes 3:1.



Fall Family Snack

WEEK 1 - BANANA BOATS

Supplies Needed: *bananas, mini marshmallows, chocolate chips, aluminum foil*

Banana Boats are an easy dessert that can be made over the campfire, on the grill, or in the oven!

Tear off a piece of aluminum foil long enough to cover your banana. Leaving the banana in the peel, slice it lengthwise. Fill the inside of the banana with mini marshmallows and chocolate chips (or any type of chocolate you love). Wrap the banana completely with foil.

Place banana boat on the campfire, grill, or in the oven for about 5 minutes or until chocolate and marshmallows are melted. Peel back and enjoy this yummy treat!



FALL Family Bucket List

◆ GO APPLE PICKING

◆ MAKE A BIRD FEEDER

◆ READ THE BIBLE TOGETHER

◆ TRY A NEW RECIPE

◆ GIVE A GIFT TO A TEACHER

◆ BAKE A PIE

◆ GO ON A FAMILY BIKE RIDE

◆ DO A RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS

◆ HAVE A NERF GUN BATTLE

◆ CALL A FAMILY MEMBER

◆ DONATE TO A FOOD PANTRY

◆ WATCH "IT'S THE GREAT PUMPKIN, CHARLIE BROWN"

◆ CAMP IN YOUR BACKYARD

◆ VISIT A PUMPKIN PATCH

◆ HIKE TO A WATERFALL

◆ JUMP IN A PILE OF LEAVES

◆ HAVE A CAMPFIRE

◆ GO STAR GAZING

◆ HAVE AN OUTDOOR PICNIC

◆ TAKE A FALL FAMILY PHOTO

◆ MAKE CANDY APPLES

◆ VISIT A FAIR

◆ GO ON A HAYRIDE

◆ BAKE PUMPKIN BREAD AND DELIVER TO A NEIGHBOR

◆ MAKE BANANA BOATS

◆ DO A SCRIPTURE CHALLENGE

◆ VISIT A FARMER'S MARKET

◆ BOB FOR APPLES

◆ MEMORIZE GALATIANS 6:9

◆ WATCH A FOOTBALL GAME

◆ DRINK APPLE CIDER

◆ PAINT LEAVES YOU COLLECT

◆ VISIT A CORN MAZE

◆ CARVE A PUMPKIN

◆ PLAY HIDE & SEEK WITH GLOWSTICKS

◆ CLEAN OUT YOUR TOY BOX AND DONATE TOYS