Think Tank: Put your knowledge to the test



Use this guide to help your family learn how God can give us knowledge.

First, watch this week's video!

Knowledge:
Learning
something new
so you can
be better at
whatever you do

Memory Verse

"The Lord gives wisdom. Knowledge and understanding come from his mouth."

Proverbs 2:6, NIrV

Bible Story

The Wise Men Visit Jesus Matthew 2:1-12

Bottom Line

Never stop searching for what's true.

Activity

Star Search

What You Need:

Star shape (you can either draw this and cut it out, or print out a star shape found online); painter's or masking tape; timer

What You Do:

Affix your star shape to a wall. Across the room, tape a starting line. Between the starting line and the star, create an obstacle course. You can put down towels, pillows, and blankets that your child has to jump onto to get to the star. (Safety first! We recommend using these items on top of carpet or rugs only, to prevent slips and falls!) You can also use chairs, toys, and plush friends to create a maze. Your child's goal is to get from the starting line to the star in only 30 seconds. (You can adjust the time as needed based on your obstacle course and your child.)

Allow your child to complete the obstacle course. If they accomplish the task right away, increase the difficulty by having them complete the second round by hopping only on one foot, or crawling, etc. They can also do the obstacle course by walking backward to increase difficulty as well.

When you're finished, say, "Wow! You did a great job searching for the star. You found it fast! The Wise Men in our story today found a star too. THEIR star led them to a very, very special child."

Talk About the Bible Story

Who was the child the Wise Men found by following the star? (Jesus)

The Wise Men never stopped searching for the truth. What is true about the birth of Jesus? (Jesus is God's Son. Jesus' birth was prophesied about long before it happened. Jesus is a gift sent from God to us.)

What are some ways we can search for what's true in our own lives? (Reading the Bible, talking with and listening to people who know and love God, praying)

This week, what is one way you plan on searching for what's true?

Parent: Share how you go about searching for what's true. Do you listen to certain podcasts, watch certain shows or videos, talk to people who are wise?



Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, thank You for helping us understand what's true. You sent an amazing star to show the Wise Men that Your Son had been born ... and we know that You'll show US what's true, too. You show us what's true in the world You made, in the Bible, through people who love and follow You—and best of all, You show us what's true through Jesus. Help us never stop searching for what's true. We love You, Lord. Amen."