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Think Tank: Put your knowledge to the test

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

Activity

Making a Change

What You Need:

No supplies needed

What You Do:

Invite your child to play a game. Say, "Take a good look at me. Study everything about me!"

Allow your child a few moments to study you. Then ask them to close their eyes (no peeking!). Once they close their eyes, change something about your appearance—take off your glasses, remove an earring, cuff a sleeve, etc. But only change ONE thing.

Say, "Now, open your eyes. What has changed about my appearance?" Allow your child to respond. Do this for as many rounds as you'd like. Let your child be the "changer" at some point, and you be the guesser.

When you're finished, say, "We heard a story today about some people who changed, too. Except their change was on the *inside*, wasn't it?"



Talk About the Bible Story

In today's story, who changed when he discovered the truth about who Jesus is? (*John the Baptist*)

When you know Jesus, how should that change the way you treat people? How can knowing Jesus help change how you react when someone makes you mad ... or hurts your feelings?

How does knowing Jesus help change how you react when things aren't going your way? What about when you're facing a challenge?

If you feel like you want to know more about Jesus, what are some ways you can do that?

Parent: Share how knowing Jesus has changed you. Maybe you worried a lot about the future, and now you can feel God's Spirit with you—and that helps you worry less. Maybe you were facing a difficult decision, and knowing what's important to Jesus is what helped you make a wise choice.



Prayer

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

"Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus, Your Son, to be our Savior. Help us to discover new things about Jesus every day. Please show us how we can grow and change because of the new things we discover. Help us to follow You more, love You more, and love others more. We love You, Lord. Amen."

First, watch this week's video!

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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

Jesus' Baptism John 1:19-42; 3:22-36 (Matthew 3)

Key Question

When have you discovered something new?

