

ELEMENTARY

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STEP UP

FALL 2020

A CHALLENGE FOR KIDS TO MOVE CLOSER TO GOD

HEY, RIDGEKIDS!

HEY, PARENTS!

Are you ready to take the
StepUp Challenge this Fall?

The logo for the StepUp challenge. The word "STEPUP" is written in a bold, blue, sans-serif font. Above the letters "S", "T", "E", and "P", there are three horizontal bars in orange, yellow, and red, resembling a flag or a staircase. The "U" is also blue and has a similar flag-like design above it.

StepUp is a church-wide challenge to move closer to God. It is our hope that each of our RidgeKids will accept the challenge to step up through this Fall Devo.

Each week you can earn up to 50 points for your GodTime activities and an additional 50 points for completing a crazy, fun challenge!!

They'll be prizes throughout the Fall, so make sure you **stay connected on Facebook in our "RidgeKids Teays Valley" group or @RidgeKidsTeaysValley on Instagram.**

As you complete the activities each week, check them off, then log your points online at riverridge.org/ridgekids.

Each week's activities will connect back to our weekend lesson. We hope that we'll move closer to God through these activities, learn how to spend time with God and have a lot of fun with the **StepUp Challenge**.

Whether you attend church in person, or online, you can take the StepUp challenge with us! We can't wait to see how many points you log!

—The RidgeKids team

David Was Anointed

1 Samuel 16-17

WATCH *RidgeKids Elementary Online*
FOR SEPTEMBER 13TH: 10 POINTS

READ THE STORY: 10 POINTS

K-1st grade: Read page 78 of The Big Picture
Interactive Storybook Bible

2nd-5th grade: 1 Samuel 16:6-13 17: 3-11; 31-50

Answer the questions by filling in the blanks.
Use the word bank that follows.

1. God told Samuel, "Do not pay attention to what
he looks like. You look at what you can see on the
_____,
but I see the _____."
2. The Philistines had a great warrior named
_____.
3. The Israelites were _____
of Goliath.

4. David said, "I'll fight him."

He _____

God to keep him safe.

5. David slung a rock at Goliath and hit him in
the _____.

Word Bank: (hint: not all words will be used)

forehead • **outside** • **Goliath** • **David**
afraid • **trusted** • **belly** • **heart** • **Saul**

THINK ABOUT A VERSE: 10 POINTS

Read Proverbs 18:10. What do you learn about God from this
verse?

How can you apply this verse to your life?

❑ CONNECT IT TO JESUS: 10 POINTS

David did not look like a king or a mighty warrior, but God chose him to be king over Israel and gave him victory over Goliath. The Israelites were too weak and afraid to face Goliath; they needed David to fight on their behalf.

In a similar way, though Jesus did not look like a warrior or king, we need Him to fight for us. Jesus gives us victory over sin and death.

Make a poster or sign to hang in your room that says “Jesus fights for me.” Anytime you feel scared or overwhelmed this week, look at the sign and repeat this prayer:

Pray: Jesus, thank you so much that you fight for me. You give me victory over all my sin and over everything I am afraid of. I can trust you. Amen.

❑ TAKE THE LIFE CHALLENGE: 10 POINTS

Write a note of encouragement to a friend, neighbor or family member who is going through a hard time. Remind them in your note that Jesus fights for them, just like David fought Goliath. Send your note in the mail or hand deliver!

❑ TAKE THE FUN CHALLENGE: 50 POINTS

If the shoe flips

Grab a shoe and sidewalk chalk and head outside.

Stand in your driveway, side walk or yard and determine a starting line. Draw the starting line with chalk. If you don't have chalk, just use a stick.

K-3rd: Measure 10 feet from your starting line.

4th-5th: Measure 20 feet from your starting line.

Mark that line.

Start a 60-second timer and see how many times you can flip your shoe off your foot from the start line and get it to land past your finish line.

Check out an example of this challenge on our Facebook Group “RidgeKids Teays Valley” or on Instagram @ridgekidsteaysvalley.



David Showed Mercy

1 Samuel 24

WATCH *RidgeKids Elementary Online*
for September 20th: 10 points

READ THE STORY: 10 POINTS

K-5th grade: 1 Samuel 24:1-22

Answer the questions.

1. Who was hiding in the wilderness?

_____.

2. Who was jealous of David and wanted to kill him?

_____.

3. David got close to Saul and secretly cut off what?

_____.

4. David had a chance to kill Saul, but he showed him what instead? _____.

5. What did Saul realize?

_____.

THINK ABOUT A VERSE: 10 POINTS

Read Lamentations 3:22-23. What do you learn about God from this verse?

How can you apply this verse to your life?

CONNECT IT TO JESUS: 10 POINTS

David showed mercy to Saul, his enemy, because David trusted God's plan. Jesus also trusted His Father's plan. He died on the cross so His enemies could experience God's mercy and live forever as part of God's family.

List of 3 things in your life that you can trust God's plan for:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Pray: Jesus, thank you so much that I can trust your plan. You trusted your Father's plan for your life when you died on the cross. Help me to remember that as I learn to trust your plan for my life. Amen.

❑ TAKE THE LIFE CHALLENGE: 10 POINTS

“Flip It”

Grab a notecard and a pen.

Write “Show Mercy” on one side and then flip it over and write “Love like Jesus” on the other side.

Put the card beside your bed or on the kitchen table and every time you want to stay mad, get even or hurt back this week, use the card as a reminder to “Flip It!” Flip what you might want to do and do the opposite.

Tell your mom or dad how you “flipped it” and earn your points!

❑ TAKE THE FUN CHALLENGE: 50 POINTS

“StepUp Hopscotch”

Use the “StepUp Hopscotch” game provided in your “StepUp” box. (If you didn’t get a box, go to riverridge.org/stepup for a printable version).

Use masking or electrical tape to lay the cards down in your hallway or outside in a 3x6 grid. Take turns as a family playing the game. Whatever pattern is laying up, you have to jump and land on by matching your own hand and foot prints.

Who in your family is ready to “StepUp?”

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God's Covenant with David

2 Samuel 6-7

WATCH *RidgeKids Elementary Online*
for September 27th: 10 points

READ THE STORY: 10 POINTS

K-1st grade: Read page 82 of The Big Picture
Interactive Storybook Bible

2nd-5th grade: Read 2 Samuel 7:1-17

Answer the questions True or False.

- ____ 1. God chose David to be the next King of Israel.
- ____ 2. David wanted to build a temple for the ark of God.
- ____ 3. God told David that his son would never be king of Israel.
- ____ 4. David did not trust or believe in God.
- ____ 5. Jesus was a descendant of David.

THINK ABOUT A VERSE: 10 POINTS

Read Psalm 33:20-22

What do you learn about God from this verse?

How can you apply this verse to your life?

☐ CONNECT IT TO JESUS: 10 POINTS

God promised David that every future king of Israel would come from David's family, and David's kingdom would last forever. God kept His promise by sending His Son, Jesus, as one of David's descendants. Jesus is our King who will rule over God's people forever.

List out a word beside the letters K-I-N-G that described Jesus. Then pray thanking Jesus for being your King.

K _____

I _____

N _____

G _____

Pray: Jesus, thank you so much that you are my King. I can trust and obey you. Thank you for dying for my sin and forgiving and accepting me. Amen.

☐ TAKE THE LIFE CHALLENGE: 10 POINTS

Have your child write this on their arm "YKIAEK YRIFAG"

Teach your child to practice the first phrase of our key passage from Psalm 145:13 CSB, by looking at the letters on their arm.

"Your Kingdom Is An Everlasting Kingdom; Your Rule Is For All Generations."

☐ TAKE THE FUN CHALLENGE: 50 POINTS

Smoothie it!

Write out your favorite lunch combination. Is it Peanut Butter and jelly with Doritos? Turkey and cheese with strawberries? Pizza rolls and apple slices?

Place each of the items in a blender or food processor and "Smoothie it!"

Taste your smoothie concoction!

Take a picture or video and post it on your parent's social media with #Smoothieit

Log your points!

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David's Kindness

2 Samuel 9

WATCH *RidgeKids Elementary Online*
for October 4th: 10 points

READ THE STORY: 10 POINTS

K-5th grade: Read 2 Samuel 9

Draw a line from the description on the left to the correct answer on the right.

David's best friend

Land

Jonathan's son

Feet

The part of Mephibosheth
that was injured

The Palace

David gave this to Mephibosheth

Jonathan

David moved Mephibosheth here

Mephiosheth

THINK ABOUT A VERSE: 10 POINTS

Read Titus 3:4-7

What do you learn about God from this verse?

How can you apply this verse to your life?

CONNECT IT TO JESUS: 10 POINTS

King David showed surprising kindness to Mephibosheth even though he didn't have to. In a greater way, God shows surprising kindness to us. Because of Jesus, He invites us into His family and gives us life with Him forever.

Write a prayer to God, thanking him for his kindness. Use the outline on the next page as a guide.

Dear God, Thank you so much for how you show me kindness. You show me kindness through

_____, _____, and _____.
Thank you for inviting me into your family forever. Help me to show kindness to _____, _____ and _____ this week. I especially need your help being kind when _____ happens. Amen.

TAKE THE LIFE CHALLENGE: 10 POINTS

“Use Your Eyeballs”

Draw three eyes on a piece of paper.

Look for three different times this week where you can help someone or show them kindness. You could choose someone in your family, a friend, or someone in your neighborhood, school or community.

Each time you help someone, or show them kindness, put a check mark over one of the eyes that you drew.

Once you’ve marked off all three eyes, tell your parents to count your points!

TAKE THE FUN CHALLENGE: 50 POINTS

Don’t get cold feet.

Fill your bathtub or sink halfway with cold water.

Pour a glass-full of ice cubes into the tub or sink.

Set a timer for 60 seconds and see how many ice cubes you can pick up with only your feet! (NO HANDS)

Log your points!

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David Sinned and Was Restored

2 Samuel 11:1-12:14

WATCH *RidgeKids Elementary Online*
for October 11th: 10 points

READ THE STORY: 10 POINTS

K-1st grade: Read page 84 of The Big Picture
Interactive Storybook Bible

2nd-5th grade: 2 Samuel 11:1-12:14

Answer the Questions True or False.

- ___ 1. David stayed in Jerusalem and sent another man to lead the army to battle.
- ___ 2. David had a baby with a beautiful woman named Bathsheba who was not his wife.
- ___ 3. David called Uriah and was honest with him about his wrong decision.
- ___ 4. David was killed in battle.
- ___ 5. David confessed his sin and prayed to God for a clean heart.

THINK ABOUT A VERSE: 10 POINTS

Read Acts 3:19

What do you learn about God from this verse?

How can you apply this verse to your life?

CONNECT IT TO JESUS: 10 POINTS

When David sinned against God, God forgave him, but sin always comes with a price. God spared David's life, but David's son died. When we sin, we deserve death. But we can receive God's forgiveness because God sent His Son, Jesus, to pay the price for our sin.

List 5 sins you committed this week. Then write the word “FORGIVEN” overtop of your list.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Pray: Jesus, thank you so much that you forgive all my sin. The price for my sin is Jesus. Thank you so much that you died for my sin. Amen.

TAKE THE LIFE CHALLENGE: 10 POINTS

I’m Sorry Notes

Write the words “I’m sorry” on 5 post-it notes. Place on your bedroom door or mirror. Throughout the week, when you say something hurtful, unkind, or act out in a not nice way, grab an “I’m sorry” post-it from your room and give it to the person you hurt. Learning to say you are sorry is an important part of confessing sin.

After you hand out all 5 notes, tell your parents to log your points.

TAKE THE FUN CHALLENGE: 50 POINTS

Sock Ski Balls

Grab 10 pairs of socks and fold them together to make 10 bundles.

Gather a coffee cup, casserole dish and a laundry basket.

Set your laundry basket on the ground, then place the casserole dish inside the laundry basket and the coffee cup inside the casserole dish. You now have homemade ski ball!

Take 5 steps back to be your standing line.

Toss your sock bundles into the ski ball area. See how many points you can get in 60 seconds.

Laundry Basket	Casserole Dish	Coffee Cup
1 point	5 points	10 points

Post your point tally on Facebook or Instagram!

Log 50 points if you tried it!

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David's Psalm

Psalm 23

WATCH *RidgeKids Elementary Online*
for October 18th: 10 points

READ THE STORY: 10 POINTS

K-5th grade: Read Psalm 23

Fill in the missing words from Psalm 23 CSB.

“The Lord is my _____.
I have everything I need.

He lets me rest in _____

pastures; He leads me beside _____ waters.

He gives me _____ and He leads me along
the right _____ for his name’s sake.

Even when I go through the _____
valley, I do not fear danger,

for You are with me;

Your rod and Your staff comfort _____
in the presence of my enemies;

You anoint my head with oil; my _____ overflows.

Only goodness and faithful love will be with me all the
_____ of my life,

and I will live in the house of the Lord _____.”

Word bank:

**forever • shepherd • days • green • quiet
cup • strength • me • paths • darkest**

THINK ABOUT A VERSE: 10 POINTS

Read John 10:11

What do you learn about God from this verse?

How can you apply this verse to your life?

❑ CONNECT IT TO JESUS: 10 POINTS

David compared God's love, protection, and guidance for His people to that provided by a shepherd for his sheep. Jesus is the Good Shepherd. He laid down His life to save people from sin. Because of Jesus, we have hope that one day we will live with God forever.

Choose your favorite verse from Psalm 23 to draw. As you draw, think about how Jesus fulfills all the blessings described in the passage.

Pray: Jesus, you are my shepherd. You take care of everything I need. I can rest in you. Thank you for being my strength, even when things are hard. Amen.

❑ TAKE THE LIFE CHALLENGE: 10 POINTS

“Timed Rest”

Choose a place to lay down and rest. If it is a nice day, lay down in your grass and look up in the sky. If indoors, try your couch or bed.

Set a timer for 10 minutes. Simply lay there, no screens, no games, no talking, (and NO checking the timer!)

Simply wait for the timer to chime. Think about how true rest is still and quiet.

Wow! That was hard!

Remember to ask a grown-up to log your points!

❑ TAKE THE FUN CHALLENGE: 50 POINTS

Crash Landing

Gather several sheets of paper and an empty laundry basket.

Fold 3 paper airplanes.

Choose a starting line, mark with a shoe or whatever you have. Measure 10 feet and place your laundry basket there.

Stand on the starting line and see how many times you can fly your paper airplane into the basket in 60 seconds.

Log 50 points if you tried it!

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Solomon Asked for Wisdom

1 Kings 2-3

WATCH *RidgeKids Elementary Online*
for October 25th: 10 points

READ THE STORY: 10 POINTS

K-1st grade: Read page 86 of The Big Picture
Interactive Storybook Bible

2nd-5th grade: Read 1 Kings 2:1-4; 10-12: 3:1-15

1. Who was David's son? _____

2. What did God tell Solomon in a dream?

3. What did Solomon ask for?

THINK ABOUT A VERSE: 10 POINTS

Read Colossians 2:3

What do you learn about God from this verse?

How can you apply this verse to your life?

CONNECT IT TO JESUS: 10 POINTS

Solomon was a wise king who wanted to do God's plan. Solomon wasn't perfect, but God had a plan to give His people a greater and wiser king--His Son, Jesus. Jesus completely trusted God. Jesus surrendered His own life to die on the cross for our sin.

Read Luke 2:52

Who grew in wisdom? _____

Even Jesus, had to learn how to grow in wisdom. Look back at Luke chapter 2, verse 42 to see how old Jesus was at this time. _____ years old. Growing in wisdom is important.

Grab a sharpie and on your left hand write the words “Make the” and on your right hand write the words “Wise Choice.”

As you go through the next couple of days, use those words as a reminder to grow in wisdom just like Jesus.

Pray: Jesus, help me to remember to make wise choices. Help me grow up like you, one wise choice after another. Please keep me from making foolish choices. Amen.

☐ TAKE THE LIFE CHALLENGE: 10 POINTS

“Whaddya Say”

Print, cut out and fold the “whaddya say” fortune teller game.

Play the game with a parent, brother or sister.

For each scenario chosen, come up with a wise answer.

Play at least 3 rounds and then ask a grown up to log your points!

☐ TAKE THE FUN CHALLENGE: 50 POINTS

Can you Jack-o-lantern it?

Make a non-traditional jack-o-lantern out of a food you have at home. NO PUMPKINS allowed! (Suggested items: pineapple, squash, apple, bell pepper, cantelope, or anything else you can think of!)

Submit a photo of your jack-o-lantern by Saturday October 31st to be entered into our “Jack-O-Lantern-it” giveaway.

Check out an example of this challenge on our Facebook Group “RidgeKids Teays Valley” or on Instagram @ridgekidsteaysvalley.



Wisdom for God's People

Proverbs, Ecclesiastes; Song of Songs

WATCH *RidgeKids Elementary Online*
for November 1st: 10 points

READ THE STORY: 10 POINTS

K-1st grade: Read page 92 of The Big Picture
Interactive Storybook Bible

2nd-5th grade: Read Psalm 8:1, 51:4 & 9, 56:3-4,
Proverbs 3:5 and Ecclesiastes 3:2-4

Draw a line to match the teaching on the left with the verse on the right.

The Lord is magnificent!

Psalm 51:4, 9

**When I am afraid,
I will trust in God.**

Ecclesiastes 3:2-4

**Create a clean heart
in me, O God.**

Proverbs 3:5

**Trust in the Lord with
all your heart.**

Psalm 8:1

**There is a time to weep
and a time to laugh.**

Psalm 56:3-4

Which verse is your favorite? _____.

THINK ABOUT A VERSE: 10 POINTS

Read Proverbs 16:9

What do you learn about God from this verse?

How can you apply this verse to your life?

CONNECT IT TO JESUS: 10 POINTS

Wisdom in the Bible shows us how to be like Jesus--in how we live, how we speak, and how we think. But wisdom cannot save us. Only Jesus, who perfectly followed God's wise plan, can rescue us from sin.

Read the following 4 verses from proverbs. Checkmark the verse that applies most to your life right now. Make this your "verse of the week" by writing it on an index card, bookmark or sign. Hang or place the verse where you will see it often this week. Read the verse at least 3 times this week. Place a check mark on on the sign each time you read it.

- "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and discipline." Proverbs 1:7
- "A wise son brings joy to his father, but a foolish son, heartache to his mother." Probers 10:1
- "The wicked desire what evil men have, but the root of the righteous produces fruit." Proverbs 12:13
- "Laziness induces deep sleep, and a lazy person will go hungry." Proverbs 19:15

Pray: Jesus, help me to learn wisdom from your word and be willing to follow and obey. Amen.

TAKE THE LIFE CHALLENGE: 10 POINTS

Draw a tic-tac-toe board and place it on your refrigerator. This week, try to make wise choices even when things don't go your way. When you make a wise choice, place an "X" on the board. When your parents observe you making a foolish choice, they will place an "O" on the board. Try to get 3 "X's" in a row to win the game!

TAKE THE FUN CHALLENGE: 50 POINTS

I like to Move-it Move-it?

- Gather 2 plates with 10 cotton balls and a tube of toothpaste.
- Place the 10 cotton balls on one plates.
- Place toothpaste on your nose. See how many cotton balls you can move from the first plate to the second without using your hands in 60 seconds!

Check out an example of this challenge on our Facebook Group "RidgeKids Teays Valley" or on Instagram @ridgekidsteaysvalley.



Solomon Built the Temple

1 Kings 6-8

WATCH *RidgeKids Elementary Online*
for November 8th: 10 points

READ THE STORY: 10 POINTS

K-1st grade: Read page 88 of The Big Picture
Interactive Storybook Bible

2nd-5th grade: Read 1 Kings 6:1-4, 11-13, 38 and
8:3-95, 54-61

Mark each statement as True or False.

- ___ 1. David began building the temple of the Lord.
- ___ 2. The temple was built in 14 years.
- ___ 3. When the temple was complete, Solomon moved the ark of God to the new temple.
- ___ 4. Solomon refused to ask God to forgive the people from their sin and God did not hear his prayers.
- ___ 5. Solomon encouraged the Israelites to love and obey God.

THINK ABOUT A VERSE: 10 POINTS

Read Hebrews 4:16

What do you learn about God from this verse?

How can you apply this verse to your life?

❑ CONNECT IT TO JESUS: 10 POINTS

The temple was a place where God was with His people. The people could go there to make sacrifices and worship God. Today, when we trust in Jesus, He is with us wherever we go. We can look to Him for forgiveness and help.

On the left, draw a picture or outline of the temple below. Write the words “God’s Spirit” inside the temple. Then on the right, draw a picture of yourself, and write “God’s Spirit” inside of your heart.



Prayer: God, thank you so much that your Spirit is with us wherever we go after we trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help me to remember you are always with me. Amen.

❑ TAKE THE LIFE CHALLENGE: 10 POINTS

Bracelet Challenge

Wear a bracelet, hair band or simple tie on your wrist today. Every time you notice it, remind yourself that God is always with you. Then switch the band to the other wrist. Make a goal to switch the bracelet at least 10 times throughout your day and repeat the phrase “God is always with me” each time.

❑ TAKE THE FUN CHALLENGE: 50 POINTS

Cookie Stack

Gather a popsicle stick and a package of cookies.

Place the popsicle stick in your mouth.

Set the timer for 60 seconds and see how many cookies you can stack on the end of your popsicle stick without the cookies falling down!

Check out an example of this challenge on our Facebook Group “RidgeKids Teays Valley” or on Instagram @ridgekidsteaysvalley.



The Kingdom Divided

1 Kings 11-12

WATCH *RidgeKids Elementary Online*
for November 15th: 10 points

READ THE STORY: 10 POINTS

K-1st grade: Read page 90 of The Big Picture
Interactive Storybook Bible

2nd-5th grade: 1 Kings 11:4-6, 9-13 and 12:1-14, 25-33

Place the following events in order by numbering them 1-6.

___ Solomon's son, Rehoboam became King after Solomon died.

___ King Solomon loved God but he began to worship false Gods.

___ Rehoboam made the people work even harder.
The people did not want to serve him as King.

___ Jeroboam made two golden calves for the people
to worship.

___ The people did not like the hard work of Rehoboam,
so some of them chose to follow Jeroboam.

___ God was angry and told Solomon that he would
take the Kingdom away from him.

THINK ABOUT A VERSE: 10 POINTS

Read Luke 4:8

What do you learn about God from this verse?

How can you apply this verse to your life?

CONNECT IT TO JESUS: 10 POINTS

King Solomon failed to lead God's people perfectly. God's people needed a better king, a perfect king! Through David's family, God would send His own Son, Jesus Christ, to be a perfect King over God's people forever. Jesus is greater than Solomon. Jesus brings His people together and leads them back to God.

Draw a crown with 5 arches (or points). Write “Jesus is” on the main part of the crown. Then on the arches, write words that describe him as King. (for example: perfect, strong, forever, righteous)

Pray: Jesus, you are our King forever. There never was a perfect king until you. Thank you that I can trust you to rule this earth perfectly! Amen.

TAKE THE LIFE CHALLENGE: 10 POINTS

Wisdom Prayers

Read James 1:5.

Think of 2-3 adults that you would like to pray for. (Parents, Grandparents, Teacher, Coaches, etc.) Tell each person that you would like to pray for them this week and ask if there is an area of their life they need wisdom. Then write it below. Make sure you follow through and pray for them. Then ask your parents to log your points.

Name: _____ Area they need wisdom: _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

TAKE THE FUN CHALLENGE: 50 POINTS

Household Object Challenge

Gather 2 sheets of paper, 2 band-aids, 2 paperclips, and 2 sticks of gum

Build a house using only items listed above.

Take a picture so we can see what you made! Don't forget to log your points.

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Log points at riverridge.org/ridgekids — WEEK TOTAL

Elijah and the Widow

1 Kings 17:8-24

WATCH *RidgeKids Elementary Online*
for November 22nd: 10 points

READ THE STORY: 10 POINTS

K-5th grade: Read 1 Kings 17:8-24

Answer the following questions:

1. Who did God tell Elijah to get water from? _____
2. What did the widow tell Elijah when he asked her for a piece of bread? _____
3. Elijah told her not to be afraid. He told her that the Lord God of Israel said, "The flour jar will not become _____ and the oil jug will not run _____."
4. Did the widow obey and make bread for Elijah? _____
5. When the widow's son became ill and he died, what did Elijah do? _____
What did the Lord do? _____

THINK ABOUT A VERSE: 10 POINTS

Read Psalm 77:14

What do you learn about God from this verse?

How can you apply this verse to your life?

CONNECT IT TO JESUS: 10 POINTS

God miraculously provided through Elijah to give food to the widow and life to the widow's son. Many years later, God miraculously provided through His own Son, Jesus. Jesus is greater than Elijah. In Jesus, God provides salvation and life to everyone who trusts in Him.

Think about how God provides for you. Make a list of 3 things God provides for your daily needs and 3 things he provides for your spiritual needs.

Daily

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Spiritual

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Pray: God, thank you so much for providing for me. I am so thankful that everyday I have food to eat, clothes to wear and a home to live in. Thank you that I have the hope of heaven one day and the forgiveness of sin through Jesus. You provide me everything I need. Amen.

TAKE THE LIFE CHALLENGE: 10 POINTS

Provide

Ask your parents to help you think of a need you can provide for. Choose an idea from the list below or come up with your own. Circle the one you choose. After you complete your activity, log your points!

Help a parent provide a meal or sweet treat for a friend who is sick or lonely.

Provide a Thanksgiving meal box for someone in need through the church.

Make a special donation from your own money to the RidgeKids offering for our sponsored kids, Chanice or Geoffrey through Compassion International.

Choose 5 items from your closet to donate to a family in need.

Your idea: _____

TAKE THE FUN CHALLENGE: 50 POINTS

Cup Toss Tic-Tac-Toe

For this challenge, you'll need a sibling, parent or friend to play against.

Gather a total of 10 plastic Solo cups (5 cups in a single color and the other 5 a different color). You'll also need masking or electrical tape.

Make a tic-tac-toe board with the tape on a table top.

Assign each person a color of cups and provide them the stack of cups.

Each person must flip a cup and land it on the table to place it on the tic-tac-toe board.

The first person to land 3 cups and get them in a line wins the game.

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Elijah at Mount Carmel

1 Kings 18-19

WATCH *RidgeKids Elementary Online*
for November 29th: **10 POINTS**

READ THE STORY: 10 POINTS

K-1st grade: Read page 96 in the Big Picture Interactive Storybook Bible

2nd-5th grade: Read 1 Kings 18:20-39

Answer the following questions as True or False.

- ____ 1. Elijah was the only remaining prophet of the Lord.
- ____ 2. There were 45 prophets of Baal.
- ____ 3. Elijah challenged the people to see which God was real by preparing a bull for sacrifice and seeing which God could answer with fire.
- ____ 4. The people shouted loudly for Baal to light the fire for hours, but no one answered.
- ____ 5. Elijah instructed the people to fill 4 water pots with water and pour it on the offering. They did this 1 time.

- ____ 6. Elijah called out to the Lord and the Lord caused fire to consume the burnt offering.
- ____ 7. When the people saw this, they still did not believe in the Lord.

THINK ABOUT A VERSE: 10 POINTS

Read Jeremiah 32:17

What do you learn about God from this verse?

How can you apply this verse to your life?

CONNECT IT TO JESUS: 10 POINTS

The people who worshipped the false god Baal danced and cried out for hours to show that they loved Baal. But the one true God is not like the false gods. We do not have to work hard to show God we love Him. Instead, He showed His love for us by sending His Son, Jesus. Jesus died to rescue us from sin, and He hears us when we cry out to Him.

Sometimes, we feel like we need to “work hard” for God. Check the boxes below that sometimes feel like working for God.

- Coming to church or watching church online
- Helping at home
- Singing songs about God
- Getting baptized
- Giving money to God, church, or others
- Working on a devotional
- Reading the Bible
- Prayer

All of these things are good and help us get to know God better, but we can never complete enough good works to earn God’s love. God FREELY gives us ALL his love and forgiveness through Jesus.

Pray: God, I confess that sometimes, it feels like I have to work hard to know you. Help me to remember that all these things I do are good and helpful, but the reason I can truly know you is because you sent your son Jesus to die on the

cross and forgive me of my sin. Thank you for loving me so much that you sent your son. Amen.

TAKE THE LIFE CHALLENGE: 10 POINTS

“Not Work”

Each time you think about God today, whether it is a prayer at mealtime, a conversation with a parent, or an activity you are doing, color a heart below. Remind yourself that knowing God is “Not Work” but rather you know God because of his great love for you. See how many times God comes up today by how many hearts you have colored in at bedtime.



TAKE THE FUN CHALLENGE: 50 POINTS

Cup, Cup and Away

Gather two plastic cups and a piece of paper

Build a tower like this on your counter or table:
Cup, Paper, Cup, Paper, Cup, Paper, Cup

Start a timer for 60 seconds and see how many times you can rip the sheet of paper from between the two cups and cause the cups to land inside of each other without falling down!

Log your points if you gave this challenge a try.

Check out an example of this challenge on our Facebook Group “RidgeKids Teays Valley” or on Instagram @ridgekidsteaysvalley.

