

Explore

Look up and read your memory verse, Psalm 9:10, in your Bible.

You might trust your favorite food to taste a certain way. Unfortunately, sometimes we can't trust things to taste the way we expect.

At some point, everything stops being trustworthy ... everything except for God. We can trust God completely to be there for us when we need Him.

If we trust God and seek Him, He will never forsake us. That means He will never leave us or give up on us!

In the Bible, the true story of David and Goliath shows us that God is trustworthy.

Look up and read 1 Samuel 17:37-40 in your Bible.
What two animals had God protected David from?

Whose armor did King Saul want David to wear?

Was David able to wear King Saul's armor in battle? YES NO

What did David take instead of Saul's armor? Five and his sling.

Look up and read 1 Samuel 17:48-49 in your Bible.
In the box below, draw a picture of what happened.

Read 1 Samuel 17:45 and fill in the blanks below to see what David said to Goliath.

"But I come to you in the name of the _____
_____, the God of the armies of Israel,
whom you have defied."

Do you think David was scared to fight a man that was over nine feet tall? Maybe, but David focused on God instead of the giant he was facing.

David trusted God because God had been with him and protected him in the past. God had not forsaken him. You will probably never face a nine-foot giant that you will need to fight. But you will face your own battles. You can always trust that God will be with you.

What's one of the things in your life right now that you are choosing to trust God with? Write or draw something that reminds you of it in the space below.

DEFINITIONS

FORSAKEN — to leave or to give up on

TRUSTWORTHY — worthy or deserving of trust and confidence, completely reliable

Discussion Questions

These questions are just a few that your small group will talk about. Think about your responses to the following questions.

1. How would you explain how you know you can trust God?
2. How has He shown you that you can trust Him? What is one thing that you need to trust God with today?

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Look up and read your memory verses, Romans 8:38-39, in your Bible.

It is wonderful to have people who love us and show us their love. But people will also fail us and disappoint us, because they are not perfect and so their love is not perfect.

BUT, God will never fail us. He's perfect and He loves us with a perfect love!

When God first created the world, it was very good. (Genesis 1:31) His relationship with Adam and Eve (the first humans created) was perfect ... until they sinned.

What is sin? (Hint: Look at the definitions on the next page.)

When Adam and Eve sinned, their relationship with God was broken and they couldn't fix it. Because of their sin, every person who is ever born will sin and will have a broken relationship with God.

What would you do if something you created broke?

You might throw it away or replace it. But God loves us so much that He didn't want to start over, He wanted to fix what was broken.

Look up and read Romans 5:8 in your Bible, and fill in the blanks below.

But God shows His love for us in that while we were _____

_____ Christ _____.

God sent Jesus to die on the cross for our sin.

If we trust Jesus as our Savior, and that He died on the cross for our sins, our relationship with God is restored — He has made right what was broken in our relationship!

We won't be perfect and will still sin and face the consequences of our sin, but we will have a fixed relationship with God.

What is the first question asked in Romans 8:35?

Look up your memory verses, Romans 8:38-39, in your Bible to answer that question.

Is there anything that can separate us from the love of God?

YES NO

There is **NOTHING** that can separate us from God's love after we accept Jesus as our Savior! We can't earn God's love, change His love, or make Him love us more.

God loved you so much that He sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross for your sin so that you can have a relationship with Him. When Jesus is your Savior, there is nothing that can separate you from God's love!

DEFINITIONS

SIN — anything that we think, say, or do that disobeys God

RESTORED — made right, completed, mended

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1. **What did God do to show us that He is loving? How would you explain why this shows His love?**
2. **Can anything separate us from God's love? How will that change how you think and act this week?**