

PARENTS

Each week of devotions is centered on the same topic as the memory requirement for that week. Each Truth Trackers Meeting, your child will hear a lesson on the same theme. The goal of Truth Trackers is to teach Biblical truths and reinforce that teaching day by day. Please help your child set up a daily time to complete his devotions. Start week one on the Wednesday night after Truth Trackers or the Thursday morning following. Then your child will be able to complete the topic for the week in time for the next meeting. If your child misses a day, encourage him to double up the next day. Please do not encourage

your child to fill in all blanks as fast as he can before Truth Trackers each week. Your child should put the date he completes each devotional in the provided space and should initial each upon completion. Since levels of comprehension vary from child to child from the grades of one to six, your child may find some devotionals simple or some difficult to understand. Please encourage your children to ask you questions should they arise. **Your child will need a Bible for each devotional. Scripture Spies only need to look up and read the verse(s), but Faith Force need to write out the verse(s).**

TRUTH TRACKERS

Do your devotions every day. If you do miss a day, double up the next day. Put the date and your initials on each devotional the day you do it. If you do not understand part of your devotion, ask your parents or a Truth Tracker Leader to help you.

Layout of Each Devotional:

- **THEME:** This part gives the main thought of the devotional.
- **TEXT:** This part is the verse(s) you will look up in your Bible. *If you are in Scripture Spies, look up and read the verse, but if you are in Faith Force, write out the verse.*
- **THINK ABOUT IT:** This part will help you understand the verse(s).
- **TO DO:** This part will show you how to apply what you learn.

WEEK 1



Salvation

God wants me to glorify Him.

Scripture Spies:

*Why did God create me?
Isaiah 43:7*

Faith Force:

*What does God want me always to do?
1 Corinthians 10:31*

Aim of the Week:

God did not need to create humans. He chose to create humans for one reason — for His glory. This means that your supreme desire and goal in life must be to glorify God in all you do. Life should not be lived for self but for God. Only when you live to glorify God will you find fullness of joy.



DAY 1

Date: _____

Initials: _____

USE YOUR LIFE
TO DRAW
A PICTURE
OF GOD.

TEXT

Genesis 1:27 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

Draw a picture of yourself in the “To Do” section below. Does your picture really look like you? Hopefully it does. You made an image of yourself. God created you in His image too. He made you to picture what He is like. When you look like God in your attitudes and actions, you are picturing God. At the beginning of time, He created Adam and Eve to picture Himself. But after they sinned, they looked a lot less

like God. No longer did they always tell the truth and love other people. It is like the picture was scribbled on and damaged by sin. Humans still picture God but in a bad, damaged way. However, God wants to change you to be like He originally designed you to be. Read Romans 8:9. God wants to conform you to the image of H_____
S_____. Can others tell what God is like by looking at you?

TO DO

Draw a picture of yourself below. Remember, God wants you to picture what He is like.



DAY 2

Date: _____

Initials: _____

GLORIFY
GOD WITH YOUR
LIFE.

TEXT

Isaiah 43:7 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

Have you ever made a batch of cookies? YES or NO. What was the purpose of making those cookies?

- To play with them
- To eat them

Have you ever made cool shapes with Play-Doh? YES or NO. What is the purpose of making shapes with Play Doh?

- To play with
- To eat

God made you for a purpose too. According to your verse, what was the purpose God

made you?

- For you to party
- For God's glory

Many people do not know why they are on earth. They think they are here to just have fun and do whatever they want.

They find that they are sad and feel empty inside. But when a person lives for the glory of God, they are filled with joy. They know why God created them. Do you know why God created you? Do you live your life to glorify God?

TO DO

Every night, John would sit on his bed, and he would plan the next day. He would always think about what was best for himself. He never thought about what God wanted him to do. Did John live his life for himself or for God? _____

Sally was at the store. She saw a candy bar she really wanted. She thought about how she could sneak the candy bar out of the store, but then she remembered why God created her so she did not take the candy. Was Sally living to glorify God or living for herself? _____



DAY 3

Date: _____

Initials: _____



TEXT

Hebrews 13:16 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

Another way to glorify God is to please Him. One way you can please God is by doing good for God. This verse tells you “to do _____” and share with others. Doing good and sharing with others pleases God. Name one good thing you can do for someone:

Name something you can share: _____

When you do good and share, you are showing God that He is the one you want to please

more than anyone. Have you ever refused to share with a friend or with a brother or sister? YES or NO. Being selfish never brings glory to God. Have you ever ignored the chance to do good for someone? YES or NO. Maybe your mother needed help; and instead of helping, you went to do something you wanted to do. Next time you see someone who needs help, bring glory to God by doing good and sharing.

TO DO

Circle the ways to glorify God, and X the ways the children are living for themselves.

Jesse shared his toys with his neighbor.

Danny made fun of the homeless man.

Alice helped Grandma Sarah sweep her front porch.

Jen rarely helped her mom with the dishes.

Cade made a thank you card and pie for her pastor.



DAY 4

Date: _____

Initials: _____



TEXT

2 Corinthians 10:17 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

How would you feel if your next report card said A+ for every subject? That would be great! You would feel happy that you did a good job. You might even begin to think you are the smartest kid in the class. You might be tempted to glory in yourself. You might start to think, "I am so great! I am this smart because I am an awesome person." Your verse says

you should glory only in one person. Who is that person?

We are to make God look bigger and better to those around us. Instead of making yourself look great when you do something, say, "Praise the Lord. Glory be to God." Make sure others see GOD and not YOU. Who do you praise: yourself or God?

TO DO

Write some things you are good at doing:

Pray and thank God for giving you those talents. If people tell you that you are good at doing something, tell them that it is God who helped you to be good at it.

Unscramble the following words to read a message:

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DAY 5

Date: _____

Initials: _____



TEXT

Luke 17:15 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

Ten men were very sick with leprosy. Leprosy is a terrible disease which destroys the flesh and nerves of your body. In Bible days, lepers were cast out of the town to live by themselves in leper colonies. Every leper wanted to be healed. These ten lepers had shouted to Jesus to come and help them. Jesus did come, and He healed each one of them. As the men were walking away, only one man came back.

Look at Luke 17:16 and write what he did. He gave Jesus t_____. Imagine that! Only one healed leper thanked Jesus! How selfish of the other nine! But here we learn something about ourselves. People forget to thank God all the time. When was the last time you thanked God? When was the last time you thanked one of your parents? Being thankful is another way that you can glorify God.

TO DO

List THREE things for which you are thankful. Thank God for these things:

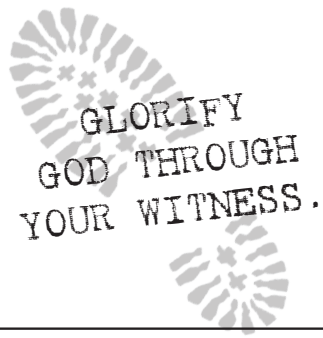
List TWO things for which you can thank someone else. Then go and thank those people or write thank you cards to them.



DAY 6

Date: _____

Initials: _____



TEXT

Matthew 5:16 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

Have you ever been in a cave with no light? You cannot see anything. You cannot even see your hand wave in front of your eyes. But if someone lights a match, you can instantly see. Light chases the darkness away. The Bible teaches that people are in darkness. People who are not saved, live in darkness and are blinded by Satan. God wants YOU to be a light to those lost in darkness around you. He wants you to turn on

the light so others can see what God is like and how wonderful He is. How can you be a light? Today's verse says that others will know what God is like through seeing your

_____ works. This means you must obey God by thinking, doing, and saying what He wants. You can only know what God wants you to think, say, and do by learning more of the Bible, which is God's Word to us.

TO DO

You can tell a neighbor, friend, or family member about God. Perhaps tell them what you are learning in Sunday School or in Truth Trackers. Write the names of the people you can tell about God here:

Look up 2 Corinthians 4:6 and pray this verse for those people you wrote down.



DAY 7

Date: _____

Initials: _____



TEXT

I Corinthians 10:31 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

Can you bring glory to God while you are munching on your morning cereal? Can you please God while you are drinking a Coke? How about when you are brushing your teeth or playing baseball? Can you bring glory to God when you are doing things like homework or shopping? The answer is YES! Wherever you are and whatever you are doing, you can live in a way that pleases God. Some

people think the only way to bring glory to God is by doing some GREAT religious act. But your verse teaches that is not true. We can bring glory to God everyday in everything we do. Remember that God's purpose in creating you was to make you a picture of Himself to others around you. Whatever you are doing, think about how God would want you to do it.

TO DO

Write what you are planning to do today:
In the morning:

After lunch:

After supper:

Now go back through what you are going to do and write the ways you can bring glory to God in those things.



WEEK 2



Salvation

I have not glorified God.

Scripture Spies:

How have I not glorified God?

Romans 3:23

Faith Force:

Does God see any person as good?

Ecclesiastes 7:20

Aim of the Week:

Though God created humans to glorify Him, humans did not. Adam and Eve were the first humans to sin. Because of their sin, we all have a sin nature that is passed down from parent to child (Ephesians 2:3; Romans 5:12,19). We not only have a sin nature, but we also commit sin (Romans 3:23; Ecclesiastes 7:20). Sin is falling short of God's perfect standard in action, attitude, or ignorance.

DAY 1

Date: _____

Initials: _____



TEXT

Romans 3:23 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

Have you ever made a paper airplane? You probably made that paper airplane for a reason. The reason probably was not to eat it or to use it as a cup. Your reason for making it was just to fly the plane around for fun. Just like you made the plane for a reason, God made YOU for a reason. That reason is not to sin and disobey God, but rather to glorify God by loving and obeying Him. Do you think that your paper airplane would fulfill its reason for being made if you made it and then did

not fly it? Of course not; paper airplanes are made to fly! But we are like the unflown paper airplane because we have not fulfilled the reason God made us. We do not glorify God as He desires. Our verse today says we have not glorified God because we all have "_____." Sin is anything we think, say, or do that makes God unhappy. We are broken by sin and are not able to glorify God unless God fixes us by making us pure again.

TO DO

All of the pictures below show something broken
Draw a line to the reason they were made.

- To help someone see
- To glorify God
- To sit on it
- To drink coffee
- To fly



DAY 2

Date: _____

Initials: _____



TEXT

Isaiah 64:6 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

“You’re such a good boy, Johnny!” Grandma said to Johnny as she left the house. She always said this to Johnny when she left. But is Johnny really a good person? The Bible says no person is good unless God makes him good. All our good works are like gross rags. Let us say that you needed a clean shirt, and someone who had been playing in a stinky, muddy garbage dump gave you his shirt. What would you do with the shirt he gave you? You would throw it away! Gross!

Now listen: you may think you are a good person and not that bad, but all the good things you do are gross to God like that filthy, grimy, disgusting shirt! Why does God see your good works this way? Because God is pure and clean from sin, but you are a sinner. Your filthy and stinky sin makes your good works gross too. The only good work that God has accepted is Jesus Christ’s work on the cross. Through Christ’s work alone, our lives can be made clean by God.

TO DO

Circle the right answer:

Would your mom let you sleep in your bed if you were caked in mud? YES or NO.

Would anyone want to be around you if you just got sprayed by a skunk? YES or NO.

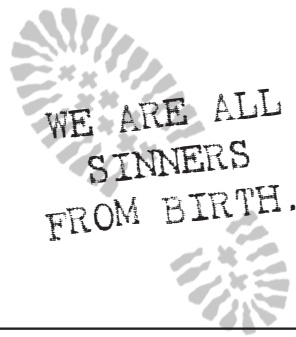
Will God let you live with Him in heaven if you have never been cleansed from your sin? YES or NO.



DAY 3

Date: _____

Initials: _____



TEXT

Psalm 51:5 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

Did your mom or dad have to teach you how to tell a lie or to throw a temper tantrum? No, of course not! Your mom or dad never sat down with you and said, "Today I am going to teach you to disobey me." No one needed to teach you how to sin. Have you ever wondered why it is so easy to sin? The Bible says we are all sinners from birth. We are born sinners. It is part of our nature. Just like every baby is born with skin and

with two ears, every baby is born a sinner. Being born a sinner is something a person cannot change. People could have their ears removed by a doctor or even their brains (Yikes, that might not be so smart!), but no person can ever remove his sin nature. Only God can do that. He can remove your sin nature and give you a new nature when you ask Him to save you.

TO DO

Ask your mom or dad to tell you some stories from when you were a baby. Ask them if you ever threw a temper tantrum or ever disobeyed. Use the rest of this box to draw a cartoon or to write about the story showing you were a sinner from the time you were born!



DAY 4

Date: _____

Initials: _____

ADAM AND EVE
THOUGHT SIN
WOULD MAKE
THEM HAPPY.

TEXT

Romans 5:19 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

God created Adam and Eve as perfect adults on a perfect earth. They could go anywhere or do anything they wanted, except for one thing. God said they could not eat fruit from a certain tree. If they ate from that tree, God said they would be disobeying Him, so they would die. But they disobeyed anyway and ate the fruit. You might say, "Why would they do that?" They did that because they really wanted to eat the

yummy-looking fruit! The tree was probably not ugly with moss growing all over it. Read Genesis 3:6. This verse says the fruit of the tree looked delicious, and the snake said that eating the fruit could make them as smart as God! In other words, Adam and Eve thought they would be very happy after eating the fruit, but their sin only brought them sadness and punishment.

TO DO

Here is an example of how a child named Robert sinned:

Robert's sin: Stealing candy from Grandma's purse

What Robert wanted: To eat something sweet

What Robert got: A bad feeling when Grandma walked in the room and punished him for stealing.

Can you think of an example of how you have sinned?

My sin:

What I wanted:

What I got:



DAY 5

Date: _____

Initials: _____



TEXT

Ecclesiastes 7:20 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

What do you think is the most common thing people do on earth? Some might say it's eating, because they love to eat! Others might say sleeping, because they love to sleep. Maybe you thought of crying or laughing. But actually it is none of these. The most common thing people do on earth is sin. No matter who you are, where you are, or what type of home you grew up in, you will sin. Your verse today says that

there is no person on the earth who does not sin. If you committed just one sin a day every day of your life (and we sin A LOT more than just once a day), by the time you died at age 70 you would have committed 25,550 sins! Wow, that's a lot of sin! Just think how sad God is about your sin. He has never sinned, but you do all the time. That should make you so glad that God sent Jesus to die for all your sins!

TO DO

Write the names of the people below:

The President of the U.S.

Your Mom

Your Pastor

Your Neighbor

YOU!

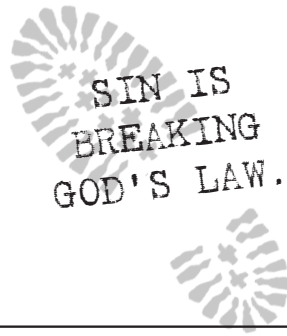
Now according to your verse, write the one thing all these people have in common:



DAY 6

Date: _____

Initials: _____



TEXT

I John 3:4 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

Every state in America has laws that citizens are to obey. Some laws say you cannot drive your car over a certain speed limit, and some laws say you cannot go on certain land. A couple of states have some weird laws. In Florida it is against the law not to pay the parking meter for an elephant tied up to it! In North Dakota, it is illegal to lie down and fall asleep with your shoes on your feet! Those are

some strange laws, huh? God also has some laws, but His are perfect and make a lot of sense! His laws are found in the Scriptures. God's number — one law is to love God with all your heart. The second greatest law is to love your neighbor as yourself. When you break one of God's laws, you are sinning. Our verse today says that sin is breaking God's Law.

TO DO

Look up Exodus 20:3-17. Write what God's Laws are. (Do not copy the verse but just summarize the Law.)

DAY 7

Date: _____

Initials: _____



TEXT

Luke 18:10 _____

THINK ABOUT IT

Read the rest of this story in Luke 18:10-13. Some people think they have no sin. Jesus told a story about such a man. He was a Pharisee, and he thought he was better than everyone else because he was such a good person. The truth was, though he thought he was a good person, he was just as sinful as everyone else. The other person in the story was the publican. He admitted to God he was a sinner, and he prayed for

God's mercy. This is the type of person that Jesus said God accepts. However, most people act like the Pharisee. They think, "I go to church, pray, and do nice things. . .but look at those sinful people. I do not even come close to doing the bad things they do!" God hates that kind of thinking. God wants you to be like the publican and get on your knees to tell Him you are sinful and need His mercy.

TO DO

Pray right now and ask God to show you some sins you committed this past week. Here are some ideas of sins you may have struggled with:

Lying	Being Mean	Being Selfish
Laziness	Disobeying	Being Stubborn
Anger	Complaining	Arguing

Admit your sin to God. Read 1 John 1:9. He wants you to confess your sin to Him. "Confess" means you tattle on yourself to God. Do that right now with the sins He has shown you.

