



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:

The Rescue is By the Power of God

Take Home Point:

God wants us to live in his power not our own.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: The bent match you had today is a reminder that we are broken people. How are we broken? (*We are broken because of sin.*) What is the remedy for our brokenness? (*Trusting in Jesus as our Savior from sin.*)

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Select questions and adapt for your family.

FOR STARTERS: Hold a single paper match horizontal to the table about six inches above the surface. Challenge the family to see who is powerful enough to drop it and make it land on its narrow side. It seems inevitable that it will land on one of its flat surfaces. Kingdom Quest students from Sunday learned a trick they can show you. The trick is to bend the match before dropping it. Its bent angle will cause it to land on its side. This is a picture of us. When we are bent over by our own weakness, we can rely on God's strength, not our own. Have family members tell about a time they needed God's strength when they felt weak.

READ THE BIBLE: Read Judges 7: Gideon's army defeats Midian.

KEY VERSE: 2 Corinthians 12:9a *"But he told me: 'My kindness is all you need. My power is strongest when you are weak.'"*

TALK ABOUT IT: God thought the Israelite army was too big. So he reduced the army from 32,000 men to _____ men. (*Judges 7:3. 10,000*) This was still too big, so he reduced their number to _____ men. (*Judges 7:6. 300*) How did Gideon determine which men were to remain in the army? (*By the manner in which they drank water.*) What weapons were these 300 men to use to fight the Midianites? (*Judges 7:16. Each of them had a ram's horn and jars with torches inside.*) What was their battle cry? (*Judges 7:20. "A sword for the LORD and for Gideon!"*) Why did God have Gideon decrease the army so much? (*To show the victory was won by God's power.*)

Do you think God wants to cause a big victory in your life? What are some battles you are facing right now?

PRAYER POWER: Pray that God would be victorious in battles you face. Pray as Gideon did, for trust in God's power to fight for you in your weakness.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

One of the ways that God can strengthen us and encourage us is by giving us family members who support us when we feel weak. During dessert at a family meal have each member share: "When I am feeling sad or worried, some things that family members do to make me feel better are..."

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