



God's Purpose – Why Do I Parent? (Deuteronomy 5:28-6:3)
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If you're a parent or grandparent, what's your goal?

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Parenting (& life) is about enjoying & spreading the fragrance of Jesus

If you heard what I talk about, my goal is _____.

"You [Moses] go near and hear all that the LORD our God may say, and tell us all that the LORD our God says to you, and we will hear and do it." **Deuteronomy 5:27**

"Then the Lord heard the voice of your words when you spoke to me, and the Lord said to me: 'I have heard the voice of the words of this people which they have spoken to you. They are right in all that they have spoken.'" **Deuteronomy 5:28**

"Oh, that they had such a heart in them that they would fear Me and always keep all My commandments, that it might be well with them and with their children forever!" **Deuteronomy 5:29**

If you saw what I do with my time, my goal is _____.

“Now this is the commandment, and these are the statutes and judgments which the Lord your God has commanded to teach you, that you may observe them in the land which you are crossing over to possess,” **Deuteronomy 6:1**

“that you may fear the Lord your God, to keep all His statutes and His commandments which I command you, you and your son and your grandson, all the days of your life, and that your days may be prolonged.” **Deuteronomy 6:2**

“Therefore hear, O Israel, and be careful to observe *it*, that it may be well with you, and that you may multiply greatly as the LORD God of your fathers has promised you — ‘a land flowing with milk and honey.’” **Deuteronomy 6:3**

If you knew how I spent my money, my goal is _____.

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This Week's [New Testament + Reading Plan:](#)

1. *Luke 23*
2. *Luke 24*
3. *Acts 1*
4. *Acts 2*
5. *Acts 3*
6. *Joel 2*
7. *Prayer & Reflection*

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GOD SEES US

JONAH



In this series, we'll be learning that "God Sees Us". God sees us in our good times and our bad. This month we'll be looking at the story of Jonah and talking about how God could see Jonah even when he ran away. God loves us. God sees us.

Memory Verse: "God sees us." Job 31:4 (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: God Sees Us All the Time.

Parent Connect: Ask your toddler why we made a boat as our craft today. Does he/she remember who we learned about today? Remind your toddler that we learned about Jonah. Jonah ran away from God. Ask your toddler, "Who could still see Jonah even when he ran away?"

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IN THE BEGINNING

EARLY STORIES OF THE BIBLE



In this series kids will learn about the rebuilding of nations after the great flood - starting with a promise to Abram to give him many kids. In each lesson we learn how God has called us to obey and follow. In doing so, God also will always keep His promises!

Memory Verse: "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth." Genesis 1:1

Heart of the Lesson: Obey and Follow – God Calls Abram. (Genesis 12)

Parent Connect: Today we learned how Abram and Sarai obeyed God and followed His commands. God promised that they would be blessed with many kids – as many kids and grandkids as stars in the sky! This week look for stars at night and count them together!

ELEMENTARY

School Survival Guide

PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR



As kids go back to school there are many things we want to remind them. In this series, Grace Kids School Survival Guide, we will learn how we are Christ-image bearers, equipped with the Armor of God, and to live to glorify Him.

Memory Verse: "Put on your new nature, and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator and become like him." Colossians 3:10

Heart of the Lesson: To Share Jesus, We Need to Know Jesus.

Parent Connect: Talk about someone you know a lot about. Then talk about someone you truly know – not just facts about them. How can we know Jesus, more than just the things about Him and His life?

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SENT



We have been sent to share Jesus with others. In this series, we are going to learn practical tools that will help us share the good news of Jesus with people around us.

Memory Verse: “For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 6:23

Heart of the Lesson: Who is Jesus to You? (Matthew 16:13-18)

Parent Connect: Take time to have a meaningful conversation with your student about who Jesus is to you and how you have experienced Him in your life. Share your personal journey of faith and the impact Jesus has had on you. Encourage your student to ask questions and share their thoughts about who Jesus is to them.

SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS

SHARING JESUS 101

What is the Gospel and how do I share it?



Knowing how and what to share about the gospel can be tricky sometimes, but the good news of Jesus is something we shouldn't keep to ourselves! This series, we're looking at how and what we should share with others about the good news of Jesus.

Memory Verse: “He said to them, ‘Go into all the world. Preach the good news to everyone.’” Mark 16:15

Heart of the Lesson: We were created to reflect Jesus, but sin made things messy. (Genesis 1:26-28, Genesis 3:6-7, 22-24)

Parent Connect:

- What does it mean to be made like God?
- What did man do to bring sin into the world?
- What are the consequences to us now because of Adam and Eve's sin?
- Are you reflecting God's true likeness to others around you?