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Discipleship Tools

In a season of live streaming and canceled children's programs, may the following questions and activities guide you in helping your children apply the sermon.

1 Peter 3:13-17

If you miss the live stream, you can view the sermon here.

Sermon Discussion

Preschool

- 1. If someone asked you what you know about Jesus, what would you say to them? What would you do if someone told you that you are wrong?
- 2. Why should you do what's right? (Dive deeper below "honoring parents" to the reasons expanded upon in the sermon such as, so that others will see our good works and glorify God)
- 3. What does it mean to have hope? How can our hope help us tell others about Jesus?

Younger Kids

- 1. Do you feel like you have a good understanding of what you believe and why you believe it? If someone asked you "Why do you believe in Jesus?" what would you say to them?
- 2. Can you think of some examples from the Bible of people who immediately went telling others about Jesus after their lives were changed?
- 3. Why should we do good?
- 4. What does it mean to defend your hope? Why is this different than just defending your faith?

Older Kids

- 1. Do you feel like you have a good understanding of what you believe and why you believe it? If someone asked you "Why do you believe in Jesus?" what would you say to them?
- 2. What does it mean to fear man more than God? How can you battle this in your own life?
- 3. What does it mean to defend your hope? Why is this different than just defending your faith? How can your hope energize your evangelism?
- 4. What is something that prevents you from sharing your faith with others? How can you overcome this?

Christ Connection

How does this text point us to Jesus?

Preschool: Our love for Jesus should encourage us to tell others about him.

Elementary: When you love Jesus deeply, you will share the hope within you, even though external challenges exist all around you.

Activity

Preschool

Hope is an Anchor

Hope is a lot like looking forward to and eagerly waiting for a big trip or, a holiday, or maybe a birthday to arrive. When you see your child living in expectation for something other than the hope we have in the Lord, re-direct their hearts by painting or drawing a picture of an anchor to hang on their wall in their room or the fridge in the kitchen. Then, make it fun - use the picture as an accountability tool in your house for the next time anyone in the family finds themselves hoping in something other than the Lord. It can be a bit of an a game in your home.

3 TRUTHS TO SHARE WITH YOUR CHILD ABOUT HOPE:

- 1. God created you. He has a plan for your life.
- 2. Placing our hope in anything other than God will always leave us feeling empty.
- 3. God wants to be your anchor. It makes Him happy when we trust Him.¹

Elementary

Practice Sharing your Faith

Ask your child what he believes in. Ask questions that an unbeliever might ask. Help your child think through how he might respond if this were a real life situation.

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¹ https://www.gatherandgrow.co/family-faith-building-teaching-kids-hope/