



# OUTSIDE THE BOX FAMILY RESOURCES

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**PARKWAY** CHURCH  
BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS THAT BUILD DISCIPLES

MAY 13

## CHILDREN OF GOD Romans 8:12-39

Paul wrote that when we believe in Jesus for life, God gives us the Holy Spirit and makes us His children. That changes everything about how we think and what we do.

- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
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- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
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- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

### FAMILY CONVERSATION STARTER

- How do we become children of God?
- How does being in God's family change how we think and act?
- Can anything separate us from God's love?

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MAY 20

## A TRANSFORMED MIND Romans 12:1-18

God wants us to show friendship and love to one another. As believers, we all belong to Jesus. His death and resurrection bring us together. The Holy Spirit changes the way we think and live so we can love one another as God has loved us.

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### FAMILY CONVERSATION STARTER

- Why do our minds need to be transformed?
- Why does God want us to show friendship and love?
- How does the Holy Spirit change us when we trust in Jesus?
- How does God want us to treat one another? Why?
- How did God show love and friendship to us?

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## THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT Galatians 5:16-26

Paul wrote that the Holy Spirit changes the way we think and act. He wanted believers to know that if you let the Holy Spirit guide you, you will do what God wants instead of what you want. When sin is in control, we do wrong things. We show hatred, jealousy, anger, selfishness, and greed. We fight and get into trouble. People who live like this will not enter God's kingdom. But Jesus frees us from the power of sin. His Holy Spirit lives in us and gives us the power to do what is right.

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### FAMILY CONVERSATION STARTER

- Do you see any fruit of the Spirit in your family members? If so, what fruit?
- Talk about how you changed after becoming a believer.
- As unbelievers, sin controlled us. As believers, who is in control now?

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**JUNE 3**

## **THE ARMOR OF GOD** **Ephesians 6:10-19**

Paul told believers to be ready to fight a spiritual battle each and every day. People and powers who are against God will be against us too. But Jesus died and rose from the dead. He had victory over evil. We can fight the battle against evil, knowing Jesus already won the war.

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### **FAMILY CONVERSATION STARTER**

- What does the Bible say our Christian battle is against? (See Ephesians 6:12.)
- What does God give us to stand strong against evil?
- How can we remember what is true about God and about ourselves?

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**JUNE 10**

**A CHEERFUL GIVER**  
**2 Corinthians 9:6-15**  
**2 Corinthians 8:1-15**

God has been merciful and generous to us. He gave us the greatest gift—His own Son. Jesus showed us what generosity looks like when He gave up His life to save us from sin. Because of Jesus, we can be merciful and generous to others.

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**FAMILY CONVERSATION STARTER**

- How has God been generous to you?
- Why do you think God wants us to give cheerfully?
- How can you give your time and abilities to serve the church?

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**JUNE 17**

## **HEROES OF FAITH** **Hebrews 11:1-12:2**

The Bible gives examples of people who had faith, but the true hero of the Bible is Jesus. Jesus looked forward to the joy that would come because of the cross. Because of Jesus, the things the faithful people in the Bible looked forward to will come true. We know that Jesus will come back one day because God always keeps His promises.

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### **FAMILY CONVERSATION STARTER**

- What is faith?
- How did people in the Bible show they had faith?
- How can you show your faith in how you live?

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