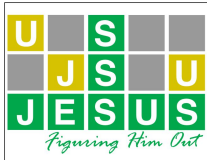


MARINERS CHURCH



What Kids Wish Their Parents Knew about Kids.

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Questions youth and children were asked...

- 1) "What's one question you would like to ask God?"
- 2) "What's one thing you wish you could talk to your parents about?"
- 3) "How would you like to connect with your parents?"

What does God say kids need?

"You must love the Lord your God and always obey His requirements, decrees, regulations, & commands. Keep in mind that I am not talking now to your children, who have never experienced the discipline of the Lord your God or seen His Greatness & His strong hand & powerful arm."- Deuteronomy 11:1, 2

"(The children) didn't see the miraculous signs & wonders (God) performed in Egypt against Pharaoh & all his land. They didn't see what the Lord did to the armies of Egypt & to their horses & chariots – how He drowned them in the Red Sea as they were chasing you. He destroyed them, & they have not recovered to this very day! Your children didn't see how the Lord cared for you in the wilderness. But you have seen the Lord perform all these mighty deeds with your own eyes!"
- Deuteronomy 11:3-5, 7

Simply, tell them what you believe about God

Tell your children why you believe in God?

Who were you before finding faith in God? What were you like, what did you do, where did you go, what were your hang-ups, habits?

Why did you trust in God? What happened in your life that you decided to follow God? Where were you, who told you, when did you finally make the decision to walk by faith?

Live what & why you believe in God.

"You must love the Lord your God and always obey (Him)."
- Deuteronomy 11:1

"So commit yourselves wholeheartedly to these words of mine. Tie them to your hands & wear them on your foreheads as reminders. Teach them to your children. Talk about them when you are at home & when you are on the road, when you are going to bed & when you are getting up. Write them on the doorposts of your house & on your gates, so that as long as the sky remains above the earth, you & your children may flourish."-Deuteronomy 11:18-21

"The message (of God) is very close at hand; it is on your lips & in your heart so that you can obey it." - Deuteronomy 30:14

Talk it Over! For my thoughts and LifeGroup*

Today's message was about the importance of living our faith & teaching the next generations about God. What's one question you would like to ask God?

What's one thing you wish you could have talked to your parents about?

Read Deuteronomy 11:1-5 & 7 together as a group.

The adults were told to share with the children about the mighty things they saw God doing. How has this been modeled for you in your faith? In what ways are you sharing the story of God's greatness with people around you?

Kaitlin & Curt shared 3 easy questions to answer when sharing your faith in God. These questions & answers can be used with anyone of any age.

1) Tell them what you believe about God. How have you seen Him at work in the world & your life?

2) Tell them why you believe in God? Who were you before finding faith in God? What were you like, what did you do, where did you go, what were your hang-ups, habits?

3) Why did you trust in God? What happened in your life that you decided to follow God? Where were you, who told you, when did you finally make the decision to walk by faith?

The most powerful example a person of faith can have on family & friends is to live what & why you believe in God.

Read Deuteronomy 11:18-21. What practical things does God say His people should do to live what & why they believe?

Close your LifeGroup by praying with each other.

*A LifeGroup is a group of people who are committed to loving each other and growing through the ups and downs of life. For more information, connect with the church, marinerschurch@marinerscc.org