

Think Tank: Put your knowledge to the test

Use this guide to help your kids learn how God can give us knowledge.

First, watch this week's video!

Knowledge:
Learning something new so you can be better at whatever you do

Memory Verse

"The Lord gives wisdom. Knowledge and understanding come from his mouth."

Proverbs 2:6, NIRV

Bible Story

Jesus Is Tempted in the Desert
Luke 4:1-13
(Matthew 4:1-11)

Key Question

What helps you make the wise choice?

Activity

Blown Away

What You Need:

Sheets of paper, writing utensils and blue tape (or other item to make a dividing line).

What You Do:

Invite your kids to play a game.

ASK, "What are some things that can distract you?" (Examples: friends, TV, video games, technology, etc.)

Then, share some of the things that distract you as well. Write down a few of the kid's distractions. Cut out each individual distraction and place them in two piles on opposite sides of the line about 3' away from the line. Divide your group into two teams. Give each kid a piece of paper and them how to fold it back and forth accordion style to make a fan.

SAY, "We're going to try to 'blow away' each other's distractions. Using our fans, let's see which team can blow away the other teams distractions across the line, the quickest."

Using their fans, kids will race to see who can blow the other's pile of distractions across the line the quickest. When finished, announce the winning team!

SAY, "We really blew away some distractions today! In our story, when the devil tried to distract Jesus, He blew those distractions away with the truth!"

Talk About the Bible Story

How did Jesus battle the devil's distractions? (*By quoting the truth from Scripture*)

What happened when the devil realized that Jesus was focused on the Scriptures? (*The devil gave up*)

What does knowing Scripture have to do with making the wise choice? (*When we read and understand what's in the Bible, we can live with God's wisdom.*)

What is the difference between a wise and foolish choice?

Leader: Share one way that you make a point to remember what's true—i.e. memorizing a verse, writing a verse on a notecard and putting it on your desk, or thinking about how a verse can change how you speak, think, or act.



Prayer

"God, thank You for the Bible! We have so much to learn about You and about what's true. This week, help us to remember that You love us, and that You're with us always—now and forever. Show us what's true so we can make wise choices. Remind us to keep working on memorizing Scripture so we can live with knowledge and wisdom. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen!"

Activity Time:

Complete the activity page.

Extra Time?

Refer to the "Extra Time and Conversation Starters" for more ideas.