# Faith is trusting in what you can't see because of what you can see.

#### DAY 1

# Read 1 Samuel 16:7

Have you heard the phrase "Don't judge a book by its cover?" What do you think that means?

Write your answer below:

What if you only picked friends based on how they looked or what they have?

God sent Samuel to find the next king of Israel. Instead of looking for someone big and strong, who looked like king, God told Samuel not to judge by a person's looks or appearance. Just like the cover of a book doesn't tell the whole story, the outside of a person doesn't tell you who that person truly is.

Thankfully, God doesn't judge based on our outward appearance. God looks at our hearts to see what we're really like. And when it comes to our friends, God can help us look past the outside to see a person's heart on the inside. God can change the way we see others. DAY 2

### Read Psalm 119:18

#### What's The Word

Fill in the missing word in these common sayings below:

Apple of my .....

Stars in your .....

Keep your ..... on the ball

Could you think of the word above? It's acutally in our verse for today too. Write it in the space below.

"Open my ...... so that I can see the wonderful truths in your law." Psalm 119:18, NIrV

God looks at us with love. And God can help you see others in the same way, even the ones that aren't always easy to love.

Stop for a minute and pray. Keep your eyes open as you talk to God. Think of someone that's sometimes hard to love. Ask for help to see that person the way God sees them.

A Devotional on Faith

# Read 1 Chronicles 16:11

When it comes to our faith, we have one point of focus. We can always look to God. Why? Because we can always rely on God's strength to help us.

#### Ways to Focus

How can you focus on a God you can't see? *Read the Bible* – In the Bible we discover who God is and how God wants us to live. *Trust Jesus* – God sent Jesus to make a way for all who put their trust in Him to have a relationship with God forever. *Talk to God* – God is available 24 hours a day,

7 days a week. You can talk to God about big things, small things, and everything in between. *Find Friends who Follow Jesus* – We all need other friends who can support us and encourage us to keep following. Your small group at church can help you to keep following God in faith.

Circle one of the ways to focus and take time to practice that this week.

# **Read Hebrews 11:1**

DAY 4

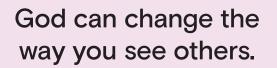
Faith is trusting in what you can't see because of what you can see. It's complete confidence in God. We can have faith that what God says is true. We can trust God no matter what.

#### **Putting It Together**

Can you piece together the key words from today's verse? (NOTE: Notice there are no two letter words included) Draw a line connecting the two halves. What word from the verse is missing? Write it in the blank below:

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Answers: Being, sure, what, hope, for, not, see Missing word: Faith



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