**Family Devotion**

**For the month of July**

**Fruit of the Spirit**

***Memory Verse***

**“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.” Galatians 5:22-23**

***Theme Songs***

[**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xWoWDdeD-ns**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xWoWDdeD-ns)

[**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GflCLxWbqD8**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GflCLxWbqD8)

[**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JNb9QJmUBLM**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JNb9QJmUBLM)

**July 4- July 10**

**Devotion # 4**

**The Fruit of the Spirit is**

**PATIENCE**

“Always be humble and gentle. Be patient and accept each other with love.” Ephesians 4:2

*Get cozy with your family and your laptop for 15 minutes of meaningful worship, Bible*

*Discovery, prayer and fun!*

**Worship**

Sing “P.A.T.I.E.N.C.E.”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G-0UZydYtag>

Sing “To God Be the Glory”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y0dQbfbSW0Q>

**Bible Story**

**BIBLE READING: GENESIS 15:1-6 & 17:15-22*(The Picture Bible page 51-53)***

**Life Application**

1. Patience

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ge-s3zvSw5I>

2. This week think of ways you can practice being patient. Put together a puzzle, wait for something to bake, or give a friend or sibling an extra dose of grace when they mess up.

**Bonus Activities**

**Activity: Mail a Letter + Ask For One Back**

Supplies: Cardstock or Construction Paper, Crayons, Markers, or Colored Pencils to Decorate the Card, Envelopes, Stamps

Instructions:

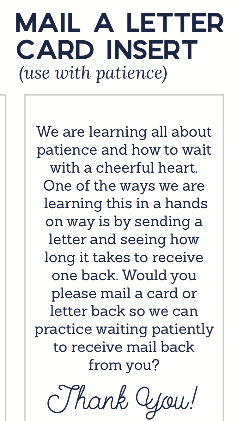
1. Fold cardstock or construction paper in half to make a card.

2. Invite your child to decorate the card so that they can mail it to a friend, grandparent, or other relative.

3. Put the card in an envelope, address it, put the stamp on, and take your child to the post office to mail the card.

Talk About It: Talk about how you will now wait for the friend, grandparent, or relative to write back. You can talk about how they have to be patient because mail can take a while to receive.

*\*Tip: Let the recipient know you are sending the letter to them so they can look for it and* *send something back within a reasonable window. You might want to include a return stamp/envelope as well.*

 You will find this card in the package I mailed out few weeks ago. Cut out this card and put it in envelop with the card your child makes.

**Snack**

Activity: Cut a Fresh Whole Pineapple



Supplies: Whole Pineapple, Knife, Cutting Board

Instructions:

1. Cut up a whole pineapple with your family.

2. Enjoy pineapple together!

Talk about it: It takes a while to cut up a pineapple, use this hands on opportunity to talk about patience and how it requires patience to wait to eat the pineapple together as a family.

**July 11- July 17**

**Devotion # 5**

**The Fruit of the Spirit is**

**KINDNESS**

“So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you,“ Matthew 7:12

Song for the memory Verse

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DhyRzLs5JTc>

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**Worship**

Sing “Good in Every Way”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=__tLcv3jjjA>

Sing “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1CYNHT08\_m0

**Bible Story**

**BIBLE READING: MATTHEW 7:12 & LUKE 6:21*(The Picture Bible page 590)***

**Life Application**

Pick a random act of kindness to do with your family

Supplies will vary depending on what you choose. Print out the Random Acts of Kindness List for ideas to get you started. (you will find page in the package mailed out to you few weeks ago.



**Bonus Activity**

**ART** 

Confetti Poppers

Supplies: Balloons (be sure to supervise your kiddos with these), toilet paper rolls, scissors, duct tape, confetti, supplies to decorate

Instructions:

1. Tie your balloon in a knot and cut o. the tip. Carefully stretch the balloon over the toilet paper tube and secure the balloon to the toilet paper tube with a piece of duct tape.

2. Use paper, stickers, markers, crayons, glitter glue, washi tape, etc. to decorate the tubes.

3. Place confetti inside the tube (either use pre-made or you can make your own by using colorful paper and a hole punch).

4. To launch the confetti pull down on the knot of the balloon and let go!

**July 18 – July 24**

**Devotion # 6**

**GOODNESS**

“For it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.” [Philippians 2:13, NIV]

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**Worship**

Sing “Goodness of God”

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-f4MUUMWMV4

Sing “God is good”

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NCp7E8tE5rk

**Bible Story**

**BIBLE READING: 2 KINGS 22 & 23 *(The Picture Bible page 493-495)***

*or* Watch a video

**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6C4MEXXbBmM**

**Life Application**

Grab some blankets, pack up a breakfast picnic & watch the sun rise with your family. Talk about how God is faithful to make the sun rise everyday. “The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.” [Lamentations 3:22-23, ESV]

**Bonus Activities**

**Art**

Supplies: Taste and See Printable (in the mailed package), Cardstock, Lemons, Limes, Oranges, or Grapefruit, Paint, Knife (to cut fruit in half)

Instructions:

1. Print out the Taste and See Printable on cardstock.

2. Cut the citrus fruit of your choice in half.

3. Squeeze paint onto a plate.

4. Dip the fruit in the paint and then stamp it on the paper.

5. Let dry completely before hanging up.



**July 25 – July 31**

**Devotion # 7**

**FAITHFULNESS**

“For the word of the Lord is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.”

[Psalm 33:4, NIV]

*Get cozy with your family and your laptop for 15 minutes of meaningful worship, Bible Discovery, prayer and fun!*

**Worship**

Sing “Through It All”

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lPdDB2jlMjc

“Make Me Faithful”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CFPUKXXlKug>

**Bible Story**

**BIBLE READING: MATTHEW 25:14-30**

*or* Watch a video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R9KenUeRxhM>

**Life Application**

1, The Fruit of the Spirit-Goodness

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QQlsVwYiEkg

1. In what ways do you see God’s goodness? Go outside on a walk or hike with your family and name out loud the ways you see God’s goodness reflected in creation. Ask God to help you share His goodness with others this week.

**Bonus Activities**

**Art**

God Always Keeps His Promises Rainbow Craft

Supplies: Rainbow Printable, Cardstock, Q-Tips, Plate, Paint

Instructions:

1. Print out the God Always Keeps His Promises Rainbow PDF onto cardstock. (it’s in the package I mailed out)

2. Squeeze paint onto a plate.

3. Use q-tips to dot the paint onto the rainbow.

4. Dry completely before hanging up.



**Snack**

**Rainbow Fruit Pizza**

Supplies: Your favorite sugar cookie dough (can use pre-made or homemade), 8 oz. Cream Cheese, 5 TBSP Butter, 1 TSP Vanilla Extract, 2 Cups Powdered Sugar, Fresh Fruit (of various colors)

Instructions:

1. Form your sugar cookie dough into balls and follow the instructions on your recipe for baking time & temperature.

2. Allow the cookies to cool completely before frosting.

3. To make the frosting, cream the butter and then add the cream cheese and mix until smooth. Add powdered sugar and vanilla and mix until fully combined.

4. Frost cookies with cream cheese frosting and top with fruit.

