

BIG IDEA

We can be a big help in small ways.

BIBLE Job 2:11-13 (Psalm 146)

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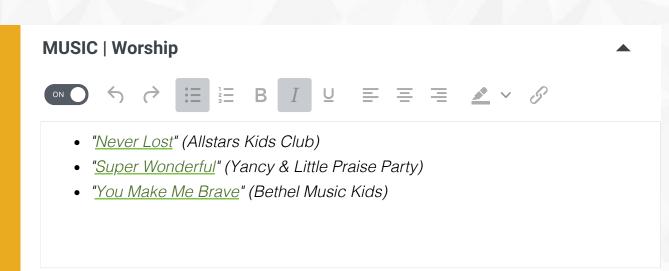


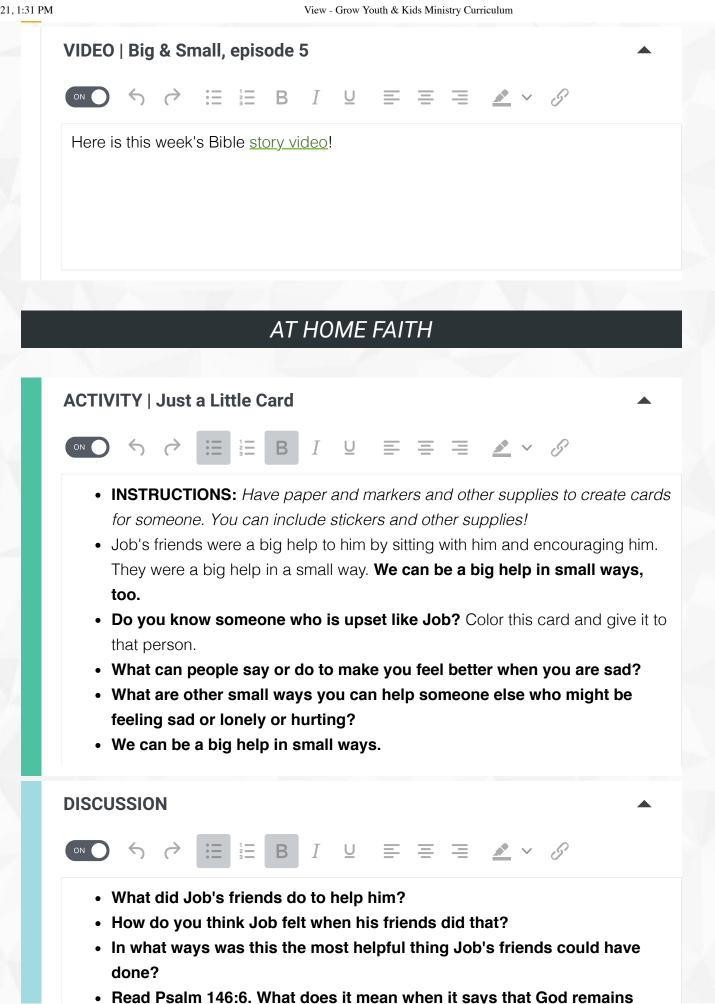
At Home Faith: paper, markers, scissors memory verse video & printable

Bible Story: Bible

Here is this week's coloring page

VIDEO LINKS





faithful forever?

- Does helping others always have to be a big gesture?
- Think of one small way someone has comforted you or cheered you up in the past.
- What are some small or simple ways we can help our friends?

MEMORY VERSE | Job 37:5 (NIV)



- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Practice this month's memory verse with the signs (a combination of SEE and ASL) available as a <u>video</u> or a <u>printable</u>*
- "God's voice thunders in marvelous ways; he does great things beyond our understanding."

BIBLE STORY

BIBLE STORY | Job's Friends



- We've been hearing quite a bit about Job during the last several weeks, but today, we are going to talk about Job's friends.
- Who can tell me what a friend is?
- Yes! A friend is someone who loves and cares for you and is there for you through the good and the bad times.
- Have you helped a friend in the past or has a friend ever helped you?
- Yes! Me, too! Job had friends who saw he was going through a tough time and they came to be with him.
- What do you think Job's friends did when they heard about all the bad stuff that was happening to him?
- Those are all good guesses! Let's read and find out what they did.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Open your Bible to today's passage, Job 2:11-13, and encourage the kids to follow along in their Bibles as you read.
 - **PRETEEN HACK:** Invite preteens to brainstorm about songs that have to do with friends. Write the titles on a dry erase board. What do these

songs tell us about friends? What do they think it means to be a friend?

- Those are some cool names, right?
- What did Job's friends do to help?
- That's right. They sat with Job and were sad right along with him.
- Most of our friends mean well and want to help whenever we have trouble. But sometimes, their help can make us feel worse.
 - Has a friend ever told you that what you're going through is nothing compared to something they've experienced?
 - Has a friend ever tried to fix your problem without really listening to you?
 - Has a friend ever dismissed your problem as no big deal?
- Job's friends tried to help him later on by the things they said, but the greatest help they offered was simply being with him while he was hurting and sad.
- Sometimes, the biggest help we can offer comes in the simplest actions.

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• Dear God, we know you are big and we are small. Even though we are small, I know that we can still help in big ways. Please help us to help others. Thank you for all of the ways that you help us. Amen.