



THE RACE OF FAITH!

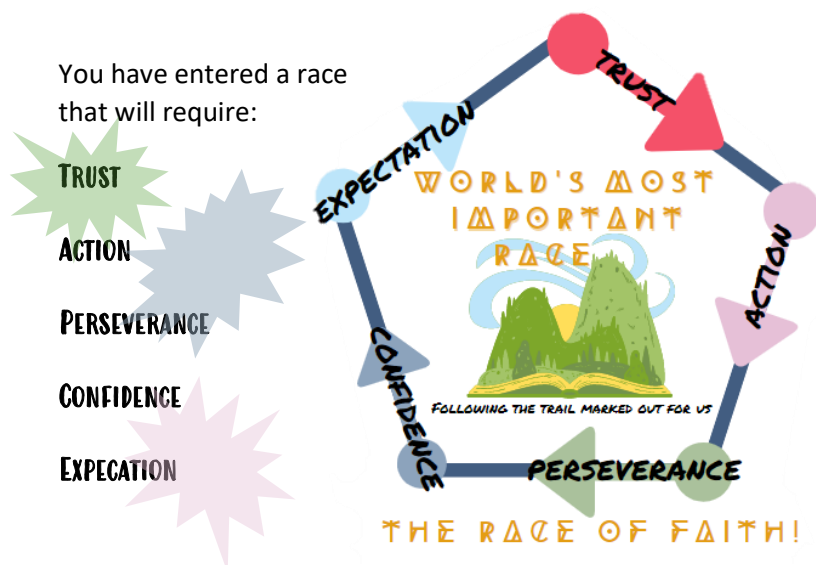
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## CONGRATULATIONS ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF YOUR APPLICATION FOR WORLD'S MOST IMPORTANT RACE 2021

You have entered a race  
that will require:



Join us each day as we compete in various obstacles along the racecourse.

Interviews of other contestants will be available to see how they are doing in the race.

### Packing Checklist



#### PRIMARY GEAR

- ☐ TRAVELERS NOTEBOOK
- ☐ DAILY CHALLENGE ENVELOPES
- ☐ COMPUTER/PHONE



#### NAVIGATION & EMERGENCY GEAR

- ☐ BIBLE
- ☐ COMPASS
- ☐ WHISTLE



#### PROTECTIVE GEAR

- ☐ SUNSCREEN
- ☐ BUGSPRAY
- ☐ SUNGLASSES



#### TOOLS & REPAIRS

- ☐ TAPE
- ☐ PENCIL/PEN/CRAYON
- ☐ HEADLAMP



# WHAT IS THE RACE OF FAITH?



It is the race that the entire world is invited to by God, who provided a “training map” for it, called the *Bible*. It is a race with all kinds of obstacles which God will help us to overcome if we follow His path.

**1**

**To be in a race you need to understand the rules:**

**You need to LEARN about God and about Yourself.**

In the beginning, God created man to be like Himself, to display His wonderful character within the world that He had made.

But the first man and woman that God created sinned by disobeying God, and because of this all men are sinful. We are born sinful, wanting to do things our way, not God’s way. We don’t display His character.

God’s character is perfectly good, so He hates sin. God loves us, but our sin separates us from Him. The Bible says that sin must be punished, and the punishment for sin is death – permanent separate

on from God.

**2**

**To enter in the race, you need to take the first step:**

**ADMIT that you are a sinner, and that God is right.**

God gave a promise for us to believe – that He would save us from sin.

We can’t take away our own sin, but God had a plan. He sent Jesus, His own Son, to earth as a man, to be made in every way like us, except without sin. Jesus always did what God wanted – He displayed His character perfectly. He showed God’s love for us in an amazing way.

Jesus died on the cross to take the punishment from God for our sin. Only Jesus could take our punishment for sin because he was perfect.

God accepted Jesus’ sacrifice for our sin. Three days later, God raised Him *back* to life and now Jesus lives forever in heaven with God.

**3**

**To win the race you need to run with perseverance:**

**BELIEVE in Jesus and follow Him to the finish.**

None of us can obey God perfectly like Jesus; we’re already sinners. But if you believe that Jesus is the Son of God who died for your sins and rose again to life, God will change you to display His character and one day you will be perfectly like Him and live forever with Him in heaven.

When you decide to follow Jesus, He puts His Holy Spirit inside you to help you become like Him and live a life that is pleasing to God.

# RACE

## DAY 1

TRAIL NAME:  
LOOKOUT POINT

GOD'S CALL:  
ABRAMS TRUST

GOD WANTS US TO  
TRUST AND DEPEND ON  
HIM.

## DAY 2

TRAIL NAME:  
ROPE WALK  
LEDGE

GOD'S CALL:  
RAHABS ACTION

GOD WANTS US TO  
OVERCOME FEAR WITH  
FAITH.

WORLD'S MOST IMPORTANT  
RACE KICK OFF

LOCATION: EXETER CHAPEL  
10:00 AM SUNDAY 7/18/21  
OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE  
BRING A PICNIC LUNCH TO ENJOY

JULY 19TH - 24TH

# COURSE

## DAY 3

TRAIL NAME:  
BLAZING BLUFF

GOD'S CALL:  
SHADRACH,  
MESHACH AND  
ABEDNEGO'S  
PERSEVERANCE

HOLD FAST TO GOD IN  
ALL CIRCUMSTANCES.

## DAY 4

TRAIL NAME:  
MUSTARD  
MOUNTAIN

GOD'S CALL:  
JESUS'S  
CONFIDENCE

WE SHOULD RELY ON  
JESUS WHO IS  
FAITHFUL.

## DAY 5

TRAIL NAME:  
FAITHFUL FALLS

GOD'S CALL:  
TIMOTHY'S  
EXPECTATION

GOD GIVES US TOOLS  
TO STAND FIRM IN  
FAITH.

WORLD'S MOST IMPORTANT  
RACE FINISH LINE

LOCATION: EXETER CHAPEL  
10:00 AM SUNDAY 7/25/21  
OUTDOOR WORSHIP  
SERVICE

BRING A PICNIC LUNCH TO ENJOY

# DAY 1



DATE:

TRAIL NAME:

TRAIL CONDITIONS:

TEMPERATURE:

WEATHER:



# GOD'S CALL: ABRAM'S TRUST



## TRAIL NOTES:

What promises of God are special to you?

What are some things God is asking you to trust Him with?

# DAY 2



DATE:

TRAIL NAME:

TRAIL CONDITIONS:

TEMPERATURE:

WEATHER:





# GOD'S CALL: RAHAB'S ACTION

## TRAIL NOTES:

Is there something you are fearful of?

What are some ways that you know God can help you?

# DAY 3



DATE:

TRAIL NAME:

TRAIL CONDITIONS:

TEMPERATURE:

WEATHER:



# GOD'S CALL: SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO'S PERSEVERANCE



## TRAIL NOTES:

Has there been a time where you have had to choose to do what is right and not what others around you are doing?

Write out some ways you can be obedient to God.

DAY 4



DATE:

TRAIL NAME:

TRAIL CONDITIONS:

TEMPERATURE:

WEATHER:





# GODS CALL: JESUS ' S CONFIDENCE

## TRAIL NOTES:

Have you started the race of faith? Who is Jesus to you?

Is there anything you need to ask God for help with?

# DAY 5

DATE:

TRAIL NAME:

TRAIL CONDITIONS:

TEMPERATURE:

WEATHER:



# GODS CALL: TIMOTHY'S EXPECTATION



## TRAIL NOTES:

How are you doing with reading the Bible? What is a story that you find helpful in your own Race of Faith?

Who can you ask and talk to like Timothy?



# FAITH SURVEY LOCATIONS

Survey Mark stickers are located at each hidden box for each of the 5 hikes.



Place the survey marks on correct day and use the code on google maps to search for the final box.

# CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

## Bible Reading Challenge

Spend time with God's map as a family!

Start



**ABEL, ENOCH, NOAH**

Genesis 4: 1-7;  
5:21-24; 6:9-22;  
7: 1-16; 8:1-22

**MOSES**

Exodus 2-6; 13-16;  
32

**RAHAB**

Joshua 2,  
6:17,22-23

**ELISHA**

2 Kings 4-5

**GIDEON**

Judges 6:1- 21

**ABRAHAM**

Genesis 12;  
21-22

**RUTH**

Ruth 1-4

**JEREMIAH**

Jeremiah 1; 24

**ESTHER**

Esther 2:5-18; 5: 1-8;  
7:1-6; 8:1-6, 8: 1- 17;  
9:1-4

**SAMSON**

Judges 13

**SAMUEL**

1 Samuel 1; 2:1-  
11, 18-26; 3;  
7-8

**DAVID**

1 Samuel 16; 17:1-  
49; 18:1-9; 20  
2 Samuel 2: 1-7; 5; 9  
1 Chronicles 22

**ELIJAH**

1 Kings 17; 18: 1-2,  
16-46;  
2 Kings 2

**ISAIAH**

Isaiah 6-7; 9: 1-7;  
11-12  
35; 40;  
53; 60; 64

**DANIEL**

Daniel 6:1-23,  
25-28

**JESUS**

Matthew 1-3; 6: 5-13, 25-  
34, 28  
Mark 1:1-20; 2:1-5; 4; 6:30-  
56; 11; 16



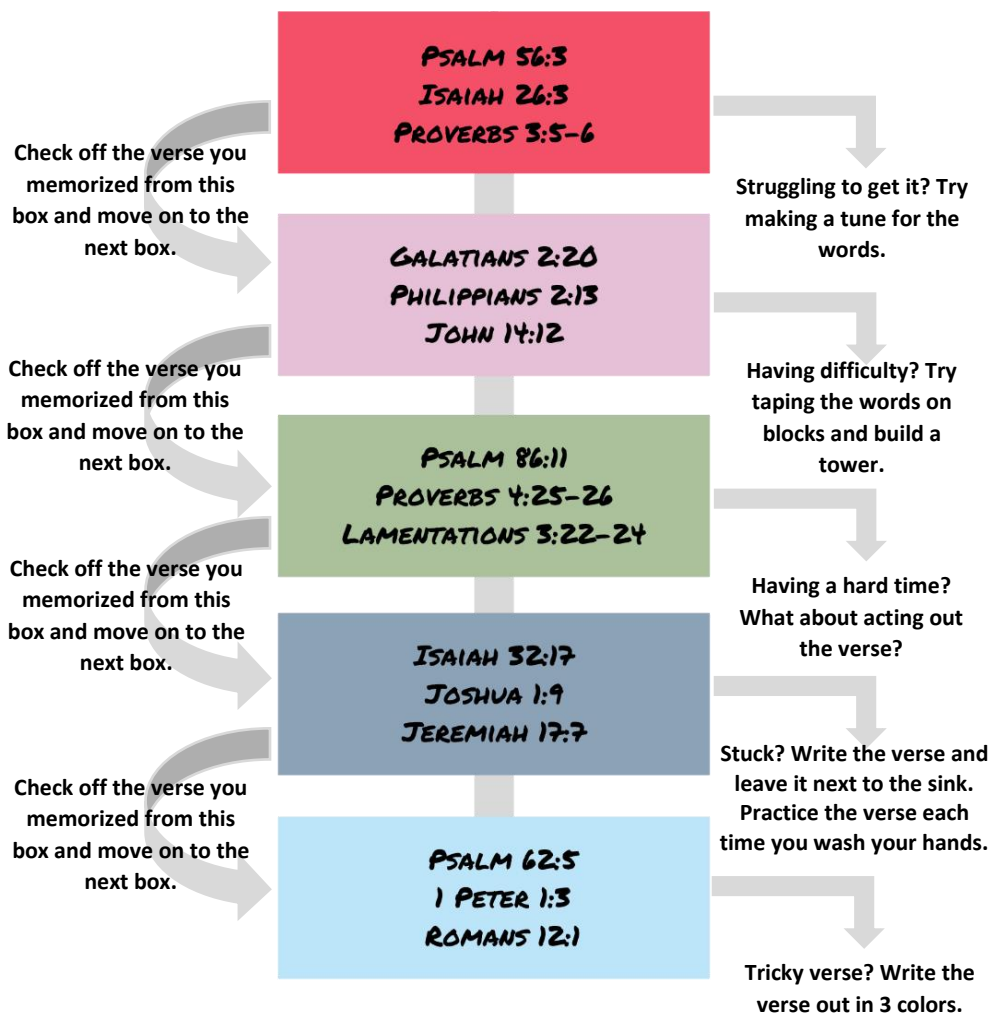
Finish a Trail?

Head back to the start and pick a new one!

# TRAIN YOUR MIND ON THINGS ABOVE

## Scripture Memorization Challenge

Pick one of the verses from the red box to memorize, once completed move on to the pink and so on.

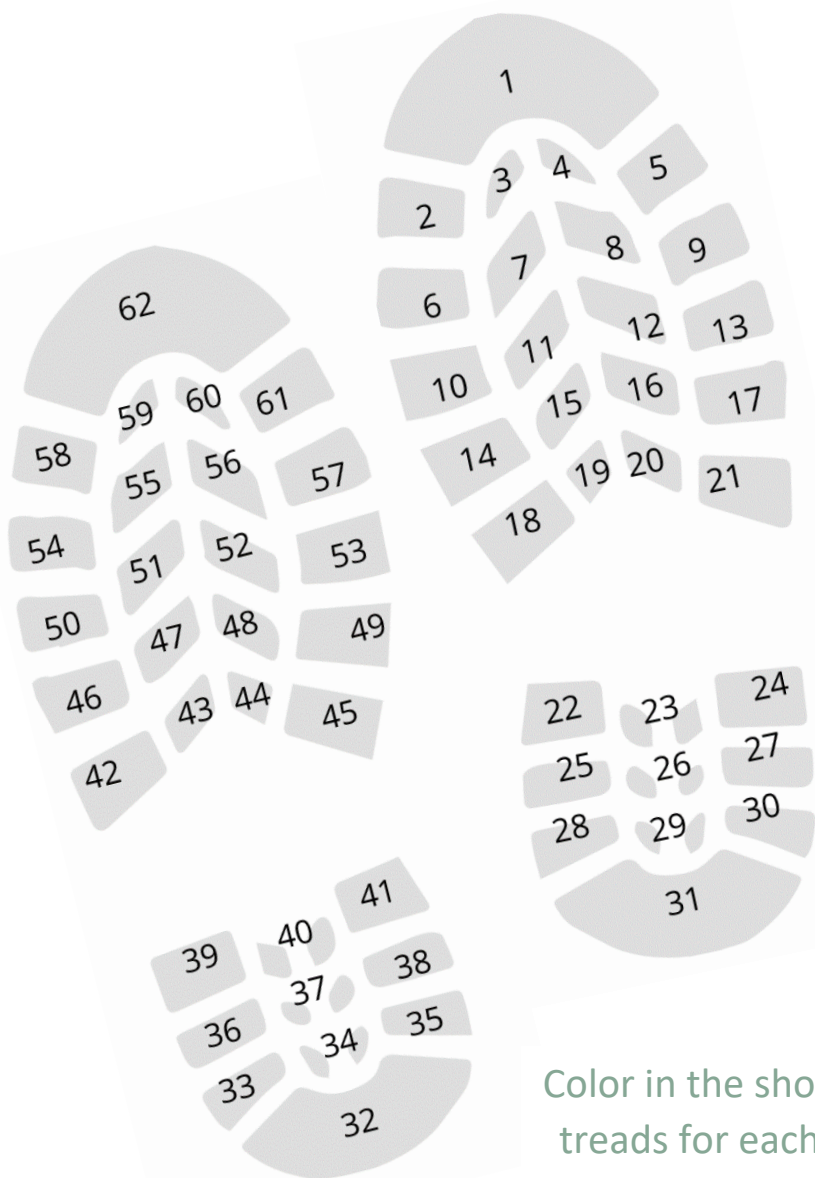


Can you recite the verses you picked from each box?

If you can start again from the beginning with new verses.

# HIKING MILES

Add on some more miles with family hikes!



Color in the shoe  
treads for each  
mile you cover!

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