



## BIBLE FOCUS (THE BASICS)

Can you imagine being thrown in jail for doing what God told you to do? Well, that's what happened to Peter and John! They told people about Jesus, they healed a crippled man in Jesus' name, and the religious leaders put them in jail for it! But rather than keep quiet and play it safe, Peter gave a powerful speech that astonished those who heard it. He showed amazing bravery in boldly proclaiming his faith.

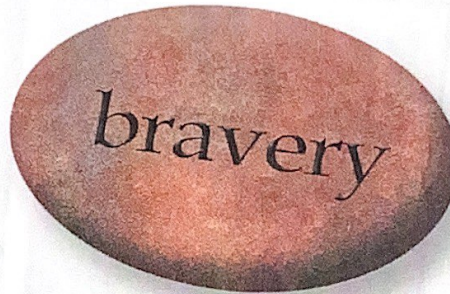
**Key Verse:** "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9).

**Bible Point:** Trusting God makes us brave.

### Daily Challenge

For your Daily Challenge this week, trust God for bravery as you...

- work to be nice to someone who isn't usually nice to you.
- tell a non-Christian family member or friend about Jesus.
- ask God to show you the life he wants you to live.



## THE WORD FOR THE WEEK

### MONDAY Exodus 20:18-19

How does fear of God help us have courage?

### TUESDAY Isaiah 40:29

Describe a time you felt as if you could do anything for God because of the spirit he gave you.

### WEDNESDAY Acts 1:8

Where can you be a witness for Jesus? How?

### THURSDAY James 1:14-15

How does sin ruin our confidence?

### FRIDAY Philippians 1:27-28

In what ways do you need God to help you stand firm?

### SATURDAY John 16:13

When have you had to rely on the Holy Spirit?

### FAMILY FUN The Rock of Courage



Many of the patriarchs in the Old Testament built altars

with piles of rocks in places where God had spoken to them in a significant way. They did this to honor God for his faithfulness or to mark meaningful points in their walk with God.

Gather enough smooth rocks for each member of your family to have one. Then have everyone write the verse from Joshua 1:9 on one side of the rock and one way he or she wants to be braver on the other side of the rock. Then pile your rocks in a prominent place as a bravery altar, and pray for one another to have courage.

Throughout the week, pray for one another to be brave.

