

# SPECIAL EDITION

## *Pastoring Your Kids*

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### PLANNING YOUR WEEK:

# 1

Sunday

**CHURCH TIME**

# 2

Monday or Tuesday

**BIBLE TIME**

# 3

Thursday or Friday

**FAMILY TIME**

WEEK 04

**FAITH:**  
**BELIEVE IN YOUR HEART**

### **MEMORY VERSE:**

**Romans 10:10**, "For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God." (NLT)

### **BOTTOM LINE:**

Faith is a heart thing, not a head thing.

## 2. BIBLE TIME

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### READ:

- Romans 10:10

### MAIN POINT:

*Faith is a heart thing, not a head thing. You will never be able to figure out God with your head. You could never explain to an ant about how big the universe is. The universe is beyond the understanding of an ant. In the same way, God is beyond the understanding of my head. This is why the only way to get to God is through faith. We believe that God is real because the Bible says that He is. Belief in God is an act of faith. Belief in the Bible is an act of faith.*

### DISCUSS:

- In Romans 10:10 it tells us how to respond to God - believe in our heart.
- There are some things of God that we will never understand in our head. But we can believe in our heart.
- The Bible is our guide and standard. If it is in the Bible we can believe it.
- This will be a great time to talk to your kids about God and the Bible and how important it is to use the Bible as our guide.

### QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. How would you explain to an ant how big the universe is?
2. What is something about God that you don't understand?
3. What does the Bible say?

## 3. FAMILY TIME

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### LYING LABELS

#### MAIN POINT:

*It is important what is in your heart.*

#### WHAT YOU NEED:

- 2 cans of food (same type of can but different food - green beans and applesauce)  
You will want to pick something your kids like.
- Switch the labels.

#### WHAT YOU DO:

- Using the can of applesauce talk it up about how yummy it is.
- Open the can and be shocked at how the labels were lying to you.
- Let them know that you switched the labels.

#### DISCUSS:

- This can is like our heart.
- It is more important what is on the inside, than what is on the outside.
- It is more important what you believe in your heart than what your head says to you.
- Belief in God's Word will guide you and connect you to God.

#### SPIRITUAL EXERCISE:

- Bring up salvation, healing, good grades at school.
- How does what you believe in your heart determine the outcome?
- If you think God wants you sick, you will be sick. If you think you can't get good grades you won't get good grades.
- But if you believe in the Bible, it says you can be healthy and whole. It also says you have the mind of Christ.