

This resource is designed to allow your family to have time in God's Word **BEFORE** your children attend church. Because God's plan is for **parents to be the primary spiritual nurturers** of their children's faith, *we want YOU to be the one to introduce* this part of The Big God Story to them.

For additional support in spiritual parenting and to learn more about creating transforming environments in your home, be sure to pick up **HomeFront: A Spiritual Parenting Resource** from your church or download at HomeFrontMag.com. You can also access the HomeFront app for your iPhone, iPad, or Android device.



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REMEMBER & CELEBRATE

Feast of Trumpets:
A Festival Celebrating God's Faithfulness

JUST FOR FUN

Provide some musical instruments for your children, or consider using household items like pots and pans, wooden spoons, etc. Explain that during their feasts and festivals, the Israelite people would use various forms of expression to worship God. They often danced, sang, and played instruments as part of their worship experience. Encourage your children to create their own worship song, thanking God for His faithfulness. Allow them to perform their song for other family members if they're comfortable doing so. **Read Psalm 36**, a song of David, and discuss some of the things that David says about God's faithfulness.

Did You Know?

- There are seven festivals that were celebrated by the Israelite people: Passover, Feast of Unleavened Bread, Festival of First Fruits, Feast of Harvest, Feast of Trumpets, Day of Atonement, and the Feast of Tabernacles (or Booths).
- During the feasts, the Israelites ate, danced, sang, played instruments, prayed, and offered sacrifices to God.
- The Feast of Trumpets is the first of the fall feasts, called Rosh Hashanah.
- This feast is characterized by watchfulness and preparedness and will be fulfilled with the Lord's second coming.

Your child is learning about the attributes of God by watching the adults around him. It's important that your child has consistent, committed adults in his life as he learns about God's faithfulness.

Teachable Moments

- What does it mean that God is always "faithful"?
- What are some of the ways that God has been faithful to you and your family?
- How can you respond to God's faithfulness in your life?

Blessing

For more information about blessing your child, see the Blessing section in **HomeFront: A Spiritual Parenting Resource**.

A blessing to pray over your child:
(Child's name), may you know that God's love reaches all the way up into heavens. May you remember God's faithfulness when you see the stars in the skies (Reference Psalm 36:5)