

**Age Group:** K-4th grade

**Date:** August 9, 2020

**Big Idea:** Trust in God's faithfulness

**Scripture:** Joshua 1:9 *Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened; do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.*



**Discussion:**

- Today we talked about how God can do anything, even change how day and night work!
- Let's take a look at our verse again:
  - Joshua 1:9 *Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened; do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.*
- God promises to give Joshua a victory and He keeps His promise to Joshua by doing something pretty amazing! What did God do for Joshua to help him win the battle? What are some other promises that God has made?
  - God changed how day and night worked to make the sun appear to stand still. He also sent giant hailstones to fall from the sky.
  - God promises us that He will forgive our sins if we place our faith and trust in Jesus.
  - God promises to prepare a place for us in Heaven. When we believe in Jesus, we get to be there when we die.
- Joshua responds in faith by asking God to stop the sun for the battle. How can we respond in faith to what God has promised us?
  - We can respond by believing in and following Jesus. When we follow Jesus, God promises us that our sins are forgiven and that we will have a place with Him when we die.
  - We can respond by praying to God and sharing our lives with Him. He hears our prayers and listens when we call to Him.
- Remember, you are precious to God. He hears you, loves you, and He always keeps His promises. Let's pray.

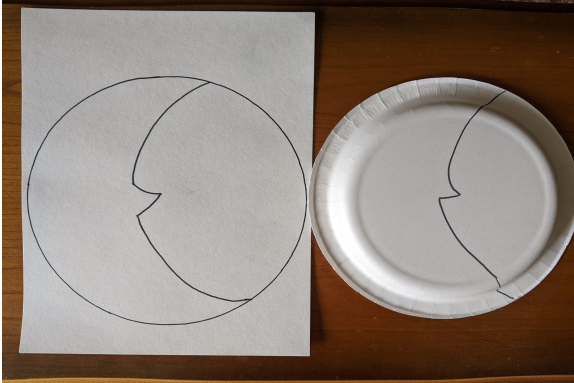
**Prayer:**

Dear God, thank you for keeping your promises. Thank you for sending Jesus to take the punishment for sins so that, if we believe, we can be with you. Help us to talk to you each day and be courageous in our prayers. We love you God. Amen.

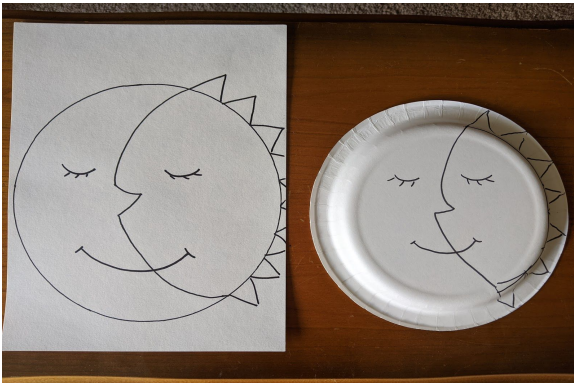
## Activity: Joshua, the Sun, and the Moon

Materials: paper/ paper plate, coloring utensils, black marker

- If you are using paper, begin by drawing a circle.
- Draw the face of the moon as shown below.



- Now draw eyes, a mouth, and points around the sun part of the drawing.



- Finally, color the picture and write, “And the sun stood still and the moon stopped. Joshua 10:13”

