



May 24th

252 Elementary: K - 5th

Bible Story

Keep Holding On

Stephen

Acts 6:1 - 7:60



Keep going because God knows the end of the story

Try something new!

FAMILY CHALLENGE

It's time for a challenge! This week think of something that you have wanted to learn as a family (or something you have wanted to teach your kids) and practice doing it together! What a great way to practice determination! We would love for you to share with us: tag us in your story @parkchurchnj or if you aren't on social media email it to rebecca@parkchurchnj.com

Activity: Roundabout Story

What you'll need: No Supplies Needed

WHAT YOU DO: Sit in a circle and start a story by staying 2-3 sentences. Pass the story by clapping after a few sentences, continue around the circle in this way till the story is finished or just too SILLY!

WHAT YOU SAY AFTER: We had no idea where that story was going or how it was going to end but God knows the end of the story! And that is good news!

PRAYER: God, thank you for giving Stephen wisdom and strength in the middle of such an awful situation. Please give us your wisdom and strength, too, so we can keep going even when we don't know what will happen. We know that **we can trust you no matter what**, because you know the end of the story. Please help us to remember that when we face difficult situations in life. Thank you for sending Jesus so we can have the promise of eternal life with you. Amen

Activity: Pass Along Pictures

What you'll need: Paper, Markers or Crayons

WHAT YOU DO: Divide the paper into thirds. Draw a head on the top third, the head should be inspired by their favorite food! Pass the papers to the left so only the middle third can be seen. Draw a torso inspired by an animal. Pass the papers to the left again so only the bottom third can be seen. Draw legs and feet or a bottom half inspired by a mode of transportation.

WHAT YOU SAY AFTER: None of these creations ended up with a bottom that matched their tops! When you designed the head of your picture, you had no idea what would happen by the end, but look how cool these are! In our lives, we might not know what happens next, or the end of every situation, but we can keep going while we're 'in the middle' because **God knows the end of the story.**

Discussion Questions Talk through the following:

- Why do you think Stephen was determined to keep going even though people were getting very angry with him? What helped Stephen to keep going?
- How does knowing who God is and that He is always with us help us to keep going even when we are scared?
- When was a time you were scared but kept going?

Memory Verse:

Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up.

Galatians 6:9

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