

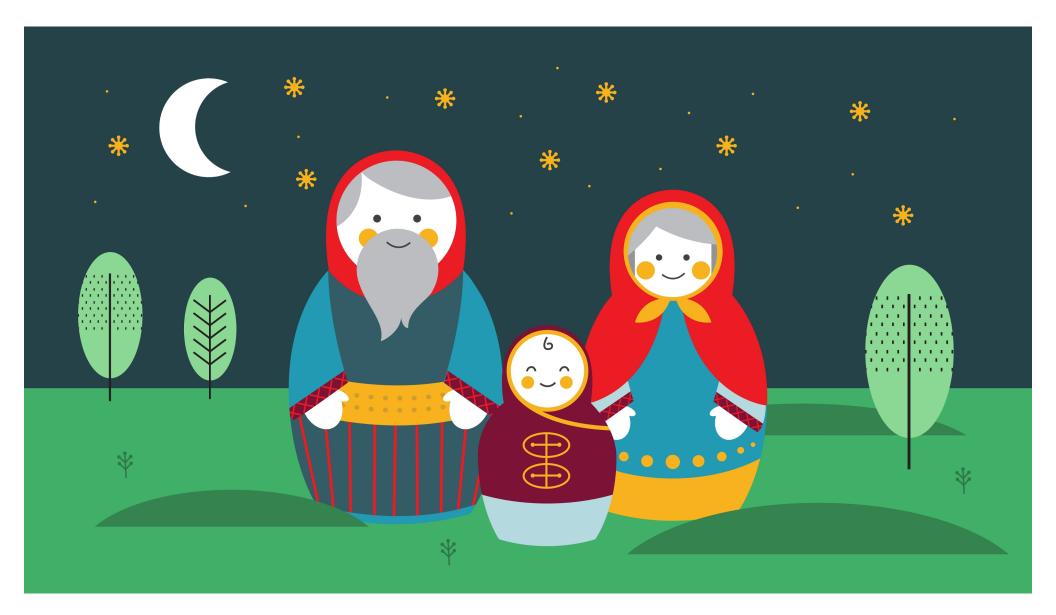
Faith in God's Promises

Hebrews 11

The Bible talks about what it means to have faith. It says that faith is being sure of something, even if we can't see it. There were lots of people in the Bible who trusted God and had faith in His promises.

One man who had faith in God's promises is in this picture! (Point to Noah in picture) Do you know who this is? (Allow kids to guess) It's a man named Noah. God warned Noah that He was going to flood the whole Earth.

Noah had never even seen rain before! Even though he didn't understand what flooding the Earth really meant, Noah had faith in God and did everything God asked him to do.



This picture shows Abraham and Sarah! They had faith by trusting in God's promises, too.

Abraham had faith and believed in God's promise to make his family bigger than all the stars in the sky. Sarah trusted that God would give her a baby, even though she was very old. God gave Sarah and Abraham a son named Isaac, just as He said He would.

Like lots of other people in the Bible, Noah, Abraham, and Sarah had faith, but they didn't always get to see everything God had promised while they lived on Earth. They trusted what God was doing and looked forward to an even greater promise. God promised that they would live with Him forever in Heaven!



This picture shows people like Joseph, Moses, David, and Rahab who all had faith in God. All of these people and so many more trusted God's promises and received His blessings while on Earth.

There were also times when people who served God suffered for their faith. But whether they were being blessed or going through hard things, they all knew that God had something better planned for them. No matter what happened, they could look forward to the promise of Heaven!



This last picture shows people like you and me! Just like the people in the Bible looked forward to the perfect place God was preparing for them, God promises Heaven to us, too. He wants all of us to live with Him in Heaven forever!

When we realize that Jesus has taken the punishment for all the wrong things we do, we can have a friendship with Jesus and follow Him forever! God promises Heaven to everyone who follows Jesus.

Let's all say this together: God Promises (left hand point up) Heaven (right hand point up)