

WEEK 5 SPOT-IT GAME



Supplies: Spot-It Cards (printed & cut)

Note: these cards were used in Week 2 so you can use again if you kept them.

1. SAY: *The shield of faith helps us block lies and tricks that come our way so that we can have faith in God's promises. Let's play a game to see how to hold up the shield of faith every day!*
2. PLACE two **Spot It Cards** in the center of the group. Then SAY: *We're going to take turns looking at two Cards, side by side. We're looking for one item that is on both Cards. Once you find it, I will ask our group a question. Ready? Let's play!*
3. Once the matching items are found, REMOVE the Cards and READ a question from the **Question Sheet** (there is a question sheet for PreK-1 & 2-5).
4. CONTINUE laying two cards at a time until all Cards have been used.
5. Once the game is over, SAY: *Great job! Now you know how to hold up the shield of faith every day! Let's all say what we need to know today one more time* (motions optional for 4-5):

Put On (cross arms on chest)

The Shield of Faith (pretend to hold up shield)

Optional for 4-5th ONLY: Group Discussion

1. GENERATE additional group discussion by talking through some scenarios on the **Question Sheet** and/or by asking:
 - *What does it mean to have faith in God?*
 - *Have you ever had any doubts about God or His promises to us? What were they?*
 - *What do you think the shield of faith can give you power to do?*
2. REVIEW the Need to Know together: *Hold Up the Shield of Faith*

QUESTION SHEET

ASK one of the following questions to the group once an item has been spotted.

- *Someone is making fun of Ellie and calling her ugly. But God promises that everything He makes, including Ellie, is wonderful and beautiful. What piece of God's armor can Ellie hold up to help her remember this promise from God—the good news boots or the shield of faith? (The shield of faith)*
- *It's storming outside and Lincoln is afraid to go to sleep. Who promises to take care of Lincoln? (God) When Lincoln holds up the shield of faith, it will help Him trust God's promise to take care of Him!*
- *Someone tells Jake that he has to keep a secret from his parents or else he will get in trouble. Is that a lie that Jake can block with the shield of faith? (Yes) Yes, God promises to take care of Jake, so he can do what's right and tell his parents about the secret.*
- *Ebony is sad because her cat died. If Ebony talks to God about how she feels, will He ignore her or comfort her? (Comfort her) Yes, God promises to comfort us when we're sad. When we hold up the shield of faith, it will block any lies that come our way and help us trust that God will do what He promises, like comfort us when we're sad.*
- *John's friend steals one of his Pokemon cards, but then he brings it back and says he is sorry. John doesn't want to forgive his friend because he is so angry. Could the devil be trying to trick John into staying angry at his friend? (Yes) Yes, God promises that forgiveness is best, and the devil wants to trick us into staying angry at people. What piece of armor can John hold up to block that trick and trust God's promise? (The shield of faith)*
- *Duke's best friend moves away and he feels all alone. Can Duke have faith that God will never leave him? (Yes) Yes! God promises that He will never leave us, and Duke can trust that promise.*
- *Eli keeps getting in trouble at school. He feels like his teacher and his parents are always mad at him. He's even starting to think that God is mad at him, too. Is that true or is that a lie that Eli can block with the shield of faith? (It's a lie) Yes! Eli can block that lie with the shield of faith and trust that God loves him and wants to help him do the right things.*
- *Drake got a cool, new art kit, but he won't let any of his friends play with it when they ask. Do you think the enemy is tricking Drake into being selfish? (Yes) Yes! If Drake holds up the shield of faith, will he keep being selfish or trust God's promise to bless him when he shares? (Trust God's promise)*
- *Janie's shoelace got stuck in her bike. She has been calling for help, but no one is coming. Who can Janie trust to help her? (God) Yes, God promises to help us in times of trouble. He can help Janie calm down and untangle her shoelace or He can make somebody hear her! Can we have faith that God can do anything? (Yes)*
- *A lot of things are changing in Anna's family—they are moving into a new house and her mom is about to have a baby. Anna's worried about all these big changes and it makes her wonder if God ever changes, too. Is it true that God changes? (No) God promises that He will never change! Anna can hold up the shield of faith to help her remember that God's promises are true forever.*
- *Sierra is getting really good at gymnastics and starts to tell her teammates that she is better than them. Do you think our enemy, the devil, may be tricking Sierra into telling other people she's better than them to hurt her friendships with her teammates? (Yes) Yes! The Bible says that God blesses us when we are humble and treat others as more important than ourselves. What piece of armor does Sierra need to hold up to help her remember and trust that promise from God? (The shield of faith)*

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ASK one of the following questions to the group once an item has been spotted.

- **Someone is making fun of Ellie and calling her ugly. But God promises that everything He makes, including Ellie, is wonderful and beautiful. What piece of God's armor can Ellie hold up to help her block that lie about being ugly and remember this promise from God?** (The shield of faith)
- **There's a tornado warning and Lincoln is scared. Who promises to take care of Lincoln? (God) When Lincoln holds up the shield of faith, what are some of God's promises that He can trust in?** (God loves him, will protect him, will take care of him, God is in control of the storm)
- **Someone tells Jake that he has to keep a secret from his parents or else he will get in trouble. Is that a lie? (Yes) Yes, God promises to take care of Jake, so he can do what's right and tell his parents about the secret. What piece of God's armor can Jake use to block that lie and trust God's promise?** (Shield of faith)
- **Ebony is sad because her cat died. If Ebony talks to God about how she feels, will He ignore her or comfort her? (Comfort her) Yes, God promises to comfort us when we're sad. If Ebony starts to doubt that God hears her or cares about her, what can she do? (Hold up the shield of faith, talk to someone who has faith in God) When we hold up the shield of faith, it will block any lies that come our way and help us trust that God will do what He promises, like comfort us when we're sad.**
- **John's friend steals his nice headphones, but then he brings them back and apologizes. John is still so angry. Could the devil be trying to trick John into staying angry at his friend? (Yes) Yes, God promises that forgiveness is best, and the devil wants to trick us into staying angry at people. What piece of armor can John hold up to block that trick and trust God instead?** (The shield of faith)
- **Duke's best friend moves away and he feels all alone. Can Duke have faith that God will never leave him? (Yes) Yes! God promises that He will never leave us, and Duke can trust that promise.**
- **Eli keeps getting in trouble at school. He feels like his teacher and his parents are always mad at him. He's even starting to think that God is mad at him, too. Is that true or is that a lie that Eli can block with the shield of faith? (It's a lie) Yes! Eli can block that lie with the shield of faith and trust that God loves him and wants to help him do the right things.**
- **Drake got a cool, new hover-board, but he won't let any of his friends play with it. Do you think the enemy could be tricking Drake into being selfish? (ALLOW responses) If Drake holds up the shield of faith, and remembers that God's promise to bless him when he's generous, what will he do differently? (Be generous, let his friends play with it, trust that God will take care of him and his things)**
- **Janie's shoelace got stuck in her bike. She has been calling for help, but no one is coming. Who can Janie trust to help her? (God) Yes, we can have faith in God, because He promises to help us in times of trouble. How can God help Janie in this situation? (He can help her calm down and untangle her shoelace, He can make somebody hear her) Can we have faith that God can do anything? (Yes)**
- **A lot of things are changing in Anna's family—they are moving into a new house and she's getting two new stepbrothers. Anna's worried about all these big changes and it makes her wonder if God ever changes, too. Is it true that God changes? (No) God promises that He will never change! Anna can hold up the shield of faith to help her trust that God's promises are true forever.**
- **Sierra is really good at gymnastics and starts telling her teammates that she is better than them. Do you think our enemy, the devil, may be tricking Sierra into telling other people she's better than them?(Yes) Why do you think he would do that? (To hurt her friendships with her teammates, to make her prideful) Yes! The Bible says that God promises to bless us when we are humble and treat others as more important than ourselves. What piece of armor does Sierra need to hold up to help her trust this promise from God? (The shield of faith) When Sierra holds up the shield of faith, how will she treat her teammates? (Encourage them, be kind to them)**







