

STEP ONE: Watch the EC video at hillsideonline.com/kids

STEP TWO: Repeat the verse twice with the motions!

"We have

(Bent hands to chest)

the Lord our God

(point up)

to help us."

(thumb up on palm)

2 Chronicles 32:8

(open hands like a book)

STEP THREE: Have fun with the activity "Teaching Under the Tree."

What you need:

Several plush friends

What you do:

Determine where your pretend tree will be. If you have a potted plant in your home, you could also pretend that is a tree. Invite your child to gather plush friends and place them under the "tree" to teach them things.

Say, "Let's find some plush friends that we can teach! We can put them over here and pretend we are under a tree like Deborah was in our story. Then you can teach them many different things! Can you teach them how to count to five? Nice job. Let's teach our friends how to say our ABC's! (Continue with others things your child knows.)"

In today's story, we heard about a lady named Deborah who was the leader of all God's people. She was their judge. Every day, she would stand under a tree. People would come and ask her what to do. Deborah knew God was with her. She trusted God to help her be wise and tell the people the right things to do. When God is with you, He helps you to be wise and do the right things, too. **Who is always with you? God is always with me."**

* the Bible reference for this week is Judges 4 & 5

STEP FOUR: Pray together as a family!

"Dear God, Thank You for the Bible. It is full of so many stories about people You have helped, like Deborah. You were always with her and helped her to be a wise leader. We believe You are always with us and will help us, too. You are the best, God, and we loved You. In Jesus' name, amen.

STEP FIVE: Trace the question mark.



STEP SIX: Deborah was able to answer hard questions because she knew God was always with her, helping her be wise. "We have the Lord our God to help us." 2 Chronicles 32:8