

Confidence means learning to see yourself the way God sees you.

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DAY 1

Read John 3:16 (NirV)

This month is all about confidence. When you think about that word, what comes to mind? On a piece of paper, write your own definition of confidence.

Maybe you think of confidence as being sure of something or of a belief in yourself. But confidence isn't about how YOU feel about yourself. We're defining confidence as learning to see yourself the way GOD sees you.

How do you think God sees you? What do you think God thinks about when He thinks about you?

We'll let you in on a little secret. **God thinks you are amazing.** After all, He made you. He's so crazy about you that He did something no one else would do. He sent His only Son, Jesus, so He could have a relationship with you, forever.

Ask an adult for a dry erase marker. On your bathroom mirror, write out John 3:16 all around the sides so that you can still see your own reflection. As you look in the mirror each morning, read the verse and remember just how much you are LOVED. You can have confidence because God loves you.

DAY 2

Read John 3:17 (NirV)

God sent Jesus to fix a big problem. You see, God made us to be in relationship with Him. But instead of trusting that God's way is the best way, people sinned. People chose to disobey God and do their own thing. By sending Jesus to die on the cross and take the punishment for our sin, God made a way for us to be forgiven. He sent Jesus because He loves us. God made a way for us to be in a relationship with Him forever.

Grab your dry erase marker from yesterday and write out this verse somewhere on your mirror. You can even cover where your face goes if you've run out of space.

As you look in mirror, **remember that God loves you so much that He sent Jesus, not to make you feel bad when you mess up, but to save you when you do.** That's how much God LOVES you.

DAY 3

Read Romans 6: 23 (NirV)

When you have a job, you earn a wage or paycheck. Your boss or company pays you what you are owed for the work you've done. Because of our sin—the things we do in disobedience to God—our payment should be separation from God.

But there is GOOD news. When we believe in Jesus and turn from our sin (*meaning, we choose to go God's way instead of our own*), **we will NOT be separated from God!**

Grab a piece of paper and write out the words of today's verse in big block letters.

- Draw a box around the words "wages" and "gift."
- Then draw an arrow from "wages" to the word "death" and "gift" to the words "eternal life."
- Draw a big X over the word "death."
- Circle the word "but" three times for emphasis.
- Finally, highlight or draw sunshine lines around eternal life to emphasize the huge GIFT God has given you through Jesus. Remember, you can have confidence because God loves you.

Show your verse to an adult. Point out all your boxes and arrows and other markings you've made. Then explain this verse in your own words.

DAY 4

Read Romans 10: 9-10 (NirV)

Read the following questions and then answer them according to what's written below.

- Do you like pizza? (*Say "yes" and nod your head "yes."*)
- Do you like homework? (*Say "no" and nod your head "no."*)
- Do you like to go to the pool? (*Say "yes" but nod your head "no."*)

Which example felt the weirdest? The last one! Today's verse reminds us that when it comes to trusting Jesus, our heart and our voice have to agree. In other words, it's not just enough to SAY we believe in Jesus and what He's done for us. **We need to believe it in our hearts.**

How do you feel about today's verse? Does your heart and your voice agree?

Have you made a choice to trust Jesus, to believe in your heart that He died and rose again, so you could be forgiven? Have you told anyone about this decision?

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