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Daily Reading Questions

Note: The questions were written from the wording in the NIV 1984. If you are using a different Bible translation, they may have to be adapted.

Digging Deeper: What does God do for those who trust him?

Reading 1: Psalm 18:1-6 God hears our cries.

What does it mean that God is our rock? Our fortress? Our deliverer? Our shield? Our salvation? Our stronghold? What would happen to us if God weren't these things for us?

Reading 2: Psalm 18:7-19 God rescues those in whom he delights.

What picture do verses 7-15 paint of God? What does God do for those in whom he delights? What causes God to delight in a person?

Reading 3: Psalm 18:20-24 God rewards a person according to his righteousness.

Why did David say he was righteous? (21-22) Since no one can fully follow God's law, how does a person truly become righteous in God's sight? What does Christ's gift of righteousness do for us?

Reading 4: Psalm 18:25-29 God saves the humble.

What does it mean to be humble? What is it about the humble that causes God to save them? What does it mean to be haughty? Why will God bring low the haughty?

Reading 5: Psalm 18:30-36 God gives us strength.

How is God different from all other living beings? What does God do for those who trust in him?

Reading 6: Isaiah 54:9-10 The Formation of Mountains

Look up the formation of mountains on the Internet and learn about how different types of mountains are formed. Reflect on whether the formation of mountains is a gradual or catastrophic event and whether the conditions at the time of the flood could have led to the formation of mountains.



UPPER ELEMENTARY-ADULT

LEVEL 4

HOME JOURNAL

LESSON 31



THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

What can we trust in times of trouble?

MEMORY VERSE

Psalm 18:2

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Parent Notes

- **Daily Reading:** Depending on the age and ability of your child, or parent preference, he/she may do the work in this journal independently or complete it with the parent. After reading the day's Bible passage, the student should identify an important truth that relates to that reading and answer the question why he/she needs to know that truth. It would be beneficial if the parent and student also read through and answer the questions about the day's reading from the **Daily Reading Questions** at the back of the booklet. Personal ideas and additional questions from the parent can also be included.
- **Lesson Verse:** The lesson verse which answers the week's big question should be practiced daily. One way to do this is to black out words in the verse each day and say the verse inserting the correct word. By the end of the week the whole verse would be blacked out and recited by memory.
- **Concluding Lesson:** To develop deeper understanding and a comprehensive biblical worldview, the parent should talk through with the student the **Thinking It Through** questions at the back of the booklet and then have the student write out the answers.
- **Completion:** If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day's work completed and the lesson verse memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- **Way to go, parents!** Your faithfulness in teaching your children the deed and statutes of the Lord isn't always easy, but it honors God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work! Remember Galatians 6:9, *And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.*

Concluding Lesson—Thinking It Through

Discuss these questions with a parent then write out your answers below.

- What is an important truth you learned from the Bible readings this week?
- How should that truth be lived out in your life?
- What would be the result of your living out that truth?
- What is a lie or deception people believe in terms of that truth?
- Why does that lie or deception appeal to people?
- What would be the result of believing and following that lie or deception?

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What is an important truth from the passage?

Why do you need to know that truth?

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What can we trust in times of trouble?

We can always trust that God is our rock and keeps us safe.

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DIGGING DEEPER

This week in your daily Bible readings you will be digging deeper. You will be reading passages describing what God does for those who trust him. As you read pray that your mind would be open to understand more fully the blessing that comes from trusting God. The questions for each reading are on the back cover. They will help you think more deeply about each passage.

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