

### Week 2 Theme: **Building Faith**

# Mealtime Day 9: God Keeps His Promises & He Knows What I Need



### **GET TOGETHER**

#### Gather around the table and have some fun!

Would you rather...

- Be able to shrink down to the size of an ant, or be able to grow to the size of a giraffe whenever you wanted?
- Be able to change color and camouflage yourself, or be invisible?
- Go back in time, or go forward to the future?
- Live on a sailboat, or in a cabin in the woods?
- Have the ability to talk to animals, or control the weather?

### GET TALKING

Read today's **Big Idea** and about the life of George Müller, then use the questions to get everyone talking. Work on memorizing the **Bible Verse** together.

\*Note to Parents: Encourage everyone to share because everyone's story is important, but depending on the age and personality of your family members, you may not get much of a response. Give your family time to let the question "soak in" and the space to respond when they are ready. You can guide the conversation and be the first one to share.

BIG IDEA God is faithful, which means He always keeps His promises. We can trust God and His Word. Because God is faithful, sovereign, and good, we can trust Him with our needs.

#### Read George Müller's story aloud on page 2.

You can learn more about him from *George Müller: The Guardian of Bristol's Orphans* by Janet and Geoff Bence.

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### GEORGE MÜLLER

(1805 - 1898)

George Müller was a Christian missionary and coordinator of orphanages in Bristol, England. Throughout his life, he shared the love of God by caring for over 120,000 orphan children. George believed that God wanted him to trust Him for everything the orphanages needed. So George never asked for money; instead, he would pray and trust God to provide. In his journal, George wrote down miracle after miracle of how God met their needs. This is one of his stories...

One morning, all the plates and cups and bowls on the table were empty. Three hundred hungry children waited patiently in rows behind their chairs. There was no food for the children to eat and no money to go buy food. George knew the children must be on time for school, so he led the children in prayer. He thanked God for what He would give them to eat.

There was a knock at the door. The baker stood there and told George that he couldn't sleep the night before because he had a feeling that the children needed bread for breakfast. The baker said that God wanted him to bake bread and bring it over to them for breakfast. So he got up at 2 in the morning, made bread and brought it over.

George thanked the baker and just as he left, there was a second knock at the door. It was the milkman. He announced that his milk cart broke right in front of the orphanage and he would like to give the children all his cans of fresh milk so he could fix his wagon.

All of the children made it to school on time with full bellies.

"Faith does not operate in the realm of the possible. There is no glory for God in that which is humanly possible. Faith begins where man's power ends."

George Müller





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### Use these questions to talk about the truth that God keeps His promises.

- What stood out to you about this story from the life of George Müller?
- When has God answered your prayer and provided something you needed?
- Does God always provide for your needs how you think He will?
  Why or why not?
- Pray together. God loves you and He knows what you need! Thank God for keeping His promises! Thank Him specifically for the ways He has provided. Share with each other personal needs and the needs of your friends, community, and world.

### BIBLE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

PROVERBS 3:5-6

### Here are a few ideas for having fun as you read the Bible verse out loud

- Write or type out the verse onto a sheet of paper. Cut out the individual words and tape each word to a domino. Put the words in order and stand each domino up. Say the verse together and then knock the dominoes over.
- Write or type out the verse onto a sheet of paper. Cut out the individual words and tape each word to a building block or Lego. Build a structure as you put the words of the verse in order. Say the verse together.

### **GET GOING**

 Create an indoor obstacle course in your home using whatever cushions, chairs, and other items you like. Have everyone choose a partner. One person will be the leader; the other will be blindfolded. Have the leader build trust by carefully guiding the blindfolded partner through the course. Then switch roles!

