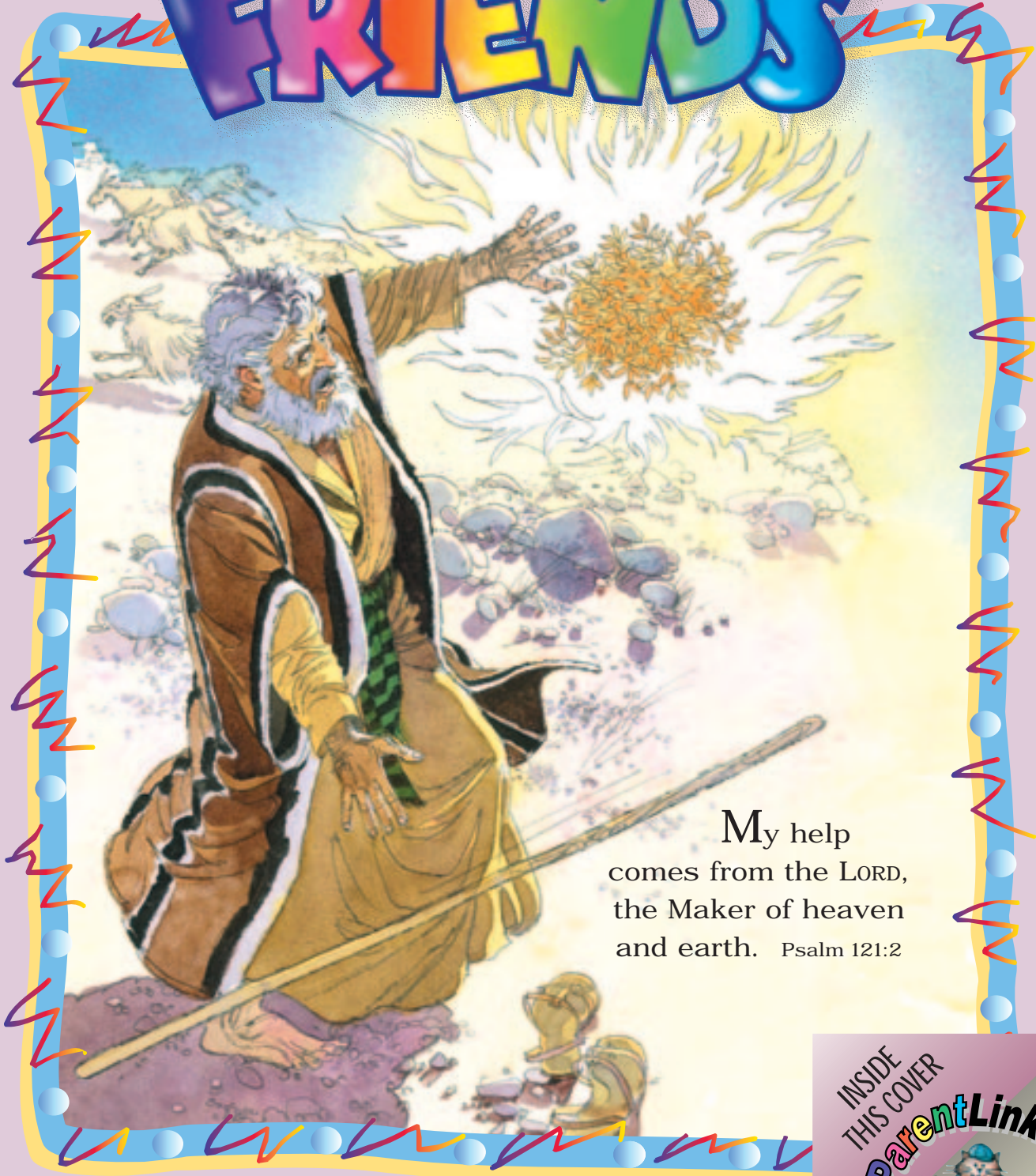


# FRIENDS



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comes from the LORD,  
the Maker of heaven  
and earth. Psalm 121:2

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**ParentLink**



# ParentLink



## VerseLink

Help your child practice the Bible memory verses for this quarter.

### Lesson 1

We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him. Romans 8:28

### Lesson 2

My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness. 2 Corinthians 12:9

### Lesson 3

Let us not become weary in doing good. Galatians 6:9

### Lesson 4

Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people. Hebrews 9:28

### Lesson 5

Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Psalm 105:2

### Lesson 6

Do everything without complaining or arguing. Philippians 2:14

### Lesson 7

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. Psalm 119:105

### Lesson 8

Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give. 2 Corinthians 9:7

### Lesson 9

Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9

### Lesson 10

You who fear him, trust in the LORD—he is their help and shield. Psalm 115:11

### Lesson 11

If you pay attention to these laws and are careful to follow them, then the LORD your God will keep his covenant of love with you. Deuteronomy 7:12

### Lesson 12

Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise. Ephesians 5:15

### Lesson 13

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**TEACHER:**  
SEND ParentLink  
HOME TO PARENTS THE  
FIRST WEEK OF THE QUARTER



## *KidLink*

Here are ways you can help your second or third grader develop a prayer relationship with God.

- Encourage your child to talk to God in his or her own words. Your child doesn't need to use certain phrases, special words, or adult language when speaking to God. Kids can be themselves when talking to their Friend, Jesus.
- Make prayer timely. Don't save it only for mealtime and bedtime. Whenever there's a problem, pray about it right then. Whenever something good happens, stop and thank God for it.
- Keep a prayer journal with your child. It doesn't have to be fancy or elaborate. Just write down your prayer requests; then go back to them later to see how God answered.
- Let your child hear you pray and listen to you talk about prayer requests with others. Let your child know that you spend time praying specifically for him or her.

## *HomeLink*

Here's a family activity to extend what your child has been learning in Sunday school each month.

### *September*

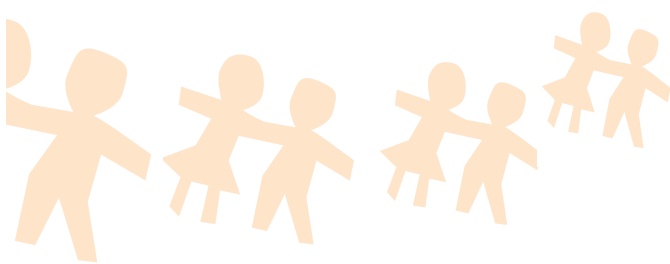
- Use play dough for your family to create characters from this unit's Bible stories—Moses, Pharaoh, and a few Israelites. Store the characters in airtight containers and bring them out each Sunday this month for a recap of the week's story.

### *October*

- Have the whole family use October's memory verses to reach out to others. Record one each week on your answering machine along with your greeting. Write a verse on the back of each envelope you mail. Type verses onto the end of e-mail messages to friends and family.

### *November*

- Make a praise jar, decorating it as a family activity. Cut out small squares of paper to keep near it. Throughout the month, encourage everyone to write down things they are thankful for—something different each day—to put in the jar. Use the squares for giving thanks at Thanksgiving!



time  
**OUT**

It seems that everywhere you look, there's a talk show on TV and radio these days, yet it seems that parents rarely talk with their kids. Can't think of anything to say? Ask them to tell you about:

- x *their favorite vacation or summer memories*
- x *what kind of pet they would love to have and why*
- x *when they were the most afraid*
- x *what they wish you would do more often*
- x *what they wish you would do less often*
- x *their favorite relative*
- x *their least favorite relative*
- x *why they like (or dislike) their school*
- x *their favorite holiday*
- x *their best friend*
- x *what they enjoy most and least at church*
- x *what makes them happy*
- x *what worries them the most*

**Nothing is impossible with God.**  
Luke 1:37

**What's the most valuable gift you can give your children?**

*Your time.*



## Coming Up in Sunday School

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| <b>1 God sees the whole picture even when we don't.</b><br>Exodus 1:7—2:10        | <b>8 We can use our talents for God.</b><br>Exodus 25:1-9; 35:4—36:7       |
| <b>2 With God's help we can do more than we think.</b><br>Exodus 3:1—4:20         | <b>9 Believing in God makes us strong and brave.</b><br>Numbers 13:1—14:45 |
| <b>3 Trust God and keep trying.</b> Exodus 5:1—10:29                              | <b>10 Trusting in God helps us make hard choices.</b><br>Joshua 2:1—3:17   |
| <b>4 God gives us a way to be saved.</b> Exodus 11:1—12:42                        | <b>11 Obey God even when it doesn't make sense.</b><br>Joshua 5:13—6:27    |
| <b>5 God gives us reasons to celebrate.</b> Exodus 13:17—15:21                    | <b>12 We are wise when we ask God what to do.</b><br>Joshua 9:1-27         |
| <b>6 Whining displeases God and others.</b><br>Exodus 15:22—16:24; Numbers 11:4-9 | <b>13 God can help in big or small ways.</b> Joshua 10:1-14                |
| <b>7 God's rules teach us how to live His way.</b><br>Exodus 19:1—20:21           |  |

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