



# KIDS HOUSE PARTY

PARENT GUIDE

June 21<sup>st</sup>

## Life App Definition

Faith — trusting in what you can't see because of what you can see

## Main Idea

God came to Ananias, a follower of Jesus living in Damascus. Ananias knew Paul's reputation, but he trusted that God would take care of him. He might have been scared, but he trusted that Jesus could change anyone, including a man like Paul. Knowing Jesus gives us a peace that passes all understanding. We might fear something from time to time, but we can put our trust in Jesus and know that we can face anything when He's with us.

## Memory Verse

"Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see"  
(Hebrews 11:1 NIRV).

## Bottom Line

Knowing Jesus can help you face your fears.

## Small-Group Discussion

Review the story and use the following questions to reinforce the lesson learned from the story.

- What news had Ananias and the Jesus-followers received?
- How did Ananias feel about the news?
- Who came to speak to Ananias?
- What did God ask Ananias to do? How did he feel about it?
- Even though he was afraid, what did Ananias do?
- What is one fear you wish you didn't have? How might God help you have courage in that area?
- If someone is brave or courageous, does that mean they're not afraid? Why or why not?
- How does knowing Jesus help us face our fears?

## Object Lesson

The following activity is intended to help your children apply the lesson that was learned in today's House Party. Complete the activity as a family by following the steps below.

### Supplies Needed

→ Play-Doh

\*If you don't have Play-Doh, try using Legos or paper and markers.

### Activity

- Give your children some Play-Doh.
- Instruct them to create something that shows the scariest thing they've ever done.
  - Some suggestions are taking a test, performing on stage, making a new friend, giving a speech at school, or trying something for the first time.
- As they finish, have them share what they created.
- Ask them what helped them be brave and conquer that scary thing.
- Share with them that everyone gets afraid sometimes. Even grownups who believe in Jesus and have a friendship with Him get scared! **(Make it personal. Quickly share an example of something that makes you feel afraid.)** But guess what? God is always with me. And He's always with you, too! When you know Jesus, God's Holy Spirit is in you and will be with you. He will help you face your fears. We can say it this way: **knowing Jesus can help you face your fears.**

### Prayer

Take a moment and pray with your children. Ask God to help them to believe that Jesus is always with them.

Dear God,

You know everything about us. You knew what our fears were even before we voiced them. You know when we face situations that make us nervous or when we're scared how things will turn out. Help us to believe that Jesus is with us, just as He was with Ananias. Grow our faith so we can trust that the Holy Spirit is our helper and is always with us, helping us face whatever we fear. We love You. In Jesus' name, amen.