

# Take Home Sheet

Carry on the conversation at home and build faith with us!



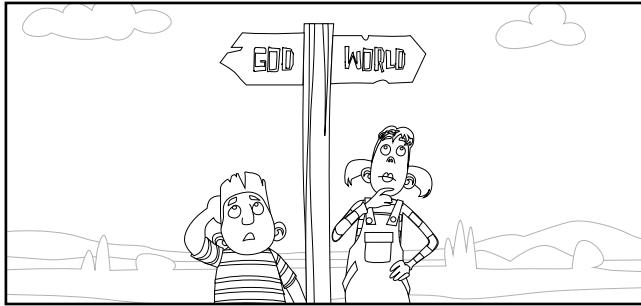
## Truth that changes me:

Live like someone who belongs to God, not like someone who belongs to the world.



## Faith in Kids looks like:

Children who choose to obey God because they belong to him.



Look at the picture from today's story – you could colour it in, then choose a path to follow:

- "Talk together" gently starts a conversation about today's big truth.
- "Open the Bible" encourages you to read and apply the truth together.

## Talk Together

Read the verses: "So, you people are not loyal to God! You should know that loving the world is the same as hating God. So if a person wants to be a friend of the world he makes himself God's enemy ... Come near to God, and God will come near to you." James 4:4 and 8a

Use the picture and the verses to answer:

- If we love the world, what will we be to God?
- What does God want us to do?
- If we do that, what will God do?

God wants us to love him with our whole hearts and to follow his ways. We cannot follow the ways of the world and the ways of God at the same time. Can you tell me...

- 3 things people might be tempted to love more than God.
- 2 times someone has told you to do something God wouldn't want you to do.
- 1 way we can come near to God.

**Live it out:** Can you think of someone loyal? In a book, a film or someone you know? What about someone disloyal? How do you feel when someone is disloyal? God wants his people to be loyal to him, because he loves them a lot and has given them everything.

**A prayer to pray:** Dear God, sorry that we do not love you wholeheartedly. Please help us to come near to you and to follow you. Thank you that you will come near to us if we do. Amen.

## Open the Bible

Read James 4:4-10 and use the picture to talk about some of the following questions:

### 7s and under

- Who can we choose to follow? Can we follow both?
- What should we be sad about?
- How could you come near to God this week?

### 8s and over

- Why is loving the world not following God?
- How should we come to God? What should we be like? Look at v8-10.
- What does God promise to do for people who come near to him and follow him?

**Live it out:** Loving the world means loving things that are against God and choosing to follow ways that are not God's ways. Instead, God wants us to love him wholeheartedly and to follow his ways. This week, write down the different times when you have chosen to follow and love God, not the world. How did it feel putting God first?

**Pray:** Thank God that he gives us grace, even when we are not loyal. Say sorry for the ways you try to follow God and the world at the same time. Ask God to help you to come near to him this week.