

GRADE 3  
CHAPTER Nineteen  
Belonging to God

Objectives

- To understand the meaning of the words covenant and Christian
- To learn about the sacred covenant between God and Israel
- To recognize ways in which God keeps his covenant with us today

Step One: Invite: Name your personal experience

- Complete the activity on p. 197
- Take out a family album and talk about some of the picture of people you don't know well. Who are they? How are they related to you? Are they alive or dead? Why do you keep their picture?
- Interview your grandparents or aunts, uncles or parents and find out what kind of things they did for fun when they were your age. Did they ever make promises with their friends? Did they ever break their promises? What happened?
- Draw a picture of you keeping a promise you have made to someone.

Step Two: Explore: Understand the meaning of God's Word

- Read the story on p. 198 and then p. 199. What was the covenant Between God and the people of Israel?
- Complete the activity on p. 199
- Read about the early Christians on p. 200 and answer the question.
- Complete the activity on p. 201
- Create a poster with examples of ways in which today's Christians keep their covenant with God

Step Three: Celebrate: Offer prayers of praise and thanksgiving

- Complete the activity on p. 204
- Use the Prayer of Faith on p. 202 to close

Faith Activities: Tips

- Throughout each chapter, there will be sections marked "Activity."
- Feel free to choose as many activities as you wish to share with your family. At a minimum, choose one activity above and beyond what might be mentioned in Steps 1-3.
- Follow the directions for the activity, share popcorn or a treat, relax and enjoy it.
- Post any artwork until the next lesson and then use the next chapter's activity to take its place.