



Family Devotional: Trusting God Even When Others Don't

Theme: Staying faithful to Jesus when family, friends, or classmates don't share your faith.

Main Scripture:

 *Mark 6:4* –

“A prophet is honored everywhere except in his own hometown and among his relatives and his own family.”

Think About It


Have you ever believed in something really strongly—but the people around you just didn't get it? Maybe they laughed, ignored you, or acted like you were being dramatic.

That's what happened to **Jesus**.

- His **brothers didn't believe in Him** at first. (John 7:5)
- His **neighbors in Nazareth** thought He was just a carpenter. (Mark 6:3)
- Even some **friends and relatives** thought He was “out of His mind.” (Mark 3:21)

But Jesus didn't give up. He **kept trusting God**, and He kept loving the people around Him—even when they didn't believe.

Faith Truth to Remember

 *We're not responsible for changing hearts—God is.*

Our job is to **live faithfully, pray boldly, and share what Jesus has done** in our lives.

Even though Jesus was rejected, He didn't stop doing what God sent Him to do—and we don't have to either.

Family Discussion Questions

1. **Have you ever felt left out or misunderstood because of your faith?**
How did it make you feel?



2. **Why do you think Jesus' family had a hard time believing in Him?**
How would you feel if your brother or sister said they were the Son of God?
3. **What are some ways we can keep trusting God when others don't?**
4. **Who is one person in your life who doesn't know Jesus yet?**
What's one thing you can pray or do to show God's love to them?

Bonus Bible Insight

After the resurrection, Jesus' brother **James** became a believer (Acts 1:14) and even wrote the **Book of James** in the Bible! That's a reminder to never give up—**God is always working.**

Family Prayer

Dear God,
Thank You for loving us even when others don't understand our faith. Help us to be strong and kind, even when our friends or family don't believe in You. Show us how to trust You like Jesus did. Help us share Your love by the way we live. We pray for the people we love who don't know You yet—open their hearts, and use us to be part of their story. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Weekly Family Challenge

Pick **one person**—a friend, family member, or classmate—who doesn't believe in Jesus yet.

This week:

- **Pray for them every day**
- **Show kindness** in a simple way
- **Look for a chance to share something Jesus has done in your life**

Write their name on a sticky note or index card and put it somewhere you'll see every day—like the fridge or bathroom mirror—as a reminder to **pray and trust God with their heart.**