Cliffhanger: The story isn’t over

Use this guide to help your family learn how God can help us have grit.

Activity
World Prayer Map

What You需: 
Printed blank world map (https://bit.ly/3c38LYY); pencil; smartphone or computer/tablet with internet access

What You Do: 
Hand your child a blank world map and a pencil. Ask them if they can name any of the continents or countries they see on their map. Help them fill in the continents if they can’t do so on their own.

Explain that everywhere, all over the world, kids just like them are going through hard things. God doesn’t just know what we are going through; God knows what every person EVERYWHERE is going through. Just like we pray for God to help us, we can ask God to help other kids in other parts of the world to hold on, too.

Tell your child to circle an area or country on their map (other than your home country) that they will commit to praying for. Then do a quick internet search for stories from the country your child chose, to give them some specifics to pray over.

Tell them that whenever they pray for God to help them push through something hard, they can then pray also for the kids in the area of the world they circled on their map.

Talk About the Bible Story
How would have felt if you had been Moses and saw a burning bush talking to you?

What can we learn from Moses and the Israelites about hard times? (God knew everything they were going through; God was always with them.)

Parent: Share a story of a time when you knew God was with you. Make sure your kid knows that even though what you were going through was hard, God knew what you were going through, and was with you the whole time.

Grit: Refusing to give up when life gets hard

Memory Verse
“Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don’t give up.” Galatians 6:9, NIV

Bible Story
Burning Bush and the 10 Plagues
Exodus 3–6:12, 7–12:42

Bottom Line
Hold on because God knows what you are going through.

Prayer
Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

“Dear God, thank You for knowing us so well and always knowing what we’re going through, especially when we’re going through stuff that’s hard to tell others about. Please help kids all over the world feel Your presence and know that You are with them. Remind our family to show Your love to everyone we meet and to help others know that You can help them push through whatever hard thing they’re going through. We love You. In Jesus’ name we pray, amen.”