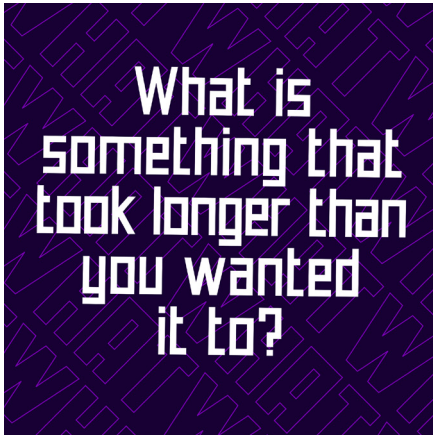


Spend some time thinking about the question below and journal your thoughts or share them with a parent.



Five horizontal dotted lines for journaling.

Eight horizontal dotted lines for journaling.



Day 1

After watching, write one thing that:

Visit the Parent Cue app (available for iOS and Android) to watch this week's Bible story.

Download it for free at parentcue.org/app.

Even if you already saw it at church, feel free to check it out again!

1. You liked:

2. You learned:

3. You'd like to know:

Day 2

Read Ezra 3:10-13

Today, you're not just going to read your Bible, you're also going to bring it to life with your own sound effects. Read Ezra 3:10-13 out loud, and every time you read something that makes a sound, do your best impression of that sound. Pro-tip: You should end up with at least six different sound effects.

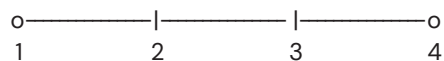
It may have felt a bit silly to make all those sounds, but sometimes you have to "let your hair down," or cut loose to celebrate! And the Israelites had plenty of reason to celebrate—not only had God saved them out of slavery, but now—after following God's commands—the temple's foundation had been restored. Before long, they would have a beautiful complete temple, but that didn't mean they shouldn't celebrate now. They knew God was at work, and that meant they should **celebrate each step of the way**.



Day 3

Think about something you've been praying for recently—maybe even a long time—that you feel you still haven't received an answer for.

If you can't think of anything that actually happened to you, you can use an example from someone else's life. Using a sheet of paper, copy the timeline below and write a problem on one side and the answer you were praying for on the other. Then use the other lines in between to come up with a few different times you can celebrate. (Example: You don't have to be fully healed from a broken leg to celebrate—there are many steps to healing where you can see what God is doing!)



1 _____
(Prayer request)

2 _____
(What you can celebrate)

3 _____
(What you can celebrate)

4 _____
(Answered prayer)

After you've filled in the blanks, think about HOW you might celebrate those steps along the way. One way you can do that is by thanking God for each step forward. Circle where you are on the timeline and celebrate what God is doing by giving thanks!

Day 4

Grab a sheet of paper, something to write with, and something to press down on.

Then go around the house, interviewing everyone. If you are seeing other people today, take the paper with you and ask them the questions too. The more responses you get, the better!

- What is something that took longer than you wanted it to?
- Did you celebrate when it was over or when you met your goal?
- Did you ever stop to celebrate the steps that brought you closer to the end? If so, how? If not, would you do it differently now?

At the end of the day, take a look at the information you gathered. What can you learn from the people you talked to? What is your biggest takeaway from your interviews?



Day 5

What is something you're looking forward to, but it will take a bit of work to get there?

Maybe it's:

- Going to middle school
- Earning/saving enough money to buy a game system
- Learning a new trick in your sport
- Performing in a piano recital for the first time
- Or something totally different!

Grab a sheet of paper and draw a line down the middle. On the left side of the paper, write out the steps you are taking to get to that goal.

Next, on the right side, write down a way you can **celebrate each step of the way**.

One of the benefits of celebrating each step of the way, is that it makes the journey to your goal much more fun! So go and celebrate!