

ROAD TRIP GAMES

Faith Focused



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Hello Christian Travelers!

I'm so glad that you downloaded this resource because our travels are a wonderful opportunity to discuss our faith with those around us.

Do you believe in the power of stories? I do. When we tell honest stories about things that happen in our life, people listen. They ask questions. As Christians we are called to tell stories, but ones that reflect our Creator. The hope is that as you play these games with your family, friends, or other fellow travelers... that you would find yourself telling stories. Stories of your life experiences and how God has moved in your life. Stories from the Bible that resonated with you. Or even opening up the Scriptures to learn more about what God says about certain topics. You don't have to know all the answers to talk about your faith. You simply have to be willing to share what you do know and learn as other questions come up.

So how do you use this resource?

Step 1. Print these items on cardstock and if possible, also laminate them. This will extend their use as much as possible.

Step 2. Read the instructions for whichever activity you want to try.

Step 3. Have fun on your adventures with Christ!

Faith Bingo Instructions: Have you ever played car bingo? This is basically the same thing, but with an added faith component. As you drive by, keep a lookout for the items on your bingo card. Mark them off as you find them. The first to get five in a row, column, or diagonally wins. (The Faith Bingo is a free bonus spot.) To include the faith component, following the game look up the Bible verses and read the story surrounding it for context. Discuss how the item listed in bold in that square relates to that Bible passage.

How Well Do You Know Your Neighbor Instructions: When you meet people for the first time you often play ice breakers. This game however, may be a reverse ice breaker because it is a lot of fun with people you already know and with people you do not. Find a partner and ask them a question about yourself (ie. How many siblings do I have?). Then reverse roles so that they ask you a question about themselves. For each question you answer correctly about the other person, you get a point. First person to 5 wins. The card attached lists some topic suggestions for those moments when you think you are running out of questions. Be willing to pause and share your stories!

Faith Stanley Instructions: We have all heard of Flat Stanley, but Faith Stanley likes traveling too. Take pictures with Faith Stanley at your travel destinations, read the Bible passage, and discuss the questions below. Faith Stanley likes seeing the world and talking about our amazing powerful God!

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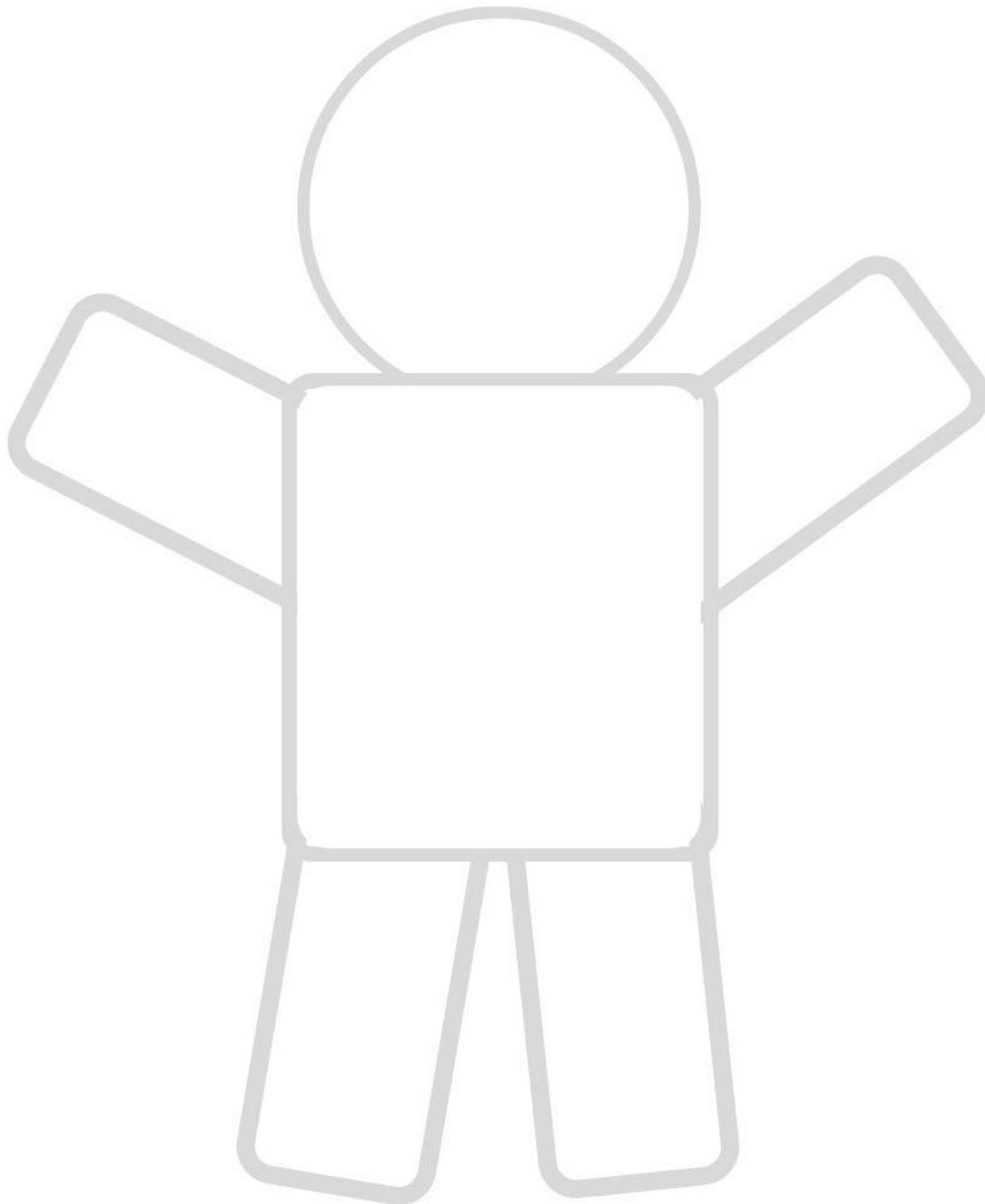
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Who knows me best?

Instructions: One person asks a get to know you question about themselves (ie. What is my favorite color?) and the other person gets one guess. If they get it right, they get a point. Then the other person asks a get to know you question about themselves and you get to guess. This repeats until one of you reaches a set amount of points. Here are some topics to help you think of get to know you questions:

Creating Things	Important Bible Verses	Friends
Fitness	Awkward Moments	Awards
Clothing	Family	Significant Faith Moments
Sleep	Hobbies	Cars
Pet Peeves	Favorites	Coffee
Food	Gifts	Photography
Beliefs about heaven & hell	Holidays	Landscapes
Beliefs about death	Witnessing/Outreach	Transitions
Struggles in Faith Walk	Seasons	Goals
Time Spent in God's Word	Music/Videos/Books	People Influenced Your Faith
Worship	Games	If You Could Meet God
Confirmation	Sports	Volunteering
Faith Goals	Jobs	Super Heroes
View of Christ	Pets	Dreams
Worry	Actors/Actresses	Career
Injuries	School	National Parks
Travel	Clubs	Animals

Hi! My name is Faith Stanley! Take me with you on your adventures and use the hashtag #CTNFaithStanley and be sure to tag the Christian Travelers' Network!



**Hi! I'm Faith Stanley and I like to travel. Where are you headed next?
As you travel and see the following sights I have some Bible verses
and faith conversation starters you can discuss with those you are
traveling with! #CTNFaithStanley**

We saw fireworks...

Take a picture with me, Faith Stanley, watching the fireworks.

Read John 8:12-30

Discuss what makes fireworks so fascinating. Jesus is the light of the world and Satan is the darkness. What are some things that you are fearful of in the dark? What is so comforting about the light? How can we reflect Jesus' light into our world? This passage also discusses how Jesus is confident in where He comes from (God the Father) and where He is going (Heaven). Discuss moments of your own confidence or doubt in God and living with Him in eternity. What has brought you comfort in moments of doubt?

We went to a body of water (pool, ocean, lake, etc.)...

Take a picture with me, Faith Stanley, enjoying the water.

Read Exodus 14:5-31

Moses was called on to lead God's people out of captivity. Can you imagine the fear they had when they were surrounded (the Red Sea in front of them and their enemies chasing them from behind)? Yet, God kept them safe and parted the sea so they could get to dry ground. What would it look like if the waters you current are looking at parted? When the people got the other side they celebrated because God had protected them. Discuss a time when you were afraid, but looking back you can see God taking care of you.

We went to a sporting event...

Take a picture with me, Faith Stanley, doing a victory pose at the sporting event.

Read 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

When you think of the Super Bowl or the World Cup how far back can you remember the winners? Eventually all winners are forgotten because their prize is only temporary. Paul calls us to strive to keep our focus on God who is the ultimate and eternal prize. Discuss the importance of doing your best while training for a sport. How does training prepare you for the game? What are some ways that we can train, as Christians, for the ultimate prize (eternity in

heaven)? Remember – we are not saved by our works, but by faith alone. (Refer to Ephesians 2:8)

We went camping...

Take a picture with me, Faith Stanley, by your bonfire eating smores.

Read Exodus 16:1-36

The Israelites had been freed, but soon they were grumbling that they didn't have decent food. God sent them mana that appeared on the ground like dew in the morning. What are some of your favorite camping foods? How would you react if you woke up to find bread all over the ground in the morning? Discuss how we can express thanks for the blessings that we do have.

We went to an amusement park...

Take a picture with me, Faith Stanley, in front of your favorite ride.

Read 2 Corinthians 11:16-32

There are many things to boast about. Many of us like to boast about what we did this summer or how many likes we have on social media. Very rarely we remember that we are called to boast in Jesus rather than our own experiences. As someone who enjoys adventure – how can you relate to all the things Paul has experienced? What do you think it means to boast in Christ? How have you seen God in your adventures this week? How can you boast about Him to others you talk to?

We went to a national park...

Take a picture with me, Faith Stanley, in front of a gorgeous landscape.

Read John 1:19-34

John the Baptist was Jesus' cousin, called to proclaim the coming Christ. As far as we know this was the first time that they met. Why do you think they met in the wilderness? Discuss what makes nature a special place for you. How does nature make you aware of God's presence? If you pass a stream or stop to drink some water, discuss your baptism and why it was an important occasion.

We adventured around our home town...

Take a picture with me, Faith Stanley, near one of your favorite activities in your community.

Read Ezra 3:1-13

In chapter 2 we learn that God's people had been scattered, but finally get to return home. In chapter 3 we read that they find their temple destroyed and people living there worshipping false gods. This made them worried, so they made it a priority to worship God and rebuild the temple. What Christian places or things have received negative publicity in your community? Discuss ways you can show a sense of awe towards God as you travel through your hometown.

We packed our suitcases...

Take a picture with me, Faith Stanley, and your suitcases!

Read Mark 6:7-13

Jesus sent the disciples out with the bare minimum. He wanted them to trust in the Lord. The other argument that can be raised is that we are to use the blessings God provides for us. Discuss what either extreme (leaving with hardly anything vs. overpacking) looks like. What impact does either have on your trust/conversations with God during your travels? Is there anything you need to add or remove from your suitcase after reading this passage? Discuss the importance of packing your Bible when you travel.

We paid it forward...

Take a picture with me, Faith Stanley, next to whatever item you will be using to pay forward. Be sneaky though! You don't want others to know about this!

Read Hebrews 13:1-25

Scriptures encourage us to take care of those around us. To show love to enemies and to care for the needs of others. What things in this passage resonate with you? What needs have you seen from those around you? Discuss why it isn't good to brag about paying forward. Discuss whether or not you should share this Faith Stanley image and why.