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Pixar's Onward Family Discussion Guide

Ian's Bridge of Faith

In order to get across the bottomless pit and continue their journey, Ian has to use a spell that makes him an invisible bridge. Barley tells him the only way it will work is if he really has faith in the bridge--even when he can't see it.

Ian successfully makes the bridge but when he gets halfway over and realizes that Barley isn't holding the rope, he begins to freak out and actually falls!

Read [Matthew 14:22-32](#).

Peter was actually walking on the water until he looked down and realized that what he was doing was, well, impossible! What does Jesus say to him? "You of little faith. Why did you doubt?"

When we keep our eyes on Jesus, we can have faith and not doubt the big miracles and plans He has in store for us. Jesus is more powerful than any pretend magic or even a strong rope!

Family Activity for Littles: With food coloring, dye some shaving cream blue. Pour on a (covered!) table and let kids use plastic toys to act out the story of Peter and Jesus walking on the water. Specifically have them repeat and use Peter's words, "Lord save me!" and Jesus' words, "It is I! Do not be afraid."

Family Activity for Big kids: Read the Bible story a few times. Have different people read the lines of Jesus and of Peter. Then, get out a piece of paper or journals and write down Jesus' words on one side of the paper and Peter's on the other. Talk about events/situations where our words/thoughts might mirror Peter's. Then discuss how much stronger Jesus' words are--and how much better for us to remember and have faith in His words.

More fun: Needtobreathe's [Walking on Water](#) (for big kids) or [Peter Walked on the Water](#) (for little kids)

Ian & Barley's Quest

While searching for the magical stone to help bring their dad back, Ian and Barley go on a huge quest. Ian has to learn how to do magic spells, learn to drive and more. Barley has to continue even when his ideas aren't appreciated by Ian. They have obstacles at every turn. But they persevere until the very end--really, even past that as they didn't find the stone when they came to (what they thought was) the end of their journey.

Read [Hebrews 12:1-3](#).

The writer of Hebrews encourages us to be perseverant in our relationship with Jesus. As we go through the obstacles of life, we are to look to Jesus as the example of someone who persevered for us!

Family activity for little kids: [Make fingerprint ants](#) and learn how ants persevere and are diligent in their work!

Family Activity for big kids: On a piece of paper or in a journal write down the 3 things Hebrews 12:1-3 mentions about how we should live. (1. Throw off sin 2. Run with perseverance 3. Fix our eyes on Jesus) Think about a chore/event/part of life that you tend to say, "I can't do this!" or "It's too hard!" or you avoid doing because you dislike it. Write that thing below your list. Then write another list below on how you can use those 3 things to guide you in completing this activity. (For example: I hate doing my homework. 1. Throw off hiding my homework from my parents. 2. Sit down and do it before I watch TV. 3. Memorize a verse about perseverance.)

More fun: [Kids of Integrity](#) has prayers, memory verses, activities and more to help you and your family learn and understand Biblical perseverance! I highly recommend it!