

## ONE CONVERSATION

**Parents:** *The Book of Joshua is a continuation of the story of God's rescue of His people out of slavery in Egypt. It begins with God challenging Joshua, the new leader of His people, to not let fear control him. As God commissions and confirms His promises to Joshua, three times He commands Joshua to "be strong and courageous" (Josh. 1:6,8,9). Doing God's will and living for His glory requires courage. If this sounds difficult to you, it should. The calling God placed on Joshua's life was intense. God was going to use him to establish His people in a foreign land among pagan people. The good news, however, is that the courage this task required would not come from Joshua himself, but from God's promises. When we lean into the promises of God, we find the courage necessary to live on mission for Him.*

*Discuss Joshua 1 with your son or daughter and emphasize the Central Truth throughout the week as you are able to. Spend time praying for your student, specifically that God would give him or her courage to stand for Him and live on mission for Him.*

## CENTRAL TRUTH

*When we lean into the promises of God, we will find the courage necessary to live on mission for Him.*

## PERSONAL CHALLENGE

- › **Dwell:** Read Psalm 16. Take special note of the psalmist's awareness of God's presence and how that influenced his attitudes, actions, and perspective. Journal a prayer to God asking Him to help you grow in your awareness of His ever-presence in your life. Pray that knowing this would help you live confidently for His glory.
- › **Memorize:** Joshua 1:5
- › **Pray:** Ask God to give you the courage you need to live on mission for Him in your school, your neighborhood, and in your activities. Pray that He would help you to remember and lean on His promises, knowing that in and of yourself you are not strong enough to fulfill the mission God has given you. Thank Him for promising to see you through and to be with you every step of the way.