#### Sparklers @ Home Week 38.

#### Jeremiah buys a field Jeremiah 31:1-6; 32:1-15

Hi Sparklers,

This week is about Jeremiah trusting God.

#### **Activity – Poster**

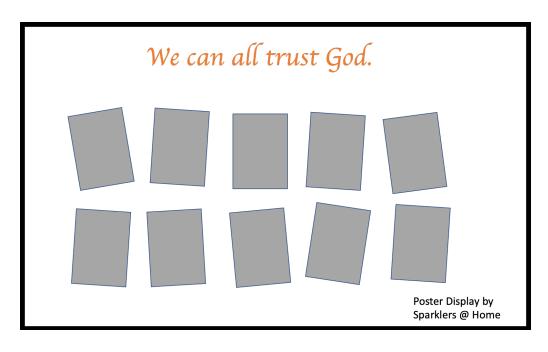
This week we are going to create posters we can decorate the Church with, even though we are not there at the moment some of the adults are and it will be great to show them that we are still meeting even if we cannot be there in person.

Jeremiah and his people were worried and sad when they had to leave their land, but they trusted that God would look after them. They knew he would keep his promised to them.

We can trust God too, however we feel. Can you think of a time you have been happy (or sad, frightened, excited, lonely). Why not chat with the adult about these times. In all of these times you can trust God.

Get a piece of A4 paper and draw a picture of some children in one of these times. They can be happy, sad, excited or frightened. With help from an Adult write at the bottom what this picture is about.

We are going to add all these pictures to a poster in church you can send as many pictures as you like.



When you have completed your pictures ask an Adult to help send them to the following address so we can display them all. In a future week we will show you a photo of them all up in Church.

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#### Bible Story.

If you remember last time Jeremiah was watching the potter. Jeremiah had been telling people what God was saying, but this had made some people unhappy, and now Jeremiah was in prison.

God told Jeremiah that he should buy a field. But there was a problem. Jeremiah was in prison. If he bought a field, who would look after it? He would not be able to grow things in it or have sheep to eat the grass there.

Jeremiah's cousin came to see him. "I've got a field to sell.", he told Jeremiah. "Would you like to buy it?"

"This must be the field God wants me to buy", Jeremiah thought. So Jeremiah paid his cousin some money.

And his cousin gave him a piece of paper that said the field was Jeremiah's.

Jeremiah put the piece of paper away safely.

God spoke to Jeremiah "One day everyone will be free to look after the fields again."

Jeremiah trusted God and knew that God always does what he says he will.

#### **Activity sheet**

Print out the Bubbles sheet at the back of the pack

On this you can see some things you may be able to trust God about. Look at them carefully and decide which you can and if you agree put a tick in the box.

#### **God's Promises**

Jeremiah and all of God's people had to leave their homes and go live in a different country, but they always remembered God's promise that one day they would be able to go home and farm their land again.

At the back of the pack is a rhyme we can say together. Every time we say the word promise why not put your hands on your heart.

# I can trust God!

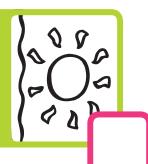
Show your child where to tick the box, if they think they can trust God.

The examples are a mix of literal, funny and spiritual aspects of learning to trust. It is a lifelong gift that can be stimulated and nurtured in many ways.
"Trust" is a concept that

needs to be experienced before it can be understood.

Think about your child's experience of trust. Do they know that you will keep your promises and that you will be there when it counts? Your child will believe that God can be trusted if their life experience has been that the significant people in their life can be

trusted.



The sun will come up in the morning.



Worms can fly.



Seeds can grow into plants.



Bubbles Blue Compendium

My hair will turn purple.



Birds have feathers.



I trust God

to listen

What God says is right.





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Tick the box

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## Blue Compendium

Session 24

#### God has made a promise

God has made a promise, A promise that is true, A promise that he's going to keep One day soon.

We're going to leave this foreign place, We're going to go back home. We're going to Jerusalem But we won't be alone.

We will live in the land, God's land, our land. We will be friends of God And he'll be our friend too.

God has made a promise, A promise that is true, A promise that he's going to keep One day soon.

Our fruit trees will be full of fruit, Our fields full of grain. God will provide for all that we need, We'll never want again.

We will farm the land, God's land, our land. We will be friends of God And he'll be our friend too.

God has made a promise, A promise that is true, A promise that he's going to keep One day soon.

Our houses will be built once more, Our city will look new. We'll work and play and come and go Just as we used to do.

We will build on the land, God's land, our land. We will be friends of God And he'll be our friend too. God has made a promise, A promise that is true, A promise that he's going to keep One day soon.

Where nothing grows, we'll plant fresh flowers
All beautiful and bright.
So travellers coming to our land
Will marvel at the sight.

We will delight in the land, God's land, our land. We will be friends of God And he'll be our friend too.

God has made a promise, A promise that is true, A promise that he's going to keep One day soon.

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