

# **18 HOLES**

Morrie Clumptoes is back in town! Liz and Spike have the whole weekend planned, but Morrie has his own plans for his visit home.

## Let's Get Started

**Episode Theme:** Things change, but God stays the same. He is faithful.

1. Change can be scary. <u>Hebrews 13:8</u> says Jesus is the same yesterday and today and forever. Is there anything in your life that has changed recently? How did it make you feel?

2. The book of <u>Ruth</u> tells Ruth's part of God's story. Ruth went through a lot of changes. She was from Moab. But she married an Israelite who was living there to escape a famine. She learned about his family's God. Then her husband died. Now she had a big decision to make. She could stay in Moab, where she knew everyone. Or she could make another change and move back to Bethlehem with her husband's mother, Naomi. Ruth chose to be faithful to Naomi. She told Naomi, "Please don't tell me to leave you and return home! I will go where you go, I will live where you live; your people will be my people, your God will be my God." God rewarded Ruth's faithfulness by making her a part of his plan for salvation. She became King David's grandmother, and part of Jesus' family tree! As you listen to today's episode, think about how changes can be part of God's larger unchanging plan.

#### **Memory Verse**

<sup>8</sup> Jesus Christ never changes! He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. **Hebrews 13:8** 

## After You Listen

In this episode Morrie returns to Terrene, but he is not the same lizard that Liz and Spike remembered. Granny reminds them that however things may change, Jesus is a friend who promises to always be the same.

We see God's promises and his faithfulness in the Bible. But we also see it every day. We see it in the order of his creation. When we flick a light switch, the laws of creation make electricity flow. Two plus two always equals four. The earth continues to spin to bring day and night and revolves around the sun to change the seasons. All creation's order sings God's praise and points to God's faithfulness. Though we turn switches off and on, solve different math problems, and enjoy the changes each day and season brings, the order remains the same.

Want to dig deeper and learn more about God's faithfulness? Check out Exodus 34:5-6, Psalm 119:90, and Isaiah 25:1.

## Challenge

As a family, you can look back at your family life and see how God has supported and blessed you through good times and bad times.

On the top of a piece of paper, write the memory work from this episode. Below that, make three columns. In the first column, list five things that were true three years ago. In the second column, list how those five things changed until now. In the third column, make an up arrow, a down arrow, or a question mark to show whether the change was good, bad, or you don't know yet. Whatever is in the columns, you can look at the verse at the top and know that Jesus is faithful forever.

#### Take the Episode Quiz

Question 1: What sport do Morrie and Cole want to play?

Answer: Morrie and Cole want to play golf.

Question 2: What sport do Spike and Liz want to play?

Answer: Spike and Liz want to play basketball.

Question 3: What is Cole bringing to the golf course?

Answer: A video camera.

Question 4: Where do Liz and Spike want to go after the game?

Answer: Daddy Oh's

Question 5: What tasty treat does Granny offer to make?

Answer: Chocolate chip cookies

Question 6: What kind of smoothies does Morrie like?

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