

PARENT CORNER

TODAY: MAY 30-31

weekly

Bible Story: Go the Distance (Peter and John Are Taken to the Sanhedrin)
Acts 3:1- 4:21

Big Idea: Keep living God's way even when it gets tough.

Memory Verse: "Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up." *Galatians 6:9, NIRV*

Life App: Determination: deciding it's worth it to finish what you've started.

Bible Story Summary: In **Acts 3:1-4:21** we see that Jesus' mission isn't going to be that easy. Peter healed someone in the name of Jesus and caused quite a stir. Peter and John used this moment to share the message of Jesus. Soon though, the religious leaders arrested them and had them stand trial. Peter and John showed determination. They made it clear that no matter what happened to them, they would continue sharing Jesus with others.

Keep living God's way even when it gets tough. Even when we follow Jesus, we're not promised an easy life. We are promised that God will be with us. Just because a situation we face is difficult, doesn't mean it's time to give up. We pray that kids will learn to lean into the power of God to find the determination they need to keep going.



Do you think that following Jesus means things will be easy? When you try to live the way Jesus taught us, things will get hard! But the awesome thing is that you don't have to tough it out on your own. When you follow Jesus, God promises to give you the power of His Spirit to keep going. Pray that God will give you the power of His Spirit this week to keep going, even when things get tough.

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WEEK 5

God TIME

DAY 1

READ *Psalm 23:3- 4*

Think about the last time you played a game of tag. At the beginning of the game, how did you feel? And what about at the end?

When it comes to following God, there is some good news. When we're tired of doing the right thing, God will guide us with new strength. And when things are really hard and it seems like everything is working against us, God promises to guide and comfort us.

Grab some sticky notes. Break today's verse up into 3 or 4-word phrases, writing each phrase on a sticky note. Stick them on the floor to create a path. Step on the notes as you read the verse aloud. Spend some time thanking God for leading you and giving you the determination, you need to keep going even when it gets tough.

THANK God for strength!

DAY 2

READ *James 1:12*

Wouldn't it be so awesome if every time you completed a big job or task, someone handed you a beautiful jewel covered crown?

That's not the kind of crown today's verse is talking about. The crown here is a life forever with God. When you trust in Jesus as Savior, you can keep going with determination even when things get tough. Even when we're the **only** one doing the right thing. God promises that one day we will be with Him forever in a perfect place. And that's way **better** than a crown that could be stolen or lost.

Grab a large piece of paper, draw the outline of a crown and cut it out. Write out the words of today's verse on one side and decorate the other. Bring the ends together and staple to secure.

ASK Jesus to help you follow Him so that you can keep going even when it gets tough.

DAY 3

READ Galatians 6:9

Do you remember our definition for determination? Determination is deciding it's worth it to finish what you've started. That's not easy! Sometimes we get tired. Sometimes the task ahead seems impossibly big. What if you took a cue from Anna in Frozen 2 and simply chose the next right thing? In the song, Anna sings about not looking too far ahead and making the next right choice. Anna sang this song because she felt completely alone.

But when it comes to following God, we are never alone.

Maybe instead of thinking about the great big thing in front of you, you should start smaller instead. Just do the next right thing—the thing right in front of you. Ask God to remind you that He is with you every step of the way so that you can keep going, even when it's tough.

LISTEN for God's voice in every step of the way.

HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

Parent signature

Date

Return for 5 Bible Bucks!

parent CUE:

Want to know what your child is learning at church? Download a free app called **Parent Cue**. This app is put out by The reThink Group who writes the curriculum we use in Uptown as a guide to what our kids learn.

Parent Cue has parenting articles, blogs, and ways you can live out your faith at home. Week by week you will be given cues so you can make the most of your time with your kids for God.

There are additional resources that Pathway will be providing for you during this time at <https://pccfw.org/covid-19/>



DAY 4

READ Philippians 3:13-14

Following Jesus is a bit like running a tough race. The twists and turns on the course are like the hard things that happen to us. Just like a runner gets tired and has to push on, we have to keep going even when we'd rather give up.

With an adult's permission, challenge yourself to run around the block. If that feels fairly easy, challenge yourself to run around the block again.

Ask God to help you push forward with determination.

KNOW that He will help you even when it gets tough.

at a GLANCE



Bibles N Bucks Shopping:

We will be postponing Bibles N Bucks Shopping until we are able to meet again, in person! We cannot wait to see you then! Until that time, please save your GodTimes and UpTown Challenges.... You WILL be able to turn them all in for Bible Bucks!

FACEBOOK:

Please check out our KidCity Facebook page! There will be additional videos, challenges, and EXCITING activities going on there!



Child's Name: _____