Hello 2nd and 3rd Grade Parents!

Here are some At Home Activities *suggestions* for you to do with your child(ren). Everyone is different, so feel free to pick any or all of these ideas to fit the needs and desires of your family. If you are unable to print these pages, just use any substitute non-print ideas. ie: draw a picture instead of color the one provided. You can also find a simplified version of the lesson on the website called "K3 Parent Guide".

BE SURE TO FILL OUT THE HCKIDS ONLINE CONNECTION CARD:

https://hillcrestcov.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/284/responses/new

Praying you all are well and safe during our time apart! Lisa Osborne HCKids Elementary Coordinator

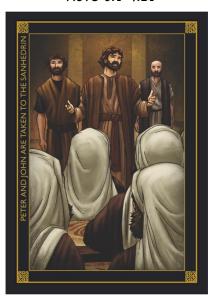






BIBLE STORY

ACTS 3:1-4:21



BOTTOM LINE



YOUR CHILD WILL EARN 3 POINTS TO SPEND AT THE STORE FOR EACH COMPLETED ACTIVITY AND 10 POINTS FOR A COMPLETED "GOD TIME" " PLEASE EMAIL ME POINTS EARNED EACH WEEK "

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SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES:

- 1. WATCH VIDEOS (link is on the church website)

 Even When Life Application (SEE NEXT PAGE)
- 2. COLOR BIBLE STORY PICTURE and/or DRAW A PICTURE OF THE STORY
- 3. MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY Picture to color
- 4. JOURNAL ENTRY
- 5. PRAY TOGETHER
- 6. GOD-TIME THROUGHOUT THE WEEK TO REINFORCE BIBLE STUDY (LAST 2 PAGES)

Even When – Life Application

What You Need: Ball or stuffed animal to be the "hot potato", music What You Do:

- Sit in a circle.
- Play music and begin moving object around circle
- Randomly stop the music and the person holding the object give their answer to an "Even
 When" question and talk about how they can show determination even when something tough
 happens.
 - Note: It's okay if the responses are simply, "Keep doing the thing you started." The idea
 is to get them thinking about all the different opportunities they have to buckle down and
 show determination.
- Continue playing musical rounds until all have had a chance to answer a guestion.

"EVEN WHEN" QUESTIONS:

- You've been asked to watch your younger sister for the next hour. How can you show determination EVEN WHEN your sister keeps getting into cabinets she's not supposed to?
- Your teacher is picking out your partner that you must complete a project with.
 How can you show determination EVEN WHEN she pairs you up with a kid who doesn't usually try very hard?
- Your gym teacher is having everyone run a mile today. How can you show determination EVEN WHEN you are super tired?
- Your piano recital is coming up and the piece you're supposed to play has some hard sections to learn. How can you show determination EVEN WHEN you have to keep practicing the same thing over and over again?
- You want to go outside and play with your friends. How can you show determination EVEN WHEN you have a ton of homework to do first?
- It's your turn to clean up after dinner. How can you show determination EVEN WHEN your little brother got his spaghetti all over the table?
- You're having a hard time with free throws in basketball. How can you show determination EVEN WHEN you miss most of the shots you take?
- You're folding laundry, but the pile doesn't seem to be getting any smaller. How
 do you show determination EVEN WHEN you are so ready to be done with
 chores?

What You Say:

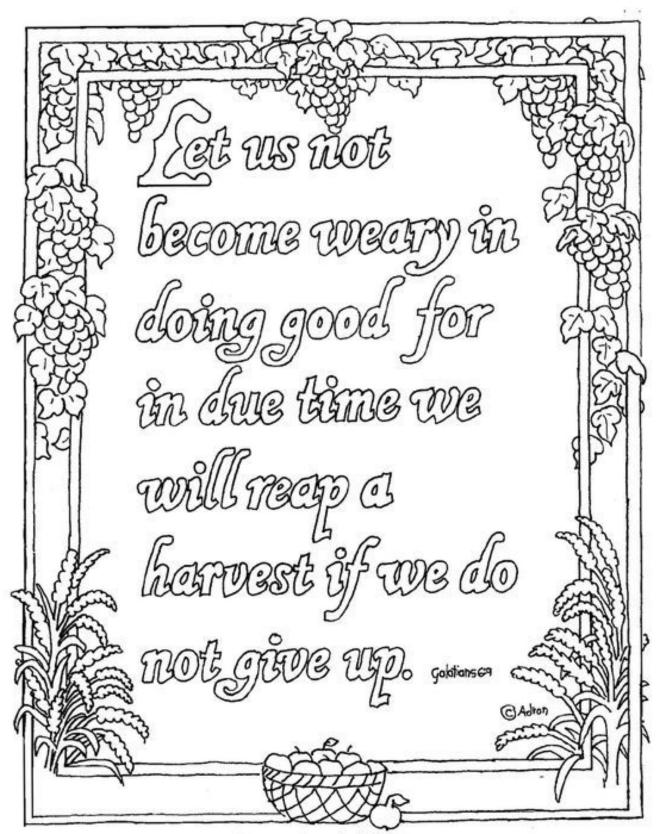
"Isn't it so hard to continue what we started when things go wrong? I completely agree! [Make It Personal] (Share a time when you decided to finish something even though you faced a challenge. Talk about what helped you hang in there: a kind friend, prayer, something working out to give you a boost of encouragement, etc.)

Just like I decided to show determination, you can choose to keep going, too! Whatever hurdle comes your way, it is always worth it to finish what we started. Let's decide that this week, we are going to [Bottom Line] keep going even when it gets tough."

2. Color Picture/or Draw Picture of Bible Story



3. Memory Verse Activity - Color the picture



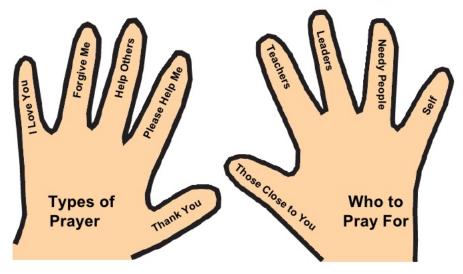
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4. Journal Entry

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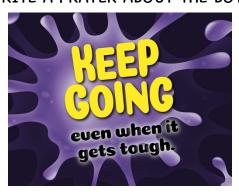
USE THIS TEMPLATE TO WRITE PRAYERS TO GOD

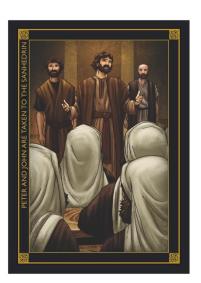
Hands For Prayer



OTHER JOURNALING SUGGESTIONS:

- WRITE OR DRAW ABOUT THE BIBLE STORY -
- WRITE A PRAYER ABOUT THE BOTTOM LINE





 WRITE ABOUT A DIFFICULT SITUATION YOU ARE FACING AND ASK GOD FOR DETERMINATION TO KEEP GOING. ASK HIM FOR SPECIFIC THINGS YOU NEED FROM HIM TO HELP YOU WITH WHAT YOU ARE GOING THROUGH.

5. PRAY TOGETHER

"God, we want to thank You for not just to	elling us that we can stay determined	in the tough times but
also that You help us stay determined thr	ough Your Holy Spirit. We thank You	for the stories of people
like Peter and John who remind us of this	truth. Give us the strength to [Botton	<i>m Line]</i> keep going
even when it gets tough and finish our	(fill in the blank).	Amen."

6. GOD-TIME THROUGHOUT THE WEEK TO REINFORCE BIBLE STUDY (NEXT 2 PAGES)

"WORTH 10 POINTS AT THE STORE"





Read Psalm 23:3-4

DAY 1

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.

Read James 1:12

DAY 2

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 life, eternal 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 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!

Read Galatians 6:9

DAY 3

Do you remember our definition for determination? Determination is deciding it's worth it to finish what you've started. That's easier said than done right? Because 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.

Read Philippians 3:13-14

DAY4

Following Jesus is a bit like running a tough race. The twists and turns on the course a runner faces 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.

He will help you even when it gets tough.

