

HOME connection

OT Unit: Choices Matter, Lesson 3

D6 Family Theme:
HUMBLY OBEYING GOD'S WORD

Objectives:

Know: Humble obedience brings God's favor and sets an example for others.

Think: I will make humble obedience my response to God's Word and direction.

Do: Fully obey God, humbly setting an example for those around me.



READ: LISTEN TO GOD

Read 2 Kings 22:1-20; 23:1-3, 21-25. In God's economy, age is just a number. Whether it was Sarai who gave birth to Isaac at age 90 or a successful king beginning his reign at age eight, the Lord can use anyone and everyone.



PRAY: TALK TO GOD

Set an example for others by living in total obedience to God. Pray that you and your family will make daily choices with integrity so you can be an example of Christ to others. Thank God for the Godly examples He has placed in your lives.



DO: WALK WITH GOD

OPTION 1: King Josiah was the youngest king Judah ever had, yet he provided a great example of how to humbly obey God and set an example for others. Talk with your children about how they can be an example to others no matter their age. When they choose to obey God's direction despite their feelings, God will favor them. Remind them it is easy to get caught up in what they want to do or what they think is the best choice for them. However, God always knows what is best for them, and they can be an example for others when they choose humble obedience.

OPTION 2: Ask your family members to name historical or biblical characters (besides Jesus) who made a difference in the world. Allow time for discussion regarding the specifics of their accomplishments. After a few moments of discussion, ask, "*Of all those mentioned, who would likely be the youngest? And how old do you think they were during their 'prime' success?*"



PRE-SCHOOL

Today your child learned how God took care of Elijah. Because there was no rain, the rivers and lakes had no water and dried up. But there was one little brook that had water where Elijah was hiding. God also sent ravens to bring bread and meat for Elijah to eat. **I Can Talk to God** and tell Him my needs.



K & 1
GRADE



2 & 3
GRADE

Today your student learned when King Josiah began restoring the Temple, God's Book of the Law was found. Josiah realized he and the people had not been obeying God, and he took action. Your student learned from Josiah's example not only to be a hearer of God's Word, but also to do what it says.



4 & 5
GRADE



YOUNG
TEEN



HIGH
SCHOOL

Josiah was only eight years old when he became king. Remind your teen about something he or she did as an eight-year-old to help to comprehend the drama of the situation. But Josiah's reforms included restoring the Temple, honoring God's Word, and reestablishing the observance of the Passover. He abolished idolatry and set the people of Judah on a righteous path. God doesn't have to wait until someone is an adult to use that person in His kingdom. But we all must be willing to obey God in whatever He has given us to do.



YOUNG
ADULT

The group members examined the story of Josiah and were encouraged to set an example for others by living in total obedience to God.



ADULT

FUSION groups discussed how humble obedience brings God's favor and sets an example for others. Members were encouraged to fully obey God, humbly setting an example for those around them.