Rules for Life: Play well. Finish strong.



First, watch this week's video!

Responsibility: Showing you can be trusted with what is expected of you

Memory Verse

Suppose you can be trusted with something very little. Then you can also be trusted with something very large. Luke 16:10a, NIrV

Bible Story

Ant and Sluggard Proverbs 6:6-8

Key Question

When have you had to work hard?

Use this guide to help your family learn how God can help us be more responsible.

Activity

Rap It Out

WHAT YOU NEED:

Bible (or Bible app), paper, pencil

WHAT YOU DO:

Ask your child to look up 1 Corinthians 15:58 in their Bible or Bible app. Ask them to read it out loud.

Then say, "We're going to come up with a poem, rap, or cheer that's all about working hard. We can even use some of 1 Corinthians 15:58 to do it!"

If your child is more introverted and wants to work on this alone, give them 10 to 15 minutes and see what they've come up with. If your child prefers teamwork, sit together and come up with a poem, rap, or cheer. If your child is up for it, perform or read it to your family later.

Talk About the Bible Story

Who was the young ruler of Israel who later wrote the wise saying we learned today? (Solomon)

Out of everything Solomon could have had, what did he ask God for? (wisdom)

What did Solomon become known for? (He became known as one of the wisest people to ever live.)

What did Solomon say about ants? (Ants they have no ruler, but they still store up food on their own; they are hard workers.)

When you think of a lazy person, what do you think of? (No names!)

What's the difference between taking a break from work and being lazy?

What are some lazy areas of your life that you can work on to be more responsible this week?

Parent: Share a story about a time you decided to stop being lazy in an area of your life—and how it paid off.



Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, thank You for giving us an opportunity, each day, to work hard. We know that everything we do can show Your love to others. Please help us see ways we can work hard this week. Please work through us so we can make a difference in each other's lives. We love You! In Jesus' name, amen."