

Patience

The Life of Job | Job; Galatians 5:22-23

Big Idea

Patience shows our trust in God.

Conversation Starters:

Get ideas flowing by sharing some of your own ideas too!

Use these questions to get your kids thinking about the Big Idea.

- Give your child a marshmallow to start. Let them know that if they are patient and wait to eat it, you will give them another, but they have to trust that you will. If they choose to eat it now, they don't receive another. (Good luck!)
- Why do you think it is hard for us to be patient?
- Can you think of a time when you really wanted something right away, but you had to wait?

Introduce the big idea: patience shows our trust in God.

Video:

Watch this week's video.

Pray & Discuss:

Take time to talk about the video together.

- What was the God Story about?
- What happened in Job's life? Did he trust in God? How?
- What was the Life Story about?
- **Pray:** Dear God, please help us to be patient especially when it is difficult to be. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Slap Bracelet Craft

Supplies:

- Slap bracelet
- Markers
- Stickers

Invite your child to make a slap bracelet craft to wear as a reminder that patience shows our trust in God!

- Give your child a slap bracelet.
- Place stickers and markers where they are accessible.
- Invite your child to write the Big Idea on the slap bracelet.
- Encourage them to draw a symbol of something they might need to have patience for.
- Further encourage them to decorate the slap bracelet.
- Use the slap bracelet this week as a reminder of the big idea and talk about what it means to trust in God especially when we have to wait for things.

Additional Activities

Key Verse Activity

Supplies:

- Die
- Key verse sign

Review the key verse together. Discuss:

- Is there anything in that verse that you don't understand?
- What do you think the verse is saying?

As a family, have each person take a turn rolling the die. Whatever number the die lands on will decide how that person will say the Key Verse.

Key Verse:

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

Romans 8:38

Die roll:

1. Hold your tongue and say the verse.
2. Whisper the verse.
3. Shout the verse.
4. Say the verse like you are underwater.
5. Say the verse while running on the spot.
6. Roll again!

Key Verse Add-On

On sticky notes, write one "fruit" of the Spirit on each one. Then, as a family, have each family member write their name under one or two of the fruit of the Spirit they really need God's extra help with this week. Stick them somewhere in plain sight so family members can pray for one another this week.