



SCOUTS & DISCOVERERS ACTIVITY GUIDE

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2020

INTRODUCTION

We start off the month in **Matthew 28:16-20, Luke 24:50-53, and Acts 1:1-11** as we help kids discover more about the final moments of Jesus’ life on earth. Before He went back to His Father, Jesus gave His disciples a huge mission: tell the world about Him. The message of Jesus was for everyone, and it was their job to get the word out.

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BIBLE STORY

Jesus’ Final Orders to His Disciples / Ascension — Matthew 28:16-20, Luke 24:50-53, Acts 1:1-11

MEMORY VERSE

“Let us not become tired of doing what good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don’t give up.” — Galatians 6:9 NIV

LIFE APP

Determination — Deciding it’s worth it to finish what you started.

BOTTOM LINE

Keep going even when it seems impossible.

BASIC TRUTH

I can trust God no matter what.

UNSTUCK

DON'T GIVE UP

Parent Cue • K-3 • Week of May 3rd

Use this guide to help your family learn how God can help us live with determination.

First, watch this video:

<https://bit.ly/KidsUnstuckWeek1>

Then follow up with the activity below!

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ACTIVITY: That’s Impossible!

WHAT YOU NEED:

Bible, bandana or rope with a knot in it, deck of cards, simple/preschool puzzle (12-24 pieces), timer

WHAT YOU DO:

Read today’s Bible story passages: Matthew 28:16-20; Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:1-11

Challenge your kids to some tasks that seem impossible:

- Untie a knot in a bandana or rope in 20 seconds.
- Pick up a scattered deck of cards and put it back in the box within 30 seconds.
- Stand on one foot for 15 seconds.
- Put together an easy puzzle in 45 seconds.
- Run down the street (or down the hall or across the yard) and back in 25 seconds.

Give kids a chance to practice a couple of the tasks and try to get faster. Encourage them to use determination to keep going and keep practicing until the challenge is doable.

Note: Adjust the time limit of these challenges based on the supplies you have. If you have a very simple, preschool block puzzle, the time limit might need to be 5 seconds instead of 45 seconds. Or if you’re in an apartment building with a really long hallway, adjust the time limit on running so the task is challenging but not completely impossible.

Talk about the Bible story:

- o Jesus gave His followers the task of telling the whole world about Him! That must have seemed WAY too hard at the time. But if they hadn’t had determination, we wouldn’t know Jesus’ story today! They kept going, telling one person after another, telling as many people as they could.
- o What’s one thing you thought you would never be able to do, but you worked at it and you eventually got it? (Encourage your kid by starting the conversation off with a couple of examples of things they can do now but they couldn’t do a year or two ago. Maybe learning to ride a bike was hard for your kid, or reading a book that’s longer than a typical children’s book. Emphasize that they kept going even when it seemed like they would never get it.)
- o What are some things you think are impossible for you to do now?

PRAYER

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

“Dear God, right now a lot of things seem impossible. But we know that we can trust You no matter what, and You promise that You’re ALWAYS with us. Help us remember that You’re there for us, especially when we can’t feel Your presence and when everything feels really difficult. Help us to keep going, putting one foot in front of the other, with determination and strength. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.”



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Jesus gave the disciples a big job, to tell others about Him. The disciples were probably intimidated by the enormous calling ahead of them. Can you think of a time you thought, “I can never do that!,” and then ended up doing it?
- What can we do when we are faced with something we think is impossible and we don’t even know where to start?
- We know about Jesus because the disciples showed determination. What are ways we can show determination, like the disciples, and let others know about Jesus? Can you think of times you have told others about Jesus?
- Are there times when talking to others about Jesus seems impossible? Encourage your kids to give examples.

QUESTIONS?

Contact us with any questions you have about this activity guide. Please note, we can best support you during the week (Monday thru Friday). No question is too big or too small. We’re here to help! With love, Elisa Booker and Danielle Swink

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DETERMINATION

Deciding it's worth it to finish what you started

WEEK 1

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BOTTOM LINE: Keep going even when it seems impossible.

Read Matthew 19:26

DAY 1

All Things Are Possible

What is something new you have tried but then in the middle of trying it, you stopped? Like a new sport, learning to read, building a LEGO® set. Learning new things is hard and sometimes when it gets hard, we feel like giving up. This month we are going to talk about what it looks like to keep going even when it seems impossible. Have an adult help you find **Matthew 19:26** in the Bible. Write the verse down somewhere that you can see it. What a cool reminder that things might be impossible to us, but with God all things are possible.

Know that we can keep going because with God all things are possible.

DAY 2

Yes You Can!

Do you remember the first time you tried to ride a bike? It seemed so hard right? Maybe even impossible! And now, I bet you can ride your bike without even thinking about it! In fact, you could probably make a whole list of things that you used to think were impossible. Grab a piece of paper and some crayons. Make a list of all the things you can think of that you used to not be able to do but now, you have can do it!

Look for more things to add to your list this week and let it remind you to keep going even when it seems impossible.

DAY 3

Let's Do This

Ask an adult to help you make a paper chain. Grab a piece of blank paper, scissors, tape, and some crayons. First, cut out 10 strips of paper. On each strip of paper, write something that you would like to learn to do. After you have written on each strip, connect them by making a circle and connecting them to each other, creating a paper chain. Hang this paper chain somewhere in your room and each time you learn to do one of these things, remove it from your paper chain. Sometimes it's really hard to keep going especially when you are learning something new. But our heavenly Father is here to help us. He cares about what we care about and He wants to help us with every link on our paper chain!

Ask God to help you with the things that are important to you.

DAY 4

Do What?

Ask an adult to help you look up this week's Bible story in **Matthew 28:16-20**. What do you think the disciples were thinking when Jesus asked them to tell the whole world about Him? That seems like an impossible thing to do right? There are going to be things in our life that seem impossible too but we can keep going knowing that God will help us face the situation with determination! Pray this prayer below.

Dear God,
Thank You that I can count on You to help me when I face tough things. Remind me in those tough times that You are there to help me. I love you.
Amen.





WEEK ONE

JESUS' FINAL ORDERS TO HIS DISCIPLES / ASCENSION
MATTHEW 28:16-20, LUKE 24:50-53, ACTS 1:1-11



SAY THIS:

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IT SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE.



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THIS:

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DO THIS:



School is almost out for summer!
Encourage your child to finish
the year strong with a note of
encouragement by their breakfast,
lunchbox, or door. Write, "God
gives you what you need to keep
going. Don't give up and finish
the year strong!"

DETERMINATION:

DECIDING IT'S WORTH IT TO FINISH WHAT YOU STARTED

SHORT TERM WINS

By Carey Nieuwhof

This month we're talking about determination. Now, if you're really going to help your kids value determination, you're going to be swimming against the cultural tide. When it's easy to quit, easy to change, and there are a thousand other options at our fingertips, sticking it out to the very end is difficult no matter how old you are. That's why it's so important to redefine the win for your kids. If you want to encourage them to stay determined for the long term, create some short-term wins.

When I joined a gym a while back, I knew I was in for a lifestyle overhaul. How do you keep someone motivated when the change is permanent? I was determined, but not that determined. Fortunately, my trainer was smart. He always set short-term goals. He helped me track my diet daily. He checked my progress weekly, and did thorough assessments monthly. And he kept showing me that the small steps were adding up.

A turning point for me happened this way: Like the rest of the free world, I first joined the gym in January. One September afternoon, I asked him what percentage of people who began in January endured all the way

to September. He said in his best estimate, only about 5% were still left. That stopped me in my tracks. I hadn't made all of my long-term goals (still working on them), but somehow knowing that I was in the top 5% of people who endured made me realize I could keep up this kind of change for life. He helped me see I had made some short-term steps toward long-term progress.

To really help your kids endure, try to find ways to encourage them in what they're doing today. Maybe the entire project isn't done, but you can celebrate the two steps they've completed. Their room might not be fully cleaned, but if tonight they got the closet cleared out, cheer them on.

Helping your kids see they've won in some small way today might help them stay determined to win in a very significant way tomorrow. We can all use some encouragement. Who better than a parent to give it?



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