



## **Character Development – Scripture Verses**

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### **Other character development / Christian emphasis verses**

#### **CARING**

- Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. – Philippians 2:3
- Anyone who takes care of a little child like this is caring for me! And whoever cares for me is caring for God who sent me. Your care for others is the measure of your greatness. - Luke 9:48
- It is good when you truly obey our Lord's command, You must love and help your neighbors just as much as you love and take care of yourself. - James 2:8
- Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. – Ephesians 4:32.

#### **HONESTY**

- It is a wonderful heritage to have an honest father. - Proverbs 20:7
- Better to be poor and honest than rich and a cheater. – Proverbs 28:6
- An honest answer is like a kiss on the lips – Proverbs 24:26
- As God's messenger I give each of you God's warning: Be honest in your estimate of yourselves, measuring your value by how much faith God has given you. - Romans 12:3
- Love delights in the truth. – 1 Corinthians 13:6
- Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable-if anything is excellent or praiseworthy-think about such things. - Philippians 4:8-9
- The Lord detests lying lips, but he delights in men who are truthful – Proverbs 12:22

#### **RESPECT**

- Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves.- Romans 12:10

- Have two goals: wisdom-that is, knowing and doing right-and common sense. Don't let them slip away, for they fill you with living energy and bring you honor and respect. - Proverbs 3:21-22
- Do to others as you would have them do to you – Luke 6:31.

## **RESPONSIBILITY**

- Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and does not do it sins. - James 4:17
- If a man will not work, he shall not eat. - 2 Thessalonians 3:10
- The man who plants and the man who waters have one purpose, and each will be rewarded according to his own labor. - 1 Corinthians 3:8
- This is what the Lord says: “Maintain justice and do what is right, for my salvation is close at hand and my righteousness will soon be revealed.” Isaiah 56:1

## **FAITH**

- Do not lean on your own understanding, but in all your ways acknowledge him and he will make your paths straight. – Proverbs 3:4-5
- For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whoever shall believe in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life. – John 3:16
- Since we have such a huge crowd of men of faith watching us from the grandstands, let us strip off anything that slows us down or holds us back, and especially those sins that wrap themselves so tightly around our feet and trip us up; and let us run with patience the particular race that God has set before us. - Hebrews 12:1