



Another Stint

CASE STUDY 3

April and Jerome have a baby boy in the hospital with pneumonia. Their baby, named Jackson, has had a rough life so far. He was born with a defect that severely compromised his lungs. He had surgery to fix the birth defect when he was only a few days old. He is now dependent on oxygen. Until his lungs grow stronger, every illness he gets puts him back in the hospital. This is Jackson's third stint in intensive care in the last four months.

Jackson's parents are exhausted from the restless nights in the hospital and the ups and downs of Jackson's condition. Yet they have maintained a good testimony. They praise God for His love and grace and trust Him fully.

Jerome's mother doesn't understand why April and Jerome aren't more worried. She can't understand why they would trust God when He allowed such difficult circumstances into the life of her grandson.

1. What do April and Jerome believe about God?
2. What does Jerome's mom believe about God?
3. When we face difficult circumstances, how does a strong relationship with God help us respond in a godly way?
4. What important truths about God are found in Nehemiah 9:5 and 6?
5. What could you do to strengthen your understanding of and relationship with God? (Consider studying Nehemiah 9.)