

God Will Make A Way For Me To Follow Him!

From Ten Hut Lesson 3

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - CONFIDENCE

Great leaders place their decisions into God's hands with the confidence that He will guide them.

LEADERSHIP LESSON

Your children will learn that when God asks us to do something, we can be sure that He will provide a way for us to accomplish the task.

LEADERSHIP STORY

The Israelites cross the Jordan river. (*Joshua 3 and 4.*)

WHAT DO I DO?

Have your children read the Leadership Story. Next, have your children watch the Leadership Video and complete the Child Leadership Questions. If you want to do the Optional Family Activity, have the whole family watch the Leadership Video, then lead your family through the Optional Family Activity.

OPTIONAL FAMILY ACTIVITY: FOLLOW ME

While your children are asleep, or before they come home from school, take a large skein of yarn or roll of string and walk a path all over and around your house leaving the string behind. Make sure that the path goes through some obstacles: a door that you close and lock, a large piece of furniture that you move in the way, etc. Mark the start with a piece of paper. When your children get home or wake up, tell them that you walked around and you want them to follow the path you walked. Tell them that you made a way for them to follow you by leaving a trail. Then, have them follow the trail until they get to an obstacle. When they come to an obstacle, help them get through it. Unlock the door (or make the key easy to find), move the furniture for them, carry them over it, etc. When they have finished the trail, remind them of the Main Point: God Will Make A Way For Me To Follow Him! Tell them that God gave us the Bible so that we would know how to follow Him, and that when we run into obstacles that God will make a way for us to follow Him.

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your child memorize this verse.

"And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus." Philipians 4:19 (NLT)

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Main Point: God Will Make A Way For Me To Follow Him!

Materials Needed:

- A Bible
- The Leadership Video - *God Will Make A Way For Me To Follow Him*
(File name: Elevate_CONFIDENCE_TH_L3_GodWillMakeAWayForMeToFollowHim.mp4)
- A pen or pencil

Read the Leadership Story about the Israelites crossing the Jordan in Joshua 3:6-4:8. When you are finished, watch the Leadership Video. Then, read the items below and write your responses in the space provided.

1. What game was Pastor Mike talking about at the beginning of the video?
2. Pastor Mike said he was often not able to follow all the things his friends did because he wasn't fast or good at certain things. Does God ask us to do things that are impossible and not give us any help?
3. At the beginning of our Leadership Story, where were Joshua and the Israelites about to go?
4. Where did they camp for three days before they got ready to cross into the Promised Land?
5. This was a time of year when crossing the Jordan river was difficult. Why was it difficult?
6. As the people gathered near the river, who was at the front of the line and what were they carrying?
7. What was the Ark of the Covenant?

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8. Joshua gave the order for the priests to take the Ark of the Covenant across the Jordan River. Why were they not able to cross the river?
9. What did God tell Joshua to say to the priests?
10. What happened when the priests stepped into the river?
11. When God asked the Israelite people to do something, He made a way for them to follow Him. All the people were able to cross the Jordan when the priests got to the middle of the river. After the Israelites crossed the Jordan River, what did Joshua ask 12 of the men to do?
12. What did Joshua do with the stones?
13. God asked the Israelite people to do something that seemed too big for them to do on their own. But He made a way for them to do what He asked. God will make a way for us to follow Him, too. We should always be thankful to Him when He helps us out. Sometimes, when we follow God and do what He wants us to do, it will be easy. But, sometimes it will be hard. What can you do when God wants you to do something that seems too big for you to do by yourself?
14. Think of something that you need to do now that seems big to you. Maybe it's like Pastor Mike talked about in the video and you need to invite a friend to church or you need to learn how to control your anger. God has a plan to help you; so all you need to do is pray to ask Him to help you. Write down that thing you know that God is asking you to do and how you are going to pray for God to help you. Work on that thing this week, then come back and write down how you did.

Memory Verse: Ask your parents to help you memorize this verse.

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Main Point: God Will Make A Way For Me To Follow Him!

1. Follow The Leader.
2. No.
3. Into the Promised Land
4. The Jordan River
5. The waters were too high to cross.
6. The priests. Ark of the Covenant.
7. A symbol of God's presence with His People.
8. The water was very deep.
9. Take a few steps into the Jordan River and then stop.
10. The water stopped flowing and the river became completely dry
11. Go back to the riverbed and pick up a stone.
12. Made an altar to worship God and thank Him for performing this miracle.
13. Pray and ask God for help. Ask your parents to help you.
14. Answers may vary, but may include: Inviting a friend to church. Pray and ask God to give me the courage to talk to my friend.