

For Parents!

I Will Honor Jesus By Giving My Best!

From Professor Playtime's
Christmas Shop of Wonders
Lesson 7



LEADERSHIP TRAIT - EXCELLENCE

Good leaders strive for excellence by giving their best in all areas of life.

LEADERSHIP LESSON

Your children will learn that they should honor Jesus by always giving their best.

LEADERSHIP STORY

The Christmas story through the eyes of the Wise Men. (Matthew 2:1-18)

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: BIRTHDAY PARTY

Pull out pictures of the last birthday party your family celebrated. If you do not have pictures of a party, you can ask everyone to draw, or just remember, the things that happened at the party. Ask what things you did to show honor to that person on his or her birthday. (Examples: Had a party, made a cake, gave gifts, made some favorite foods.) Continue the activity by saying: These are all ways that we spent time and money showing honor to someone when we celebrated his or her birthday. At Christmastime, we are celebrating Jesus' birth. When Jesus was born, the Wise Men spent time on a long journey to honor Him. We can give our time to show honor to Jesus when we serve others. The wise men also honored Jesus by giving Him gifts. We can also give gifts like money, clothes, and food to our church to show honor to Jesus.

Let's choose a few of the actions below to show honor to Jesus this Christmas season.

- Volunteer some extra time at church.
- Invite friends who don't go to church to share a holiday meal and hear the Christmas story.
- Spend extra time reading the Bible together and worshipping God.
- Pray for your church leaders.
- Go shopping for canned food to donate to your church or a local food bank.
- Gather money from each family member for a special offering at church.

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your child memorize this verse.

"Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce."

Proverbs 3:9 (NLT)

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Materials Needed:

- A Bible
- The Leadership Video - *I Will Honor Jesus By Giving My Best*
File name: Elevate_EXCELLENCE_PPSW_L7_IWillHonorJesusByGivingMyBest.mp4
- A pen or pencil

Read the Leadership Story about the Wise Men in Matthew 2:1-18. When you are finished, watch the Leadership Video. Then, read the items below and write your responses in the space provided.

1. What did Pastor Mike say it means to show honor?
2. Who were the men in the Leadership Story who showed honor?
3. Where were the Wise Men from?
4. True or False: The Wise Men waited a long time for Jesus to be born.
5. What sign did the Wise Men see that told them Jesus had been born? Circle the correct answer.
A. A blue moon.
B. A red sun.
C. A star.
D. None of the above.
6. The Wise Men set out on the trip to find Jesus. How long did the trip take? Days, weeks, months, or years?

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7. The Wise Men were willing to travel so long because they knew Jesus was worthy of their honor. How did they show Jesus honor?

8. What were the three gifts that the Wise Men gave Jesus?

9. What three ways did Pastor Mike say the Wise Men showed honor to Jesus?

10. Jesus is worthy of our honor, too. How can we show honor to Jesus?

Just like the Wise Men showed honor to Jesus by giving Him gifts and traveling to see Him, make sure you are taking time out of your day to show honor to Jesus as well. You can show honor by going to church, serving others, reading the Bible, praying, and telling others about Jesus.

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1. You do things for someone that show he or she is special to you.
2. The Wise Men.
3. Far away countries.
4. True.
5. C.
6. Years.
7. Traveled to see Him. Gave Him gifts.
8. Gold. Frankincense. Myrrh.
9. Gave their best. Gave up their time. Gave gifts.
10. Go to church. Serve. Love others. Pray. Read the Bible to know what He wants us to do. Share Jesus with others so they can honor Him, too.