



God Is Our Guide, So We Should Follow Him Together! From Allaso Ranch Lesson 2

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - OBEDIENCE

Great leaders choose to follow and obey the guidance of God.

LEADERSHIP LESSON:

Your children will learn that God guides His people, and we will follow Him more closely when we are alongside other believers.

LEADERSHIP STORY:

God guides the Israelites through the wilderness. (*Exodus 13:17 - 22*)

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 THE LEADER

Play a game of Follow the Leader together as a family. Try to use your entire house and even your front and back yards (if available) to play this game. Have the entire family line up behind the leader. The leader will then guide the family by walking different ways, making different noises, and moving through different rooms. Periodically have the leader move to the back of the line and let a new leader lead the group. Each time you change leaders, have the leader say the Main Point. The rest of the family should repeat it after the leader. After everyone has had a chance to lead at least once, talk with your family about what it was like to lead and what it was like to follow. Remind them that when you were following, you knew whether or not you were doing the right thing by looking at the leader. Talk with your children about how the Israelites followed God through the wilderness and how they knew what to do and where to go as long as they were following God. Remind your children that we should follow God together.

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your child memorize this verse.

"For where two or three gather together as my followers, I am there among them." Matthew 18:20 (NLT)



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Main Point: God Is Our Guide, So We Should Follow Him Together!

Read the Leadership Story about the Israelites in the wilderness in Exodus 13:17 - 22. When you are finished, watch the Leadership Video. Then, read the items below and write your responses in the space provided.

1. In the video, Pastor Mike said that, if you want to go exploring, there is something you need to have. What was the object Pastor Mike said that you needed to have?
2. What makes a compass so important on a hiking trip?
3. In the Bible Story, where were the Israelites traveling?
4. How many men does the Bible say were traveling together?
5. According to Pastor Mike, when you also count women and children, how many total people probably were traveling together?



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6. Look at the list below. Cross out the items that God did not give the Israelites for guidance. Circle the items God did provide the Israelites with for guidance.

A Road Map

Some Street Signs

A Pillar of Cloud

A Traffic Light

A Compass

A Pillar of Fire

A GPS Navigator

A List of Driving Directions

7. What did the Israelites do when the pillar stopped moving?
8. What did the Israelites do when the pillar started moving again?
9. According to Pastor Mike in the video, what might have happened to one Israelite family if they chose not to follow God and just go their own way?
10. God wanted the Israelites to follow him together as one group. What did the Israelites have to choose to do?
11. God wants us to choose to follow Him together as well. What has God given us to guide us instead of a pillar of cloud?



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12. Since we are not meant to live our Christian lives alone, what is the group of believers that we can be a part of?

God wants you to follow Him on an awesome journey, and He has given you an awesome vehicle for that journey - the church! Draw a picture of a church building. Then add some features to make it look like a car, a train, or a plane. You could add wheels, jets, steam engines, jet engines, or all of them!

If you want to follow God, you need to get on board the church, buckle in, and hold on! Talk to your parents about making sure you don't miss church. If there is anything that keeps you from coming to church, work around it or choose church instead. Whatever you give up won't be as great as following God on an awesome journey.

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

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1. A compass.
2. It tells you which direction you are going.
3. The Promised Land.
4. 600,000
5. Millions
6. Circle: A pillar of cloud. A pillar of fire
7. They stopped.
8. They started moving. They followed it.
9. They wouldn't make it to where they needed to go.
10. They had to choose to follow God.
11. The Bible.
12. The Church.