



I Worship God When I Obey Him!

From Center Stage Lesson 7

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - OBEDIENCE

Great leaders understand that obedience to God is an important way to show God He is a priority in their lives.

LEADERSHIP LESSON

Your children will learn that God should be more important than anything else in our lives. If God truly is more important than anything, we will worship Him with our obedience.

LEADERSHIP STORY

The call of Abram. (*Genesis 12*)

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: KNOW WHY-NING

Point out to your children that Abram didn't know why God wanted him to leave his home and family. It was a very hard thing to do and God didn't give him any reason, but Abram obeyed anyway. Make a chart that includes each family member's name. Put the names down the left side of the paper. Write "Why-ning" at the top of the chart. Explain that we all need to follow Abram's example and obey without whining and asking why. Tell your family that you will begin keeping track of "Why-ning" on the chart by putting a check mark next to the person's name who whines. The person in your family who best follows Abram's example of obeying without questioning will receive something fun at the end of the week.

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your child memorize this verse.

"When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Father's commandments and remain in his love." John 15:10 (NLT)



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Read the Leadership Story about Abram obeying God's call in Genesis 12. When you are finished, watch the Leadership Video. Then read the items below and write your responses in the space provided.

1. According to Pastor Mike, when you are building something, there is something that you should follow. What is it?
2. Instructions help us make something the best it can be. Does God give us instructions?
3. Where can we find God's instructions?
4. Which of the phrases below best describes what our life will be like if we follow the rules and instructions in the Bible? Circle the correct one and cross out the wrong ones.
 - Okay
 - Miserable
 - So-so
 - The best it can be
5. The man in the Leadership Story has two names in the Bible. He started with one name, and later God changed his name. Write down both names and circle the name he started with.
6. What instructions did God give to Abram?



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7. Look at the list below and cross out the things Abram was instructed to leave behind.
 - Native country
 - Relatives
 - Father's family
8. Did Abram know where God wanted him to go?
9. How would Abram know when he got there?
10. Did Abram play it safe and stay where he was, or did he follow God's instructions?
11. Abram followed God's instructions and got to experience the great things God had planned for him. God has great things planned for you! In the space below, write, "God has great things planned for me!" Underneath what you wrote, now write what Pastor Mike said you must do to experience those great things that God has planned.

If you never read the instructions, you can't follow them. If you want God's best for your life, you need to read His instructions, the Bible, often. This week, try to read the Bible every day. Write down some of the instructions you see that God gives to you.

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

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1. The instructions.
2. Yes.
3. In the Bible.
4. Circle: The best it can be.
5. Abram. Abraham. (Circle Abram.)
6. To leave where he was.
7. Cross out all.
8. No
9. God would tell him when to stop.
10. He followed God's instructions.
11. I need to obey the rules and instructions in the Bible.