I Will Obey!

From Dojo Jr. Lesson 5

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - OBEDIENCE
Great leaders realize that obedience leads to success.

LEADERSHIP LESSON
Your children will learn that they should obey.

LEADERSHIP STORY
Joshua and the Battle of Jericho. *(Joshua 6)*

MEMORY VERSE
Help your children memorize this verse.
"Obey your spiritual leaders, and do what they say." Hebrews 13:17a (NLT)

First:
Read the Leadership Story to your children. The Leadership Story for this lesson is about Joshua and the Battle of Jericho and is found in Joshua 6:1-20.

Next:
Let your children watch The Leadership Video, *I Will Obey.*

Then:
Ask your children the Child Leadership Questions, and lead your family through the Optional Family Activity.

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Child Leadership Questions:

1. God was going to give the city of Jericho to the Israelites. Who did God command to lead the people to march around the city?
   (Joshua.)

2. Joshua obeyed God by telling the people what God said and leading them in a march around the city. What instruction did Joshua tell the Israelites to obey while marching around the city?
   (To be quiet and not say a word.)

3. Since Joshua obeyed God and the Israelites obeyed Joshua, what happened to the walls of Jericho?
   (They fell down.)

4. Imagine that your dad told you to clean your room, but you really wanted to go play outside. What should you do?
   (Clean my room.)

5. Or imagine that your teacher tells you to sit quietly while she explains the rules to a game, but you want to talk to your friend. What should you do?
   (Sit quietly.)

OPTIONAL FAMILY ACTIVITY: I WILL OBEY CHART

Discuss with your children different ways they can obey their teachers and you this upcoming week. As a family, make an obedience chart with the days of the week written on it. Each time you see your children choosing to obey, draw a star next to their name. Make sure to praise them for making the choice to be obedient. Explain to your child that sometimes we may not want to obey because we want to do something else, but it is important to remember that God wants us to always obey!

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