



I Will Pray!

From Good News
Lesson 3

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - PRAYER

Great leaders understand the importance of telling God their concerns and asking Him what He wants them to do.

LEADERSHIP LESSON

Your children will learn that we should spend time in prayer every day.

LEADERSHIP STORY

Jesus' prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane - Mark 14:32-42

WHAT DO I DO?

Have your children watch the Leadership Video, I Will Pray.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR THIS LESSON

- Have your children read the Leadership Story, found in Mark 14:32-42.
- Have your children complete the Leadership Questions.
- Watch the Leadership Video as a family.
- Do the Optional Family Activity.

OPTIONAL FAMILY ACTIVITY: UNDERSTANDING PRAYER

Talk about the following questions:

1. What is prayer? (*Talking to God.*)
2. Can we talk to God like we would talk to our friends? (*Yes.*)
3. Where can we talk to God? (*Anywhere.*)
4. When can we talk to God? (*Anytime.*)
5. Can we tell God our problems and concerns? (*Yes, God is always there for us and is listening.*)

Make a list of some of the things you could talk to God about today. Spend some time as a family talking to God, together. Afterward, divide the list up among the family members and have them pray for the items on their parts of the list during the week. With older children allow them to choose a time each day to pray for their items. With younger children, schedule a time to meet and help them pray for their items each day. Meet together at least one more time during the week to make sure family members are praying for their individual lists and to pray together as a family.

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your child memorize this verse.

"I love the LORD because he hears my voice and my prayer for mercy."

Psalm 116:1 (NLT)



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Main Point: I Will Pray!

Read the Leadership Story about Jesus' prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane in Mark 14:32-42. When you are finished, watch the Leadership Video. Then, read the items below and write your responses in the space provided.

1. As Jesus headed to Gethsemane to pray, He knew that something was going to happen very soon. What was about to happen? Circle all the answers that apply.
 - A. He would be arrested and put on trial.
 - B. He would be in a car accident.
 - C. He would have to kill Goliath.
 - D. He would be killed to take the punishment for our sins.

2. Jesus knew He needed to talk to someone. Who did Jesus need to talk to?

3. What did Jesus tell Peter, James and John? Circle all the answers that apply.
 - A. His soul was crushed with grief.
 - B. Stay and keep watch with Him.
 - C. Take a quick nap.
 - D. Go get Him something to eat.

4. Fill in the blanks using the correct words from the Word Bank.
Word Bank: God, sky, ground, listen, fox, Jesus.
Jesus went further into the grove and there He fell to the _____ and started to _____ to _____.



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5. True or false? Jesus knew that what He wanted wasn't as important as what God wanted.

6. What were the disciples doing when Jesus returned to them?

7. When Jesus returned to His disciples the third time, who had arrived? Circle the correct answer.
 - A. The rest of the disciples.
 - B. Some musicians.
 - C. Soldiers and Temple guards.
 - D. More friends.

8. True or false? Jesus calmly let the guards arrest Him. He knew this was part of God's plan and the answer to the prayer He had just prayed.

9. Fill in the blanks using the correct words from the Word Bank.

Word Bank: Lemonade, God, help, the teacher.

When we have problems or when we are worried, we should go to _____ in prayer and ask Him for _____.



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There are three things Jesus did that we should do:

1. Pray - bring our concerns and problems to God. Tell God how you feel and ask for help.
2. Be persistent in prayer -- continually pray about problems and concerns.
3. Accept God's will -- Jesus did what God wanted Him to do instead of what He wanted to do.

Write the word "PRAY" on a piece of paper and hang it on your mirror this week to remind you to pray.

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

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Answer Key

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1. A, D
2. God
3. A, B
4. ground, pray, God
5. True
6. Sleeping
7. C
8. True
9. God, help