



I Will Choose To Repent!

From Power Up Lesson 4

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - REPENTANT

Great leaders admit when they are wrong and make a conscious decision to not do it again.

LEADERSHIP LESSON

Your children will learn that God offers us forgiveness and salvation if we will repent and choose to follow Jesus.

LEADERSHIP STORY

The repentance of the thief on the cross. (Luke 23:32 -24:49)

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: THROW IT AWAY

Sit in a circle with several pieces of paper for each family member. On each piece of paper, write down some things that are sins. Use ones from this list that are appropriate for your children's age: lying, stealing, disobeying parents, disobeying teachers, not sharing, making things more important than God, saying mean things, hitting others. Crumple up each piece of paper to make a paper ball. Place a bucket or trash bin in the middle of the room and spread out around the room. Take turns trying to throw the paper balls into the bucket or trash bin. Continue doing this until all of the "sins" are thrown away. Close the activity by saying: Just like we threw away these sins in our game, God will take our sins and throw them away when we repent and ask Him to forgive us. Let's pray together as a family, and ask God to forgive us of our sins. This is something that each of us needs to do daily.

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your child memorize this verse.

"There is forgiveness of sins for all who repent." Luke 24:47b (NLT)



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Read the Leadership Story about Jesus and the thief on the cross in Luke 23:32 - 24:49. 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 was one of the biggest problems in playing a video game?
2. True or False. We can also go the wrong direction in life.
3. God gave us our life. He gave us rules and commandments to live by. If we are disobeying God's rules, we are not living life the way God planned. We are going the wrong direction. What is it called when we disobey God?
4. Fill in the blanks. God is _____ and _____. Our sin means we will have to spend forever _____ from God. That is why we need Jesus.
5. What does the word REPENT mean? Circle the correct answer.
A. Turning away from sin.
B. Repeating what you are doing.
C. Eating too fast.
D. Doing the wrong thing.
6. Jesus came to help us with our sin problem. In our Leadership Story, what happened to Jesus? Circle the correct answer.
A. He was arrested and charged with crimes he didn't commit.
B. He began making furniture.
C. He was baptized.
D. He walked on water.
7. True or False. Jesus was severely beaten and sentenced to death by crucifixion.



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8. What is crucifixion?
9. How many men were sentenced to die alongside Jesus?
10. Instead of being angry with the people who crucified Him, what did Jesus do while He was hanging on the cross?
11. Fill in the blank. Jesus knew his death was part of God's plan for forgiveness. Jesus is _____ son.
12. True or False. Sin is a serious problem that needs a solution.
13. What did Jesus do by dying to take the punishment for our sins? Circle ALL the answers that apply.
 - A. Made a way for our sins to be forgiven.
 - B. Provided a way for us to spend forever in heaven with God when we die.
 - C. Kept us from sinning.
14. Why did the one criminal ask Jesus to remember him? Circle the correct answer.
 - A. He understood who Jesus was and he chose to turn from his sin.
 - B. He wanted to be famous.
 - C. He thought Jesus would feed him.
15. What did Jesus promise this man? Circle the correct answer.
 - A. That day he would be with Jesus in paradise.
 - B. Free meals.
 - C. A new job.
 - D. Lots of money.



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16. True or False. When Jesus died, it was the end of the story.
17. Fill in the blank. Jesus' death was just the beginning. _____ days later Jesus rose from the dead.
18. Jesus appeared to his disciples and told them to do what? Circle the correct answer.
 - A. Spread the good news of His forgiveness and salvation.
 - B. Stay home.
 - C. Eat lots of fish.
19. Pastor Mike described an ABC prayer that we can pray to turn from our sins and receive salvation. What does the A stand for?
20. What do we admit?
 - A. That we are tired.
 - B. That we sinned against God by disobeying His rules and commandments.
 - C. That we are hungry.
 - D. That we read the Bible
21. What does the B stand for?
22. Fill in the blanks. We believe in _____. That Jesus is God's _____ who lived a perfect life by not sinning and that He died on the _____ to pay for our sins and He rose three _____ later and is alive forever in Heaven.
23. What does the C stand for?



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24. What do we choose? Circle the correct answer.
- A. Choose who our friends are.
 - B. Choose to be nice.
 - C. Choose to turn from our sin and follow Jesus.
25. True or False. Salvation is between you and God. It is the most important decision you will ever make.

Repenting of your sins and turning to Jesus, like the thief did, can turn your life around. If you have questions about the ABC prayer or about what Jesus did for us, you can ask your parents or your pastor about it. If you have already accepted Jesus as your Savior, remember that you should daily ask God to forgive you of your sins and ask Him for His help not to do them anymore. Take a moment and pray, thanking God for His Son Jesus and for what He did for us on the cross.

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1. Getting stuck going the wrong direction.
2. True.
3. Sin.
4. Perfect. Sinless. Away.
5. A.
6. A.
7. True.
8. Being nailed to a cross to die.
9. Two.
10. Prayed for the people.
11. God's.
12. True.
13. A. B.
14. A.
15. A.
16. False.
17. Three.
18. A.
19. Admit.
20. B.
21. Believe.
22. Jesus. Son. Cross. Days.
23. Choose.
24. C.
25. True.