



I Will Keep On Worshiping God Every Day!

From The Great Race Lesson 8

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - OBEDIENCE

Great leaders understand that true success comes in following God daily.

LEADERSHIP LESSON

The children will learn that we should spend time every day worshiping God.

LEADERSHIP STORY

The people celebrate and worship God. (*Nehemiah 12:27-47*)

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: FAMILY WORSHIP

The Jewish people worshiped God because He had blessed them, and they had great joy. God has blessed us, too. We need to worship Him and praise Him every day. This week, gather as a family and make a list of the many ways God has blessed you. Then, spend a little time worshiping as a family together. You could spend some time in prayer thanking God for His blessings. You could put a worship CD in the stereo and sing along with it. However your family chooses to worship God together, make it a special time of remembering what God has done for you and your family and give Him thanks for it.

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your child memorize this verse.

"I will praise you every day; yes, I will praise you forever." Psalm 145:2 (NLT)



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Read Nehemiah 12:27-47. When you are finished, watch the Leadership Video. Then read the items below and write your responses in the space provided.

1. How do all of Pastor Mike's trips end?
2. What did Pastor Mike say he liked about coming home?
3. Pastor Mike does something special whenever he comes home. What is it?
4. Why does Pastor Mike worship God when he comes home?
5. In our Leadership Story, there was a group of people who went home. Who was it?



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6. The Israelites of Jerusalem had been through a lot. Complete the statements of things that had happened to the Israelites.
 - They disobeyed God and their _____.
 - Nehemiah got permission to come to Jerusalem and _____.
 - The people worked hard and _____.
 - The people read God's laws and promised to _____.
7. Because of everything that God had done for them, the people started celebrating. And, when they started celebrating, they did it in a big way, with all kinds of musical instruments there. Write down three of the instruments listed in the story.
8. But that wasn't all. People came from all around to join the celebration. And when they did, someone divided them into two giant choirs. Who was it?
9. What did Nehemiah have the two choirs do?



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10. With the choirs and all the instruments, the celebration was very loud. The Bible tells us that people heard the celebration from a long way away. The people put a lot of work and energy into worshiping God. When we worship God, we should put a lot of work and energy into it. Think about a time that you heard a large group of people singing or cheering or celebrating. It might have been a parade, or a big game, or even a concert. Draw a picture or write a description of the big celebration you heard.

11. The Israelites had a big thing to celebrate and they did it with everything they had. We have a lot to celebrate, too! And we should worship God with everything we have, just like the Israelites did. On the back of this page, list or draw pictures of some things that God has given you or things that God has done for you. Some suggestions for your list are: He gave me my family. He gave me my church. He forgives me when I mess up. He gives me my food and home. He gives me my toys. He gives me my friends.

12. Because of all that God has done for us, we need to worship Him everyday. Pastor Mike mentioned some ways that we can worship God everyday. List them below.

The Israelites loud celebration and worship of God attracted attention. People heard it from a long distance away. When you worship God everyday, people around you will notice. When they do, you can tell them about what God has done for you, and invite them to join you in worshiping God.

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

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1. He comes home.
2. He knows where everything is. He can relax. His family is there.
3. Worships God.
4. Because he is reminded of the things God has given to him.
5. The Israelites.
6. Land was conquered. Rebuild the wall around the city. Completed the wall. Obey them.
7. Harps. Trumpets. Lyres. Cymbals.
8. Nehemiah.
9. Go along the top of the wall in two different directions.
10. Answers may vary, but may include: Was very loud. Lots of people.
11. Answers may vary.
12. Pray to Him. Thank Him. Read your Bible. Obey Him.