



I Will Learn From Others' Mistakes!

From Roanoke Jones Lesson 6

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - WISDOM

Great leaders learn from the mistakes of others.

LEADERSHIP LESSON

Your children will learn that when people around us make mistakes, we should learn from their mistakes and not repeat them.

LEADERSHIP STORY

Daniel and the Mysterious Writing on the Wall. (*Daniel 5*)

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: LEARN FROM OTHERS

We sometimes see others' mistakes and when we do, we should learn from them. As a family, watch several children's shows together this week. Discuss what the main character did in the show. What choices did that character make? Did he or she do the right thing or the wrong thing? What could have been done differently? Discuss what you can learn from the main character of the show. Remind your child that we can learn a lot from people who do the right things, but we can also learn from their mistakes as well.

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your child memorize this verse.

"Don't do as the wicked do, and don't follow the path of evildoers." Proverbs 4:14 (NLT)



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Main Point: I Will Learn From Others' Mistakes!

Read the Leadership Story about King Belshazzar in Daniel 5:18-30. When you are finished, watch the Leadership Video. Then, read the items below and write your responses in the space provided.

1. What were the boys, in the first part of the video, going to do?
2. Why was this a bad thing?
3. In the Leadership Story what type of event was King Belshazzar at?
4. When King Belshazzar was having his party, what did he have his servants bring to him?
5. Where were the cups brought from?
6. As people started drinking out of the cups they started praising, but they were not praising God. What were they praising?
7. What were the idols the people were praising made of?



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8. Something mysterious and terrifying happened. What was it?

9. What did the king promise anyone who could tell him what the words meant?

10. None of the king's enchanters, astrologers, or fortune-tellers could tell the king what the writing meant. Who eventually came to tell the king about the writing?

11. What did Daniel say the writing on the wall meant? Write the meaning next to the word below:

Mene-

Tekel-

Parsin-

12. King Belshazzar should have learned from a king before him. Who was it?

13. Daniel said that Belshazzar's kingdom would be divided and he would no longer be king. When did Daniel's prediction come true?

14. King Belshazzar was killed because he didn't remember what happened to King Nebuchadnezzar. If King Belshazzar had learned from the other king's mistake, he wouldn't have had to die. Think about some of your friends and the mistakes they have made in the past. Write those mistakes down on the back of this paper. Once the list is done, put it up somewhere in your room to remind you not to make those mistakes, too.

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1. Ride down a hill.
2. Lots of people had gotten hurt.
3. A party.
4. Gold and Silver Cups.
5. The temple in Jerusalem.
6. Idols.
7. Gold. Silver. Bronze.
8. A hand appeared and wrote on the wall.
9. Purple royal robes, a gold chain, become the 3rd highest ruler.
10. Daniel.
11. Mene- ('numbered'—God has numbered the days of your reign and has brought it to an end.)
12. Tekel- ('weighed'—you have been weighed on the balances and have not measured up.)
13. Parsin- ('divided'—your kingdom has been divided and given to the Medes and Persians.")
14. King Nebuchadnezzar.
15. The same night.
16. Answers may vary depending on the people involved in the child's life.