

PERSEVERANCE

REFUSING TO GIVE UP WHEN LIFE GETS HARD



BOTTOM LINE: You can choose joy when life gets hard.

Read Romans 8:37-39

DAY 1

This or That?

Circle your favorite choice below:

Chocolate or vanilla

Cake or cookies

Bike or scooter

Basketball or soccer

Summer or winter

Did you have any trouble making a choice between the options above? Some choices are easy. But some aren't! Joy is a choice. We can choose joy when we remember that God loves us and that He proved it when He sent Jesus. You can choose joy even when life gets hard.

DAY 2

We Win!

Read **Romans 8:37** with an adult's help. Did you know that before you even try, you've won? When you put your trust in Jesus, you can be sure that no matter what, He is on your side.

Color the trophy on the other side of this page and write "WE WIN" in large block letters on the front. At the bottom of the trophy, write the reference or address for this week's verse:

Romans 8:37-39

DAY 4

Even When...

Have you ever had a really bad day? Maybe you overslept, missed the bus, forgot your lunch. Maybe you got moved to a new seat in your classroom and no one at your table will talk to you. Maybe that happened today. We all have bad days. But we can make it through the bad stuff and persevere when we remember that God loves us. Even when things don't go our way, we can choose joy. Let's celebrate this by having a joy party. Grab your family, turn on some music, and celebrate that we can choose joy even when things get tough.

DAY 3

Highest High, Lowest Low

What is highest or tallest place you can think of: _____

What is the lowest point or smallest thing you can think of: _____

Did you say an airplane or a skyscraper? What about the deepest part of the sea? According to this verse, there isn't anywhere you can go that could separate you from God's love for you. Pretty cool, huh? You can have joy knowing for sure that God loves you and that nothing can separate you from Him.

