



PERSEVERANCE

REFUSING TO GIVE UP WHEN LIFE GETS HARD

WEEK
ONE

2ND-3RD GRADE

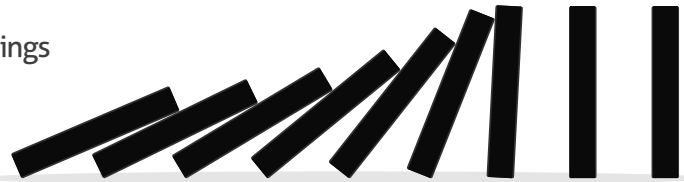
READ PSALM 96:3

DAY 1

If you have the game of Dominoes or something like it, get it out and set up a chain of the blocks. Then knock the first one down and watch the rest of them fall down too. It's a chain reaction, and all it takes is one block being close enough to another one to be impacted.

When you think about how big the world is, and how little you are, it may seem like Psalm 96:3 is impossible. But all you have to do is start by telling one person about the wonderful things God has done for you. Then that person can share with another person and so on. And if we all keep doing that over and over again, over time, all the nations will know!

THANK God for the things
He has done for you, and
then tell someone else
about it too!



READ 1 PETER 3:15

DAY 2

Have you ever had someone ask you why you go to church on Sundays? Or why you always are kind, even when people are mean to you? They are noticing something different about you and want to know why you believe what you do. Do you have an answer for them?

Take a couple of minutes to write out an explanation for "the hope you have." Why do you choose to follow Jesus? How have you seen Him make a difference in your life? Think about it, and then you'll be ready to answer anyone who asks!

KNOW why it is that you follow Jesus.

READ 2 TIMOTHY 4:5

DAY 3

On the lines below, put a star to label the following tasks according to how easy (E) or hard (H) you think they are.

(E).....(H)
Homework

(E).....(H)
Going to church

(E).....(H)
Telling someone about Jesus

(E).....(H)
Praying

(E).....(H)
Reading your Bible

(E).....(H)
Being nice to your brother or sister

(E).....(H)
Sports practice

(E).....(H)
Studying for a test

(E).....(H)
Obeying your parents

(E).....(H)
Doing chores

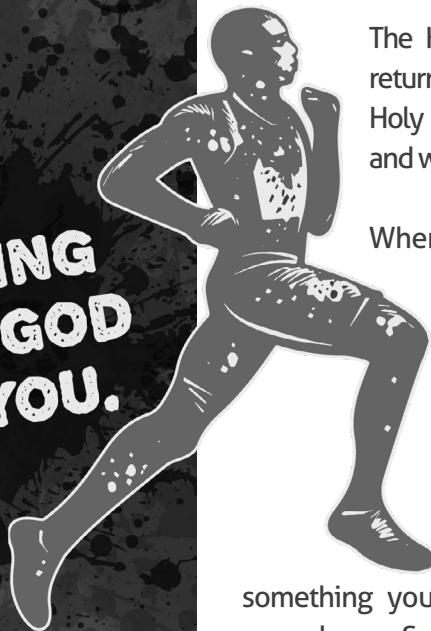
Sometimes it's easy to do the right thing. But what about when we're not really sure what God is up to or when we are tired of always being the kid that does things differently than everyone else. That's when perseverance comes into play! We have to keep working hard to spread the good news, and we can do that because God is with us! He has given us a job to do, and He promises He'll be with us as we do it. Whether it's easy or hard, He has given us all we need to do the work in front of us!

ASK God to help you keep going!

READ ACTS 1:8

DAY 4

**KEEP GOING
BECAUSE GOD
IS WITH YOU.**



The Holy Spirit first came to the disciples when Jesus returned to heaven after being raised from the dead. The Holy Spirit helped Jesus' friends tell everyone about Him and what He had done for the world.

When you put your trust in Jesus, you receive the Holy Spirit too! That may seem a little weird, but the best way to think about it is that you have a Helper who wants to encourage you to do the right thing and Who will give you the right words to say when you are talking to others about Jesus.

If you've never put your trust in Jesus and that's something you'd like to know more about, ask a parent, or you can ask your Small Group Leader at church to talk to you about it. They might even have a story to share with you of how the Holy Spirit has helped them as they follow Jesus!

LISTEN to what God is telling you to do as He guides you through the Holy Spirit.