

ELEMENTARY ACTIVITY GUIDE

CHARACTER TRAIT: PATIENCE

FINISH LINE: God helps us be patient even when we don't understand

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 37

ACTIVITY 1: MEMORY VERSE GAME

SUPPLIES: 10-15 index cards or pieces of paper, a pen or marker

SET UP: Write 2-3 words from this month's memory verse, Psalm 27:13-14, on each index card. Hide the cards around the room before starting the game.

DIRECTIONS: Tell your kids that the words to this month's memory verse are hidden all around the room, like hidden treasure. Challenge them to see how quickly they can find the cards. Once they have found them, bring them together and unscramble them. After you have laid them out in order, read the verse all together. You can keep practicing by scrambling the words a few times and see if they can put the verse in order faster each time! Save these cards and use them to practice all month long.

MEMORY VERSE: "Yet I am confident I will see the Lord's goodness while I am here in the land of the living. Wait patiently for the Lord. Be brave and courageous. Yes, wait patiently for the Lord." **PSALM 27:13-14**

ACTIVITY 2: LESSON REVIEW

SUPPLIES: Blindfold

DIRECTIONS: Similar to the way Joseph trusted and waited on God in our story today, you can help your kid practice trust through a game. You can do this activity outside or in a large room in your house. Blindfold your kid and then lead her through your yard or house. Tell her when to step over things, crawl under branches, or direct around tables when needed. If you have more than one kid, you can have them take turns being blindfolded and leading each other around.

WRAP UP: After you have played for a while, stop and talk about it. Ask them a few of the following questions: Could you see or understand where you were going? How did you know what to do or where to go? Did you ever want to take the blindfold off? Why? Remind your kid that even when we do not understand situations we might be in, we can trust and wait on God in all things. He will be with us, help guide us, and give us what we need to patiently wait on Him.