

ELEMENTARY ACTIVITY GUIDE

CHARACTER TRAIT: DILIGENCE

FINISH LINE: God gives us what we need to do His work

SCRIPTURE: Acts 1:4, 8 and Acts 2 (Pentecost)
2 Peter 1:3

ACTIVITY 1: MEMORY VERSE GAME

SUPPLIES: Ball to either toss or kick

EXPLAIN: All you need for this game is a ball. Say one phrase of the verse. Have your child repeat the phrase with you. Then, toss (or kick) a ball back and forth. As you toss the ball, say one word of the phrase. Your child will catch the ball and toss it back to you, saying the next word. Play again, varying who starts the phrase, until your child knows the phrase by memory. Then, repeat this game with the next phrase of the verse and continue until you both know the whole verse!

Multiple kids? Stand in a circle and toss or kick a ball back and forth as you say the words. You can choose to have the whole group or individuals say the words with each pass.

MEMORY VERSE: "So, my dear brothers and sisters, be strong and immovable. Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless." 1 CORINTHIANS 15:58

ACTIVITY 2: LESSON REVIEW GAME

SUPPLIES: Blindfold, tape, a picture for your version of pin the tail on the donkey, missing item from picture

SET UP: Decide as a group what picture you want to use for your version of pin the tail on the donkey. It can be a donkey that needs a tail, a snowman that needs a nose, a truck that needs a wheel, or whatever else you can think of. Print off a picture or have someone draw it for you. Do not forget to also create the missing item.

DIRECTIONS: Tape the picture on the wall and blindfold a child. Ask them what they need in order to play the game and finish the task (the picture, the missing item, tape, someone to give them directions). Ask them where they think they could get what they need? (They can get it from the person who is leading the game.) Spin them around and tell them that you will give them what they need, even guiding directions, if and when they ask for help. When they ask you for help, give them the missing item, tape, and directions to the right spot.

WRAP UP: Ask the blindfolded person if they had what they needed when they first started. What did they need to do to get what they needed? In the same way, God wants to give us what we need to do the work He has for us. What are some examples of the work God gives all believers to do? What does He promise to give you to do your work? (See 2 Peter 1:3.) When we work diligently, how do you think that brings glory to God?