



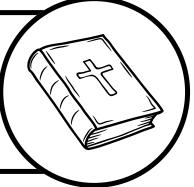




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PROVERBS 14:29-35







THINK

Patience is a great form of wisdom. Patience leads us to peace and helps us avoid anger and bitterness. Too many people lack patience especially in moments when they're upset with someone.

APPLY

Has your parent ever asked you to be patient about something? Have you ever gotten angry when you had to wait? Patience is a discipline that we all should grow in. How can you practice patience this week?







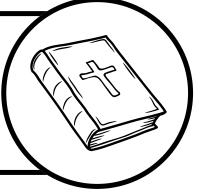




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PROVERBS 15:1-7

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THINK

Our words are powerful things. We can use them to encourage others, and if we're not careful they can become hurtful and discouraging to those around us. We must be careful with what we say.

APPLY

What do we do when others around us are upset? Based on this passage, how do you think we should speak to others who are angry or hurtful to us?







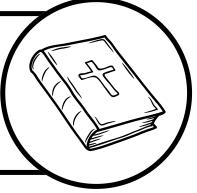




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JAMES 1:19-25

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THINK

James tells us that we are not only to hear what God's word is telling us, but that we must act on what we hear. If we are just hearing what God wants us to do but not actually doing it, then we are foolish and being disobedient.

APPLY

Whether it be to God, your parents, or your teacher, listen well and do what they tell you to do. What are three ways you can better listen and obey?







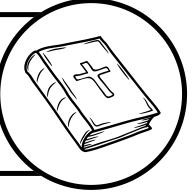




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JAMES 2:1-9

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THINK

Everyone is made in the image of God. God uses anyone He desires no matter who they are or where they are from. Just as God does not show favoritism to anyone, we are to treat people all the same with love and respect.

APPLY

Jesus always treated everyone with love, no matter who they were. What are three ways you can follow Jesus' example and show someone unconditional love?







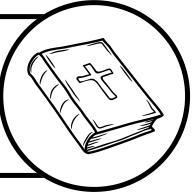




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JAMES 3:8-12

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THINK

Our words matter. We are to be careful of what we say. As image bearers of God, the things we say reflect Him. If we truly live for God then our words should bring Him glory, not harm the way people see Him.

APPLY

Be thoughtful about what words you say today. Are your words and conversations bringing harm to the image of God or glory to the image of God? What are some things you can do to be sure your words are uplifting and glorifying to God?







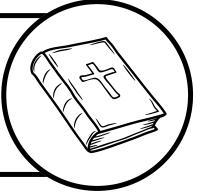




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JAMES 4:13-17

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THINK

God is in control of everything. As much as we want to control what we are going to do or where we will be, we need to surrender to God's plan for our lives because it is perfect. We can trust God because He is all knowing.

APPLY

Try writing on a piece of paper "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that." Use this as a reminder that God is in control and that His plan for you is so much better than anything you could ever imagine.







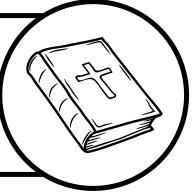




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JAMES 5:13-18

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THINK

Prayer is our way of communicating with God. Prayer is a blessing that God has given us. We are to pray in all situations. Whether it be in times of sickness, times of hurt, times of forgiveness, or times of thanksgiving, faithful prayer is powerful.

APPLY

Take some time and pray to God. Pray for your friends and family, and give Him thanks for the many blessings He has given you. Whether it is in the morning, middle of the day, or night, find a time to pray everyday.







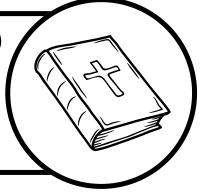




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PROVERBS 16:27-33

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THINK

Violence and anger do not lead to righteousness or wisdom. Jesus said the second greatest commandment is to "love your neighbor as yourself." He makes it very clear that love and patience are the qualities of success.

APPLY

Last week, we discussed practicing patience when angry with one another. Have you been practicing patience well this week? What is another way that you can practice patience next week?







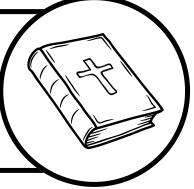




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PROVERBS 17:14-19

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THINK

Those who like creating conflict invite separation between themselves and God. There should be no joy in fighting or arguing with one another.

APPLY

Verse 17 says "a brother is born for a time of adversity." This means our closest friends are made in times of hardship and tough times. Who would you consider a close friend?







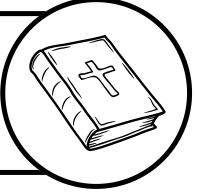




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1 PETER 1:13-21

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THINK

Jesus is pure and holy. He is our ultimate example of how we should live. We are all to look to Him to live in a godly manner. Dedicating our lives to earthly things will leave us empty, but a life dedicated to Christ is filling and rewarding.

APPLY

What are five examples that Jesus has set that you can follow every day?







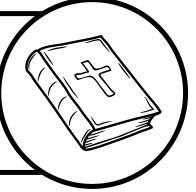




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1 PETER 2:11-17

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THINK

Good works are not what gets people into heaven, but we should still act honorably. People will know who we serve by the work that we do. We are to submit to our earthly authorities but to God's authority above all else.

APPLY

How we act toward authority figures will show how we act toward God, the highest authority. Who are five people in your life, including God, that you can listen to and respect?







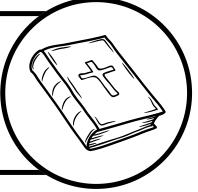




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1 PETER 3:8-12

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THINK

There is difficulty in always doing what is right. However, living in love, compassion, and service is rewarding and right before the Lord. We are called to love others, even if other people don't do the same for us.

APPLY

We are to do everything in love. Not for the sake of receiving things from others, but because it is what God commands us to do. What are five acts of love you can do for others everyday?







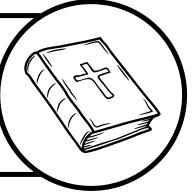




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1 PETER 4:12-19

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THINK

Followers of Christ will experience some form of hardships in their life. This isn't a bad thing. As we go through trials, we get to learn how to rely on Jesus through them. It is an honor to suffer for the same things that Jesus did.

APPLY

When you go through hard things or if you are mistreated because you follow Jesus, don't feel like you have to do it alone. God will be there to help you. Have you ever felt God's comfort during hard times? In what ways has He comforted you?







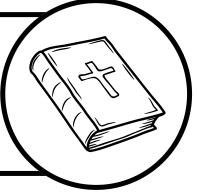


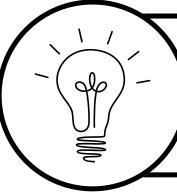


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1 PETER 5:6-11

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THINK

God reigns above everything and we are to submit to Him. He gives us strength and power and we are to praise Him for it. In our pursuit of God we are to stay focused on Him so that we can resist the schemes of the devil.

APPLY

Whenever you feel tempted or feel like you are falling into sin, pray to God for Him to give you the wisdom, strength, and courage to stand against sin. The devil will try to get you to disobey God, so you must stay focused on God.







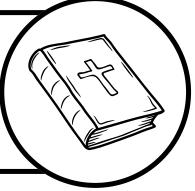




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PROVERBS 18:10-15

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THINK

Being rich in material wealth can create a false sense of security or fulfillment. People often lean on their own abilities or wealth to define their worth, but true worth is found in a life lived for God.

APPLY

To avoid pride and to help put your value in God, you must put yourself third. This means that you value God's will first, then others', and lastly your own. How can you put God and others before youself everyday?







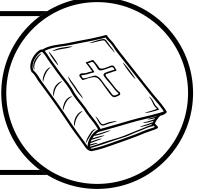




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PROVERBS 19:19-24

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THINK

When we fear God, we recognize His authority and power over all things. He is all-powerful and all-knowing, and we submit to His authority and understanding. This is why it is a good thing to fear Him.

APPLY

We are not meant to be frightened by God; we are meant to be in awe of Him and His glory. Fear is often associated with evil things but not God. His goodness is displayed in each of our lives. Where do you see God's goodness in your life?







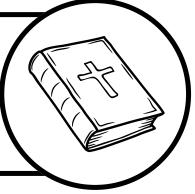




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2 PETER 1:3-11

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THINK

Jesus gives His followers everything needed to live a life of purity and righteousness. Dedication to Christ helps us to become more like Him, allowing us to be fruitful and righteous.

APPLY

Along with the qualities listed in 2 Peter 1:5-7, what are some other qualities you think would come with dedicating your life to living like Jesus?







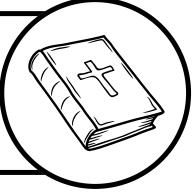




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2 PETER 2:1-9

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THINK

Because of sin in the world, some people will preach lies and change the words of the Bible to make it fit their lifestyles. It is important for believers to know God's word so that we do not fall for lies.

APPLY

What are some ways you can memorize scripture so that you may remember the truth of God's word and not fall for the lies and deception of false teachers?







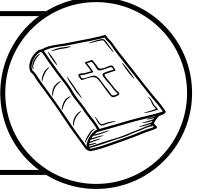


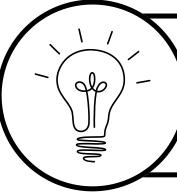


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2 PETER 3:8-13

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THINK

Jesus is going to return one day and all those who believe in Him will join Him in eternal glory. God is patient and wants as many people to hear about Him as possible. Christians are to share the gospel in hopes that many will join in glory.

APPLY

God wants us to be with Him forever and ever. Do you believe in Jesus and that He will return one day? Do you believe that you will spend eternity with God? Draw a picture of what you think Heaven will look like.







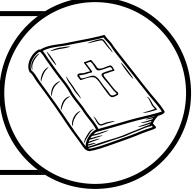




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1 JOHN 1:5-10

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THINK

God is light and He is perfect. When we walk with God we walk in the light. If we walk in the way of darkness we are separated from God, because there is no sin or darkness within Him.

APPLY

1 John 1 says, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." Have you confessed your sins to God and asked for His forgiveness? How can you do that today?







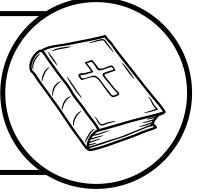




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1 JOHN 2:12-17

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THINK

John writes to these fellow believers to encourage them with the hope that was brought by Jesus' death and resurrection. He wanted to encourage them with the forgiveness they have received and the strength that God gives.

APPLY

While it is very important to encourage lost people to put their faith in Jesus, it is also important to encourage fellow Christians to remain faithful to Him. Who can you encourage today?







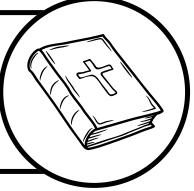




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PROVERBS 20:11-18

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THINK

We are responsible for taking charge of our faith. We can do this by seeking wisdom from those around us and actively spending time with God every day.

APPLY

Verse 11a says, "Even small children are known by their actions." This means you don't have to wait until a certain age to take your faith seriously. How would you say your faith has grown since the beginning of this year?







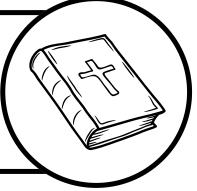




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PROVERBS 21:1-8

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THINK

If we achieve things through sinful actions, then we have actually achieved nothing. Hard and honest work that follows what God has asked of us will lead to more joy and achievement than wealth gained from lying and deceiving.

APPLY

In school, it can be tempting to cheat on tests or let others cheat off of your work. But these ideas do not align with God's teaching. It is better to be honest and do your own work. What should you say if someone asks you to cheat on schoolwork?







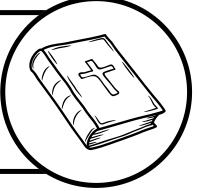




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1 JOHN 3:1-10

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THINK

God loves all people. His love is unmeasurable and is so much greater than any other love we could ever experience. If we follow Him, we are children of God, but if we live for the world, we are not His Children.

APPLY

Children of God obey Him, love others, and know what is right. Those who do not know what is right and have no love for others are not children of God. Think about who you follow and what you believe. How are you living like a child of God?







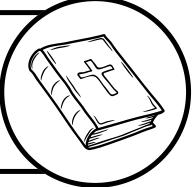




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1 JOHN 4:15-21

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THINK

God is the ultimate example of love. His love is unconditional. He loved us before we were created. God always has and always will love us. God is love. Because He first loved us, we are to love others.

APPLY

If God is love, and we are supposed to be reflections of God, then we should also be love. We are to love others, because that is what God has done for us. What are three acts of love you can show God and three you can show others?







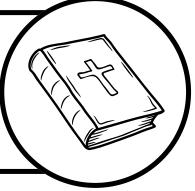




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1 JOHN 5:13-20

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THINK

Children of God should not continue in giving in to sin, but to obey His commands. If a child of God witnesses a friend struggling and living in sin, then they should pray for that friend. Pray that they would experience His love.

APPLY

Do you have any friends or family that you can pray for and encourage to surrender to God and experience His peace and love? Right now, think of who you can pray for and how you can pray for them and take three minutes to pray.







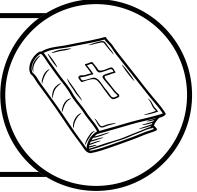




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2 JOHN 1:1-6

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THINK

Love is the recurring theme in a lot of John's writing. Love showing up over and over again shows just how important it is. God calls His followers to walk in love. Loving God and loving others shows our obedience to Him.

APPLY

Does your life show dedication to loving God and loving others? How can you love the people around you better?







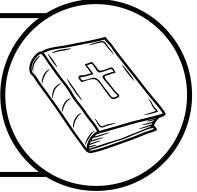




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3 JOHN 1:1-8

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THINK

Work that is done for the glory of God not only can be a testimony to the lost showing them the truth of the gospel, but it also can encourage and uplift other believers to continue in service for God.

APPLY

Is there anyone that you can think of who loves God so much that it encourages you to love God more? What could you do to deepen your love for God today?







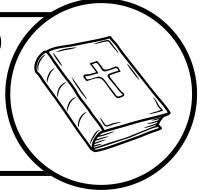




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PROVERBS 22:17-25

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THINK

Even though the Bible was written many years ago, its lessons still apply today. This portion of Proverbs introduces 30 pieces of advice given to us so that we might know how to interact with people and honor the Lord.

APPLY

We can learn from good influences like the Bible and wise people around us or we can learn from bad influences. Are you close with someone who is a bad influence? What bad influences do you need to get rid of?







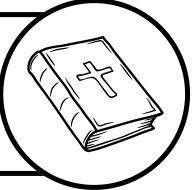




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PROVERBS 23:15-21

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THINK

Even if your life doesn't look as good as others, your faithfulness to God matters. If we are faithful to Him, He will give us everything we need. Follow the path that God has called you to.

APPLY

When we are wise and apply God's teachings and stay faithful to Him, we will experience great joy in our lives. What is something you think God is asking for you to do this week?

