

For God's Little Children

Terence threw his shoe on the floor. "I can't tie my shoes," he said.

Daddy said, "You just have to keep trying, Son."

Terence picked up the shoe and placed it on his foot. He crossed the shoelaces in his hands and made an "X." He crossed them again and again.

*"*I still can't do it,*"* said Terence.

"I'll show you," Daddy said.

Daddy showed Terence how to tie his shoes. Terence kept trying.

"I did it! I tied my shoe!" Terence said.

"Good work!" said Daddy.





BIBLE STORY

"Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith" (from Hebrews 12:1–2, NIV).

Staying Strong



Who likes to run? Can you run fast? God has a good life for us. Living for God is kind of like running a race. Part of living for God means we need to obey God. When we keep trying to do what pleases God and don't give up, Jesus helps us to be obedient and to do well.

We need to always look to Jesus. He helps us to believe. He helps us grow closer to Him and do the things

that He would do. This is where discipline comes in. We keep practicing what we learn about faith. We need to think of Jesus so we won't give up when it gets difficult to obey and to love. We must stay strong!

Sometimes God must correct us. This is also a part of being disciplined. Don't be upset if God disciplines you. It shows He loves you. It's just like how a good parents and grandparents and guardians discipline and correct our behavior—because they love us. God disciplines us for our good. Discipline helps us do the right things and live in peace.

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Look to Jesus Maze

Jesus has shown us the way to stay strong. Draw the path that leads to Jesus. Then color the maze.







DEAR PARENTS

Staying strong in faith requires us to have discipline. Help your child understand endurance and talk about all the things we can do that help us love God and love others more each day.



Loving Jesus and Others

What are the children doing in the pictures? Do these things help us to love God and others more? How? Color the pictures.





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Tony's family had a big scare. "The earthquake scared us, didn't it?" said Mom.

*"*It sure was shaky,*"* said Tony.

"But thank God it was only a small one. Only one vase broke."

"We're all here, safe and sound," said Tony, looking over at his baby sister and their little dog, Scottie.

"While we're here on earth, things like this happen sometimes," said Mom. "Things can be shaken. But someday we'll be in God's kingdom,

where nothing can be shaken. Bad things happen, but God always brings good things out of bad things."

"I'm glad," said Tony, hugging little Scottie.



BIBLE STORY

"Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe" (Hebrews 12:28, NIV).

So Thankful



When Moses visited God on the mountain, no one could touch the mountain. It was holy and set apart, and people were fearful of it.

But now, we have Jesus, and we can come to God through Him. All the angels are singing His praises. When we come to God's mountain now, we belong and we can thank God, too!

We must listen when He warns us. Things on earth will be shaken. But God's kingdom cannot be shaken. We can know that even when bad things happen here on earth, God's children can look forward to good things in heaven.

Let us be thankful for His kingdom. We will receive that kingdom someday.

Let us worship God and know how awesome He is.

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KNOWING



Thankful Maze

Follow the maze to Jesus. Name all the things you can be thankful for along the way!



Memory Verse: "Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever" (1 Chronicles 16:34, NIV).



DEAR PARENTS

Today your child learned that bad things sometimes happen in life, but God always brings good out of bad, and we always have the hope of heaven!



God's Kingdom

Can you figure out the story? What does it say? Color the pictures.

