

4th-5th Grade.

BIG IDEA:
Responsibility

BOTTOM LINE:
Do your best
when there's a job to be done.

BIBLE STORY:
Darius Chooses Daniel
(Daniel 6:1-4)

After Large Group

BOTTOM LINE REVIEW

Use these questions to guide the kids on how they can apply the Bottom Line: **do your best when there's a job to be done.** Engage with everyone in your group and give them a chance to share and participate in the discussion.

LEVEL UP THE DISCUSSION:

Use the activity below to encourage discussion and group participation.

1. Have kids line up shoulder to shoulder on one side of small group area.
2. Leader will stand about 6-8 feet away, facing the group.
3. Leader will read a question below.
4. Kids will step forward if they know the answer, have experienced it before, or want to share.
5. Leaders will call on one or two kids who stepped forward to share their answers.

SAY THIS

1. Why did King Darius trust Daniel? (Let kids respond.) **Because he was responsible. He worked hard at the jobs he was given.**
2. What made Daniel different from the other leaders? (Let kids respond.) **He made choices that honored God.**
3. What does it mean to do your work with excellence? (Let kids respond.) **Take your time. Do your best. Do it right the first time. Do it all the way.**
4. What's a responsibility you have at home that you haven't been doing, or have only been doing halfway just so you can be finished? (Let kids respond.)
5. What would happen if you treated every responsibility that way? (Let kids respond.)
6. What is one responsibility you have that you can "level up" this week and do your best? (Let kids respond.)

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If we did every job or responsibility halfway, things would be a mess, and people wouldn't trust us with other responsibilities. Whether it's our least favorite job or something we like to do, we need to remember to **do your best when there's a job to be done**. So let's pray and ask God to help us do our best when there's a job to be done.

PRAYER

Huddle up with your group and lead them in prayer.

Dear God,

This week, help me do my best at _____ (go around the circle and let kids say what they want God to help them with). **Thank you for helping me. Amen.**

VERSE OF THE MONTH

**"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much."
Luke 16:10**

VERSE ACTIVITY

- Bibles
- Verse Cling Activity Page - 1 per group
- Verse Labels - 2 sets per group
- Solo® cups - 20 per group

SAY THIS

LEARN IT! (Find the verse and understand what it means.)

The Bible is full of wisdom from God. Let's look up our verse to learn what God says about being responsible for the things he's trusted us to take care of. (Pass out Bibles and look up the verse. Demonstrate how to locate the Table of Contents to find the correct book, and explain how to find the verse based on the reference.)

LOCK IT! (Memorize the verse to lock it in our hearts.)

It's important to lock the verse in our hearts.

1. See if anyone would like to say the verse from memory.
2. Next, divide the group into two teams.
3. Each team will put a label from the verse on an individual Solo® cup.
4. See which team can stack the cups in the correct order the fastest.
5. Create two new teams and play again as time allows.

LIVE IT! (Apply the verse to the way we live every day.)

Now that we've learned the verse and locked it in, we need to live it out. Living out the verse is knowing what it means and applying it to the way we live every day.

Elementary

Small Group

Week 4

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Do you know what "trust" means? It means that others can depend on us. When we take responsibility for small things now, we show that we can be trusted with bigger things later on.