

UNSTUCK

DON'T GIVE UP

Parent Cue • Preteen • Week of May 24th



Use this guide to help your family learn how God can help us live with determination.

First, watch this video:

<https://bit.ly/PreteenUnstuckWeek4>

Then follow up with the activity below!

MEMORY VERSE

"Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up."

Galatians 6:9, NIV

LIFE APP

DETERMINATION:

Deciding
it's worth it to finish
what you started

BIBLE STORY

Stephen
(Acts 6:1–7:60)

KEY QUESTION

When were you scared
but kept going?



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ACTIVITY: Remember What's True

WHAT YOU NEED:

iContainer, 26 small slips of paper, 1 marker per person, 1 sheet of paper per person

WHAT YOU DO:

Before you get started, write the letters of the alphabet on the 26 slips of paper and mix them up in the container. Give each person a sheet of paper and a marker. Talk about the main points of Stephen's story:

- 1) The religious leaders convinced some men to lie about Stephen.
- 2) The leaders had Stephen arrested and put on trial.
- 3) Stephen told everyone about Jesus.
- 4) The leaders were angry threw stones at Stephen to kill him.

Emphasize that Stephen showed determination because he knew God, and he

knew that God was with him. Take turns pulling a letter out of the container. Ask everyone to write down something that's true about God, starting with the letter that was pulled. Share your answers with everyone after each turn. Talk about why you wrote a particular word or phrase. Finish up by asking: how can these things that are true about God help you keep going—especially when things are difficult and you don't know what's going to happen?

Talk about the Bible story:

- o Who was Stephen? (a leader in the church who got in trouble for talking about Jesus)
- o Why do you think Stephen shared all the stories from the Old Testament? (Those stories helped point people to Jesus.)
- o How did the religious leaders respond to Stephen's message? (They became angry and threw stones at him.)
- o Why do you think Stephen was determined to keep going even though people were getting very angry with him?

PRAYER

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible Story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, You are so awesome and amazing! You know everything—and that is SO cool! We know that [Basic Truth] we can trust You no matter what, because You know the end of the story. Please help us to remember that when we face difficult situations in life. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."