

I WILL BE PATIENT!

LESSON 8

Today your children joined a boy named Mardy on his final training mission for the Help Corps. On the mission, Mardy went to Canyon Island to help a boy named Spike learn: **I Will Be Patient**. Spike wanted to open a treasure chest, but it was on the other side of a canyon and he wasn't patient enough to wait for the drawbridge to cross. After Mardy taught him that God wants him to be patient even when it's really hard, he finally waited for the bridge and got to the treasure chest...and it was full of candy!

Activity one: Playground Patience

Take your children to a playground sometime this week, and bring a stopwatch with you. Each time they're about to do something like swing or slide, they will first have to wait patiently for thirty seconds until your stopwatch goes off. Remind them that even when it's hard, God wants us to be patient.

Activity two: Cookie Watch

Bake some cookies with your children this week, and while they're in the oven, encourage your children to patiently watch them bake. Talk to them about how even though it's hard to be patient when we really want something, it's the right thing to do, and sometimes we get a sweet reward like cookies.

PARENT AND CHILD INTERACTION FLYER

Use this flyer to continue building on what the children learned about today.



Parents, have your child color the missing parts while you read this Bible Story together.

1 Chronicles 22:2-19

Q In our Bible Story today, David wanted to build something very special for God. Does anyone remember what it was?

A A temple. David wanted to build a temple for God. A temple was a very special place because it was like a house for God right here on earth. David wanted to build a really nice temple with lots of gold and silver to thank God for all that He had given to him.



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Q One day God came to David and told him something that really surprised him. Can someone tell me what it was?

A He would not be the one to build the temple. God told David that he wouldn't be the one to build the temple, but that he would have a son named Solomon who would do it. David would have to be patient and wait for Solomon to be born and then to grow up before he could start the temple. That would be a long time!



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Q Even though it wasn't what he wanted, David was patient while he waited for Solomon to grow up and start the temple. What did David do while he was waiting?

A He collected wood, stone, iron, and bronze for Solomon to build the temple with.

David saved all kinds of things for Solomon to build the temple with, like wood, stone, iron, and bronze. When Solomon was old enough, David told him about the temple and he started to build it.



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Q In our Bible Story, we learned that Solomon started the temple just like David told him to. Did it take Solomon a short time or a long time to finish it?

A A long time.

It took him a long time to finish. David and Solomon had to be patient while it was being built. When it was finished it was beautiful and David was glad he had been patient and waited for it.



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