

Lesson Content & Principles

Lesson 1 – Battling an Enemy: Joshua Wins at Ai

PRINCIPLES: People who persevere in doing God’s work...

1. don’t panic or pout after failures; they pray.
2. humbly go to God for help.
3. put God before self.
4. know that willful sin can prevent a win.
5. do not fear; they know God is near.
6. obey God’s plans exactly.
7. know God guides those who persevere.
8. may have to step back before moving forward.
9. see God’s plans work out and God’s promises come true.

Lesson 2 – Beating a Bully: Hanna Prays Away a Problem

PRINCIPLES: People who persevere in doing God’s work...

1. gain strength from regularly worshiping God.
2. look for God’s blessings in hard times.
3. trust God that the problem won’t go on forever.
4. know God values His people for who they are, not what they do.
5. pray all the way through problems.
6. fully surrender themselves and their gifts to God.
7. find peace in prayer.
8. glorify God by telling others what He’s done.
9. inspire others to worship and serve God.

Lesson3 – Proving God’s Power: Elihan Burns Baal

PRINCIPLES: People who persevere in doing God’s work...

1. keep speaking God’s truth, even when it’s not popular.
2. trust God’s power, even when outnumbered.
3. can always tell the one true God from false gods.
4. know what God expects of His followers.
5. keep working hard to do what God wants.
6. do God’s work God’s way, following His commands.
7. want others to know that only God is God.
8. cause others to worship God as their God.

Lesson 4 – Building for God: Nehemiah Begins the Wall

PRINCIPLES: People who persevere in doing God's work...

1. know prayer is the first step in persevering.
2. don't let fear keep them from saying or doing the next right thing.
3. know God is the source of success.
4. follow plans directed by God.
5. research the size of their project.
6. tell others the good things God's doing.
7. motivate others to join God's plans.
8. trust God for success.

Lesson 5 – Overcoming the Opposition: Nehemiah Completes the Wall

PRINCIPLES: People who persevere in doing God's work...

1. pray all the way through problems.
2. work with all their heart.
3. add practical action to prayer.
4. choose faith in God over fear.
5. plan and prepare for enemy attacks.
6. are kind to those with whom they work or play.
7. watch for enemies' evil tricks and respond with prayer and wisdom.
8. ultimately bring glory to God.

Lesson 6 – Standing for Truth: A Blind Man Boasts of Jesus

PRINCIPLES: People who persevere in doing God's work...

1. obey Jesus' words exactly.
2. tell others what Jesus did for them personally.
3. stick to the truth, even if others say the opposite.
4. speak truth, even if it may bring consequences.
5. are determined to tell the truth over and over if needed.
6. invite others to believe in Jesus, too.
7. boldly share what they know about God.
8. discover Jesus in new ways.
9. grow in faith and worship of God.

Lesson 7 – Saving the World: Jesus Goes to the Cross for Us

PRINCIPLES: People who persevere in doing God's work...

1. have a clear picture of the work God's given them.
2. go to God's Word to learn God's will.
3. pray hard and often.
4. encourage others to pray.
5. stick to God's plan, even if friends run away.
6. speak the truth, even if people don't believe it.
7. do everything they can to finish God's work.
8. enjoy more blessings than one can ask or imagine.
9. worship God with great joy and praise Him continually.

Lesson 8 – Persuading the World: Paul Tells Gentiles Jesus is Alive

PRINCIPLES: People who persevere in doing God's work...

1. have a clear picture of the work God's given them.
2. tell others what God is doing.
3. are willing to serve God wherever He sends them.
4. don't take praise for themselves that belongs to God.
5. speak the truth, even if it makes them unpopular.
6. cooperate with God in going wherever He wants.
7. endure hardship by staying focused on God's plan.
8. enjoy God's blessings as they do His work.
9. see God's power as He works out His plan through them.

If You Want Jesus to Be Your Savior...

PRINCIPLES:

- God is perfect and holy. (2 Samuel 22:31)
- Everyone does wrong; no one deserves to be close to a perfect God. (Romans 3:23)
- No one can earn their way or do enough good to satisfy God. (Isaiah 64:6)
- But God loved us so much that He sent Jesus to die in our place. (John 3:15)
- Jesus rose from the dead - alive - proving that He is God and giving us hope that we will live with Him in heaven. (1 Corinthians 15:3-5)
- Your sins are forgiven and you are made a child of God when you believe that Jesus died for you personally and when you tell Him that you want to follow Him. (Romans 10:13)