

Deciding to be okay with what you have



READ MATTHEW 6:31-33

DAY 1

Instead of worrying about things that are only important here on earth, like food and clothes, we should focus on putting things that are important to God first. Find some of those things in the word search below. (Hint: instead of food, these are called "fruits of the Spirit.")

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Word Search LOVE JOY PEACE PATIENCE KINDNESS GOODNESS FAITHFULNESS GENTLENESS SELF-CONTROL

ASK God to help you see what is most important to His Kingdom this week.

READ 1 TIMOTHY 6:6-7

DAY 2

What if you were invited on a trip to somewhere fun and were told that you didn't need to bring anything—no shampoo, extra clothes, or even a pillow? Everything you need will be provided.

But here's the catch: when you leave the trip, everything that was provided for you has to stay. The blankets, toys, and clothes all stay behind. You'd probably enjoy the trip, but you wouldn't get too attached to anything, because you'd know it wasn't yours, right?

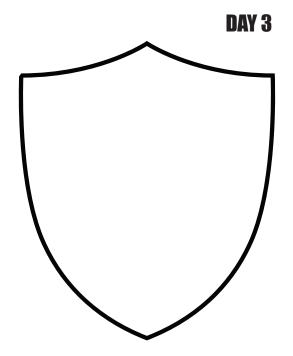
That trip is a lot like what we're experiencing on this earth! When we were born, we didn't have anything, and God provides everything we need while we're here. We don't get to take it with us when we go to heaven, so we might as well not get too attached to anything other than each other because people matter most!

KNOW that nothing you own is REALLY yours.

READ LUKE 12:15

Grab a sheet of paper to draw and cut out a shield like the one drawn out to the right. Right the words of Luke 12:15 along the edges, and then draw pictures on the inside of the things that make up your life. (hint: think family, friends, church, activities, pets, etc.) Hang the shield somewhere you will see often to remind you that THESE are the things that make up your life.

THANK God for everything on your shield each day.



READ 1 TIMOTHY 6:10-11

DAY 4

If possible, head outside and run a few sprints as fast as you can. If you can't go outside, find room in your house with the most floor space and do a few sprints back and forth, running as fast as you can. While you catch your breath, re-read 1 Timothy 6:10-11.

If you're thinking, I'm not a "man of God," that's because this was written to Timothy. But the advice Paul gave Timothy applies to us too! Money itself isn't evil, but when we obsess over it and love it more than what's really important, that's not good. As fast as you ran in your yard or house before, run away from loving money or stuff and run toward the things that really matter!

LISTEN to Paul's advice to Timothy and apply it to your life too.

