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Faith At Home Play Card

2 Thessalonians Chapter 1

Best Use:

To act as a companion to the REAP Bible reading plan for the book of 2 Thessalonians chapter 1.

Purpose:

Assists parents in their call to fulfill their responsibility as the primary faith shaper in their child's life. Guides families to have fun and engaging faith conversations in their home.

Advanced Preparation:

- Place one penny for each of your children in an ice cube tray. Fill the tray slots containing the pennies with water and place in the freezer.
- Place a towel on your table.
- Secret Prize for the winner (a piece of candy or some other treat)

Play Action:

Follow these steps to serve up a great experience.

DO: Begin your lesson by giving each child an ice cube. Explain that the first person to get the penny out of their ice without putting it in their mouth or hitting it with another object is the winner and will get a special prize. You may want to continue your lesson until you have a winner.

READ: 2 Thessalonians 1:4 while they are trying to get their pennies out of the ice.

SAY: Paul spoke proudly of the Thessalonians because of their perseverance and faith. People made it very hard for the Thessalonians to be followers of Jesus, but no matter what anyone threw at them they were determined to be faithful. Perseverance means not giving up even if things get hard or take a long time. Paul was sort of an expert in perseverance. While Paul was telling people about Jesus he was thrown in prison, suffered a shipwreck, and even had people try to kill him.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What did melting the ice cube have to do with perseverance?
2. Did you ever feel like quitting?
3. Why do some people quit when things get hard?
4. Could you have gotten the penny quicker had you broken the rules?
5. Would you have been a winner then?
6. Why do you think perseverance is important?

TIME OF SHARING: Share an age appropriate story about a time of perseverance in your own life. Let your children have a chance to share if they think they have an example of perseverance in their own lives.

PRAY: Thank God for always caring for His people. Thank Him that He is in control of all things and has a great plan. Ask Him to help you have perseverance like the Thessalonians and Paul.