May: Character Study Elementary

Joyfulness Week 1

Memory Verse: Psalm 35:9 "And my soul shall be joyful in the Lord: it shall rejoice in His salvation."

Being happy is different from having joy. Happiness is usually dependent on how things are going. When things go our way, we get something good, or we win, then we feel happy. But you can have joy even if things go wrong. Our joy can be found in how God is taking care of us and how God is good.

Read Psalm 16:11 with an adult and talk with him or her about how you can show God that you are joyful.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Knowing and trusting in Jesus gives us joy.

Find the word joy in the puzzle six times.

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"But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people." Luke 2:10 NIV

Fiction Connection

The Marvelous Mud
House by April Graney



This book tells the story of a boy that learned what true joy was when his family visited a family in Kenya. <u>Dig Deeper into What the Bible Says about</u> <u>Joyfulness:</u>



Psalm 94:19 "When anxiety was great within me, Your consolation brought joy to my soul."



James 1:2-3 "Consider it all joy, my friend when you face troubles." May: Character Study Elementary

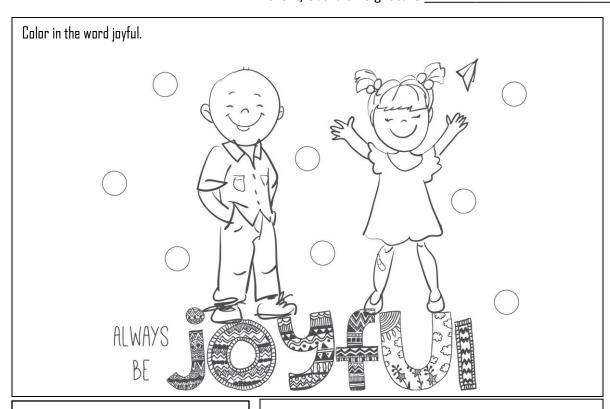
Joyfulness Week 2

Memory Verse: Psalm 35:9 "And my soul shall be joyful in the Lord: it shall rejoice in His salvation."

When we look at who God is, we can be joyful and worship Him. God gives us a kind of joy that comes from the inside.

Read Psalm 33:1-3 with a parent or tutor to learn about some of the different ways we can show our joyfulness.





Dig Deeper into What the Bible Says about Being Joyful:



Psalm 68:3

"But may the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; may they be happy and joyful."

Fiction Connection

Love Does for Kids

by Bob Goff

This book is a perfect way for you and your family to show



God's love and all of the character traits we have learned this year in some practical ways.