

Driven: What's Inside Matters Most



First, watch
this week's
video!

Integrity:
Choosing to
be truthful in
whatever you
say and do

Memory Verse

"Anyone who lives
without blame walks
safely. But anyone
who takes a crooked
path will get caught."
Proverbs 10:9, NIV

Bible Story

Naaman and
Elisha's Servant
2 Kings 5

Bottom Line

When you're
not truthful,
you lose trust.

Use this guide to help your family learn
how God can help us live with integrity.

Activity

Mirror, Mirror

What You Need:

Four index cards, writing utensil, mirror

What You Do:

Write the following words BACKWARDS
on the index cards (one word per card).
Be sure to write each individual letter
backwards as well.

INTEGRITY	(YTIRƎTNI)
TRUST	(TƆURƆ)
TRUTH	(HTUƆT)
WISE	(ƎƆIW)

Give the cards to your child and ask them
to try to read each word out loud. (They
either will not be able to read them at all,
or they will struggle.)

Now, bring your child and the cards to
a mirror. Say, "Now hold up each card
to the mirror and try to read the words."

(Allow your child to read the words while
looking at the mirror. You may have to
help them sound out some of the words.)

Say, "When we looked in the mirror,
all of a sudden we could see the letters
and words! Remember, when we have
INTEGRITY, that means we'll live in a
TRUTHful way. We'll be able to make the
WISE choice . . . and others will know
they can TRUST us."

Talk About the Bible Story

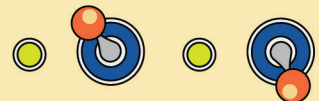
Who wasn't truthful in the story we heard today?
(Gehazi)

Why did Gehazi lie to Naaman? (He wanted to
get some gifts from Naaman and keep them for
himself.)

What did Gehazi's lies do to his relationship with
Elisha? (Elisha saw that he couldn't trust Gehazi.)

If we're not truthful, how does that make others
feel about us? (like we're not trustworthy)

Parent: Share a positive example about someone
who you can confidently trust to tell the truth—
and explain why you feel you can trust them.

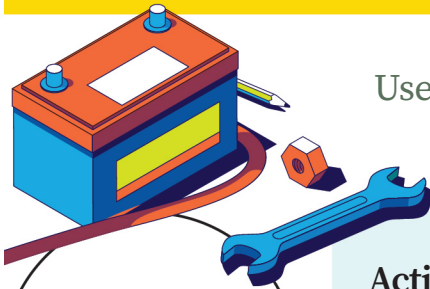


Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking
about the Bible story or sometime before bed
tonight:

"Dear God, thank You for this reminder of why it's
important for us to always be truthful. Please help
us all to live with integrity this week. When we want
to say something that isn't true, please help us
remember to make the better choice. We want
people to trust us! We love You, and we pray these
things in Jesus' name. Amen."

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Key Question

Why is it important
for people to
trust you?

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God can help us live with integrity.

Activity

If... Then

What You Need:

Seven index cards, writing utensil

What You Do:

Write down the following seven scenarios, one per card.

Scenarios:

- If I eat too much ice cream, then...
- If I don't study for a test, then...
- If I stay up too late at night, then...
- If I'm mean to my friend, then...
- If I never clean my room, then...
- If I talk when my teacher is talking, then...
- If I don't brush my teeth regularly, then...

Put the cards in a stack. Tell your child, "Draw a card and read the scenario. Fill in the blank by telling me what you think would happen next."

Allow your child to pick up and read the scenarios and explain what might happen next. Then say, "When we do certain things, we can expect something to happen. IF we stay up late reading a book or playing a game, THEN we can expect to be tired the next day. That's especially true when we don't live with integrity. IF we're not truthful, THEN people will lose trust in us."

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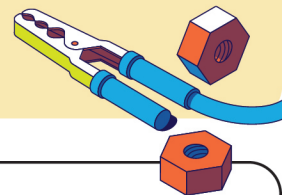
Why did Gehazi lie to Naaman? (*He wanted to get some gifts from Naaman and keep them for himself.*)

What did Gehazi's lies do to his relationship with Elisha? (*Elisha saw that he couldn't trust Gehazi.*)

How can dishonesty affect a friendship?

Why is it important to live with integrity even if you think no one is watching or will ever find out?

Parent: Share a positive example about someone who you can confidently trust to tell the truth—and explain why you feel you can trust them.



Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, we want to follow Your path and make the wisest choices we can. We get off track sometimes and mess up. Help us to choose to be truthful in everything we say and do... so that other people will know they can trust us. We love You. Amen."