

CHARACTER LESSONS FROM BIBLE HEROES

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Jesus: Spiritual Leadership

After saying all these things, Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son so he can give glory back to you. For you have given him authority over everyone. He gives eternal life to each one you have given him. And this is the way to have eternal life—to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, the one you sent to earth. I brought glory to you here on earth by completing the work you gave me to do. John 17:1-4

The ultimate goal of life is to bring _____ to God.

To Be a Spiritual Leader:

- I) Help them get to _____.
 - A) I have revealed you to the ones you gave me from this world. They were always yours. You gave them to me, and they have kept your word. John 17:6
 - B) God is:
 - 1) _____.
 - 2) _____.
 - 3) _____.
 - 4) _____.
 - C) Why is this important?
 - 1) So they can enjoy and experience God's love.

I have revealed you to them, and I will continue to do so. Then your love for me will be in them, and I will be in them." John 17:26
 - 2) It's the way they get into heaven.

And this is the way to have eternal life—to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, the one you sent to earth. John 17:3
- II) Teach them _____.
 - A) Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:31-32
 - B) For I have passed on to them the message you gave me... John 17:8a
 - C) I have given them your word... John 17:14a
 - D) My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge... Hosea 4:6a (NKJV)

E) I have hidden your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. Psalm 119:11

III) _____ for them.

A) My prayer is not for the world, but for those you have given me, because they belong to you.

John 17:9

B) Jesus prayed they would:

1) Live for Jesus joyfully. _____.

Now I am coming to you. I told them many things while I was with them in this world so they would be filled with my joy. John 17:13

2) Grow strong spiritually. _____.

I'm not asking you to take them out of the world, but to keep them safe from the evil one.

John 17:15

3) Serve Jesus effectively. _____.

Make them ready for your service through your truth; your teaching is truth. John 17:17

(NCV)

4) Experience fellowship personally. _____.

I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you... John 17:21a

5) Bring others to Jesus regularly. _____.

I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. John 17:20

IV) Build _____ into them.

A) I have given them the glory you gave me, so they may be one as we are one. John 17:22

B) Everything mine is yours, and yours mine, And my life is on display in them. John 17:10 (MSG)

V) Guard their _____.

A) During my time here, I protected them by the power of the name you gave me. I guarded them so that not one was lost, except the one headed for destruction, as the Scriptures foretold. John 17:12

B) You protect their:

1) _____.

2) _____.

3) _____.

C) Care for the flock that God has entrusted to you. Watch over it willingly, not grudgingly—not for what you will get out of it, but because you are eager to serve God. Don't lord it over the people assigned to your care, but lead them by your own good example. 1 Peter 5:2-3

VI) Release them to serve _____.

A) In the same way that you gave me a mission in the world, I give them a mission in the world.

John 17:18

B) Are you willing to let God be God in your kid's lives?

C) This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one. Genesis 2:24

VII) Model _____.

For their sake, I am making myself ready to serve so that they can be ready for their service of the truth. John 17:19 (NCV)

Now I am departing from the world; they are staying in this world, but I am coming to you. Holy Father, you have given me your name; now protect them by the power of your name so that they will be united just as we are.

John 17:11