

DETERMINATION

DECIDING IT'S WORTH IT TO
FINISH WHAT YOU STARTED

MEMORY VERSE

"Let us not become tired of doing good.
At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up."

Galatians 6:9, NIV

WEEK

1

Peter and John Before the Sanhedrin

Acts 3 and 4

BOTTOM LINE:

Keep going even when it gets hard.

WEEK

2

Peter and Cornelius

Acts 10

BOTTOM LINE:

Keep going even when the job is
bigger than you think.

WEEK

3

Armor of God

Ephesians 6:10-18

BOTTOM LINE:

God gives you what you need to
keep going.

WEEK

4

Heaven

Revelation 21:1-8, 22-27; 22:1-5

BOTTOM LINE:

Keep going because God knows
the end of the story.



MORNING TIME

This month, pay special attention to when your child shows determination. Embrace the opportunity to recognize this determination by writing them a special note to read during lunch or simply vocalize how proud you are of them. Alternatively, if you notice your child is struggling to show determination, consider using the following verse for inspiration: Be strong, all you who put your hope in the Lord. Never give up (Psalm 31:24, NIV). It's a great reminder that with God's help they can do it!



DRIVE TIME

While driving in the car or walking to the bus stop, ask your child about a time when they wanted to quit something that was difficult but they didn't give up. How did it make them feel when they completed the task? When you're done discussing, play the song of the month from Studio252.tv to celebrate determination!



MEAL TIME

Ask a kid: What is your favorite thing to do that is easy for you? What is your favorite thing to do that is sometimes hard?

Ask a parent: What is one thing you wish you hadn't quit when you were a kid?



BED TIME

Read Acts 4:1-22. Share with each other at least two new things that you've tried or started recently. Did you finish what you started? If you did, was it easy? If you didn't, what stopped you? Truth is, it is way easier to start something new than it is to finish it, especially when it turns out to be harder than you expected. It can be anything from math homework to choosing to forgive someone who hurt your feelings. Together, decide where you can use some extra determination this week. Ask God to give you the determination to keep going, even when it gets hard.



PARENT TIME

We all want our children to show determination and never give up, but at times it can be difficult to sit back and watch them learn this on their own. In an effort to keep things moving, at times, we can do too much for our children. It's easy to justify it in the moment because we are faster and we let convenience dictate our actions. Ultimately though, sowing opportunities for determination now will reap a beautiful harvest as they grow older. Allow your child to feel the tension when something doesn't come easy and encourage them to push through it this month. Let's show them that with God's help they can tackle anything and finish what they have started!