

It's a Job To Be Job—Kids' Lesson #6
Job 2:1-10, John 11:4

HOOK: When Lindsay got sick with the chicken pox, she had to stay home from school. She had red spots everywhere on her skin and, boy, did they itch! “Don’t scratch your spots!” said Lindsay’s mom. For a whole week, Lindsay had to stay in the house—she couldn’t go outside and play. She even had to miss her friend Sarah’s birthday party. “Being sick is no fun! I feel like I’m being punished,” Lindsay said to her mom. She felt sad and lonely and very itchy. Her mom replied, “Everyone gets sick sometimes, Lindsay. It’s not because you did anything wrong. Let’s pray together and ask God to help you.” Every night Lindsay and her mom prayed together. Her spots still itched, but every time they prayed, Lindsay remembered that God was with her. At the end of the week Lindsay felt much better. She exclaimed, “You know what Mom? God is with us ALL the time, even when we’re sick!” “You’re right, Lindsay, God never wants us to give up on trusting Him.” “I’m glad I didn’t give up.” Lindsay said, running out the door to the backyard. “Me too!” Mom with a smile.

BOOK: In Job 2:1-10 we learn that Job faced a new challenge. He became very sick with painful sores all over his body. Job’s wife was angry with God because she didn’t understand why so many bad things were happening. His wife told him, “Give up. Stop trusting in God.” But Job was a man of integrity. Even though he was sick, Job knew God’s love for him was still real so he had faith in God’s plan. He reminded his wife that God is always in control—on the good days and on the bad days. Job didn’t give up!

LOOK: Did you know that in the New Testament Jesus healed a man named Lazarus after Lazarus had already died? Jesus brought Lazarus back to life! See, God’s plan is always better than anything we could ever imagine. Wow, I’m so glad God loves us that much! God never leaves us.

TOOK: We can trust God when we’re sick, because God is always with us!

Bible Verse: “When he heard this, Jesus said, ‘This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God’s glory so that God’s Son may be glorified through it.’” John 11:4

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(The Learning Continues—Job Lesson #6)



What We Learned: Today we heard a story about a girl named Lindsay who learned that God is with her when she's sick. We also returned to Job's story, learning that in addition to losing his land, livestock, servants and family, Job also lost his health. As a result, Job's wife became very angry with God. Job reminded her that God is sovereign on the good days and on the bad days. Job didn't give up or turn away from God. Job was a man of integrity. In the New Testament, Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, showing just how amazing God's plan for us can be when we trust Him!



Memory Verse: "When he heard this, Jesus said, 'This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it.'" John 11:4



Parent/Child Activity: Encourage your child to think of ways to help someone you know of who is currently sick or in need of encouragement. Your child may want to decorate a get-well card or bake cookies. Together, pray aloud for your hurting friend by name. Pray strength over your friend to not give up, but rather trust in God.



Daily Prayer: "Dear God, please help me to know that you are always with me when I am sick or hurting. Thank you for loving me and watching over me. Amen."

