



LESSON

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# FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP TIME

## Unwavering Heart: Saying No to Those Who Tempt Us to Disobey

**Objective:** Students learned that saying no to temptation helps us become more like Jesus.

**Bible Verse:** Proverbs 1:10 *"If sinful men entice you, do not give in to them."* (NIV)

**Bible Story:** Jesus is Unwavering and Says No to Peter (Matthew 16:20-23)

### Action Steps:

- 1. Bible Time:** As a family, read *Jesus is Unwavering and Says No to Peter*, and discuss why Jesus rebuked/said no to Peter's request. Discuss ways that your kids can have an unwavering heart when around peers who may not have the same family values as your family.
- 2. Scripture Memory:** Practice singing or reciting the memory verse each day as a family.
- 3. Practice:** Talk with your children about some rules you are working on, like sitting quietly while waiting for food at a restaurant or cleaning up toys when they are finished playing. When you know other kids will be around that may not follow the same rule, remind your children to still obey the rule, even if their friends/siblings are not doing it. An unwavering heart is not being negatively influenced by other friends. Remind them that Jesus loves an unwavering heart, and when we follow our parents' rules, even when our friends or siblings are not following those rules, we are being like Jesus. **Place stickers or checkmarks next to UNWAVERING on your Character Trait Sticker Chart every time you catch your children displaying an unwavering heart.**
- 4. Model:** Show your kids how you practice being unwavering. If your children ask you to do something that you know would not please God, let them know that God would not want you to do that because..., and you want to have an unwavering heart. Share other situations from your life if appropriate as well. Children will pick up character traits more easily when they see a good model from parents! 😊