



READ JAMES 1:22

DAY 1

Read the phrases or words below and write what you think they mean in your own words:

Fool _____

Foolish _____

April Fool's _____

Have you ever been fooled by something? Maybe you looked at something thinking it was one thing and then realized you were totally wrong. Maybe someone played a trick on you and it made you feel silly. A foolish person is someone who is tricked to act unwisely.

The secret to avoid becoming a fool is found in today's verse. It's not enough to simply read God's word. We have to actually do what it says. We should love the way God asks us to love. We should treat others the way we want to be treated. We should make wise choices so that we don't get hurt. We should listen AND obey, even if we aren't sure what will happen next.

As you pray today, finish the following sentence: God, thank you for giving me Your Word, the Bible. Today, I learned to _____. Help me to follow you by _____. Amen.

READ JOHN 15:12

DAY 2

Circle the things you "love" below:

Ice cream

Riding my bike

Swimming

Green beans

Bedtime

Music

Is loving ice cream the same thing as loving your grandparents or your best friend? We say we love things all the time, but the love this verse is referring to is the kind of love we feel for the people around us.

God is asking us to love "one another" and to love all the "others" around us. "Others" includes your mom and your little brother who bugs you all the time. It's your best friend and the kid everyone ignores.

But why? Why should you love all the "one anothers" around us? Because God loves you. God is asking you to love others because you are loved.

Repeat today's verse as a prayer to God. In the blank below, write down the names of three or four people that are hard to love: Dear God, help me to love _____

_____ like you love me. Amen.

READ JOSHUA 1:8

DAY 3

According to this verse, when should we read God's word? _____

And what should we do when we read it? _____

And what happens when we do what it says? _____

When we obey God, we're showing Him that we trust Him. Even on the bad days, even when we don't know how things will work out, obeying God is always the wise choice.

To learn this verse, grab friend or parent and ask them to tap or clap out a beat. Now, create a rap or chant to the beat that can be repeated. Teach it to at least two other people to see if everyone can say it from memory.

Ask God to help you obey His word, all the time.

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Trust and obey even
if you don't know
how it will work out.

READ JOHN 14:15

DAY 4

Let's say your parent asks you to do something—like make your bed or finish your homework—but you refuse. For the rest of the day, you continue to disobey. How would this make your parent feel? What if at bedtime you said, "Love you, mom" or "love you, dad." Those words might not sound as convincing after a full day of disobedience.

This is true in our relationship with God. God has given us His word, the Bible, to show us the best way to live. When we read His word and do what it says, we're showing God that we trust that His way is best. But even more than that, we're showing God just how much we love Him.

Think of three things you've learned from God's word and write them down on the lines below. Then, cut out this card and place it next to your bed as a reminder to obey God to show Him how much you love Him this week. Each time you read it, pray and ask God to help you follow through in obedience.

I will show God I love Him this week by

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