### Character | Intro

Week of September 11th

| Memory Verse | "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and will come to them and make our home with them." John 14:23

1. This year in LIGHT, we want to focus on having Godly character. Find 3 verses in the Bible that you think have to do with Godly character. Highlight them in your Bible and write the Bible references here:

2. Who is a person that you admire? Share some of the traits you admire in that person.

These traits describe the person's character. A good overall definition of character is: Character is the inner quality (or qualities) of an individual which determine whether a person will behave in an honorable way or a dishonorable way.

3. Considering that definition of character, do you think character matters to God? Why or why not?

4. Read Micah 6:8. Does this passage affirm or change your answer to the question above? What three character traits does God describe in this passage? Can you name other character traits that God might also describe?

# Character | Obedience

Week of September 18th

| Memory Verse | "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and will come to them and make our home with them." John 14:23

 Part of having Godly character revolves around <u>obeying God</u>. Read John 14:15—31. What do these verses teach us about obedience? Also, who should we rely on when we try to obey God?

1. What do you think it means to rely on the Holy Spirit?

2. What areas of your life do you obey God well in? What areas do you need to obey God better in?

3. Read 1 John 3:4-6. Every time we go back to the same sin, we are telling Jesus that He is not enough. We may believe it in our hearts and say it with out lips that He is, but He wants our obedience to accompany our belief!

4. What do you find when you obey Jesus? Read 1 John 2:4-6.

## Character | Courage

Week of September 25th

| Memory Verse | "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and will come to them and make our home with them." John 14:23

This week we are going to learn about <u>courage</u>. To be a Christian you must be courageous because God calls us to do difficult things sometimes. Courage is a character trait that each one of you will need if you want to do great things for Christ.

1. Read Acts 5:17-42. What stood out to you most in this story? Also, who do you think needs more courage: Christians in Jesus time or Christians today? Why?

2. Who are some people in the Bible you have heard of that were courageous?

3. What are some things that you could do as a Christian that would take courage? Give examples:

4. What are you scared to do in your walk with God, but you know God is asking you to do it? Write it down and try and do it this week!

# Character | Humility

Week of October 2nd

| Memory Verse | "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and will come to them and make our home with them." John 14:23

This week we will take a closer look at our attitudes. As leaders, God calls us to have attitude of **humility.** This week we are going to be reading about one of God's most admired servants, Paul. One of Paul's main concerns for the Philippian church was that they learn to be humble followers of God.

1. Find a dictionary and look up the word "Humility". Write the definition you found at the top of this journal entry.

2. Read Philippians 2. Now that you have read about humility, how would you define it in your own words?

3. On a scale of 1-10, how humble do you think you are?

4. What are one or two areas of your life where you need to practice being more humble? Do it this week!

#### Character Wrap Up

| Memory Verse | "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and will come to them and make our home with them." John 14:23

This month we have learned about three aspects of character: obedience, courage, and humility. What you need to do now is this: Write a prayer to God below asking him help you be more obedient, courageous, and humble. Also, thank him for giving us examples in the Bible. After you write the prayer down, pray it out loud to God. This will remind us to always be in prayer. You prayer doesn't need to have perfect grammar or big words. Just write how you talk: