

“Obey them that have the rule over you.”

Hebrews 13:17

Scriptural Objectives For The Unit:

- To understand that disobedience has a price to pay.
- To see from scripture that God has blessings for those who obey.
- To discover that our parents and teachers make rules because they love us.
- To see how rules are made to protect us.
- To see in scripture that God promises us success if we obey his word.
- To relate obedience to parents and teachers with obedience to God.

Suggestions For Introducing The Scriptural Theme:

Cut at least 10 cards, each about 12" x 3", from tag board, poster board, or construction paper, and from the following list, or using some ideas of your own, write the commands and consequences on separate cards.

Brush your teeth	... so you won't get cavities
Go to bed	... so you won't be tired
Eat your vegetables	... so you will be healthy
Don't play in the street	... so you won't be hit by a car
Fold your clothes	... so they won't get wrinkled

Post the cards in two columns, as above, but mix up the cards in the right-hand column. Then have the children take turns unscrambling the consequences so that the statements make sense. Read each as they are solved.

Determine with the children that these rules are made because of love. Parents love their children, and that's why they make rules for them to follow. Discuss the consequences of not enforcing each of the above rules. What if your parents said, "I don't care if you don't brush your teeth." How would you feel when you went to the dentist and had lots of cavities that could have been prevented? Would you feel loved?