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HOME DISCUSSION GUIDE
for Elementary

SUMMER C
Lesson 12

Pray and Keep Praying

“Be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.”

Ephesians 6:18

Do you ever hear at your house, “That’s not fair!” Do you ever look around at the world and all its injustices and the unfairness and wonder when God will ever make things right? One time, I told my kids about the woman who kept asking the judge over and over and over for the same thing. Some wrong had been done to her, and she wanted justice. For a while, the judge refused her, but finally, he decided to do what she asked and bring about justice—because he was tired of hearing her persistent prayer! Jesus told that story to show that one day, God WILL make all things right. And at that time, He will be looking for those who have continued to have faith in Him. In the meantime, He wants us to keep on persisting in prayer.

Try This:

Persistent prayer is one thing! But have you ever gotten tired of the persistent requests your kids make? To reduce this habit of trying to wear down the parents we started, “Three Strikes and You’re Out.” If I have said no to a request and the child asks again, I hold up one finger and say, “Strike One.” I hold up two fingers and say, “Strike Two” if she asks again—and if she asks again it is three fingers and “Strike three, you’re out!” The penalty is ten minutes in their room and an apology (or whatever you decide). After a couple times of playing this game, the “wear down the parents” nagging was pretty much eliminated. (Nope, I’m not as patient as Jesus!)