

THE PERSON AND LIFE OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

Character Lesson Twelve

ENDURING

Definition:

Enduring is to put up with something not so pleasant to you yet finish the task.

Examples and/or Questions to Ask the Children:

1. Eating something that is healthful, that you don't like.
2. Doing the dishes.
3. Camels endure the desert heat with little or no water
4. The Lord endured many sufferings. What were some of the sufferings the Lord endured?
 - rejection
 - pain
 - shame
 - being forsaken

Verse:

"And you shall be hated by all because of My name; but he who endures to the end, he shall be saved." Matthew 10:22

Story:

This story is about two little camels, Tommy and Tuffy. Tuffy endures different situations, while Tommy gives up. The story follows this outline:

1. Breakfast--Mom serves soft-boiled eggs, and even though both camels don't like it, Tuffy eats the eggs, while Tommy complains.
2. School--The teacher gives a math paper, and Tommy works a few problems, but gets frustrated, and crumples up the paper. Tuffy toughs it out and finishes the work.
3. Music class--The music teacher teaches the class a new note on their recorders. The only thing Tommy can do is squeak, but Tuffy keeps practicing, even though he, too, squeaks. Soon Tuffy is able to play the new note, but Tommy is just upset.
4. Home--Mom had an emergency while cooking dinner, so the hamburgers were a little burnt. Tommy complained, but he began watching Tuffy who simply thanked his mom for the food and ate his hamburger.
5. Cleaning up--Both little camels did the dishes together, for they had both learned a little about enduring until the job is finished.

Craft Ideas:

1. The children are given an outline of a camel on a sheet of paper.
 2. Glue a long piece of yarn along the outline of the camel.
 3. Small pieces of unraveled yarn are glued to make the camel's fur.
- [Materials needed - paper, yarn, glue.]

