



# Faith That Sticks

SAMPLE CURRICULUM



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## **HARD WORK**



### **The Purpose: Leaders Notes**

Hard work is a quality that everyone should build into their lives because of the blessings it brings you, others and God.



### **The Big Idea:**

The other day I found myself getting frustrated because my smart phone app crashed while I was sitting in a drive through line waiting WAY too long! Yeah, I was having a VERY bad day. In that moment, I was reminded once again just how easy my life can be at times. Not to discount all the hard moments in your life or my life, but I find myself running into these moments way too often. Today we are going to look at a topic that is not the most popular to talk about in our society. Hard Work. In a world where we invent ways to make things easier for us, hard work is not always a popular thing. Let's take a look at what God's word has to say on this topic. Before we do, take a moment and ask God to help you see what you need to learn from His words today.



### **Questions:**

1. When is a time you found yourself like me getting frustrated about things that were not that difficult OR a time you worked really hard on something and saw success or failure?
2. Take a moment to read Genesis 2:15, Proverbs 6:9-11, Proverbs 14:23 and Revelation 2:2a. What do they have in common? From these samples throughout the bible, what conclusion would you come up with regarding what God's view of work is? What about laziness? How would you describe hard work to someone? You can find more verses in the **Go Farther** section to study on the topic.
3. All throughout the Bible God makes a point to highlight work or hard work. Why do you think God would take the time to do this? What are the benefits of hard work? Besides what we have already read, can you think of any other results of hard work or laziness?
4. Take a moment to write down a list of ways you can spend time working hard in your spiritual life. Be as specific as you can.

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### **The Point:**

From Genesis to Revelation you will find God telling us stories of people who showed us great examples of hard work. From the very beginning in Genesis, part of Adam's purpose was to work. He was created to be a working being in the Garden. God knows that good things happen in us and through us when we are willing to put forth effort and struggle. Also, God can partner with our work, pain, struggle and adventure "...to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at WORK within us" Ephesians 3:20.

What is one way you could specifically put this conversation into action in regards to your relationship with God?

Write your answer here:

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## SALVATION COLORS

● Black	Sin	Romans 3:23
● Red	Christ's Blood	Romans 5:8
○ White	Forgiveness	Isaiah 1:18
● Blue	Surrender	Colossians 2:6
● Green	Grow your faith	2 Peter 3:18
● Gold	Eternal Life	John 3:16



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