

My Bible Words

Lesson 9

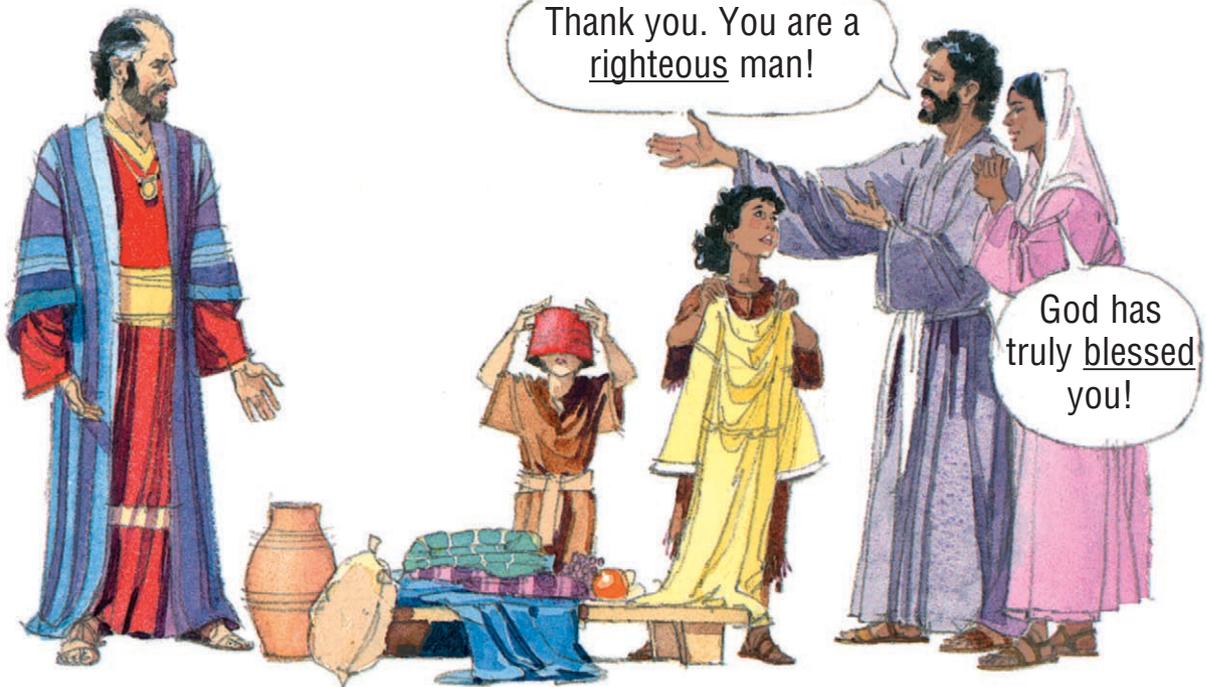
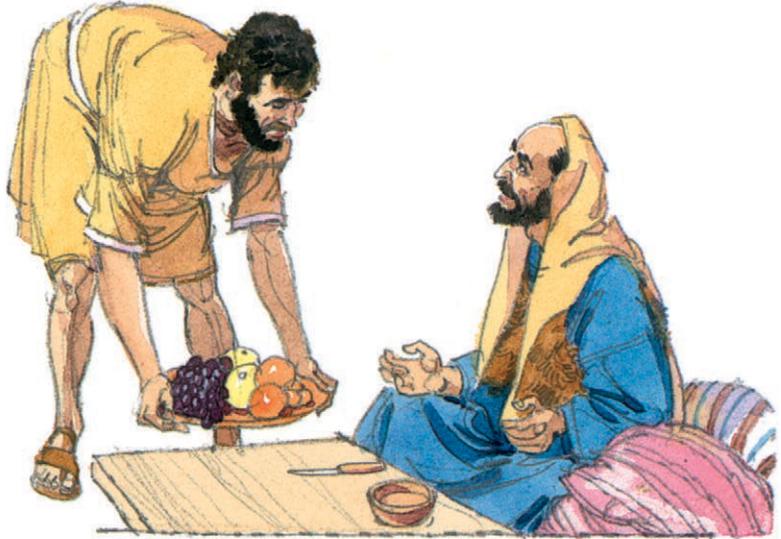
“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.”
Matthew 5:6

Gehazi (guh-HAY-zye)

Gehazi was a servant of the prophet Elisha.

Gehazi lived with Elisha.

He took care of Elisha and ran errands for him.



righteousness (RYE-chuss-ness)

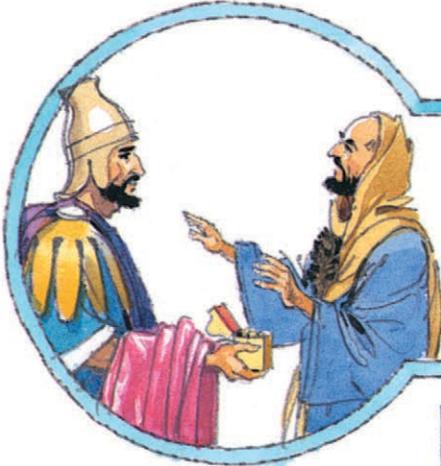
Righteousness means living the way God wants us to live.

A righteous person is one who obeys God and shows love for others.

blessed

Someone is called blessed when God gives that person a special gift. God's people are blessed because they will get to live with God forever in heaven.

True or False?



1. Elisha would not take presents from Naaman. Elisha said, "God made you well."

True False

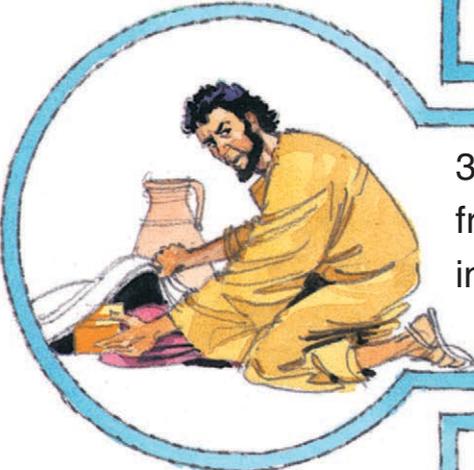
True False

2. Elisha's servant Gehazi wanted the presents. He ran to tell Naaman, "We need presents for two prophets."



True False

3. Gehazi took the presents from Naaman and hid them in a secret place.



True False

4. When Elisha asked, "Where did you go?" Gehazi said that he didn't go anywhere.



True False

5. Elisha knew what Gehazi had done. Elisha told him, "You have done many dishonest things."



What Should They Do?

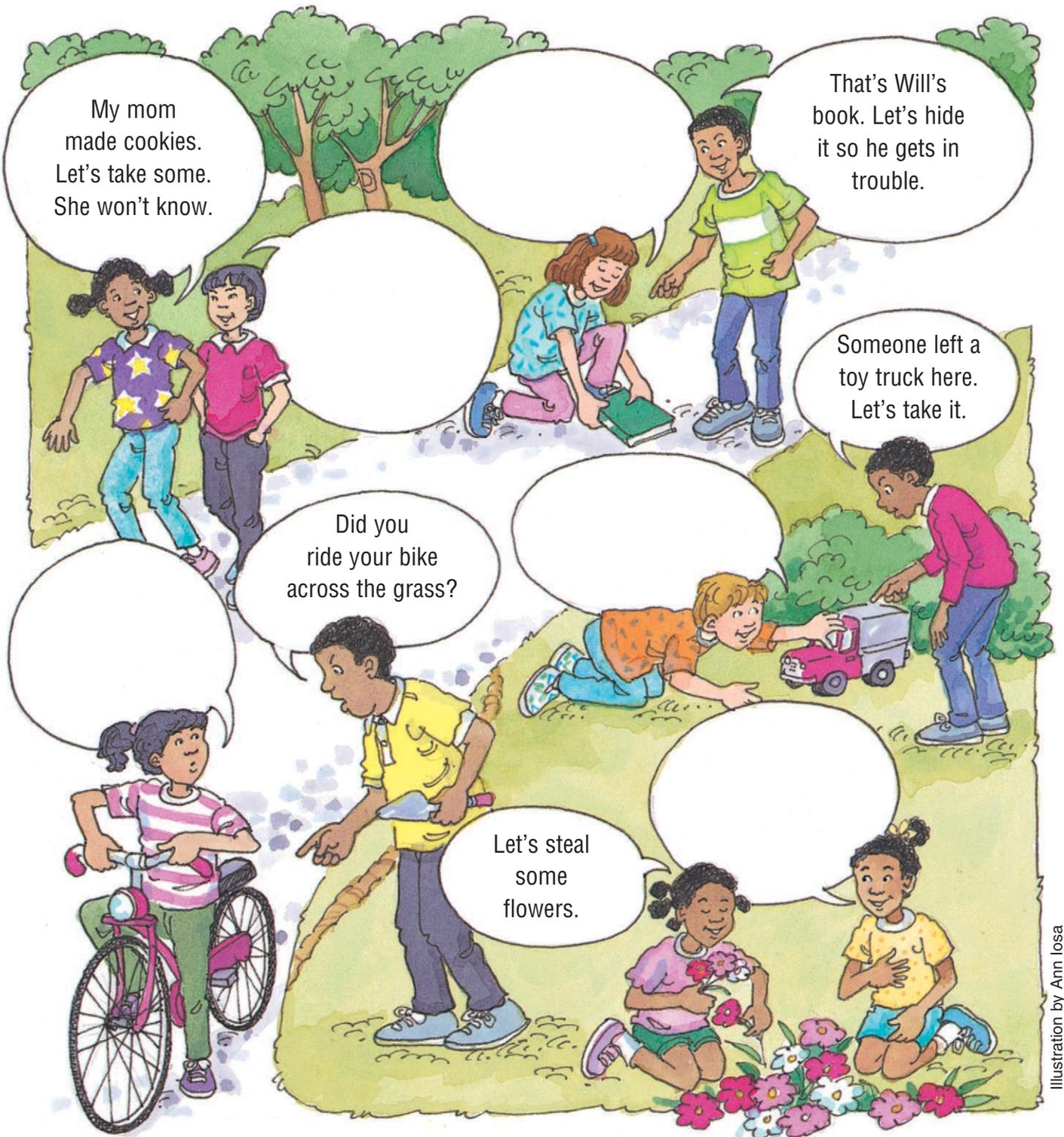


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Dear God, help me to be honest in all I do or say.
In Jesus' name. Amen.

Directions: Have students talk about what dishonest thing each child in the picture might be tempted to do or say. Ask children to take turns suggesting an honest response that each pictured child could make. Students may print an honest response in the empty speech balloons or write it on a piece of paper if they need more space.

No One Will Know ...

Read the stories. Then tell what you would do if you had something like this happen to you.



You go to the store to buy yourself a candy bar. After you buy the candy, you drop your change on the floor. When you bend down to pick it up, you see a five-dollar bill on the floor nearby. You pick it up and look around. No one saw you do it.



Would you keep the money, or give it to the store owner?

You had a dog named Smokey, but now he's lost. One day you see a puppy. It looks a little bit like Smokey. You stop to pet it. Then you hear a girl calling, "Here, puppy, puppy!" You've never seen the girl. So you know she doesn't live near you. As you pick up the puppy you think, "I could keep you. No one would know who you really belong to."



Would you keep the puppy, or give it to the girl?



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Directions: You or a good reader can read one story at a time. Have students discuss what might happen if they decide not to be honest. Then let them tell, draw, or act out an ending to one of the stories showing the honest thing to do.