



WORTH THE WAIT

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KIDS ASSEMBLY TOPIC

2024 Kids Assembly Topic for April

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OBJECTIVES

At the end of the Kids Assembly, MFC Kids will be able to:

1. Understand what patience is
2. Realize the importance of waiting
3. Practice patience in their everyday life

MOTIVATION

Silent Game

Silence plays an important role in cultivating patience. Begin the timer and encourage the children to remain seated in silence for as long as they can. The kid who sustains silence the longest will be the winner.

EXPANDED OUTLINE



I. HEAD

“You need to be patient, in order to do the will of God and receive what he promises.” - Hebrews 10:36

Have you ever tried freezing water to make ice? It's pretty simple, isn't it? We pour water into ice trays, pop them into the freezer, and then we wait for the water to freeze into ice cubes. But you know what's the tough part? It's waiting! You have to wait patiently for about an hour before those ice cubes are ready to cool down your drink and make it refreshing. But once you finally get to enjoy that cold, satisfying sip, all the waiting feels worth it, doesn't it? That's where patience comes in.

Patience means being okay with waiting, even when it's hard. It's like when we're really thirsty and want a cold drink right away, but we have to wait for the ice to freeze. Sometimes, it's tough not to get upset or frustrated, especially nowadays when we're used to things happening fast. But if we learn to be patient, it's like having a superpower. It helps us wait calmly and stay positive, even when things

take longer than we'd like. So, let's embrace the art of waiting and remember that patience makes us stronger, even when things don't happen right away.



II. HEART

Life is full of moments where we need to practice patience. Sometimes, it's tough waiting for the school day to end, or we're eagerly looking forward to the weekend to hang out with friends. And hey, who hasn't wished they were all grown up so they could do whatever they want? But you know what? God teaches us that good things take time, and we just need to be patient. And when we're patient, we learn some quite important lessons:

1. LEARN SELF-CONTROL

Patience and self-control go hand in hand. When we're patient, we can wait for things we want without feeling frustrated, like waiting for our turn to play a game. Self-control helps us stop and think before we act, so we don't do things we might regret later, like resisting the urge to grab extra cookies. Together, patience and self-control help us stay calm, make smart choices, and become heroes in our own way!

2. LEARN KINDNESS

Being patient isn't always easy, but it's a way to show kindness. It teaches us to listen carefully, take turns, and understand how others feel. Patience and kindness go hand in hand as well, like best friends on an adventure. When we're patient, we take the time to listen and understand others, like waiting for a friend to finish talking. Being kind means treating others with care and respect, even when we feel impatient. So, when we combine patience and kindness, we create a world where everyone feels loved and valued.

3. LEARN FAITHFULNESS

Patience and faithfulness are like a dynamic duo. When we're patient, we trust that good things will happen, even if it takes time, just like waiting for a seed to grow into a beautiful flower. Being faithful means believing in something, like knowing that our prayers will be answered at the right time. So, when we have patience and faithfulness, we keep on hoping and believing in our dreams. God's

timing isn't always the same as ours. If you're praying for something and it hasn't happened yet, it's like practicing faith while waiting for the Lord. God has a plan, and sometimes the answer to our prayers is "Yes," "No," or "Wait."

So, let's remember that being patient isn't just about waiting; it's about growing stronger and learning important lessons along the way.



III. HANDS

A. Kids at Play (3-4 years old)

Activity: Coloring (See appendix A for printable coloring page)

Materials: Coloring materials

B. First Step (5-7 years old) / Foot Step (8-10 years old) / Step up (11-12 years old)

Activity: Clock of Patience

Materials:

- Paper Plate
- Colored Paper
- Markers
- Scissors
- Split pins (paper fasteners)
- Coloring materials

Instructions:

1. Cut out hands from colored paper, making one longer than the other for the minute hand.
2. Arrange the numbers around the clock face, starting with 12, 3, 6, and 9 for easier positioning.
3. Poke a small hole in the center of the plate for the hands and secure them using a split pin.
4. Personalize your clock by writing "God gives us Patience" on it and adding your own creative design.



IV. TAKE AWAY

Learning patience is important to God. Life's best things often take time, and the more patient we are, the more we appreciate them. Rushing through life means missing out on the wonderful surprises God has planned for us each day. Remember, patience is a very good virtue that makes life richer and more fulfilling. Let's embrace patience and discover the amazing things that unfold!

RECITATION OF MFC KIDS PROMISE

1. I will imitate Jesus.

- I will pray to God and read the Bible every day.
- I will make Jesus my role model by obeying rules and doing good in school.

2. I will be a good family member.

- I will be a good son/daughter to my parents by obeying and respecting them.
- I will be a good sister/brother to my siblings through sharing and supporting them.

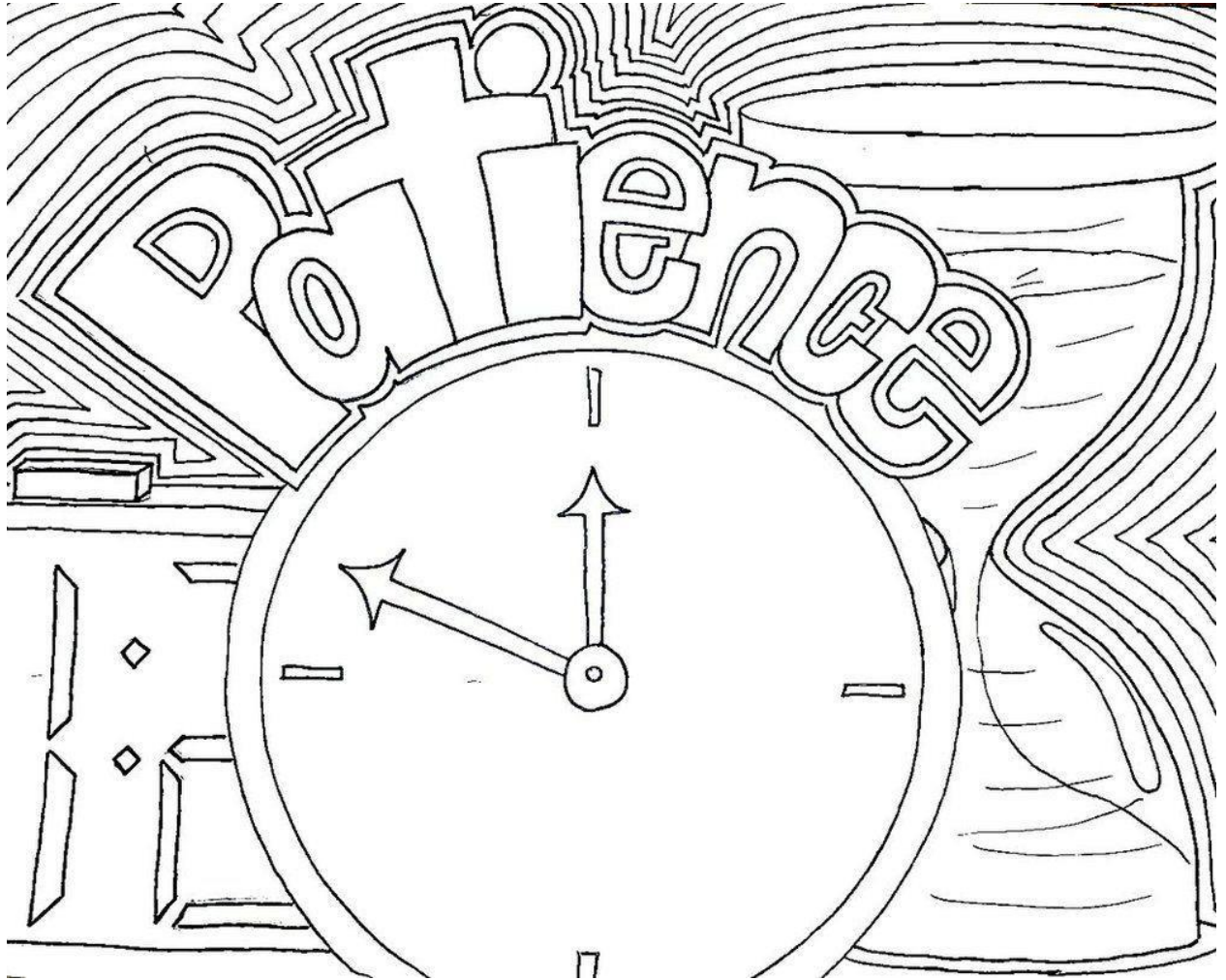
3. I will be an active member of MFC Kids

- I will always attend and participate in all MFC Kids activities.
- I will share my time, talents, and treasures to others especially to my brothers and sisters in MFC Kids
- I will love, respect and be loyal to my MFC Kids family.

4. I will tell others about Jesus.

- I will love my brothers and sisters, relatives, and friends by doing good deeds every day that will reflect God's love.
- I will serve in our Parish Church.
- I will love the poor by sharing what I have with them

Appendix A



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for letting your kids attend our Kids Assembly this month and for being one with us in believing that they are ***never too young to know Christ***. We honor your love and passion in making your child/ren closer to the Lord.

This month, our focus revolves around the **virtue of patience** - embracing and understanding its significance! From their early years, they've grasped the value of patience. Let's rally together to support them in embodying the key lessons they absorbed during the assembly. Here are some actions you can take to assist them:

1. Cooking - One way to instill patience in your children at home is through baking and cooking together. Engaging in the process of preparing meals allows them to develop patience. As they stir ingredients and wait for the food to cook, they learn the value of patience firsthand. Cooking demands perseverance, providing an interesting activity for your child while developing patience.

2. Gardening - Kids can learn patience through gardening. Showing them how to take care of plants patiently, waiting for them to grow and produce flowers or fruit, can be really satisfying. Let your child plant seeds, water them daily, and watch them grow into plants.

3. Jigsaw Puzzle - Puzzles might make your children feel frustrated at the beginning, but they're great for boosting focus, concentration, and patience. It takes time to find the right pieces, figure out where they go, and finish the whole picture.

After doing the activities, we encourage you to post these on your social media accounts so that you can inspire other parents and families to journey with their kids. Use these hashtags - #MFCKids #ParentChildActivity #MomentsThatMatter

Thank you very much and we hope to be with your kid/s next month!

MFC Kids Team