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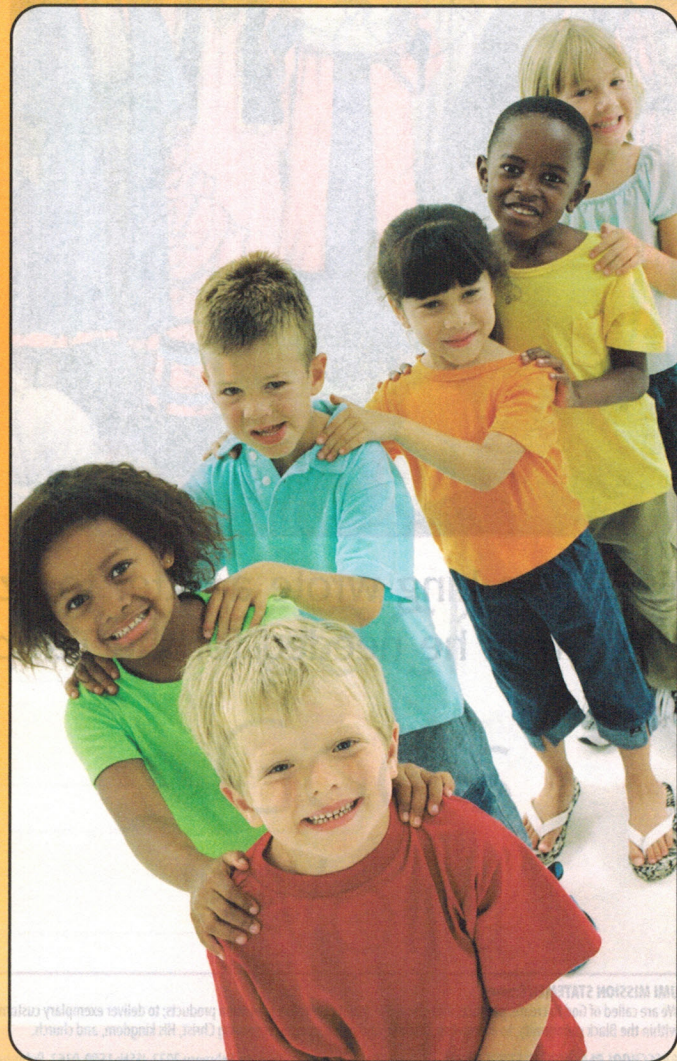
For God's Little Children

Mrs. Bell stood up in front of her Sunday School class. "Let's play Follow the Leader! I'm going to have Jason be our first leader."

Jason and the children began to line up. Mario was upset because he wanted to be the leader. He pushed in front of Jason. That made Jason mad. Jason pushed back.

"Wait!" said Cynthia. "We can all take turns. We must not push or try to be first in line. We must be good leaders and help one another. Everyone will get a turn if we are kind."

"That's right," Mrs. Bell said. Thank you for the reminder, Cynthia. Now, let's try again and have fun together!"



"For Ezra had devoted himself to the study and observance of the Law of the LORD, and to teaching its decrees and laws in Israel" (Ezra 7:10, NIV).

Teaching the Truth



Ezra was a teacher of God's Law. King Artaxerxes liked Ezra because God's favor was on him. Ezra came up from Babylon to Jerusalem. Some priests, Levites, musicians, Temple servants, and gatekeepers also came to Jerusalem. Ezra loved to study and teach God's Word.

The king trusted Ezra as a leader. The king wanted to honor God, His people, and

Ezra. The king wrote a letter to Ezra and said he would help him with what he needed for the Temple so the people could worship God.

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A Good Leader

What made Ezra a good leader? Say the first sounds. Trace the letter. Color the pictures of what made Ezra a good leader.



S Study
God's
Word



T each
God's
Word

Memory Verse:

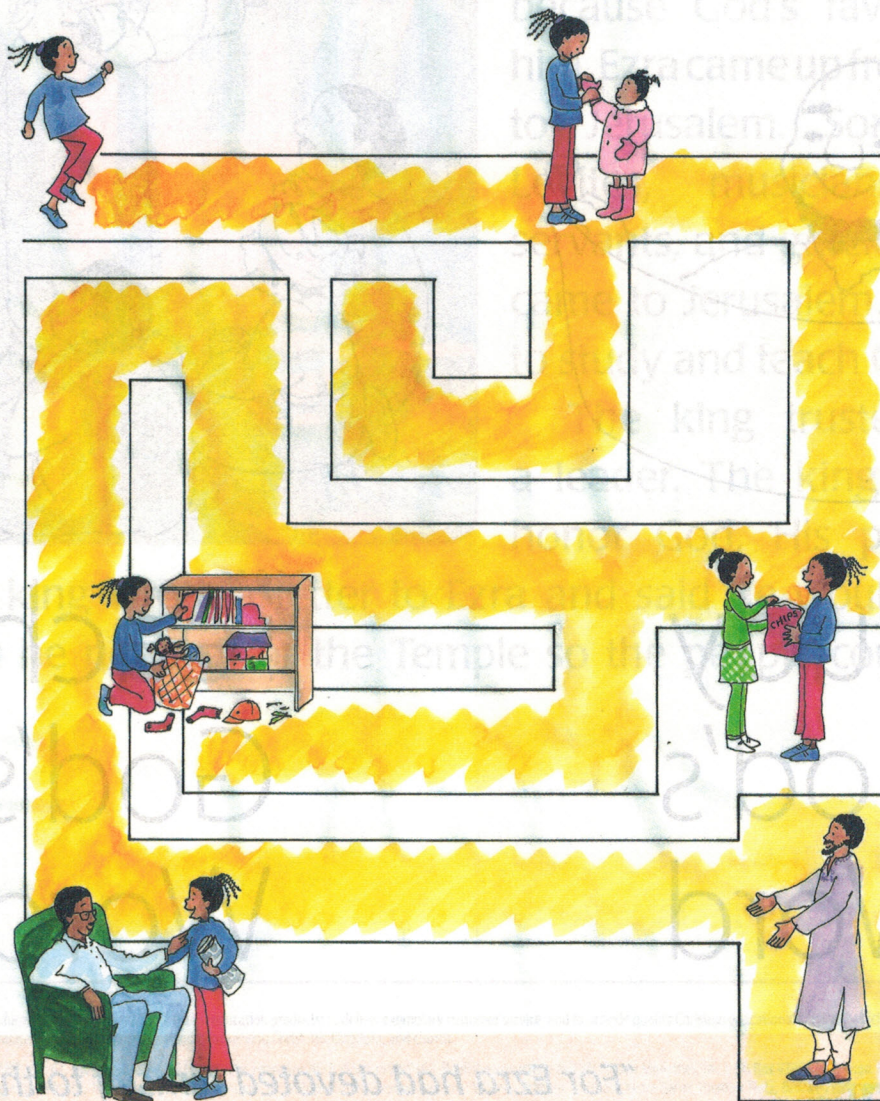
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of the Law of the LORD, and to teaching"
(from Ezra 7:10, NIV).*

Your child is learning that good leaders can be made by studying God's Word and sharing it with others. This week you can point out when your child is demonstrating leadership qualities.

GROWING

I Can Lead!

Follow the maze. What are some ways you can lead others to Jesus?



Name _____