



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a • Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 • Matthew 10:37-42

Family Car Talk

In today's Gospel, Jesus explains that following him sometimes means making hard choices. He is not asking us to love our family less, but to love God most! When God comes first, everything else falls into the right place. Choosing God means trusting him, even when it feels uncomfortable or difficult. Jesus promises that when we give our lives to God, we will truly find life.

As you go home, talk about what it means to choose God first in everyday life.

B Beginner: What is something important that you choose every day?

I Intermediate: Why do you think Jesus wants to be first in our lives?

A Advanced: What makes choosing God hard sometimes? Name one or two things you find yourself choosing over God in your life.

B FOLLOW JESUS FIRST

Instructions: Help the child follow Jesus. Trace the path that puts God first and leads to life.





WORD SEARCH

Instructions: Find the words hidden in the puzzle. These words remind us what it means to choose God first.

F	B	H	D	O	G	K	B	K	D
Q	T	R	U	S	T	L	S	E	H
L	S	H	J	O	Z	S	Z	V	S
E	Z	O	X	U	O	Y	Z	O	U
S	K	E	Z	R	D	A	E	L	F
O	I	F	C	F	O	L	L	O	W
O	A	I	H	D	R	X	K	G	H
H	E	L	H	W	T	F	I	W	Z
C	J	W	G	Y	Q	V	A	B	Y
S	O	Z	V	T	E	M	C	I	R

Words to Find:

GOD	FOLLOW	TRUST	LIFE
LOVE	CROSS	GIVE	CHOOSE

(Words may go forward, backward, up, down, or diagonal.)

“Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.
(Matthew 10:39)

