



Mordecai – good deeds are not forgotten

AT A GLANCE



Bible

Esther 2:21–23; 6:1–11



Topic

Faithfulness when nobody sees



Takeaway

Doing good is worth it, even if nobody notices at first



5 minutes



Object: a diary or an old notebook



Preparation: 5 min



indoors or outdoors



Make it personal: In two sentences, share something you have experienced yourself on the topic “Faithfulness when nobody sees”. Real stories stick best.



How the devotion works

1 min

Opening

Ask: Have you ever done something good and nobody noticed? What was that like?

2 min

Story

Mordecai is Esther’s cousin and guardian. One day he hears that two men are plotting an attack on the king. He reports it – and the king is saved. It is written in the king’s record book ... and then forgotten. Years later the king cannot sleep one night and has the book read to him. Then he asks: “How was Mordecai rewarded?” – “Not at all.” Now Mordecai is honoured. And of all people Haman, who cannot stand Mordecai, has to lead him on a horse through the city!

1 min

Thought

God does not forget the good things you do – even if people overlook them. Mordecai did not help to be praised but because it was right. We can act like that too: honest, faithful and helpful, even when nobody is watching.

1 min

Question for all

Who can you secretly do something good for this week?



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Prayer to read aloud

God, thank you that you see everything, even small things.
Help me to do good, even if nobody notices. Amen.



For leaders

- Let a child read the prayer aloud – it builds confidence.
- Two or three answers to the question are enough. Nobody has to say anything.
- Leave the object in view until the end of the meeting.



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