



Activity Time

What you need: A copy of “The Counsel of Paul” poster and a bean bag, small pillow or ball.

Preparation: Print the poster.

Activity: Sit in a circle. Start by explaining that you are going to learn about the counsel Paul gave the Thessalonians about preparing for the second coming of Jesus Christ by living the way saints should live. This counsel can be found in 1 Thessalonians 5:14-22.

Toss the bean bag (or other object) to any family member. Read #1 on the poster. Ask the person who caught the bean bag, “What does that counsel mean? How can our family follow it?”

After they answer the questions, let that family member toss the bean bag to another family member. Read #2 on the poster and ask the same questions as before.

Continue taking turns tossing the bean bag, reading each line of counsel and answering the questions.

When all of the points of counsel on the poster have been read, read the scripture at the bottom of the poster:

“And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.” 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Display the poster in your home this week to remind you to follow Paul’s counsel.



WARN THE UNRULY
COMFORT THE FEEBLEMINDED

Support the weak

Be patient

NEVER RENDER EVIL FOR EVIL
FOLLOW THAT WHICH IS GOOD

Rejoice evermore

Pray without ceasing

IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS

Quench not the spirit

DESPISE NOT PROPHESYING

HOLD FAST TO THAT WHICH IS GOOD

Abstain from all appearance of evil

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