



# Bible Object Lesson



**from Godly Pearls**

Making Jesus Christ known, one story at a time.



## A NOTE TO CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS:

Thank you for downloading this Bible Object Lesson.

This first page contains different sections to help you when planning for your class, for example, Home-school, Sunday School, Bible Study, Bible Club, Mission class, etc.

We suggest that you print pages 2 - 4 and distribute them to your students.



**TOPIC:**

No room for laziness



**OBJECT:**

A sloth; an ant



**What to do:**

1. Show the children the picture of a sloth and the picture of an ant.
2. Ask a question: For example, do you know the name of this animal? What else can you say about this animal?



**Read the Bible References:**

The Bible references can be read by different children if possible. Or the teacher can read them.



**Goals of Lesson:**

1. To demonstrate the necessity and profit of hard work
2. To let children know it is God's desire that each child works hard rather than be lazy



**Lesson Takeaway:**

God wants me to be hardworking and always do my best



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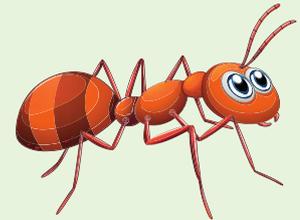


Object:

A sloth



An ant



Topic:

NO ROOM FOR  
LAZINESS



Bible References:

Proverbs 6:6-11;  
Proverbs 10:4-5



Notes

This animal (refer to your picture) is called a sloth. A sloth can sleep for up to 20 hours a day and can be very slow when moving. A sloth spends most of its time hanging from the branches of a tree and only moves when necessary. If a sloth wants to do anything, it spends lots of hours to finish the work, then, it will rest for more hours. Wow!

Now, let's look at an ant. An ant can be said to be the opposite of a sloth. An ant is much smaller than a sloth but is very hardworking, strong, and wise. In the verses we read earlier, we saw how the ants plan and organize their lives. When it is warm, they get their food and everything they need. When it is too cold to go out, they are not worried because they have already stored everything they need. Very wise and hardworking ants!

From the beginning, when God made the world and Adam, the very first man, God wanted man to work hard. He put Adam in the garden of Eden and asked him to take care of the garden (see Genesis 2:15).



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God wants to bless you (see Deuteronomy 28:12). He has great plans for you, but you must work to make that plan happen. Lazy people will not always have enough; but hardworking people will have what they need (see Proverbs 10:4; 20:4; 14:23).

Let's look at some examples of people in the bible who were hardworking.

In Daniel 1:17-20, the bible tells us about four young men named Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. They were slaves in another country, Babylon, but were the best in all they did. They had to do a training, like attending a school, for three years, so they could work for the King of Babylon. After three years, they had a test with some other people in Babylon. You know what? Their results were ten times better than the others!

Another example of a hardworking person was Paul the Apostle. Even though Paul was busy travelling and telling people about the good news of Jesus Christ, he also worked. Paul was a tent-maker (see Acts 20:34-35; 18:3).

Andrew, Peter, James, and John were all fishermen before Jesus called them to become His disciples. James and John always helped their father, Zebedee, to catch fish, repair their fishing nets, and even sell fish to people who came to buy (see Matthew 4:18-22).

What work can you do now that you are young? Well, you may be too young to work in an office but there are many things you can do. You can work hard at your studies in school; help your parents around the house, maybe in the garden; learn a new skill outside school, maybe how to play a musical instrument, or draw and paint. You can help take care of your pets at home. If you have a younger sister or brother, you can play with them and teach them some of the things you know how to do.



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I want you to know that the bible does not just want you to be hardworking but also have a right attitude to work. This means you do your work well, without complaining (see Philippians 2:14). You don't have to wait until mum, dad, or your teachers ask you to do your work for a hundredth time before you do it. Do your work quickly and do it very well.



Memorize:

Philippians 4:13 - I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.



Questions: i. What can you do when you feel lazy?  
ii. What will you gain when you work hard?  
iii. Mention three people that worked hard in our study today. What work did they do?



Reminder:

A sloth can be very slow and lazy. An ant works very hard. God wants me to be hardworking and always do my best.



Say and repeat:

I will be hardworking and always do my best.



Let us pray:

Dear God, thank you because I can do all things you ask me to, with the help of Christ. I ask for your strength and power to do my best in Jesus name, amen.



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