

Bring It Home

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Lesson Theme: “Just Say No!”

Scripture: Nehemiah 6:1-16

Memory Verse: 1 John 4:4b *“He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.”*

Teachers/Parents: Throughout our lesson we emphasized our theme of “JUST SAY NO!”. If any of you were around in the 80s or 90s, you might remember how this slogan was used as a campaign against drugs in schools and in pop culture. What are some things that we should “JUST SAY NO” to today?

Discussion Questions:

- 1) Read **Nehemiah 6:1-2**. How do you think Nehemiah knew that they had meant to do him harm?
- 2) The bad guys persist in getting Nehemiah to come out and enter into their trap, but Nehemiah continues to “JUST SAY NO”. Read **Nehemiah 6:9**. What did he do and why is this important?
- 3) Read **Nehemiah 6:15**. How many days did it take them to complete the wall? Does that seem remarkable to you?
- 4) In **Nehemiah 6:16**, notice that the enemies finally gave up! Who does Nehemiah give the credit to for this?
- 5) In class we talked about how we all also have an enemy that would lure us into the trap of sin. Just like Sanballat continually harassed Nehemiah in **Nehemiah 6:4**, our enemy, the devil, will stop at nothing to get us to disobey God and sin. But read our memory verse, **1 John 4:4**. Where does our strength come from to “JUST SAY NO”?
- 6) Sometimes when we are being tempted to sin, we might feel like there is no way out. But read **1 Corinthians 10:13**. Who is the One who provides the way of escape?
- 7) What do you need to “JUST SAY NO” to this week? Seek help from Jesus and from one another for this battle cannot be won on your own!