

In Charge

In Charge is a three-week series designed to help your middle schooler learn to respond to the people in charge—the authority figures in their lives—in healthy, honorable ways. Middle schoolers often feel like they’re lacking the freedom to be in charge of their own lives in this phase, so remember that if your middle schooler is struggling with the people in charge (maybe even you!), they’re often struggling with the desire for more freedom more than anything else.

MEMORY VERSE

“Jesus came and told
His disciples, ‘I have been
given all authority in
heaven and on earth.’”
Matthew 28:18, NLT

Week One

Matthew 28:18

Jesus is the example of good authority.

Week Two

1 Samuel 24:4b, 1 Samuel 24:12–13;15

You can always choose to be honorable.

Week Three

Matthew 22:35–40, 2 Timothy 1:7

Lead with love.

Middle School

ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



Morning Time

As your middle schooler starts their day, leave a note on their mirror telling them one thing you love about their personality.



Meal Time

Sometimes middle schoolers aren't aware of the authority figures that adults have to deal with, too. So, take time to share who some of the authorities in your life are and how you deal with them in good, healthy ways.



Drive Time

While on the go, ask your middle schooler: "If you could be in charge of one thing in the world, what would it be and why?"



Bed Time

Pray for your middle schooler: "God, help [insert your child's name] and me to realize that You are the main authority in our lives. Help us to model Your love in how we think and interact with others."



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