LJ & FAMILY · EPISODE 18 · FAMILY GUIDE

Helping Mr. Walter

GOD'S WORD

"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."

Galatians 6:2 (WEB)



THE STORY

LJ's ball scatters his elderly neighbor Mr. Walter's leaf pile, and LJ runs home without a word. Mom reminds him to bear one another's burdens (Galatians 6:2), and Dad tells how shoveling old Miss Ruby's snowy steps made her his friend. Big sister Londyn finds three rakes, and LJ, Marcus and Mateo knock on Mr. Walter's door: "I'm sorry I messed up your leaves. Can we help you rake?"

Grandma tells how Rebekah gave a tired old servant a drink and watered all ten of his camels (Genesis 24:10–27).

TALK ABOUT IT TOGETHER

1. How do you think Mr. Walter felt when LJ ran off without helping? What was the heavy feeling in LJ's tummy?
2. Little Dad cleared Miss Ruby's snowy steps, and they became friends. Why is it good to help older people?
3. Rebekah helped all the way. Who could you help carry a heavy load this week?

PRAY TOGETHER

God, thank You for my neighbors and for older people who have so much love to share. When I see someone who needs help, give me a helping heart. Help me carry other people's loads, like Rebekah did. Amen.

TRY THIS WEEK

As a family, pick one helping job for an older neighbor, grandparent or friend this week: raking leaves, carrying groceries or drawing a card. Ask them to tell you a story about when they were young. Say Galatians 6:2 together at dinner.

DRAW IT

Draw LJ, Marcus and Mateo raking Mr. Walter's yard, or draw you helping someone you love.

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