

Day 2: BEST PLACE

The garden, a place to grow and have responsibilities

Song: In the Garden God Put Adam Purposely

A7 D G D
1. In the garden God put Adam purposely (**Purposely!**)
A7 D A7
To tend and keep the garden beautif'ly! (**Beautif'ly!**)
D G D G D
Work it, guard it, tend it faithfully; (**Faithfully!**)
Em A7 D - G - D
Sprouting, spreading, blooming.

2. I'm happy when my room is orderly. (**Orderly!**)

This is my responsibility. (**'bility**)

Toys in rows and clothes where they ought to be. (**Ought to be!**)

It's my space to tend and keep.

Verses:

Gen. 2:8 And Jehovah God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there He put the man whom He had formed.

Gen. 2:15 And Jehovah God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and to keep it.

Gen. 3:23 Then Jehovah God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to work the ground from which he was taken.

Reading:

God made man and set him in a garden. There, God gave man responsibilities. He told Adam to tend and keep the garden. He did not leave Adam alone to just do whatever he felt like doing. God put man in a beautiful place, and then told him to tend and keep it – this was Adam’s job, whether he felt like it or not. God had made such a beautiful garden but it was man’s job to protect it, care for it, and make sure things were growing well. In the same way, we all have responsibilities that are given to us in our family. Whether it is helping to empty the dishwasher, doing laundry, cleaning the bathroom, or keeping your room tidy, there are many responsibilities in a family that all the members need to help with.

Family Chat:

1. Why do you think God gave man responsibilities when God is all powerful and could do everything Himself?
2. Why do you suppose your parents don’t do all the work in your household, but instead expect you to take care of responsibilities?
3. What helps you take care of your responsibilities faithfully? Do you need to be reminded or do you take care of things without being asked?
4. Are there any things that you do not help with but you could start to help with?
5. For each member of the family, list some of your responsibilities that you already have or that you are going to work on:
