# BACK TO SCHOOL with a heart full of \*FRUIT\*

## PRINTABLES

- 9 Full-Color Bookmarks
- 9 Coloring Pages

## TIPS

- For younger kids, compare fruit that grows on trees with God's "Fruit" that grows in our hearts.
- Monthly discussion questions:
  - What makes it hard to have this \*FRUIT\*?
  - What are some ways we can show this \*FRUIT\* to others?
  - What can we do to grow this \*FRUIT\* in our hearts?
- Write some of the ideas you discuss on the coloring page and then color. Have fun making patterns inside the fruits and even in the background.
- Cut out the corresponding bookmark. TIP: Either print on white cardstock or mount the bookmark on colored card stock to make it more durable.
- Choose one or two ideas about this \*FRUIT\* and write them on the back of the bookmark as a daily reminder.

## **GRANDKIDS WHO LIVE FAR FROM YOU**

Conversations can be had over the phone or video chat. As you talk, record their ideas on the coloring page and bookmark and explain that you will send it all to them in the mail When they receive their package. And what kid doesn't love to get mail!

## **OLDER GRANDKIDS**

For Middle & High School Grandkids (or even college students!) skip the coloring pages and simply give them a new bookmark each month. You can still have great conversations using the suggestions above...they'll just be more sophisticated.

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#### September = Peace

Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank him for all he has done. Then his peace will guard your heart and mind. Philippians 4:6-7

#### **October= Patience**

But if we look forward to something we don't yet have, we must wait patiently. Romans 8:24

#### November = Goodness

Don't let evil conquer you, but conquer evil by doing good. Romans 12:21

#### December = Joy

Even though the fig trees have no blossoms, and there are no grapes on the vines...Still I will rejoice in the Lord! I will be joyful in the God of my salvation! Habakkuk 3:17-18

### January = Kindness

Don't use foul language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that

your words will encourage those who hear them. Ephesians 4:29

#### February = Love

Dear children, let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions. 1 John 3:18

### March = Self-Control

You must be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to get angry. James 1:19

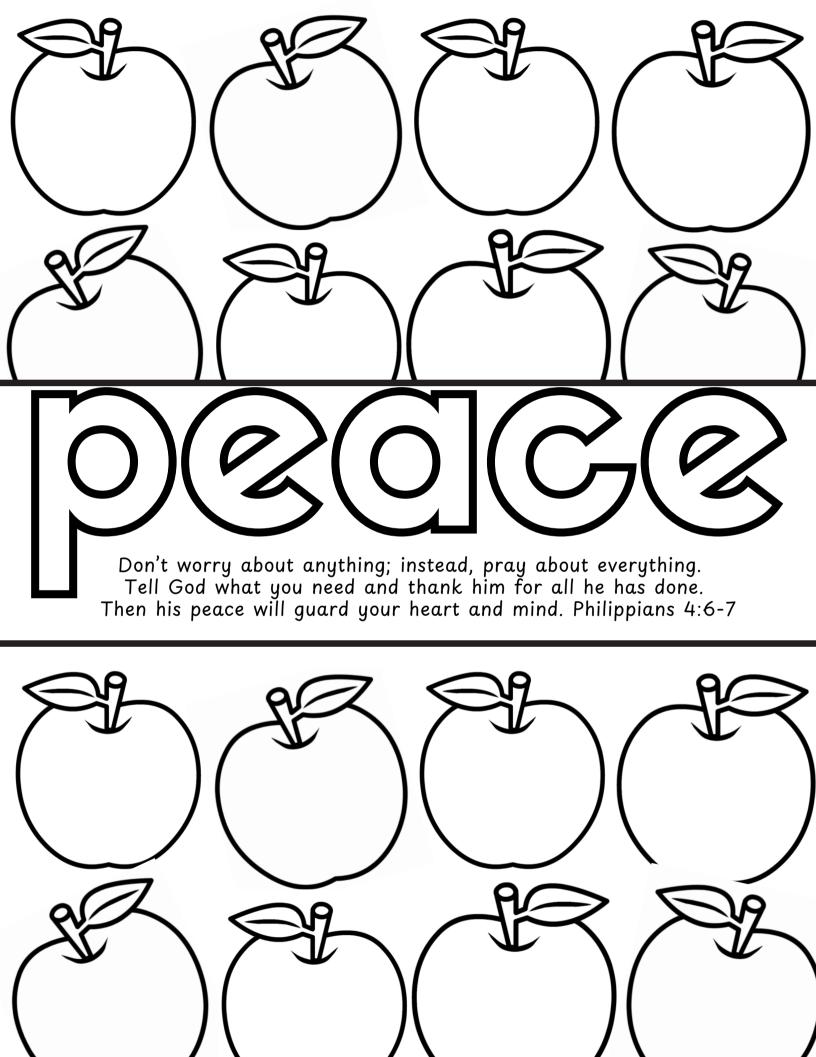
### April = Faithfulness

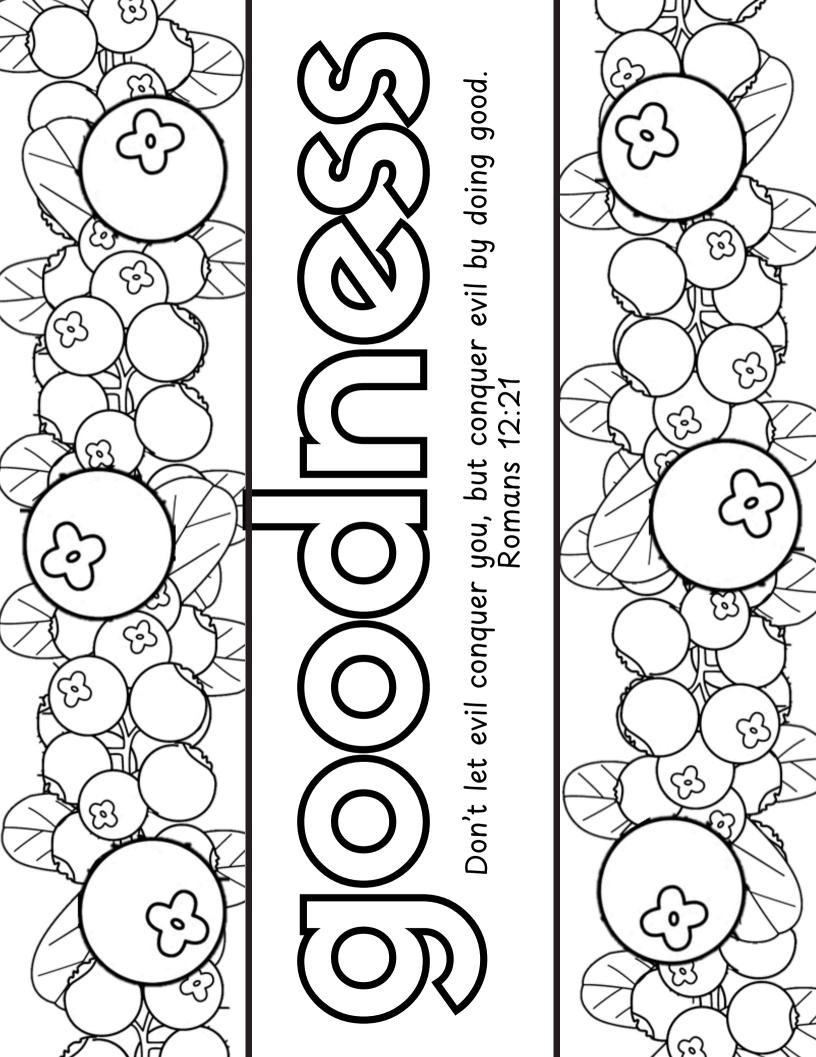
Well done, good and faithful servant! You were faithful over a few things so I will put you in charge of many things. Matthew 25:21

#### May = Gentleness

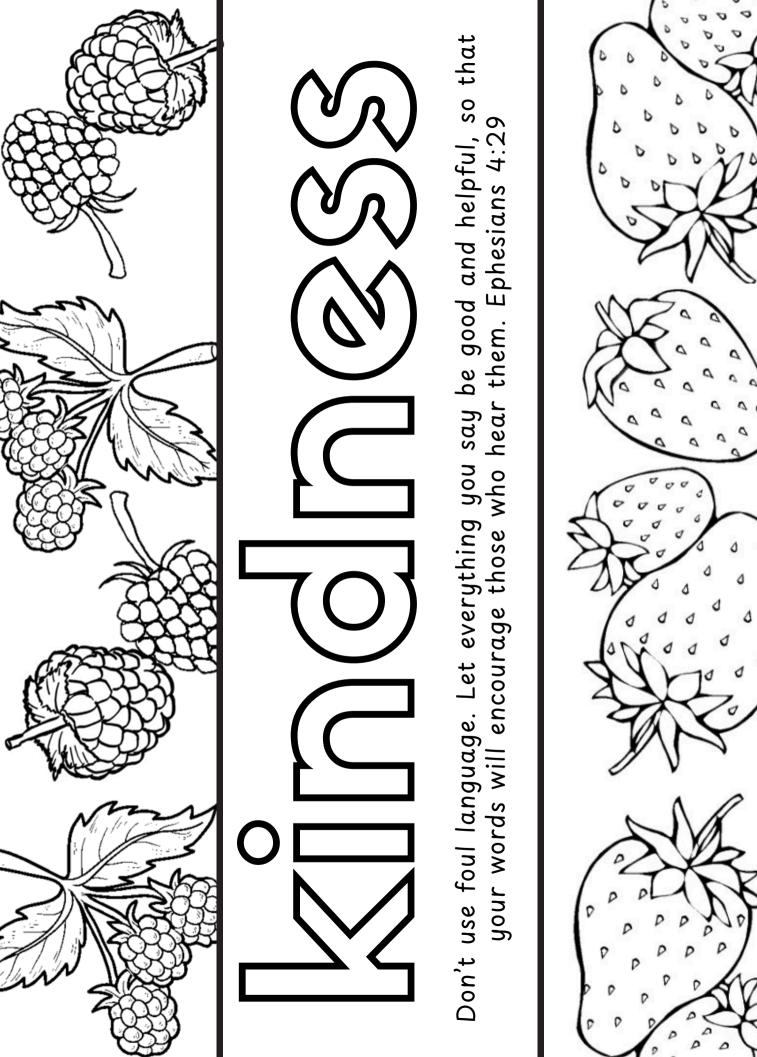
Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love. Ephesians 4:2

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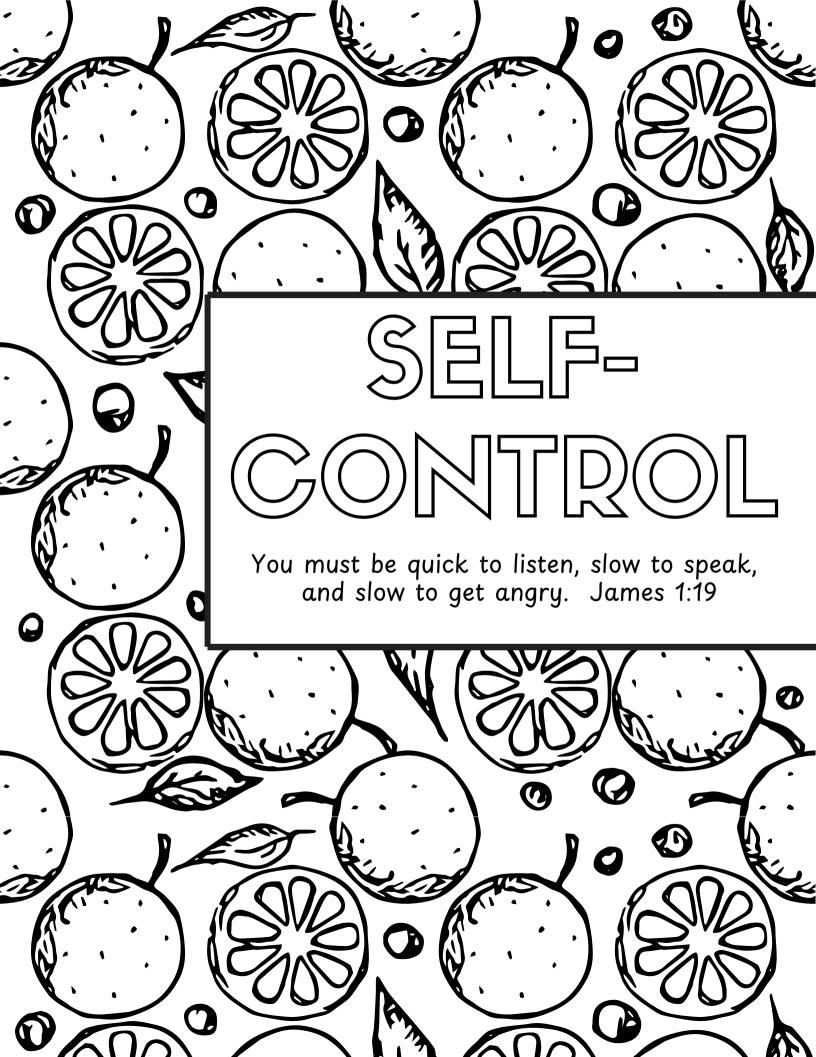


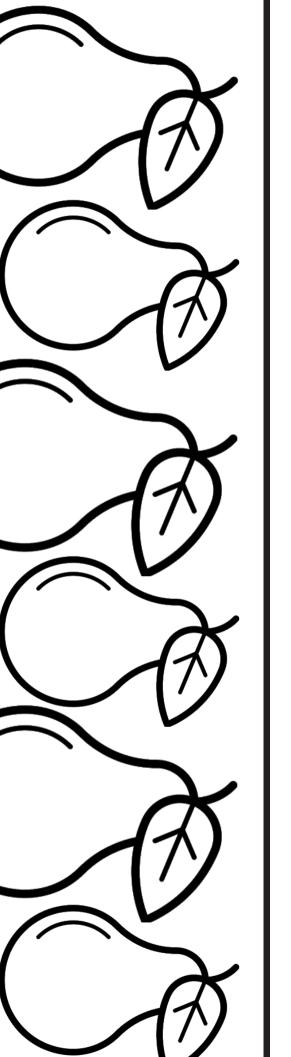






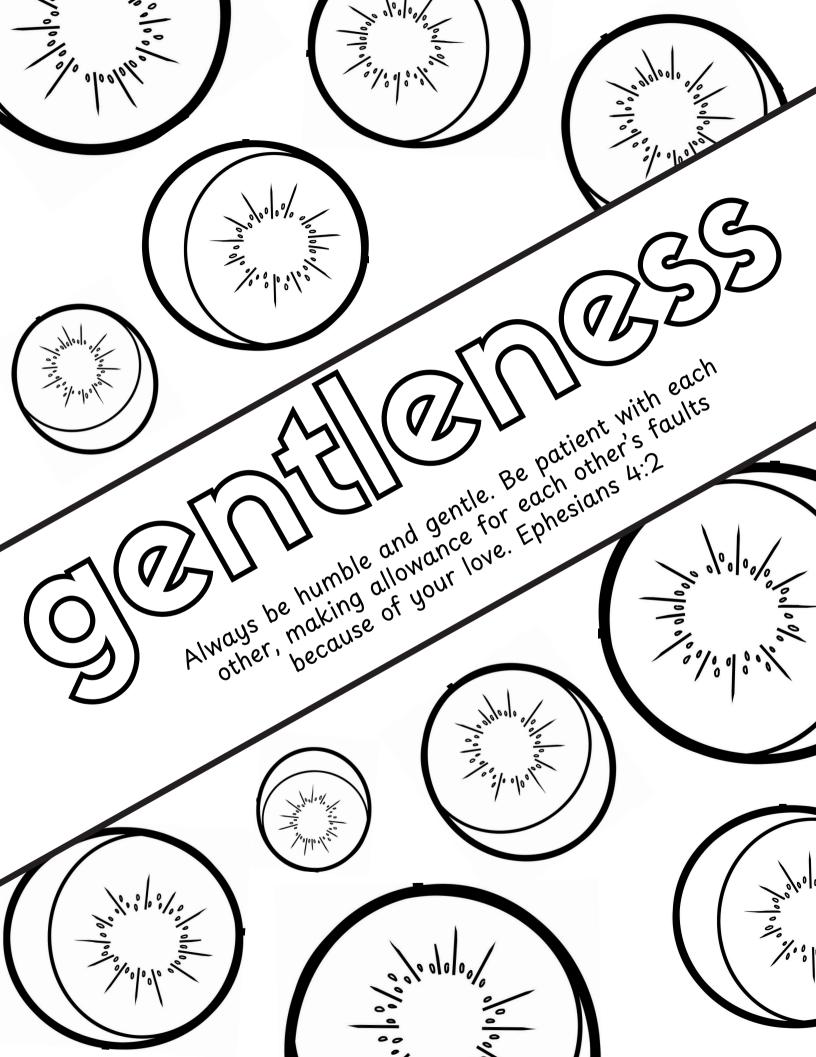


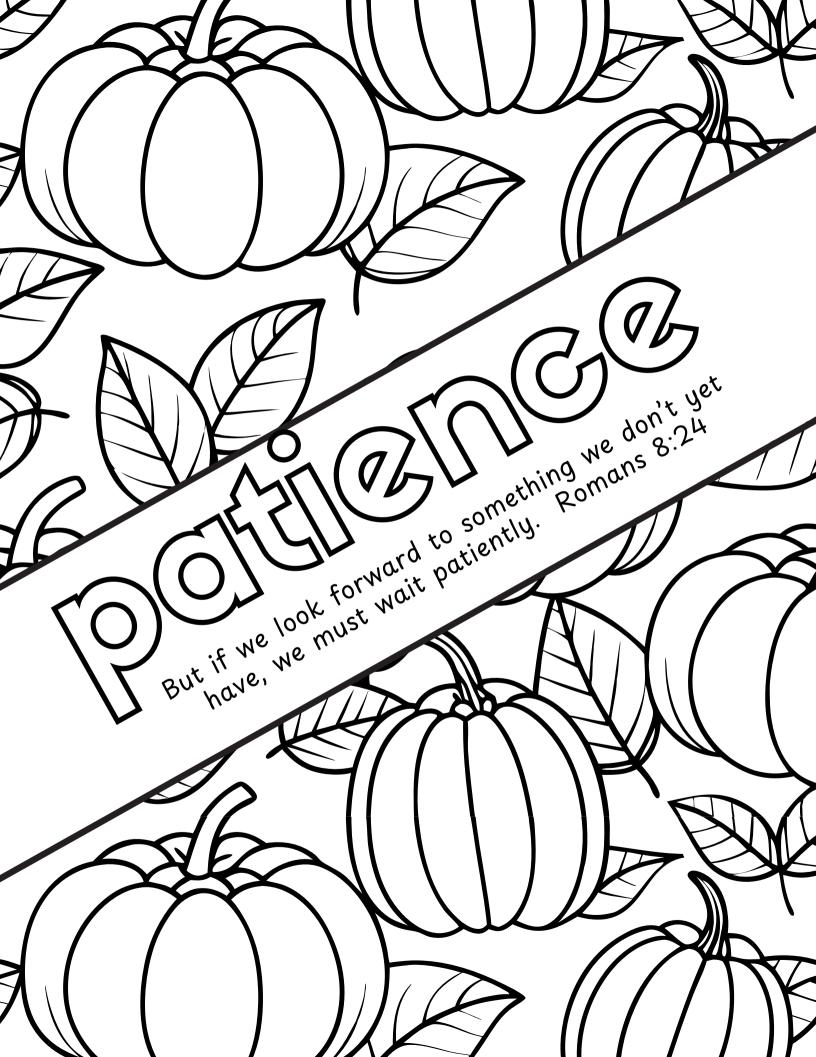




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