

# INITIATIVE

Seeing what needs to be done and doing it

WEEK **2**  
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BOTTOM LINE: Don't wait for someone else to do what needs to be done. Read **Philippians 4:13**

DAY **1**

## Taking Initiative? Check!

Think of a chore that you have at home. How many times do you have to be reminded to do your chore before you actually do it? This week, take initiative to do that task without being reminded. To help you remember, use the initiative chart below. As you do your job this week without being asked, place a check mark in the box.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY

THANK God for giving you the power to do what needs to be done.

DAY **2**

## I Can!

With the help of an adult, look up this week's Bible verse: **Philippians 4:13**. Read through the verse a few times together.

After reading, play "I Can!" All you have to do is take turns giving "I Can" statements by saying the phrase out loud or you can act it out.

For example:

"I can make my bed!" "I can feed the dog!"

ASK God to give you strength to take initiative!

DAY **3**

## Prayer

It takes practice to be able to see what needs to be done around us, especially if it's not usually something we are used to doing. Pray that God can show you and give you opportunities to take initiative that will help someone else this week. Pray something like this:

"Dear God, I know that there are things that I can be doing for others around me. Please show me what I can do to help others and give me the strength to do what is right. I pray that I can take initiative this week. I love you, God. Amen"

LOOK for ways to take initiative by helping others.

DAY **4**

## Review the Rebuild

With the help of an adult, look up this week's Bible story: **Nehemiah 2:11-18**. Read the story together and then answer the following questions out loud to review what you have learned.

1. When Nehemiah first arrived, how long did he stay in Jerusalem?
2. What was wrong in Jerusalem?
3. Was it Nehemiah's job to rebuild the wall?

KNOW that, just like Nehemiah, you can be the one to start something on your own that will help others.

Answers: 1) Three days. 2) The walls had been broken down and gates were destroyed by fire. 3) No, but he saw what needed to be done and took initiative to do it.

