



FAITH & FAMILY CONNECTION



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Responsibility is defined as fulfilling one's duties; accepting the consequences of one's words and actions, intentional and unintentional, and having control over or care for someone or something. To say that someone is responsible means that they have shown outward actions in one way or another to prove themselves so. The apostle Paul writes to the Thessalonians warning them to avoid idleness and to stay away from evil. Encouraging them to live according to the teaching of Jesus Christ. In order to live a life like Christ, we first need to examine the motives in our hearts. In 1 John 3, John tells us to love one another and not just with our words, but with our actions because this is how Christ showed his love for us. Having a heart that is committed to loving others through Christ's almighty love for us is the first step in motivating our hearts to care for the things and people around us. As Paul reminds us, we should never tire of doing what is right, for this is the will of Christ Jesus.

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK: RESPONSIBILITY

"DEAR CHILDREN, LET US NOT LOVE WITH WORDS OR TONGUE BUT WITH ACTIONS AND IN TRUTH."

1 John 3:18



Ideas for Families:

- **Read & Discuss together:**
2 Thessalonians 3:6-15
- **Discuss:** Talk about this passage with your family. How does this show responsibility?
- **Pray:** Lord, give us the self-control and motivation to show humble responsibility in all our work throughout each and every day.



St. Margaret of Scotland is also an ancestor of Mrs. Trumbauer!

Margaret was an English princess who met her future husband in an unusual way. She was traveling by sea when a violent storm wrecked their boat off the coast of Scotland, near the king's castle. She met the king, and they married. As queen of Scotland she had many responsibilities. She was careful to take care of the poor and made sure that the people were able to go to Mass. She reformed the laws and courts so they were fair and just.