

NEVER ALONE

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Bible Readings

Take a few minutes to read the Bible verses listed and ask the Holy Spirit to lead you in how this verse applies to you this week.

Exodus 6:28-7:7

Memory Verse

¹¹ This is why you must encourage and help each other, just as you are already doing.

1 Thessalonians 5:11



CASEY'S DAY

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Poppy loved her pogo stick. Sometimes, after a hard day of school, she bounced, bounced, bounced her troubles away. The spring-loaded toy reminded her that *she* could bounce back when life got hard. That's what the word *resilience* means. God empowers us to "bounce back" from difficulties and hardships. Thankfully, we don't do that alone.

We may know Moses as a leader who helped rescue God's people from slavery in Egypt. But when God first called Moses to this great, big task, Moses believed God had the wrong man for the job. "No one will listen to me!" Moses told God.

In response, God gave Moses a helper and a friend to walk alongside him and to speak when Moses couldn't find the right words. Where Moses was weak, Aaron was strong.

Just as Aaron and Moses trusted God and leaned on each other to fulfill God's plan, God also designed us to both help and need one another.

Unlike using a pogo stick, it's not just up to us to bounce back from hardships or challenges. God sees resilience as so much more. He gives us family, friends, and special helpers we can trust and lean on in times of need. He also gives us unique gifts and strengths we can use to help others.

Are you an excellent chef? A good listener? A great basketball player? How can you use the gifts God gave you to build up others?

It's also okay to acknowledge our weaknesses. Just like Moses needed Aaron to lead his people out of Egypt, we, too, need helpers who support, encourage, and walk alongside us.

The truth is God made us for each other. Who is *for* you today? And who might God be calling you to encourage or support?

Prayer

Lord, sometimes life can toss us around. We thank you for the gift of resilience. Help us trust you and lean on others when we need help. Teach us to use our unique abilities so we can bless and help those in need. Amen.

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