

God Always Uses the Right Wrench To Reach Me

God is a master at everything he does. He's a Master Teacher. He's a Master Farmer. He's even a Master Mechanic, always using the right wrench to reach us.

If you're having any doubts, just ask Onesimus. As a slave belonging to Philemon, he ran away from his master, ran to Rome, ran into Paul, and became a Christian by giving his runaway life to Christ.

You see, no matter how far or how fast we run, God is always out in front of us with his special box of search-and-rescue tools. And he's got plenty of **wrenches** with long handles and adjustable jaws for gripping and turning nuts and bolts—like you and me—in the right direction. Don't run from God. It's no use. He'll always find the right wrench to reach you.

Key Verse

*It seems you **lost** Onesimus for a little while so that you could have him back forever.*

Philemon 1:15

Click

Your child will now be able to say the meaning of this Bible verse in their own words.

Stick

The life application meaning of this verse is tied to the image of a **wrench**.

Clicker: Wrench

Whenever you see, use, or think about a *wrench*, let your mind tighten this HoneyWord around your heart as it clicks and sticks.



Read Philemon 1:15

Make-it-Stick

Trace around a wrench on a piece of cardboard, or just draw one by looking at an image online or the picture on this page. Cut it out and cover it with aluminum foil. Then have fun going around the inside or outside of your house, finding nuts and bolts you can pretend to tighten. Each time you turn and "tighten" a nut, say this HoneyWord out loud. Remember that you're like that nut, and God is gently gripping you to bring you back to him.

Everyone Take Turns Explaining the Meaning of this Lesson in Your Own Words

Ask, "What does this lesson mean?" If the answer is in the ballpark of the correct meaning, praise that person out loud. Then ask another child to explain it. Do this 2 or 3 times in a row.

Hold Up the Clicker

Hold up the Click-er (wrench) and say this HoneyWord Lesson out loud:

"God always uses the right wrench to reach me."

Then repeat it out loud together one more time.

Pair Up in Small Groups of Two

If you're with more than one child, have your children pair up and ask each other to say the lesson out loud to each other.

Re-Group and Recite Again

Ask one child to say the lesson one more time, and then explain what it means.

Discuss How This Truth Applies to Your Everyday Life