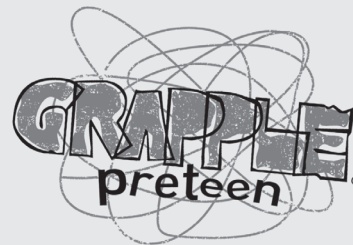


# Grapple Parent Page

## Grapple Question:

What if I Pray Really Hard, and God Says No?



## Kids Learn:

Accepting God's Answers

## Dig Into the Bible:

2 Samuel 12:15-23; Proverbs 15:29; Mark 14:32-36; 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

It's pretty disappointing for kids when they really want something, but they don't get their way. (Hey, that's still hard for most adults!) As a parent, you have to tell your kids no sometimes—especially if it's for their physical or emotional safety. It might be tough when you see that your child is upset, but you know you're looking out for his or her best interests.

God also has our best interests in mind. God can see the big picture and always makes the right decision that will help us grow in our faith. Share with your preteen a time that God didn't answer a prayer the way you'd hoped—and how you grew from that experience.