## Character Trait Dec 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> is Responsibility Proverbs 11:3, "The integrity of the upright guides them"

**Character:** the qualities built into an individual's life that determine their responses, regardless of circumstances.

Responsibility: Knowing and doing what is expected of me.

**Derivation:** Re•spon•si•bil•i•ty n: the quality of being responsible, answerable, or liable 2: that for which a person is answerable 3: dependableness, generally due to good judgment

Weekly Verse: Galatians 6:5 "For we are each responsible for our own conduct." (NLT)

**Bible Story:** Genesis 1:28 tells us of our responsibility in taking care of God's creation.

Quote: "It is not only for what we do that we will be held responsible, but also for what we do not do."

**Application: Take responsibility for our own actions.** Recognize when we are at fault, own up to our mistakes, and don't try to pass the blame onto someone else.

**Take responsibility for a task that someone has assigned us.** Honor other's trust in you by doing the task to the best of your ability.

**Take responsibility for someone or something else.** This might be in caring for another person or a pet. We can make sure they are properly cared for by being reliable and responsible and focusing our attention on their needs.

## **Discussion Questions:**

Do you think God can be called "responsible"?

How does God demonstrate responsibility?

How does God expect us to be responsible in our relationship with Him?

What is the difference between being responsible and being trustworthy?