Character Trait Feb 13th – 17th is Diligence 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.

Diligence: Focusing all of my energy to complete the tasks assigned to me.

Derivation: di•li•gence n 1: steady application of effort to accomplish a task 2: exerting oneself to fulfill what is undertaken without unnecessary delay 3: acting with great care and effort

Weekly Verse: Proverbs 12:24 "Diligent hands will rule, but laziness ends in forced labor."

Bible Story: Genesis 6:9-22 describes Noah building the Ark, a process that may have taken decades.

Quote: "Time is what we want the most, but what we use worst."

Application: Diligence is the decision to use our energy and time in the best way possible. To practice diligence, I will:

- Finish my projects.
- Do the job right the first time.
- Follow instructions.
- · Concentrate on my work.
- Avoid laziness.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Look at the list of 5 topics above. Which one is the hardest for you to achieve?
- 2. Can you tell the story of a famous person who showed diligence?