Whatever is Praiseworthy! – November 22, 2010

Review of Whatever is Excellent

1. How easy or hard was it to have a “positive” day.
2. Was it of a mental challenge to think positive thoughts to say to say them?
3. Did any of you carry it further than just one day?

If the Shoe Fits!

 Walking in the Light with Christ

Show one of pair shoes at a time:

Dress shoes: I have a nice shiny, faith on the outside – but I only bring it out on Sundays and special occasions

Bedroom Slippers: I tend to stay in my comfort zone. I like to share my faith with my family, but outside my home, it is a whole lot more difficult.

Work Boots: I work hard to be a good warrior for Christ. Sometimes it gets muddy and it’s hard to stay on the path I should be on.

Running Shoes: I feel like God’s helping me run the race. I am thankful for the cheerleaders (i.e. parents, teachers, other Christians) that help me stay on the course for Christ.

SCRIPTURE: Micah 6:8

 …What does the Lord require of you? To act justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.

Which shoes represent you and your walk with Christ? Which ones do you think best represent the Whatever Warriors? As we review true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent and PRAISEWORTHY, do you think that you have outgrown a pair of “not so good for walking with Christ” shoes into a pair that is easier to keep up with your faith pair?

A Truth for each word:

True: A Friend loves at ALL times –A true friend would lend another a pair of her favorite shoes if needed.

Noble: A girl of noble character is a blessing to the Lord. A noble girl

 would make sure that her running shoes were well taken care

 Right: Fill our hearts and minds with what is pleasing to God. A girl who can choose right over wrong will pick the right pair of shoes to walk with Christ.

 Pure: Dress and act in a way that is God honoring. A pure girl will not wear a pair of shoes that might trip up someone else.

 Lovely: Lovely is not how you look but how you act. A lovely girl doesn’t care if her shoes are fashionable, as long as they carry her on her walk with Christ.

 Admirable: God needs different personalities to complete His will. A lion would be in charge of the race, an otter would be excited that there was a race, a golden retriever would be cheering everyone on, and a beaver would be figuring out everyone’s miles per minute. But they all would be wearing running shoes to run the race God has planned for them!

 Excellent: We are all made in God’s image! An excellent girl is happy that God gave her the ability to run His race.

 Praiseworthy: God is always worthy of praise and thanksgiving. A praiseworthy girl celebrates God and keeps her focus on the finish line!