Memory_verse

Key Verse:
1 Kings 16:34 (NIV) - "In Ahab's time, Hiel of Bethel rebuilt Jericho. He laid its foundations at the cost of his firstborn son Abiram, and he set up its gates at the cost of his youngest son Segub, in accordance with the word of the Lord spoken by Joshua son of Nun."

Creative Ways to Memorize:

1. Rhyme and Rhythm:
- Create a simple rhyme to help remember the verse:
"Hiel of Bethel, rebuilt Jericho tall,
Lost Abiram and Segub, he followed the call.
Just as the Lord's word had spoken,
In Ahab’s time, His truth unbroken."

2. Song:
- Use a simple tune, such as "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star," and set the key parts of the verse to the melody. Encourage students to sing along and repeat.

3. Motions:
- Create hand motions for key parts of the verse. For example:
- "Ahab's time" – Point to an imaginary watch.
- "Hiel of Bethel" – Form a house with hands (roof shape).
- "Rebuilt Jericho" – Pretend to stack blocks.
- "Firstborn son Abiram" – Hold up one finger.
- "Youngest son Segub" – Hold up a pinky finger.
- "Word of the Lord" – Open palms like a book.

4. Challenge:
- Have students form small groups and take turns reciting the verse, encouraging them to use at least one of the methods above when they say it.
- Offer a small prize for creativity, like stickers or a special bookmark.

These activities make memorizing the verse fun and engaging for elementary students.