So why did it feel like a heavy rock in his pocket? By the time Josh got home, he felt like he had a rock in his stomach too. Josh went to his room and took out the knife. It didn't seem to gleam anymore. Josh tried to imagine what kinds of things he'd use it for, but he couldn't think of any. Besides, if he took the knife out of his room, Dad might see it.

Josh felt anxious all day. The knife's weight in his pocket kept reminding him of the wrong choice he had made. He had to get rid of it.

"Can I ride my bike?" he asked Mom.

"Yes, just be home in time for dinner," Mom said. Josh hurried to get his bicycle from the garage and pedaled onto the sidewalk.

"Hey, Josh! Where are you going?" Josh's brother Tanner called from his friend Chris's yard.

Josh didn't slow down. He raced to the end of the street, where a brick wall was built into a hillside. Josh found a crack between the bricks and stuffed the pocketknife into the dark hole. No one would know what he'd done. Now he could forget about it too.

A few hours later, Tanner and Chris burst into the house.

"I will be honest with Heavenly Father, others, and myself."

—My Gospel Standards

By Kimberly Reid
(Based on a true story)
“Look what we found!” Tanner held up the pocketknife. Josh tried not to look guilty. “Where did you get that?” he asked.

“We followed a bee,” Tanner said. “You followed a bee?” Mom repeated.

“We were bored,” Tanner said. “We chased the bee to the end of the street. It crawled into a hole in the brick wall, and that’s where the pocketknife was.”

Josh felt sick. Even though he’d hidden the knife, Heavenly Father knew where it was. He went to his room and counted the dollar bills in his wallet. Then

he prayed for the courage to tell the truth. When he got up from his knees, the anxiousness in his mind quieted. He felt a little nervous about telling his parents and the cashier at the hardware store what he had done, but he felt lighter than he had all day—like a bee zipping over the rooftops toward home.

The knife’s weight in Josh’s pocket reminded him of the wrong choice he had made.
After you have been baptized, you are responsible for your sins and need to repent when you do something wrong. Do you know what the steps of repentance are? To find out, match the scriptures to their shapes by following the lines between them. Look up each scripture and, using your own words, fill in the blanks next to each shape.

Read “Beeline to the Truth” on pages 44–45. What steps of the repentance process has Josh already taken? What else does Josh need to do to fully repent of his wrongdoing?
How do I achieve my goals?

You must cultivate a desire to develop the skill of setting worthy and realistic goals.

We have to have faith. We have to have faith in God. We have to have faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. And oh, how desperately we have to have faith in ourselves.

When you set a goal and commit yourself to the necessary self-discipline to reach that goal, you will eliminate most of the problems in your life. Spend your energies doing those things that will make a difference.

If your goals are righteous, then go for them.