

whatever the new season holds.

The important thing is to not give up.

I suppose it's a little bit like the shapes that Audrey uses for her vision therapy. A couple of squares, a triangle or two, some parallelograms. Using all the same pieces—the same elements or ingredients—it's possible to come up with a huge variety of larger shapes.

We may need to move some things around when life changes—but we can still arrange all those parts of our simple life into a cohesive whole.

Keep playing with it. Keep trying something different until it begins to work smoothly again. And don't get too attached, because chances are good it'll change again soon!

“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven... He has made everything beautiful in its time.” (Ecclesiastes 3:1,11)

T: Try something different

“It takes time and some trial and error to find what words best for your family. There’s no special formula or secret recipe for the simple life. What works for your family this year might not work so well next year.”

—“Changing Seasons,” *Living Simply*, page 200

Have you ever felt like life was humming along and everything was going well—until one day it just stopped working? Suddenly, what worked so well yesterday and last week just doesn’t fit today, tomorrow, or next month?

It happens to all of us. And it’s just part of life.

Instead of giving up on family dinners or getting up early or our weekly schedules or whatever is no longer working so well altogether, it’s simply time to try something new. Seasons change and we must bend and flex to