Elementary

Super Fan: Cheer Each Other On



First, watch this week's video!

Kindness: Showing others they are valuable by how you treat them

Memory Verse

You are God's chosen people. You are holy and dearly loved. So put on tender mercy and kindness as if they were your clothes. Don't be proud. Be gentle and patient. Colossians 3:12, NIrV

Bible Story

Good Samaritan Luke 10:25-37

Bottom Line

Be kind to people who are different from you. Use this guide to help your family learn how God wants us to be kind to everyone.

Activity

Different but the Same

WHAT YOU NEED:

No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

Read a set of three items from the list below, and challenge your child to figure out what those three items have in common. Continue through the other sets of items in the list.

- picnic, card, pool (types of tables)
- birthday, Pokémon,
 baseball (types of cards)
- yard, pogo, chop (types of sticks)
- brown, black, grizzly (types of bears)
- skunk, nose, garbage (things that smell)
- elephant, car, tree (things that have trunks)
- Swiss cheese, doughnut, bowling ball (things that have holes)
- ballet, tennis, running (types of shoes)

Talk About the Bible Story

In our game, what did we find out about all those things that seemed so different from each other? (They also had things in common.)

Is that also true about people?

In today's story, who was the hero who stopped to help the hurt man? (the Samaritan)

What made the hurt man and the Samaritan different from each other? (At that time, Jewish people and Samaritans didn't get along.)

Did that stop the Samaritan from helping the hurt man? (no)

How can you be kind to someone who's different from you?

Parents, share about a time when someone who was different from you did something kind for you.



Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, thank You for this story Jesus told. It reminds us that we should be kind to people who are different from us. Please show us how we can act with love and kindness to EVERYONE we see—not just people who think, talk, or act the way we do. We love You. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."





Read Hebrews 13:2

Who is your favorite sports team? Yell out your favorite chant, cheer, or tagline to represent that team.

Who is your favorite team's biggest rival?

What if for the next month, someone from that team showed up each morning at your front door decked out in their team colors to sing their fight song? How would you respond? Would you invite them in for breakfast? Would you stop and tap your feet along to their catchy tune?

God wants you to show kindness to everyone. When you welcome and love and care for people who are different from you, even people who root for the "wrong" team, you're acting just like Jesus would! Kindness shouldn't be something we only offer some people. **Kindness is for everyone.**

Read Proverbs 11:17

Think about the kindest person you know. It might be your mom or your grandfather or your favorite teacher. Are you picturing that person in your mind right now? How does he or she show kindness?

There are big benefits to choosing kindness, not just for the people around you but for you too. But the opposite is also true. Mean people bring ruin on themselves. That means things won't go well for you. Nobody wants to hang out with someone that's always unkind. Choosing kindness is always wise.

Decode the secret message below about kindness. Cross out the letter and write the very next letter in the alphabet in the blank above it. (For instance, if the letter you see is "B", cross it out and write "C" on the line above it. If you see a "Z" the blank will be filled with an "A"):





Read Romans 13:10

When Jesus was asked "What is the most important commandment?" do you remember His answer? Jesus said to "Love the Lord your God" and put Him first. But He quickly added a second part, to "Love your neighbor as yourself."

So, who is your neighbor? When Jesus was talking about loving your neighbor, He wasn't just talking about the people who live in your neighborhood. Neighbor includes pretty much anyone and everyone you see each day.

Kindness is showing others how valuable they are by how you treat them. Jesus said to love others as you love yourself. That means that everyone deserves kindness, even people who look, think, act, and talk differently than you.

Read the scenarios below. Then act out one way you could show kindness in that situation:

The kid on the other team gets knocked down right in front of you on the field.

The kid next to you on the bus looks sad.





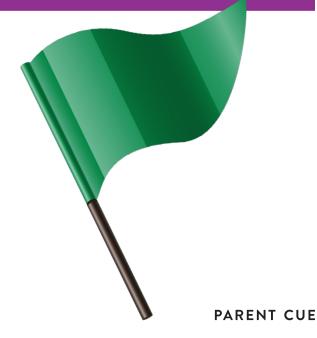
Read Luke 10:25-37

Jesus would often tell stories to help His audience understand His teaching. Today you are reading about The Good Samaritan.

Bottom line is that the Samaritan felt sorry for the man and showed kindness, even though they were very different from one another. He stopped and helped the man. He saved his life.

Jesus ends His story by saying, 'Go and do as he did."

Grab a piece of paper and draw a picture of this story in 2020. When you finish, write, "Be kind to people who are different from you" on the page. Share this picture with your family and talk about ways you "go and do as he did" and show kindness to others this week.



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WEEKLY CUES

YOU GOT THIS!

Theme

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REMEMBER THIS

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Week Four

Luke 10:25-37 Good Samaritan

Say This

Be kind to people who are different from you.

Do This



Drive Time

G o through your closet, toys, or pantry and fill a bag to donate to a local cause. As you are in the car on your way to donate items ask your child, "How do you think these items will show kindness to someone else? What does it feel like to be kind to someone you won't ever meet? Why should we do this?"



"The absolute best way your kids will learn how to be kind is when they see you being kind."

-Reggie Joiner

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