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Week One

Kindness is showing others they are valuable by how you treat them.

Read: Ephesians 4:32



A VIP is a Very Important Person. Because of Jesus, we all get a VIP title. We can show others they are a VIP when we spend time with them. Jesus spent time with children, tax collectors, and others who were seen as different. With your adult's permission, invite a friend over or plan a park date and make them feel important. Think about ways that you can make them feel like a VIP. You can bring a toy to share or their favorite snack.

KNOW that when you show others Jesus' love, it helps them see Jesus.

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Picture Kindness

Draw a picture of someone who is always kind to you and how that person makes you feel. Write some words around your picture that can describe how you feel when that person is around. Put those good thoughts and feelings to use to show others kindness.

ASK God to help you be kind to others.



Be Kind

Ephesians 4:32 reminds us to be kind to one another and forgive because of what Jesus did for us when He died on the cross. Make up motions to this week's verse. Use the motions to help you learn this verse and teach others!

LOOK for ways that you can be kind and forgiving.



Speak Kindness

Jesus always spoke truth and was kind to those He was with. Let's talk to God and ask for help to do the same. You can pray a prayer like this:

"Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to be an example of how to show truth and kindness to others. Help me learn from this example and treat others the way that You would treat them. Help me to love others like You. Amen."

THANK God for Jesus' example of kindness and love.

Jesus showed us how to be kind.



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2nd-3rd Grade

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"But he broke it!"

"You messed up everything I just built!" "What do you mean you forgot to bring your ball? We can't play without it!" "But he said something mean first!"

It's not always easy to show kindness to others when they're not kind to you, but just because it's not easy doesn't mean we should be mean. Read the second sentence of today's verse the part that says, "because of what CHRIST has done." The only way we can truly show kindness when someone doesn't deserve it is because that's what JESUS did for us. Jesus died on the cross so that we could be forgiven. Because of that amazing act, we are called to be kind and loving to each other.

Think about a time this week when someone wasn't kind to you. How did you react? After reading this verse, if you could go back in time, would you change how you responded? Why or why not? DAY 2

Read John 13:34-35

When Jesus spoke these words, there was a LOT going on. Unscramble the words below to review what was happening.

Jesus ______ the disciples E S A W D H feet. (John 3:1-17) Jesus revealed that _____ would

D S U A J betray him. (John 3:19-27)

Jesus told His friends, "I will be with you

only a little _____ (John 16:33) E N O L G R

Before He faced the cross and His glorious resurrection, Jesus stopped to give His friends a new command: to love each other, just as He had loved them. By choosing kindness and love, they would show everyone that they were Jesus' disciples.

Have you been kind lately? Would the people around you know that you're a follower of Jesus just by the kindness you've shown?

Because Jesus showed us how to love and show kindness to others, we can be kind and loving too. And when we are, we let others know that we are Jesus followers too.

Answerkey: Washed, Judas, Longer

A Devotional on Kindness

DAY 3

Read Luke 6:31

If you were sad, or disappointed, or just plain angry, how would you want someone to treat you? If you were happy, or excited, or nervous, how would you want others around you to respond? We can all name the ways WE would want to be treated. With that idea in mind, finish the scenarios below.

Your sister is so excited because she made the cheerleading squad. While cheerleading isn't your favorite, you still choose to

A new kid in your class needs a partner for reading time. You notice that no one else is asking him so you

You throw to a teammate but he's not paying attention. The other team intercepts the ball and scores to win the game. You tell your teammate

Remember, Jesus shows us how to be kind. Treating others the way we want to be treated is a great place to start.

Jesus showed us how to be kind.

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Read Matthew 5:7

DAY 4

Do you ever do that annoying thing where you repeat everything the other person says or does? I'm sure everyone's done that at some point to annoy someone else.

Jesus reminds us to show mercy or kindness to others. When you do, Jesus says, you'll receive mercy and kindness right back.

Maybe you're thinking, Nuh, uh! I was nice to so and so and he was NOT nice back.

Jesus was also kind to lots of people who were unkind to Him.

However, Jesus was kind to YOU by choosing to take on the punishment for sin, by dying on the cross to save us. When it comes to kindness, let's copy Jesus and choose to show mercy.

Think of someone that has recently been unkind to you. Ask God to help you forgive that person and to choose to treat them with kindness and mercy, because God has been kind to you.

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A Devotional on Kindness.	Even if you already saw it at church, feel free to check it out again!	Download it for free at parentcue.org/app.	Visit the Parent Cue app (available for iOS and Android) to watch this week's Bible story.	Day 1		
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Read Matthew 8:1-4, Matthew 19:13-15, Matthew 9:10-13

Match up the people in the top group with the correct verse references by writing the correlating number on the first line. Then on the second line write the letter that matches the way that Jesus showed them kindness.

People who are sick _____

Tax collectors _____

Babies and kids ____

1. Matthew 19:13-15

2. Matthew 8:1-4

3. Matthew 9:10-13

A. He put His hands on them and blessed them.

B. He ate a meal with them.

C. He healed them.

What do all these groups of people have in common?

What are some ways that we can show kindness to people who might be overlooked?

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Jesus showed us how to be kind, but even more than that... He sent us the Holy Spirit so when we put our trust in Jesus, we have the Spirit's help in living our lives like Jesus did.

All we have to do is ask and God will help us be kind like Jesus! Read this prayer out loud to God, asking for help in being kind.

Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to be my Savior and to show me how to live. I want to be kind like Jesus, showing everyone around me how valuable they are. Please help me to seek out people who need to be reminded of their value and show me how I can be kind to them. In Jesus' Name, I pray. **Amen.**

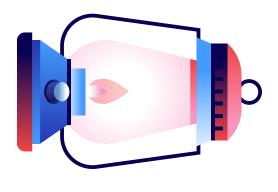
Day 4

What does kindness look like?

Grab a sheet of paper and pen and draw a line down the middle. On the top of one side, write "PEOPLE," and on the top of the other column write "AOK" (Acts of Kindness). Then all day long, ask different people these two questions, and write their answers in the appropriate column.
Who are the people most of us

- Who are the people most of us interact with on a regular basis? (Not specific names, but their relationship to us, i.e., mom, brother, teacher, coach, doctor, etc.)
- What are ways we can be kind to others? (Not specific to certain people, just general ideas, i.e., bake cookies, say thank you, let them go first, etc.)

Hold on to the paper until tomorrow!



Day 5

Grab the sheet of paper from yesterday and something to write with.

For each AOK idea, draw a line to the person or people who you think would feel most valued by that act of kindness. More than one person may be paired with the same AOK. And each person may have more than one AOK.

When you've finished going through the list, circle a couple of names and pick an AOK to show them how valuable they are, then make it happen in the next day or two! Then place the paper somewhere you will remember for next week.