

Rules for Life: Play well. Finish strong.



First, watch
this week's
video!

Responsibility:
Showing you
can be trusted
with what
is expected
of you

Memory Verse

Suppose you can
be trusted with
something very
little. Then you can
also be trusted
with something
very large.
Luke 16:10a, NIV

Bible Story

Greatest
Commandment
Matthew 22:36-40

Bottom Line

Love God.
Love others.

Use this guide to help your family learn how
God can help us be more responsible.



Activity

Spin to Love

WHAT YOU NEED:

Two paper plates, pencil, scissors (plus another set of supplies if you're making an extra spinner for yourself)

WHAT YOU DO:

On the inside of one of the paper plates (the side you eat off of), use the pencil to divide the plate into six equal pie-shaped sections. On the other paper plate, use the scissors to cut out a shape equal to the size of one "slice of the pie."

On the uncut paper plate, ask your child to write down the names of six people they could show love to this week—one name for each of the six sections. Then, instruct them to write "God" on the lip of the plate in all six sections.

Next, stack the cut plate on top of the uncut plate. Use the pencil to poke a hole through the bottom of the plates at the center, holding them together. When you spin the top plate while keeping the bottom plate still, it will reveal one name at a time, as well as God (on the lip of the bottom plate).

Say, "Every morning this week, spin your Love Spinner. Whichever name it lands on, your challenge that day is to find a way to show that person some extra love. Oh—and don't forget to show love to God every day, too!"

If you have time, create a Love Spinner for yourself as well. That way you can take on the challenge and share the experience with your child.



Talk About the Bible Story

Describe someone who loves God and loves others.

What are some ways we can love God every day?

What are some ways we can love others every day?

Can you love someone who gets on your nerves? How?

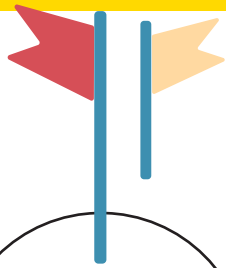
Parent: Share a story about a time you chose to show love to someone, even when it was hard.



Prayer

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

"Dear God, You are the perfect example of love. You loved us so much that You sent Your Son, Jesus, for us. Help us to follow You this week by growing in our love for You and choosing to love the people You've placed in our lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."



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Key Question

What are things
you're expected
to do?

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Activity

Priority Pyramid

WHAT YOU NEED:

10 note cards and a marker

(If you don't have note cards, take three sheets of paper, divide them into quarters, and tear/cut them to create 12 equal-sized pieces of paper. You will only use 10.)

WHAT YOU DO:

Give your child the note cards and ask them to write down 10 items that are important to them—one on each card.

Say, "Now, arrange the cards in the shape of a pyramid. What's most important to you should be at the top. The things that are not as important should be at the bottom."

Discuss their choices. Why did they put some cards higher than others, or some cards lower than others in their Priority Pyramid?



Talk About the Bible Story

In our Bible story today, someone asked Jesus what the most important commandment was. How did Jesus respond?

If Jesus created a Priority Pyramid, what would be at the top?

What are some ways we can love God every day?

What are some ways we can love others every day?

Can you love God and not love others? Can you love others and not love God? *(Ask your child to explain their response.)*

How can you love someone who gets on your nerves?

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