



First, watch
this week's
video!

Kindness:
Showing
others they
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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, NIV

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."



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- ▶ wagon, cart, steering (*types of wheels*)
- ▶ onion, tree, bells (*things that have rings*)

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How did the priest and the Levite react when they saw the hurt man on the side of the road? (*They ignored him.*) How do you feel when someone ignores you or simply doesn't listen to what you have to say?

The Samaritan could have ignored the injured man and walked right on by, but he didn't. How does it feel when someone who's different from you is KIND to you?

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