

CLEARVIEW CHURCH OF SHREVEPORT

KIDSVIEW

FEBRUARY 7TH, 2020 | WEEK 1

Today's Bible Story: *Humble and Kind (God Was Kind to Us) • Ephesians 4:32*

Today's Key Question: *What does kindness look like?*

Today's Bottom Line: *Be kind to others because God is kind to you.*

Monthly 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)*

Monthly Life App: *Kindness—Showing others they are valuable by how you treat them*

Basic Truth: *I should treat others the way I want to be treated.*

STARTER ACTIVITY

Candy, Candy, Candy

What You Need: Individually wrapped candies & dice

What You Do:

- Gather kids in a circle and instruct them to sit an arm's length from each other.
- Give each kid a die.
- Spread out a layer of individually wrapped candies in the center of the circle.
- Explain that kids will play a game called "You're So Sweet."
- To play:
 - Kids take turns rolling a dice. For each number rolled, the "roller" performs the following actions:
 - Roll a 1: pick a piece of candy from the pile
 - Roll a 2: pick two pieces of candy from the pile
 - Roll a 3: skip their turn
 - Roll a 4: select a kid in the group to pick a piece of candy from the pile
 - Roll a 5: pick a piece of candy from the pile and skip the next kid's turn
 - Roll a 6: pick a piece of candy from the pile and the direction of the game reverses
 - The first kid to collect 10 pieces of candy wins.
 - Keep the pace of the game fast.
 - Allow kids to keep their candy.

What You Say:

“Candy is definitely sweet! So is chocolate cake and ice cream! Sometimes we even describe people as being sweet. Maybe you have heard someone say, “SHE is so sweet!” Or “That was such a sweet thing he did!” Let’s hear about what is better than being so sweet.”

BIBLE STORY

Before Video: It’s a new month and we have a new series: Super Fan! I’m just curious—what’s your favorite sport? (Pause for response.)

“Cool! Those are some great ones. I love sports, so much. I love to PLAY sports, and I love to WATCH sports, too. I love to cheer for my team. If you think about it, that’s actually what we’re doing when we show kindness. We’re cheering each other on. It’s like we’re super fans . . . of each other!

“You see, **kindness is showing others they are valuable by how you treat them.**

“We need to show kindness to the people around us. We need to let people know we’re BIG fans of them—with the words we say and the things we do. There’s an important reason why we should do that, which is what we’ll find in our Bible story today. Let go learn about it!

This month is all about kindness. It’s really important for us to show kindness to the people around us . . . but that’s not always easy, is it? It helps if we can remember where our kindness comes from in the first place. Lets go watch our video!

PLAY VIDEO

“It was pretty silly to act out those scenarios with foam fingers. But I bet all of you have been in situations before when it was really hard to be kind to someone. It’s important to remember that you don’t have to let someone be mean to you. If you have a problem with someone that’s not getting better, ask an adult for help. You can’t control how someone else will act. But you CAN control how YOU act. Instead of acting the same way back, you can decide to show kindness. “It all starts when you remember WHY you should be kind in the first place.

[Bottom Line] “Be kind to others because God is kind to you.

Today’s Key Question: What does kindness look like?

“When you don’t feel like being kind, you can ask God for help. Think about how kind God was to you when He sent Jesus for you. That will help you remember to show kindness, even when it’s difficult. Let’s ask God for help right now.”

Prayer: “God, thank You for this important reminder of why we should treat others with kindness. You showed kindness to us when You sent Jesus to be our Savior! Please help us follow Your example and show Your love to the people around us. Help us use our words and actions to show them how valuable they are—even when it’s difficult. We love You, and we ask these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

FOLLOW UP ACTIVITY

Emotional IQ

What You Need: “Emoji Faces” Activity Page

- Pass out an emoji face to each kid.
- As a group, go around the circle and name the emotion each emoji expresses. (If your group is larger than eight, you will have more than one of some emotions.)
- The emotions on the emojis are: surprised, happy, sad, confused, scared, excited, angry, and embarrassed.
- Read one of the scenarios below.
- Instruct the kids to hold up an emoji face with the emotion that goes with that scenario. (More than one emoji will fit some scenarios.)
- Repeat for each scenario.
- Collect the emoji faces to use at prayer time.

Scenarios:

- Your best friend won the school spelling bee. (emoji: surprised, happy)
- Your dad lost his job today. (emoji: scared, sad, confused, angry)
- Your brother hates math and says he doesn’t understand it at all. (emoji: confused)
- Your family is finally going on a vacation. (emoji: excited, happy)
- A classmate tripped and fell in front of everyone and some kids laughed. (emoji: embarrassed, angry, sad)
- Your friend is playing soccer when a kid on the opposing team calls them names. (emoji: sad, angry)
- Your friend’s grandmother is in the hospital. (emoji: sad, scared, confused)
- Your classmate got a brand-new hoverboard they saved months and months for. (emoji: happy, excited)

What You Say:

“Great job, guys! What are we talking about this month? It starts with a ‘K’ and ends with an ‘S.’ That’s right, kindness! Part of being kind is recognizing how other people feel by paying attention to their emotions. If someone is sad, what is the kind thing to do? (Pause for responses.) If someone is excited about something—even something that doesn’t seem all that exciting to you—what is the kind thing to do? (Pause for responses.) When someone is worried or confused or scared, what is the

kind thing to do? (Pause for responses.)

“Remember, **[Bottom Line] be kind to others because God is kind to you.** God cares deeply about how you feel. He knows when you’re happy, sad, scared, or embarrassed. He shows kindness and love always. And because He loves us that way, when we pay attention to the emotions of others, we show them how valuable they are to us. Let’s be the type of friend who pays attention to people’s feelings. And who knows, your small act of kindness might just turn a really bad day into a not-so-bad one.”

FOLLOW UP DISCUSSION

Discussion Questions

These discussion questions are typically for the 3rd-5th grade range. If you’d like you may ask the younger age group but be aware this may be a little advanced for them to have an answer.

- Would you rather be described as being nice or kind? Why?
- What’s something kind someone did for you lately?
- What’s something kind you did for someone else lately?
- Often our first response isn’t always to show kindness. What can you do to remind yourself to respond with kindness first?
- Why is kindness important? How do you feel when someone is kind to you versus when someone is unkind to you?
- God showed us kindness by sending Jesus. What are some ways Jesus showed others they were valuable? How was Jesus kind to others? (forgave people, didn’t fight, was humble, fed people, helped people when they were sick, listened to people, encouraged people, etc.)

If your child would like to do an additional activity to make extra points for their team, they can draw a picture of the monthly memory verse using their best creativity. If they bring it to church or a parents sends Ms. Ally a picture then they will receive points for the Yellow Team!! Their memory verse is on the front page of this guide or you can check out our social media page.

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