

Kids at Home (Discipleship) - Week of May 13th

Kindness and Gentleness

Biblical Example: The Good Samaritan

Luke 10:25-37

1. Gather as a family and watch this video: <https://youtu.be/osfQg4yKtq8>

If you have kids of all ages encourage them to join in too and do this as a whole family.

2. Read the Scripture listed above.

Allow your child to read aloud if they are able. Take turns reading parts of it. Whatever works for your family. And even if they struggle to be still, push through and do it anyway. You never know what they are picking up.

3. Discussion Questions. Talk with each other and answer together. Feel free to skip questions if you think they are over your child's head.

- How would you explain what it means to be kind / gentle? (Using words to encourage others. Not yelling or losing your temper, but controlling your anger. Looking for opportunities to help / serve one another. Answering with nice words and tone of voice. Showing care for someone above yourself. A good synonym is compassion!)
- How did the Good Samaritan show gentleness / kindness to the man who was hurt?
- Is it easy or hard for you to be kind / gentle? (Now's a good time for you as parents to model humility! Confess some times / ways you have struggled to be gentle or kind.)
- Why do you think God wants us to be kind and gentle? (Because He is kind to us, and He wants us to share that with the whole world!)
- What are some ways God is kind/gentle to us? (The Bible says that the Lord's kindness is what leads us to repentance. He gives us mercy — compassionate forgiveness — for our sin.)
- Who is someone you can show kindness and gentleness to this week? (Maybe a sibling, friend, family member or neighbor.)
- Remind your child that just like the other Fruits of the Spirit we have been talking about, we need God to help us grow in kindness and gentleness. Those fruits come from a relationship with Him!

4. Pray.

- Thank God for His kindness to us.
- Ask God to help you grow in gentleness and kindness.

5. Worship. Listen, sing along, and dance to the songs below:

- Goodness of God - <https://youtu.be/lvSuGyJQ6oM> (HINT: This is a great one to learn as a family before Sunday!)
- Who You Say I Am - <https://youtu.be/YOLHTDVy5C0>

Scripture Memory

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. The law is not against such things.

Galatians 5:22-23

(Additional verses for big kids)

“Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.”

Ephesians 4:32

“A man who is kind benefits himself, but a cruel man hurts himself.”

Proverbs 11:17

“A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.”

Proverbs 15:1

Weekly Activities

These activities are for you to use as needed throughout the week. They are not designed to use all at once unless you want to!

- Kindness Cards: Take some time this week to write a postcard to send to someone. Use paint, markers, stickers and crayons to decorate.

Minute to Win It Game

- Game – Cuppacino: <https://youtu.be/NkH-PrtxYTg>
- Clock: <https://youtu.be/J6Zmo5Q0AZ0>

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

