

First, watch this week's video!

Respect: Showing others they are important by what you say and do

### **Memory Verse**

"Do to others as you want them to do to you." Luke 6:31, NIrV

### **Bible Story**

Love Your Enemies Matthew 5:43-47

#### **Bottom Line**

Show respect even when you don't get along. Use this guide to help your family learn about respect.

## **Activity**

One, Two, Three, Four, I Declare a **Thumb War** 

### What You Need:

No supplies needed

### What You Do:

Challenge your child to a playful game of thumb war!

If your child doesn't already know the rules (or if you don't), here is a description:

- Use the fingertips of your right hand to grip your child's right hand at their fingertips.
- Lock hands with your child and stick up your thumbs.
- Point your thumbs up as you wait for the signal to begin.
- ► Chant, "One, two, three, four, I declare a thumb war!" and then begin playing.
- You will both try to pin down the other's thumb while keeping yours from being pressed down.
- The first to catch their partner's thumb under their thumb is the winner.

Play as many rounds as you like. Then, declare that the person who won the most games is the winner! Say, "In our story today, we heard about a BIG promise that came true for us, didn't we?"

## Talk About the Bible Story

Have you ever felt like you had an enemy in real life? What happened?

How did Jesus show respect for other people? (He loves everyone; He treated everyone well, no matter who they were)

If you knew that someone didn't like you, how would you still want them to treat you?

What are some good things that can happen if we show respect to people we don't get along with?

Parent: Talk about how God's Spirit has helped you show respect to someone, even when you didn't get along. Maybe God helped you SPEAK kind words to someone who spoke rudely to you . . . or maybe God helped you DO something kind for a difficult coworker. Maybe God helped you remember to PRAY for someone who cut in front of you.



# **Praver**

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

"Dear God, it's so amazing to think that You love everyone. You give good things to everyone—even people who do wrong things. Help us to be like You and show Your love to people, even when we don't get along. Help us SPEAK WELL, DO WELL, and PRAY for our enemies. Help us show them how much You love them. We love You, God. Amen."