

PARENT CORNER

weekly

TODAY: MARCH 16-17

Bible Story: The Peacemaker (Abigail Intervenes) *1 Samuel 25:1-35*

Big Idea: You can help others make peace.

Memory Verse: "So let us do all we can to live in peace. And let us work hard to build up one another." *Romans 14:19 (NIRV)*

Life App: Peace – Proving you care more about each other than winning an argument.

Bible Story Summary:

Read and meditate on 1 Samuel 25:1-35.

1 Samuel 25:1-35 tells us a story about a woman named Abigail, but it starts with King David. He was furious with a man who mistreated his soldiers. He decided to get revenge, until the man's wife, Abigail, intercepts him with gifts to make peace and apologizes. Because Abigail stepped in and brought peace, she changed a situation that could have escalated into something horrible. Even though she was not responsible for her husband's offense, she realized she could play a role in making peace.

You can help others make peace. Peace is often about helping stop an argument before it can escalate into something worse. Acting as a peacemaker between others is a great way to love others and shine for Jesus.



While at a meal, discuss the meaning of peace! Peace is proving you care more about each other than winning an argument. But, that can be really hard sometimes! Knowing that God wants us to choose peace and that He will be with us in every situation, helps peace become more possible. It allows us to move past the argument and value the relationship more than being right.

As a family, create an acronym (One word for every letter) for PEACE to help remind the family of who God is, and to help everyone remember to choose peace this week.

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WEEK 3

God TIME

DAY 1

READ *1 Samuel 25:32-33*

Draw a line to connect the person from the Bible story to their action. HINT: You may need to read more than just those two verses!

Abigail	Refused to give anything to David and his men.
Nabal	Was prepared to fight.
David	Gave David what they needed in order to keep the peace.

Abigail knew that peace was important, so she helped make peace with David. When you help others make peace, you are doing more than just helping those two people, you are also helping everyone around you.

Think about when your siblings are arguing. Even though you are not arguing, does it still affect you? Of course! You hear them, you might see them get upset, and it might even disrupt what you are doing. But what if you could help them find a solution and make peace? Then, just like Abigail, you are a peacemaker!

LOOK for opportunities to be a peacemaker

DAY 2

READ "Try your best to live in peace with everyone." *Hebrews 12:14a*

With a parent, discuss what these things have in common:

Learning to read

Riding a bike

Playing a sport

All of these things take a lot of trying and trying again. You probably didn't just pick up a book and start reading it. You had to learn how! You probably even remember falling off a few times before being able to ride your bike well.

Helping others make peace is like that. At first, it might feel hard to jump in and try to help make a solution. It might not work perfectly the first time. But, keep trying! Here are a few things you can try to help bring peace to a situation.

- Stop arguing and listen to others.
- Take a deep breath and count to ten, even when you really want to say something back.
- Pray and ask God to help you choose peace.
- Walk away for a few moments and return when you feel calm.

Circle one of these things to focus on this week when you are in a situation where you need to choose peace or help others make peace

REMEMBER that you can help others make peace.

DAY 3

READ "So let us do all we can to live in peace. And let us work hard to build up one another." Romans 14:19

This week is the first week of spring! Look outside. Are there any flowers or plants growing? Have you ever seen the roots that are in the ground? A plant's roots are important because that is how the plant gets its nutrients and is able to stay in the ground. Just like a plant's roots helps them stand strong, knowing God's word helps you stand strong in your faith! A great way to do this is by practicing this month's memory verse.

How many trees or flowers do you see outside? Write your answer on the line: _____ Practice the memory verse that many times! Each time you see a flower or tree this week, remember to say the memory verse, Romans 14:19!

PRACTICE the memory verse to help you show peace.

HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

Parent signature _____

Date _____

Return for 5 Bible Bucks!

parent CUE:

Want to know what your child is learning at church? Download a free app called Parent Cue. This app is put out by The reThink Group who writes the curriculum we use in Uptown as a guide to what our kids learn.

Parent Cue has parenting articles, blogs, and ways you can live out your faith at home. Week by week you will be given cues so you can make the most of your time with your kids for God.



DAY 4

READ "We have been made right with God because of our faith. Now we have peace with him because of our Lord Jesus Christ." Romans 5:1

Do you like vanilla ice cream plain or with chocolate syrup? Do you like fries with or without ketchup?

Just like chocolate syrup makes ice cream better, and ketchup makes fries better, peace makes our relationships so much better. When there is a conflict or argument, it is always better to work towards peace to find a solution, rather than fighting. You might not always agree, but you can work towards peace even when you have a different point of view.

Helping others make peace allows relationships to become better. Take some time now and talk to God, thanking Him for helping us be peacemakers in our relationships and asking Him to help you show peace to others this week.

"Dear God, You are the ultimate peacemaker. Help me to listen and learn more about You and how You made peace with others. God, give me the courage to make peace with others when I need to. Help me to be a peacemaker among my friends and family. I love you. Amen."

KNOW that God will help you make peace with others.

at a GLANCE



Bibles-N-Bucks Shopping

March 23-24

3rd Grade

April 6-7

2nd Grade

April 13-14

1st Grade

April 20-21

Kindergarten

April 27-28

4th Grade



Child's Name: _____