

PARENT CORNER

weekly

TODAY: APRIL 25



Bible Story: War and Peace (*Isaac's Wells*) *Genesis 26:1-6, 12-22, 26-31*

Big Idea: God can give you peace when life's not fair.

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:

In Genesis 26:1-6, 12-22, and 26-31, Isaac settles in his father's land and reopens some wells. When his new neighbors argue with him, he simply moves to a new place and digs new wells. Isaac had every right to fight for those wells, but he chose peace instead.

God can give us peace when life's not fair. Sometimes making peace with someone means walking away even if we're not wrong. Often it takes a stronger person to have the self-control to walk away.

The monthly memory verse is: "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. Living in peace can be hard work. But when we fight for our relationships instead of fighting to be right, we start to reflect the character of God to those around us.

Bed Time



Ask a kid: Is there something that has come between you and another person? Why?

Ask a parent: Share about a time that you or someone you were fighting with chose to make peace.

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God TIME

DAY 1

Read Genesis 26:12-22

Isaac reopens some wells his father had dug many years before. When his new neighbors argue with him, he simply moves to a new place and digs new wells. Isaac had every right to fight for those wells, but he chose peace instead.

Every day we can choose to fight or to walk away like Isaac did.

God can give you peace when life's not fair. Pray, asking God to help you walk away from arguing and choose peace.

ASK God to help you choose peace.

DAY 2

Read 1 Peter 3:8-9

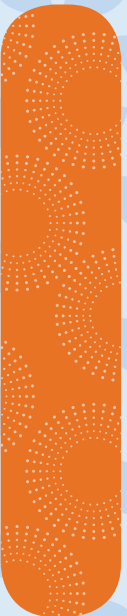
Fill in the words for verse 9. "Don't pay back _____ with _____."

We live in a world where we like paybacks. If you borrow a dollar from your buddy for ice cream, you owe him a dollar back. And once you pay it back, you'd be even.

With friendship, it's not that easy. When someone hurts you, paying them back by hurting them doesn't make it even. In fact, it usually just makes the problem worse.

But, what if, instead of "paying someone back" you chose to walk away? What if, instead of getting even, you chose to bring peace? That is what God tells us to do. It's not easy, but **God can give you peace when life's not fair.** And living God's way is always the best way.

THANK God for helping you give peace when life's not fair.



DAY 3

Read Matthew 5:9

Have you ever seen a picture of a family member and thought you looked a little like them? Maybe you've got your mom's blue eyes or maybe your nose looks like your dad's. Because you are their son or daughter, it would make sense that you look or act like they do.

You are also made in the image of God. Sure, you can't do everything He does, like make a mountain appear out of nowhere. But you can love and forgive others like God. When you choose to bring peace, you look exactly like God's son or daughter! You show others you belong to Him by the way you treat them.

Think back over the last few weeks. When were times that you looked like God because you chose peace? Maybe you forgave someone who hurt you, or showed kindness to a kid who was being picked on.

LOOK for ways to show peace this week, just like God.

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Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

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Date

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parent CUE:

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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 Romans 12:19-21

Fill in the verse. "Overcome evil by _____."

Enemy is a strong word. In fact, if someone asked you who your enemies are, you may not have one. But what about when someone hurts you? Wouldn't it make sense to pay back wrong for wrong?

Take a minute to read those verses again. God says, "I am the one who judges people." That means that paybacks fall into God's lap, not ours. When someone hurts you, here's something important to remember: you will never be able to control what someone else does, but you always have the choice to respond with kindness and bring peace.

KNOW that God loves it when we choose to love others.

at a GLANCE



Bibles N Bucks Shopping:

- April 25 4th Grade
- May 2 3rd Grade
- May 9 2nd Grade
- May 16 1st Grade
- May 23 Kindergarten



Child's Name: _____