

PARENT CORNER

weekly

TODAY: FEBRUARY 7

Bible Story: Say What You Need to Say (Use Words Wisely) *Ephesians 4:29*

Big Idea: Use your words wisely.

Memory Verse: “Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much.” *Luke 16:10a (NIV)*

Life App: Responsibility—Showing you can be trusted with what is expected of you

Bible Story Summary: Paul wrote in Ephesians 4:29, “Don’t let any evil talk come out of your mouths. Say only what will help to build others up and meet their needs,” (NirV). Our words have power to help or hurt others. When it comes to our rules for life, what we say and how we speak matters.

We want the kids to learn they should use their words wisely. Words are important, but even as adults we tend to use them without thinking. We hope that as kids hear more about what Paul wrote in Ephesians, they’ll understand that how they use their words can show God’s love to others.



Grab a building block and write “builder” on it. Leave it in a spot where your child will see it. If you don’t have a block, use a notecard. Tell them that their words matter and to use them wisely by building others up, instead of tearing them down with hurtful words.



DAY 1

READ Psalm 141:3

When you think of the word responsibility, do you ever think about what you say to other people? We are to use our words wisely and that means we need to be careful with what we say to other people because it can be helpful or it can be hurtful. Ask an adult to grab a tube of toothpaste and slowly squeeze a little bit of it out of the tube. Ok, now that the toothpaste is out, I want you to put it back in the tube. Guess what? You can’t put it back in. And that’s exactly how our words are too. Once we say something, we can’t take it back. So be careful, little mouth, what you say.

ASK God to help you to be responsible with your words.

DAY 2

READ Psalm 141:3

Why does it matter what we say to others? God tells us that our words matter because He wants us to say things that are helpful, encouraging, loving and not negative or hurtful.

Find a piece of paper and make two lists. On one list, write down as many kind and helpful words you can think of. On the other list, write down all the mean and unkind words you can think of. Then, draw a big X over the mean list of words to help you remember to always use positive words.

KNOW that your words matter!

DAY 3

READ Psalm 141:3

Ask an adult to help you look up Psalm 141:3 and read it together. Grab a piece of paper and rainbow-write the verse and put it somewhere that you can see it every day. When you read this verse each day, put your own hand motions to it to help you remember it. What a great verse for us to remember as we are learning to use our words wisely. Let's pray and ask God to help us.

Dear God,
Help us to be wise with our words. We want to be helpful and not hurtful with what we say to others. Watch over the door of our lips just like this verse says. Thank You for helping us show responsibility with what we say. Amen.

HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

Parent signature

Date

Return for 5 Bible Bucks!

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 Psalm 141:3

God wants us to be responsible with our words. Ask an adult or a friend to play a little game with you. As they read the list of things below you will give a thumbs up if it's helpful or a thumbs down if it's hurtful. Let's show God that we care about everything that comes out of our mouth!

- I don't like you.
- You look funny.
- I don't like your shoes.
- Wow! Great job!
- Your hair is weird.
- What are you looking at?
- Great job getting an A on your test!

REMEMBER to be wise with what you say.

at a GLANCE



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Child's Name: _____