City LG - June 29-30, 2019

Bible Story: Kind & Generous (The Good Samaritan) • Luke 10:25-37

Bottom Line: Be kind to everyone.

Memory Verse: The fruit the Holy Spirit produces is love, joy and peace. It is being patient, kind and good. It is being faithful and gentle and having control of oneself. Galatians 5:22-23a, NIrV

CG: 2-Minute Countdown

WORSHIP: "At the Top of My Lungs" and "Turn it Up"

(Worship Leader prays)

"Hi, everyone! You may know this already, but Jesus was an incredible teacher. He was also an incredible storyteller. People followed Him from all over to listen to His words. They LOVED hearing what He had to say. But the religious leaders were different. They listened so they could try to find ways to trick Jesus. They wanted to make Jesus look bad and make themselves look better."

"One day, as Jesus was teaching, one of those religious leaders tried to put Him to the test. Let's read it straight from the Bible. Would any of our Leaders like to read it for us?"

Choose a Leader to read Luke 10:25-29 from the Bible. Have her stand up where she is, and hand her the pre-marked Bible. Give her a handheld mic if possible. (Note: The quoted scriptures below are all NIrV.)

CG: Luke 10:25-29 NIrV Slide

LEADER: "One day an authority on the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to receive eternal life?"

"What is written in the Law?" Jesus replied. "How do you understand it?"

"He answered, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Love him with all your strength and with all your mind.' And, 'Love your neighbor as you love yourself."

"You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do that, and you will live."

"But the man wanted to make himself look good. So he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

"Thanks, [Leader's name]. That's a pretty interesting question that the expert asked Jesus: 'Who is my neighbor?' Jesus knew that the man only asked it because he wanted to be right. He wanted to do the least he could to get by. So, Jesus chose to answer him with the story we find in today's video. Let's take a look!"

CG: Lesson Video (Runtime: 7:30)

"We should be like the Samaritan in the story. We should show kindness to people we see, instead of just walking on by. Remember, the law expert wanted to show kindness to the LEAST number of people possible. He was probably hoping that Jesus would to tell him that he didn't really have to be kind to everyone. But God's way is different. God's kindness can help us to show kindness to others.

Jesus made it clear: God wants us to be kind to every single person we meet. That's what we need to remember.

CG: Bottom Line Slide

[Bottom Line] "Be kind to everyone.

"Not just some people but everyone. We should show kindness to others the way God has shown kindness to us. Let's talk to God now and ask Him to help us do that."

Pray: "Dear God, thank You for being so kind to all of us. Thank You for the story Jesus told that shows us how You want us to be kind to others, too. Sometimes it's hard for us to do that, and we know we need Your help. Please help us to be kind not just to some people but to EVERYONE. We love You, and we ask these things in Jesus' name, amen."

"So the next time your little brother breaks one of your toys or your older sister won't let you hang out with her, choose to be kind. When you get into an argument with someone who doesn't see things the same way you do, choose to be kind. And when you see someone who looks different from you because they wear different clothes, or their skin is a different color from yours, or they speak differently than you do, choose to be kind.

CG: Bottom Line Slide

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"Now it's time for you to head to your small groups and have even more fun talking about kindness! But before we head there, let's worship God with our offering!"

Offering Time:

"Offering time is a chance for us to bring our money to God, so he can use it to make somebody else's life better. For us, here in the City, we give our offering to an organization called 'Missions of Hope' to help kids in Kenya have food, clothes, and learn about God's love for them."

Here at (your Campus name), we bring our offering to help support:

Homer Glen: Victor New Lenox: Daniel

Orland Park: Michael and Valerie

CG: Picture of Child

"(Your Campus Child) lives in Nairobi, Kenya. Here's a picture of some homes in Nairobi!"

CG: Kenyan Homes JPEG

If you brought your offering today, you can bring it up now and place it here in our offering container while our Offering Video plays! (show offering container)."

CG: Offering Video Music Video (Runtime: 3:30)

Dismiss to Small Groups