Road Rules: Ride with respect



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

Calling of the Disciples Luke 5:1-11, 27-32

Bottom Line

Include people who are left out.

Use this guide to help your family learn about respect.

Activity

Hide-and-Stuffed-Seek

What You Need:

Several stuffed animals, a large object that one of the stuffed animals can hide behind, and a music player with upbeat music

What You Do:

Lay out all the stuffed animals and invite your child to play a game. Say, "I'm going to turn on some music. While it's playing, you have to turn around so you can't see. I'll hide one of these stuffed animals behind the [large object]. When I turn off the music, turn back around and try to guess which stuffed animal I hid."

Allow your child a moment to view all the stuffed animals before you play the music.

Hit play, and while your child is facing away from the stuffed animals, hide one of them behind the large object. Rearrange the stuffed animals so your child won't immediately notice which one is missing. Then, turn off the music.

Say, "Turn around!" If they guess the correct stuffed animal, congratulate them. If they don't, give them another guess and then reveal which stuffed animal you hid.

Keep playing until all the animals have been hidden and guessed, or as long as time allows. When you're finished playing, say, "You did a great job figuring out which animal was missing from the group. Sometimes, in real life, people can get left out too, can't they?"

Talk About the Bible Story

How does it feel to be left out? (Bad, sad) How does it feel to be included? (Good, happy)

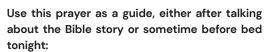
How did Jesus' choice in disciples show that He didn't play favorites? (He chose a wide variety of people to be His disciples—even a tax collector, who would not have been very popular at this time.)

Jesus once said, "In everything, do to others what you would want them to do to you." (Matthew 7:12, NIrV) What does that mean? (Be kind to other people in the way that you'd want them to be kind to you.)

How can you include people who may feel left out? (Invite them to sit with you at lunch, invite them to play with you on the playground, wave to them in the hallway, encourage your friends to include them too)

Parent: Tell your child about a time when you treated others the way you wanted to be treated and included someone who was left out. You may have sat beside someone who was hurt, invited a new kid to your birthday party, or even asked your younger sibling to play with you and your friends.

Prayer



"Dear God, thank You for making all of us in Your image. Thank You that we are ALL important and WORTHY of love. Just like Jesus, help us choose to include people who are left out. Help us love people like YOU love them. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."

