

# **Different**

### James 1-2 | James' Letter

#### **Big Idea**

Living for Jesus means living a different way.

#### **Conversation Starters:**

Get ideas flowing by sharing some of your own ideas too!

Use these questions to get your kids thinking about the Big Idea.

- What's one thing you do differently than most of your friends?
  (For example, do you put ketchup on something others find strange? Or do you carry around an unusual object?)
- What's one thing that you do differently from your friends who do not follow Jesus? (e.g., go to church, read the Bible, pray)

Video:

Watch this week's video.

#### **Pray & Discuss:**

After the video take time to talk about it together.

- Why was the God Story a little bit different than what we've been used to? (Hint: What kind of writing was it?)
- What was the Life Story about?
- How did the Life Story and God Story connect with the Big Idea?
- **Pray:** Dear God, please help us live your way. Help us to look to Jesus to learn how each and every day, AMEN.

#### **Picture It Activity**

Supplies:

- Bible
- Paper
- Craft sticks (4)
- Glue sticks (or white glue)
- Markers or pencil crayons
- Stickers (optional)

Prep: Ensure you've got the recommended supplies or supplement what you are able to.

- Help your child learn how to look up James 1:22-25.
- Read aloud together.
- Ask: What do you think these verses mean? What does that mean about how we should live?
- Give your child a piece of paper.
- Encourage them to draw a picture of themself (or your family) doing something differently for Jesus!
- When they are finished drawing, encourage them to use the craft sticks as a frame. (They can also decorate the craft sticks if desired.)
- Glue frame together.
- Consider placing somewhere on display in your home.



## **Additional Activities**

#### **Key Verse Activity**

#### Supplies:

• Key verse sign

Review the key verse together. Discuss:

- Is there anything in that verse that you don't understand?
- What do you think the verse is saying?
- What do you think is the most important part of that verse? (There is no right answer!)

As a family, create your own actions to the verse. See if you can learn it together and then randomly throughout your week, stop what you are doing and say the verse together!

#### **Key Verse:**

You are God's chosen people. You are holy and dearly loved. So put on tender mercy and kindness as if they were your clothes. Don't be proud. Be gentle and patient.

Colossians 3:12