



## BIG IDEA

God's kindness brings people together.

## GOD STORY

Moses in Midian (Exodus 2:11–22)

## KEY VERSE

[God said,] "My grace is all you need. My power is strongest when you are weak." So I am very happy to brag about how weak I am. Then Christ's power can rest on me. (2 Corinthians 12:9, NIRV)

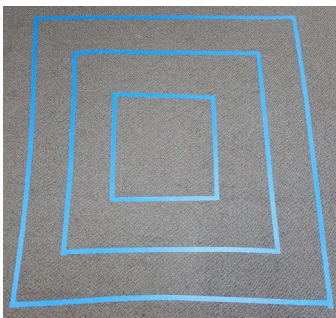
## 1 | Conversation Starter

### SUPPLIES

- Masking tape

### BEFORE THE ACTIVITY

- Tape three stacked squares on the floor (see pattern below). Make sure the innermost square will fit your family—squished together!



### INSTRUCTIONS

- To lead into today's teaching, chat about:
  - Have you ever done something so kind for someone that they "happy cried"? If so, what did you do?
  - Has someone ever been so kind to you that you didn't know what to say? What happened? How did you feel about that person?
- Introduce the Big Idea: **God's kindness brings people together.**

- Explain that you will read a series of scenarios. If the kids think a scenario is very kind, they should move into the innermost box. If they think it's sort of kind, they should go into the middle box. If they think it's not kind, they should stay where they are. Make it more fun by getting the whole family involved!
- Start by standing in the boundaries of the outer square. Read each of the following scenarios (change them to suit your family as needed), then move to vote.
  - Your dad knew you weren't feeling well so he let you sleep in, then drove you to school late.
  - Your teacher has a pizza party for your class just because!
  - You try to high-five someone, but they ignore you.
  - A friend's family lost a bunch of stuff in a house fire, so you get together some supplies for them.
  - A kid at school says you're ridiculous for believing in God.
  - As soon as you arrive home from school your dog jumps up to give you a smooch!
  - You make a friendship bracelet for someone, but they throw it away.
  - You apologize after lying to your teacher, and he forgives you.
  - You try to make your brother happy when he's crying.
  - There's garbage all over your neighbour's yard, so you get a bag and help clean it up.
- Remind the kids that **God's kindness brings people together!**



## 2 | Watch

### SUPPLIES

- Media player

### INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Watch this week's video from the Now Playing Kids playlist on the One Story YouTube channel.

## 3 | Discuss & Pray

### INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Review the video teaching together:
  - What's one thing that stuck out to you in today's Life Story?
  - In the God Story, what kind thing did Moses do for the seven sisters?
  - How do you think the sisters felt when Moses was kind to them?
  - How did Reuel (Jethro) show kindness to Moses in return?
  - Why do you think God wants us to be kind to one another?
  - Why does God's kindness bring us together?
  - What's the opposite of kindness? How does it keep us apart?
- b. Pray that your family would live out God's kindness to others this week. Thank God that we can experience his kindness through other people!

## 4 | Activity

### SUPPLIES

- Card stock
- Drawing supplies (e.g., markers, crayons, etc.)
- Pens
- Stickers
- Bibles

### INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Give each child a piece of card stock.
- b. Set out the rest of the supplies for them to share.
- c. Encourage your kids to make a thank-you card for someone who has shown God's kindness to them. Guide them to think beyond family members.
- d. If needed, provide suggestions such as writing a thoughtful note inside the card or writing out a Bible verse (e.g., Proverbs 17:17; 2 Thessalonians 3:5; Ephesians 4:32).

## 5 | Key Verse

### SUPPLIES

- Key Verse sign

### TIP

- If you did this activity last week, see what the kids remember! Challenge them to do it faster or come up with new actions.

### INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Read the Key Verse out loud as you point word-by-word at the sign.
- b. Explain that you will read the verse again. As you say each word, the kids should come up with an action for it (e.g., point up for "God"; cup hands near their mouths like they're shouting for "said"; point to themselves for "my").
- c. Repeat saying the verse and doing the actions until the kids are familiar with it.