

HOW DO WE SHOW RESPECT TO GOD THROUGH OUR ACTIONS?

MEMORY VERSE:

1 Corinthians 16:14 *“Let all that you do be done in love.”*

POST VIDEO DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Why should our actions show respect to God?

Choosing to obey God with our actions shows that we care about him and think that his ways are the best ways.

How can our actions show respect to God?

We can follow what God says we should do in the Bible. In all of our actions, we are to show love to God and to treat others the way we want to be treated.

What if I need help with respecting God in my actions?

We all need help! That’s why we have Jesus. We can ask him for help. We can also ask our mom and dad and our friends to help us act with love and respect.

BIBLE STORY

Read 2 Samuel 9:1-13 out loud with your child.

What does the story of David and Mephibosheth teach about respecting God with actions?

This story shows how David honored God and his friends by keeping his promise to Saul. David loved someone who could be his enemy with putting Mephibosheth’s needs first. David treated Mephibosheth the way he would want to be treated.

What are some ways we can honor our friends and enemies in the way that David did?

**Let your child share his/her own ideas.*

EXTENDED LEARNING OPTION

SAY:

Most of us haven't had a life like David's, where we've killed a giant, told we are going to be king over a country, then had to escape the king killing us, and then become a great and important king! But our life and choices are just as important as David's were. We are children of the great King, just as David was! Remember how we spent time last week thinking about what we could say to people around us? Today we're going to think about how we can show respect to the people around us and to God with our actions during our normal days. Let's make a list of the things we usually do in a day. Then you can brainstorm ways to show kindness and to walk humbly with God during each part of the day.

CAN PRINT OFF "PARTS OF THE DAY" CARDS OR CREATE YOUR OWN LIST TO USE

SAY:

Is living an entire day with all loving actions and words an easy thing to do? No! It can be hard, especially when we're having a hard day or someone is giving us a hard time. What do you think we should do when we realize we're having a difficult time with kind actions and words? We talked about prayer a few weeks ago. We can ask God for help! God knows we can't do this on our own. He wants us to admit when we've messed up, ask for forgiveness, and ask for help in loving better.