

WEEK 2

TABLE TALK GUIDE

OPPOSITE DAY

THE BIG IDEA

Our struggles bring us closer to Jesus.

THE BIBLE

Blessings and Woes: Luke 6:17-26;
(Jeremiah 17:5-10)

QUESTIONS

- What was an example of a "blessing" in today's story?
- What was an example of a "woe"?
- Read Jeremiah 17:8. What is the benefit of a tree that's planted by the water? How is that like someone who trusts in God?
- What are some struggles that are going on in your life or in the world we live in?
- How does a struggle bring us closer to God?
- Can you think of a struggle that brought you or someone you know closer to God?

ACTIVITY

Create some fun family memories by utilizing an opposite day. Let your child be the "parent" for a day (or for an hour!) and you be their helper. Maybe they can plan out the activities for the day, make breakfast for the family, make a list of chores that need to be done, etc. This also gives you a great opportunity to model the helpful behavior you expect from your child and may be a great teaching moment.

As we wrap up today's Bible story, we have to remember that going hungry is not always a blessing just like being well-fed is not always a woe. What matters is that we stay connected to God whether or not we are struggling. We can take that one step further by helping someone in need and pray for people who are struggling in our communities and around the world so that they can know God, too.

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH: II Corinthians 12:9a (NLT)

"My grace is all you need, my power works best in weakness."