

#1: Share Jesus

Read: James 3:18

18 Those who make peace plant it like a seed. They will harvest a crop of right living.

Say: Paul wanted everyone to know about Jesus. In Romans 12 Paul shared different ways to tell others about Jesus through the things they said and did. Think of some people you can share Jesus with. Starting with the people in your home, share with each other some things you love about Jesus.

ASK God to show you who you can talk about Jesus with.

Pray and ask God to allow you to bring peace to others this week.

“Dear God, please fill me with peace this week and help me to live in peace with others. Thank you for allowing me to learn about peace and for always offering me peace. Amen.”

#2: Planting The Seed

Read: James 3:18

18 Those who make peace plant it like a seed. They will harvest a crop of right living.

Say: In James 3:18, we read that we need to plant peace like a seed. When we make peace, we are setting down roots for friendships.

Have the children talk about a flower or tree that is beautiful.

LOOK for ways to plant the seed of peace with others.

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#3: Go Ahead

Read: Galatians 6:9

⁹ *Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up.*

Say: Sometimes we think that being first is the best thing ever! But how good would it feel if you let someone else be first, especially when they aren't expecting it? This week, allow others to go first, even when you have the opportunity to be first. Allow someone else to get in line first, choose the first snack, or have the first turn.

KNOW that when you put others first, they see Jesus.

Have you ever helped someone and felt great about it afterwards? How we care for others might look different for everyone, but God calls us to love and care for others. Let's talk to God and ask for help in knowing how to care for others.

"Dear God, help me to treat others fairly, to see their needs and love them well. Thank You for putting people in my life to care about me so I can see what it means to care for others. Please continue to show me how to treat others fairly with love. Amen."

#4: Hosanna!

Read Matthew 21:1-8

21 *As they all approached Jerusalem, they came to Bethphage. It was on the Mount of Olives. Jesus sent out two disciples. ² He said to them, "Go to the village ahead of you. As soon as you get there, you will find a donkey tied up. Her colt will be with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them. The owner will send them right away."*

⁴ *This took place so that what was spoken through the prophet would come true. It says,*

⁵ *"Say to the city of Zion,
'See, your king comes to you.
He is gentle and riding on a donkey.
He is riding on a donkey's colt.'*

⁶ *The disciples went and did what Jesus told them to do. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt. They placed their coats on them for Jesus to sit on. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their coats on the road. Others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.*

Do: Reenact the story of Jesus coming into Jerusalem! Imagine what it was like to be there! Think of the sounds of the crowds. . . the feel of excitement. . . the actions of the people throwing their coats and palm branches.

Talk about how you would feel if you were there when Jesus was coming into Jerusalem.

Jesus is alive! Let's thank God for that! You can pray your own prayer or use the one below.

"Dear God, I am thankful Jesus is alive! I am so grateful that You sent Jesus to earth to live and teach others about how to love and bring peace. I am so excited to celebrate that Jesus is alive this week. Thank you for all you do! Amen."

ASK God to keep teaching you how to love others.

#5: I've Seen It!

Read 1 John 4:14

14 The Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. We have seen it and are witnesses to it.

Read 1 John 4:14 aloud with your grownup. Think and talk about how you have "seen" Jesus in your life and the lives of others!

LOOK for Jesus in your day!

Jesus is alive! Let's thank God for that! You can pray your own prayer or use the one below.

"Dear God, I am thankful Jesus is alive! I am so grateful that You sent Jesus to earth to live and teach others about how to love and bring peace. I am so excited to celebrate that Jesus is alive this week. Thank you for all you do! Amen."

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#6 Don't Grow Tired!

Read: Galatians 6:9

⁹ *Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up.*

Say: Doing good can bring you joy! Read Galatians 6:9 and think through with our adult about what it means to “not become tired” and to “gather a crop if we don't give up.” How can we help others and bring peace into their lives?

THANK God for teaching us how to care for others.

Have you ever helped someone and felt great about it afterwards? How we care for others might look different for everyone, but God calls us to love and care for others. Let's talk to God and ask for help in knowing how to care for others.

“Dear God, help me to treat others fairly, to see their needs and love them well. Thank You for putting people in my life to care about me so I can see what it means to care for others. Please continue to show me how to treat others fairly with love. Amen.”

#7: Don't Hold Back

Read Proverbs 3:27

Don't hold back good from those who are worthy of it.

Don't hold it back when you can help.

Ask: What can we do to help others?

Pray to God to show you and to help you, when to help others.

“Dear God, You are the ultimate peacemaker. Help me to listen and learn more about You and how You made peace with others. God, give me the courage to make peace with others when I need to. Help me to be a peacemaker among my friends and family. I love you. Amen.”

THANK God for being the ultimate peacemaker.