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"This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." John 15:12 (KBC Study Bible, page 1172)

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Is there a kid at school that you see getting bullied? Do you see others excluded or left out? How can you reach out and show <u>compassion</u> to others this week? Be ready to share with your family and Surf Team leader ways you showed <u>compassion</u> this week.

DAY 1 READ: Luke 10:25-28 (KBC Study Bible, page 1122)

THINK: God commands you to love Him more than anything else. He also commands you to love others as much as you love yourself. How do you do that? Showing compassion to other people by treating them in ways you would want to be treated.

PRAY: Father, help me find ways to show compassion and treat others in ways that please You. In Jesus' name, amen.

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DO: Read "Word Decoders" and "Digging In" at the bottom of page 1122 to learn about Samaritans and Jews. These two groups of people didn't get along with each other. Choose today to do something nice for someone you might not be friends with. That's loving your neighbor like Jesus taught.

PRAY: Father God, help me find a nice thing to do for someone who isn't one of my friends. In Jesus' name, amen.

DAY 3 READ: Luke 10:36-37 (KBC Study Bible, page 1123)

DO: Think about a family in your neighborhood that you don't know. With your parent's permission, go to their home as a family and meet your neighbors. Try to learn something about the people who live near you.

PRAY: Father God, help me to not pass by people I can help. In Jesus' name, amen.

DAY 4 READ: John 15:9-17 (KBC Study Bible, pages 1172-1173)

THINK: Think about how much Jesus loves you. He loved you enough to die on a cross, taking the punishment you deserve. That's real love! How do you show you love Jesus? You do it by the way you show love and compassion to others.

PRAY: Thank You, Jesus, for loving me. Help me show Your love to others. In Jesus' name, amen.

DAY 5 READ: Psalm 145:8-9 (KBC Study Bible, page 660)

THINK: Look at these verses and find the words and phrases that describe God. One of those phrases tells that God is full of compassion. Think about the differences between something that is full and something that is empty. God's compassion is so full that it never runs out.

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