

LESSON 3
“KINDNESS”
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BIBLE CONNECTION

Genesis 13:1-11 (page 16)

CHARACTER WORD

Kindness – A friendly, good-natured attitude toward others

TEACHING OBJECTIVE

With God's help, I can be *kind* and get along with others

MEMORY LINK

Genesis 13:8a

“Let there be no strife between you and me.”

(KBC Study Bible pg. 16)

SUPPLIES NEEDED THIS WEEK

GET CONNECTED

Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards, pens, highlighters

MEMORY LINK ACTIVITY

Option 1: Jump rope
Option 2: None

BIBLE CONNECTION

None

SURF TEAM LEADER

Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards, pens

MAKE-IT-STICK REVIEW GAME

Option 1: Paper plates, cotton balls, painters' tape
Option 2: Small foam cups

Abram Gets Along with Lot

WHAT'S THE POINT?

Kindness is simple to understand, but hard to really live out. Our selfishness and personal agendas get in the way of putting first the needs of others and choosing to get along with others. God showed us the ultimate act of kindness by looking beyond our sin and providing a Savior, Jesus. Our simple actions of kindness today reflect the tremendous act of kindness God showed us.

GET CONNECTED



Building relationships in surf teams; introducing today's lesson

Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards, pens, highlighters

Use the following conversation prompts to get to know the kids in your surf team and to introduce today's lesson.

- Is it easy or hard to show kindness to strangers? Family members?
- What kinds of things do you argue about with family or friends?
- How does it feel when someone is kind to you?



Guide clubbers to locate and mark today's Bible Connection and Memory Link in their Bibles so they can find the pages quickly as directed in the session.

WORSHIP TIME



Pointing hearts toward God

When considering song selections, it doesn't hurt to repeat last week's song and then add a new song you can teach them this week. Make sure to provide visuals so kids can see the words. If you don't have access to a projector or TV, consider printing the words on posters and laminate them so you can continue to use them. If you need ideas, consider these song choices:

“One Way” by Hillsong Kids
“Lean on Me” by DC Talk

MEMORY LINK



2 Minutes – Teaching the Bible verse to clubbers

8 Minutes – Activity to help them memorize the verse

No supplies needed

Focus on Today's Memory Link

The Bible helps us know how to get along with others. Our Memory Link today is Genesis 13:8a, found on page 16 in your KBC Study Bible. Genesis is the first book in the Bible and is in the Old Testament. The words are spoken by Abram. Abram faced a situation with his nephew, Lot, which could have ended up in strife. Strife means to have conflict with someone, usually an angry or bitter disagreement. Abram didn't want to fight with Lot. So, he chose to show kindness to him instead.

Next time you are in a situation where you are about to enter into an angry or bitter disagreement with someone, think instead about how can you show kindness and choose to get along. Showing kindness will often prevent conflict.

Option 1 – VERSE JUMP

Jump rope

Invite two students to hold the jump rope. Guide the clubbers to line up, single file, at one end of the rope. Let the students take turns jumping rope while saying the memory verse and scripture reference. On each jump, students will say a word of the verse. After each student completes the verse, they will stop and take their turn holding one end of the rope so that another student can have a turn.

Option 2 - SHAKE ON IT

No supplies needed

Guide the clubbers to say the verse with a partner as they shake hands. Allow clubbers to switch partners and repeat. Challenge them to say the verse with as many different partners as time allows. More advanced groups may try saying every other word with their partners as they shake hands.

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Genesis 13:8a

"Let there be no strife between you and me."

(KBC Study Bible pg. 16)

Bible 101

Use your KBC Study Bible to show the students they will get their very own copy soon. Be sure to use it all throughout Beach Club. This shows them that everything they will learn in Beach Club comes from God's word.

Teaching Tip

In two minutes or less, explain the verse so kids understand the meaning. Keep it simple by avoiding "churchy" words and explaining any words in the verse that might be unfamiliar to kids. And remember, Memory Link time is not designed to be another Bible Connection time. Your job is to offer opportunities for kids to hide God's word in their hearts. When you spend less time talking, kids can spend more time playing and learning.

BIBLE CONNECTION



Teaching today's Character Word through a gospel-centered Bible story

No supplies needed

Set the Stage

Our Bible story today is in the Old Testament and is found in Genesis 13, page 16 in your KBC Study Bible. It's about a man named Abram. Abram and his nephew Lot had been living in the same area with their families and livestock such as sheep, goats and cows. Abram had become very wealthy and had a lot of livestock. Lot also had livestock. Abram and Lot had so many animals that the land did not have enough grass to support all the animals.

Tell the Story

It all began one day when God told Abram to leave his home and go to a place God would show him. Abram had great faith in God and left his home just like God told him to do. His nephew, Lot, went with him. They both gathered their families and all their possessions and herds of animals and went to the place God told Abram. When Abram reached the place God told him to go, he worshipped God.

Abram and Lot set up their tents close to each other. As time passed, their families got larger and so did the herds of animals. When the number of animals grew so big that the land could not support them all, the herdsmen began to quarrel. Abram did not want them to fight and quarrel.

Let's look in our Bibles at our memory verse again and see what Abram said. "Please, let there be no strife between you and me and between my herdsmen and your herdsmen; for we are brethren." They were family. Abram didn't want the herdsmen to argue with each other. Abram wanted to show them kindness so he came up with a plan.

Abram told Lot they must separate their families and live in different places. Abram let Lot choose first and told him if he went to the left, then he would go to the right; or, if he went to the right, Abram would go to the left. Lot looked all around and saw the land of Jordan. It was beautiful. Many things grew there and it had plenty of water for his family and animals. So, Lot chose to move east with his family.

After Lot left, God said to Abram, "Look north, south, east and west. I will give you and your children all the land you can see. I will give you so many descendants that there will be too many to count."

Abram moved his family and his possessions to the land that God showed him, and when Abram got to Hebron, he worshipped God. God was pleased with Abram and how he handled the conflict between his herdsmen and Lot's herdsmen. God showed kindness to Abram by blessing him.

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As You Prepare

People love a personal story that connects to the lesson. Incorporate your own life experience into this time to show the relevance of the Bible. Remember to keep your personal story brief, age-appropriate and to the point so you can tie it back into the lesson.

As You Prepare

Pray for the leadership of the Holy Spirit to guide you. Take care to weave the gospel into every story, always pointing lessons back to the cross. For more help with Bible Connection see page 18 of the KBC Leadership Manual: Volume 2 – Beach Club Essentials.

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Genesis 13:8a

