

WEEK FOUR 1st - 5th Grade

READ COLOSSIANS 3:9-11 (NIrV)

DAY 1

Go find the darkest pair of sunglasses you have—maybe you can even borrow some from a family member. Put them on inside and notice how it makes everything look so much closer to the same color. With the sunglasses on, read Colossians 3:9-11. Putting on the glasses gives you a new perspective and makes everything look pretty similar.

Jesus knew people weren't always great about loving everyone because they don't realize every person is loved equally by God. But Jesus showed us what it means to love each other by the way He treated everyone—Pharisee and sinner, Jew and Gentile, adult and child—the same. And when we follow Jesus, we will see others the way He does: with love for all.

Listen to what God says about His children: we are equal in His sight. Who is one person that you need to see and love the way God does?

READ EPHESIANS 4:32 (NIrV)

DAY 2

Grab a piece of paper or a blank card and your favorite pen or pencil then write a note to a friend or neighbor and tell them how you appreciate them.

READ ROMANS 12:10 (NIrV)

DAY 3

Knowing Jesus changes the way you see others, and the way you see yourself too. Instead of seeing yourself as the most important, you realize you should put others first. When you put others first, you love and honor them more than yourself.

For the next 24 hours, we challenge you to **put your focus on others**. **Can you put someone first five times throughout the 24 hours?** Let your sister have the bathroom first, instead of you taking it. Let your brother have the last bowl of cereal, instead of you eating all of it. Put your dirty clothes in the hamper on your own, instead of waiting for someone to remind you to pick up.

Did anyone notice something different about you? Were they surprised when you put them first? How did they respond when you put them first?

Ask God to help you see others as worthy of honor.

READ 1 PETER 2:17 (NIrV)

DAY 4

Did you put others first yesterday? How did it feel to show honor and respect to others and put them first, ahead of your own desires?

There's a popular phrase that says "humility isn't thinking less of yourself, but thinking of yourself less." That's kind of tricky to understand, but the idea is that you don't need to think badly of yourself to think highly of others—you just need to think of them more often.

Write this down on paper and place it by your toothbrush. Starting with really big letters on "God" and ending with very little letters on "me."

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Now, every day when you get ready, you'll see a reminder to put others first! Know that knowing Jesus means seeing others as worthy of respect.

