

# FAMILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

GOD HAS MADE A GREAT MANY PROMISES. THEY ARE ALL "YES" BECAUSE OF WHAT CHRIST HAS DONE. SO THROUGH CHRIST WE SAY "AMEN." WE WANT GOD TO RECEIVE GLORY. – 2 CORINTHIANS 1:20

## PROMISE OF COMPASSION

POINT UP



THE LORD IS GOOD TO ALL:



SWEEP ARMS WIDE

CROSS ARMS OVER CHEST

HE HAS COMPASSION ON ALL HE HAS MADE. POINT AT THINGS AROUND YOU

### STORY: THE GOOD SAMARITAN – LUKE 10:25–37

#### DISCUSS:

READ THE BIBLE STORY FROM LUKE 10 OR FROM YOUR FAVORITE STORY BIBLE. HAVE YOUR KIDS RETELL THE STORY IN THEIR OWN WORDS & ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS TOGETHER.

1. In this story, who chose to stop and help when others walked by?
2. What are some ways the Samaritan showed compassion through his actions?
3. Why do you think Jesus wants us to help people even when they are different from us?
4. How does this story teach us that compassion means helping others?
5. Who is someone you could show God's compassion to this week, and how could you help them?

### BIG IDEA: COMPASSION MEANS HELPING OTHERS

#### DID YOU KNOW...?

In Jesus' time, the road from Jerusalem to Jericho was about 17 miles long and known as a dangerous desert road. It twisted through rocky hills and deep valleys—perfect hiding places for robbers! People also knew that Jews and Samaritans did not get along at all, so Jesus' listeners would have been shocked that a Samaritan was the hero of the story. By choosing someone unexpected to stop and help, Jesus taught that God's compassion isn't limited by differences—it reaches across boundaries to help anyone in need.

#### SOMETHING TO NOTE!

In the story of the Good Samaritan from Luke 10:25–37, Jesus shows us that compassion is more than a feeling—it's a choice to act. The Samaritan didn't just feel sorry for the hurt man; he stopped, helped, and cared for him, even when it cost him time and money. This helps kids understand an important truth about God: God is compassionate, and He never passes by people in need. Because God shows compassion to us, He invites us to show that same love to others—no matter who they are or where they come from.

#### PRAYER PROMPT:

Before you pray, think about a time when you saw someone who needed help. Ask God to show your family where you can slow down, notice others, and respond with compassion this week. Pray that God would help you love like the Good Samaritan—with open eyes, willing hearts, and helping hands.

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