

Group Time Guide

Supplies Needed: 1-3rd Grade verse cards.

1. Time to Talk

Look Up and Read: Tell kids to listen for things these verses tell us to do, then read Colossians 3:12-17. These verses are about the way God calls us to live because of Jesus.

- What are some of the things those verses told us to do?
- Josh and Beka are really looking forward to the summer. What are some things you're looking forward to?
- Have you ever seen someone make a difference by being kind, forgiving, or helping someone? What happened?

Ask: What are you really excited about right now? What is something that is difficult right now?

Do This: Pray with the kids, mentioning things that came up in your discussion if appropriate.

2. Activity

Do This: Split kids evenly into 4 groups. Give each of them a verse card. Each card has a verse for them to read and act out for the group. Give them a minute or two to figure out how to act out their verse for the group. Help them read it if necessary.

Know This: If you are leading a first-grade group and feel they aren't able to read and act out the cards on their own, you may read each of the cards and have everyone think of ways you could act out what the verse says together.

The Point: Each of those verses was about a way God made us to live. We learn more about those things the more we follow Jesus and get to know God! When we do those things, we are changing the world to be more like God made it to be.