

WEEKLY PLAN



Week 4: Love of Others

The love of our friends and family members should cause us to want the best for them. When we understand the pain and problems that pride can cause in their lives, we want to love them in such a way that would lead to them making real changes. Knowing how to have these conversations with a friend could be new to teen. As parents we want to start helping them learn how to have conversations that are out of love and respect for their friends or siblings.

PRAYERTIME

THIS IS YOUR DAILY SCRIPTURE:

Look up and see! Who created these? He brings out the stars by number; he calls all of them by name. Because of his great power and strength, not one of them is missing (Isa. 40:26).

THIS IS YOUR DAILY PRAYER:

Lord, when I look into the night sky I see Your hand at work. You bring out the stars by number; You know every single one of them. Because of your great power and strength, not one of them is missing. This brings me comfort because of Your power and Your care.



PARENT PRE-READING: Love is patient, love is kind. Love does not envy, is not boastful, is not arrogant (1 Cor. 13:4).

CONVERSATION STARTER: I was reading in 1 Corinthians 13 and it says that love is not boastful or arrogant. Can I take a minute to tell you today how much I love you and am thankful for you?



STARTING QUESTIONS

Do you find it difficult to confront someone you love when there is a problem in your relationship or when they are doing something you know to be wrong? Why or why not?

READ THIS TOGETHER Brothers and sisters, if someone is overtaken in any wrongdoing, you who are spiritual, restore such a person with a gentle spirit, watching out for yourselves so that you also won't be tempted. Carry one another's burdens; in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone considers himself to be something when he is nothing, he deceives himself (Gal. 6:1-3).

SCRIPTURAL APPLICATION QUESTIONS

When it comes to restoring someone, this passage would say to do it with a gentle spirit. Why is it important to do this with a gentle spirit?

What does it mean to carry one another's burdens? How can this be done in a healthy way? How do we know when it becomes unhealthy?

Do you have any difficult conversations you need to have with a friend to point them to Jesus? Can we talk about this together?



Silent Night

Pride and anger can often run hand in hand. As you have talked a lot about pride this month, we know that this ugly sin can sometimes pop up out of nowhere. When we become prideful and angry, we want to be people that can recognize it and run back to Christ. Finding a quiet and calm place to reflect and examine our heart is not always easy. Turn off all the noise one night. Give it half an hour and encourage your family to sit together in the same room and just be silent. If this is new for your family, it may end in laughter but that is never a terrible thing. Encourage your family to pray and listen to the Lord. We must learn to be still and humble ourselves to hear His voice.