Live It Out-Discover how to love like Jesus

DAY 1

Visit the Parent Cue app (available for iOS and Android) to watch this week's Bible story.

Download it for free at parentcue.org/app.

Even if you already saw it at church, feel free to check it out again!

After watching So&So, write one thing that:

1. You liked:

2. You learned:

3. You'd like to know:

DAY 2 Read Luke 10:25-37

Grab a few stuffed animals or action figures (at least five), a couple of feet of toilet paper, and a couple of coins.

As you read through the passage, act it out with your toys. You can use the toilet paper to wrap like bandages around the stuffed animal that you have in the role of the man who got robbed. When you get to the end of the passage, think about the question that Jesus asked:

""Which of the three do you think was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by robbers?"" (Luke 10:36, NIrV)

It's probably pretty easy to answer this question after you've acted out the story, isn't it? Only one of the characters in the story actually cared for the man, and that person was a true neighbor who loved his neighbor as himself.

DAY 3 Care for one another.

Think back on the story that Jesus told about the Good Samaritan. For the Good Samaritan to care for the man, what did he have to give up? His time... his energy... his money... It was a true sacrifice to care for his neighbor.

It usually does take a sacrifice on our part to care for one another. Even when we're happy to help, we're still using our time and energy for something other than ourselves—which is awesome! It's exactly how Jesus lived His life, so as His followers, we should too. But that doesn't mean that it's always easy. Fill in the blanks below to personalize the prayer, then read it out loud.

"Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus who showed me how to truly love others as I love myself. I want to care for everyone around me, even when it means

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I have to give up my ______ and _____. Sometimes I find it especially hard to care for ______, but I want to show them I care. Please help me to give up my ______ and anything else I need to in order to care for ______. In Jesus' Name, I pray. Amen."

DAY 4

Remember what Jesus confirmed is the second greatest commandment?

"Love your neighbor as you love yourself."

We can think of how it makes us feel when we are cared for and then do what needs to be done so that our neighbor can feel that same care.

One thing that can be helpful is to think of some ideas in advance of how you can care for others. Grab a sheet of paper and a pen, and all day long, interview everyone you see. Ask them this question:

How can you show someone you care?

Write down all the answers you get, add any that you think of, and save the paper for tomorrow.

DAY 5 Care for one another.

Yesterday you came up with a list of ways you can show someone you care. Now it's time to assemble a Care Kit, so that you're always ready to show care to others.

Take a look at your list and figure out what supplies you will need to do each thing on the list. You may be able to collect a lot of things from around your house just be sure to ask a parent before taking anything that doesn't belong to you. If you need some things from the store, ask a parent if they'd be willing to take you. If you don't have your own money to use, you can ask to do some extra chores to earn the money.

When you have some items gathered, figure out a good way to store them. You can make a Care Kit out of a shoe box, a basket, a cardboard box, or any other container you'd like. You can decorate it or keep it simple. The most important thing is that it has items that help you care for others.

Some examples: Stationery or "Thinking of You" cards with fun pens or markers, small candles, gift cards in small amounts, pocket tissues, fun size candy, small plush items, succulents, books, magazines, face masks, stickers, toiletry items, water bottles, coffee mugs, games, etc.

P.S. You don't have to complete the kit right away—in fact, it can be a fun, ongoing project that you can even invite family members and friends to help you with over time.

Journal

Spend some time thinking about the question below and journal your thoughts or share them with a parent

How can you show someone you care?