



MADE IN GOD'S IMAGE

TALK IT OVER | LESSON 4

Hey parents! This week your child learned that **because we are made in God's image, we can have empathy for people**. They heard the Bible story **Jesus Raises Lazarus from the Dead**, too! Use these questions as a guide to talk over this week's lesson after they've watched the video service!

1. What was your favorite part of the video we just watched?
2. How did Mary and Martha feel after their brother had died?
They were so sad. The Bible tells us when Jesus saw Mary, she was weeping! That means she was crying very hard.
3. How did Jesus feel when he visited Mary and Martha?
The Bible says Jesus was "deeply troubled" by their sadness. This means it made him sad to see his friends sad. And when he saw Mary weeping, Jesus wept with her. When we feel what other people are feeling, it's called empathy. We can be like Jesus and have empathy, too.
4. Does empathy only mean you cry when other people are crying?
No! You can show empathy by being excited with them, happy when something good happens to them, and sad when they feel sad.
5. Do you think God cares about your feelings?
Yes! We are able to have empathy for others because God first has empathy for us. It makes him so sad to see us get hurt or make bad choices. He is happy with us when we are happy, enjoying his creation, playing with our friends, or making good choices! He even cares when we are sad or angry. He wants to know about all of our feelings.
6. In Game Time today, we played Emoji Poser. What emoji describes how you're feeling right now? How can I help you with that feeling?
Use this time to model empathy to your child. If your child is feeling a sad emotion, offer to pray with them and tell them you feel sad with them. If they are feeling a happy emotion, tell them you are so happy, too!
7. Our memory verse, Ephesians 2:10, says, "For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago." What are some good things you can do to show empathy?
Sometimes it's hard to show empathy when something good happens to someone else and not you. But you can always find even a small way to share their feelings. You can give your sibling or friend a high five when they win the game, even if you wanted to win. You can get excited when it's time for someone else to open presents. You can say a prayer or give someone a hug when they are hurt or lose a game.