



House Party Parent Guide April 19

Life App Definition

Humility—putting others first by giving up what you think you deserve

Main Idea

When it comes to our interactions with others, we should remember what Jesus did for us. Rather than thinking we're the best or deserve the most, we should remember that Jesus deserved everything but gave it up because He loved us so much. When we put others first, we show them a glimpse of what Jesus did for the entire world.

Memory Verse

"Don't do anything only to get ahead. Don't do it because you are proud. Instead, be humble. Value others more than yourselves" (Philippians 2:3 NIRV).

Bottom Line

Put others first because Jesus put you first.

Small Group Discussion

Review the story and use the following questions to reinforce the lesson learned from the story. How did Jesus put His enemies first?

- How do you know that Jesus put you first?
- Why does Jesus putting us first mean that we need to put others first?
- What keeps you from putting others first? What can you do to get rid of those barriers and put others first more often?

Object Lesson

- Point out that humility is upside down from the way most people live. God wants us to think of others and be willing to put them first. We need God's help to do that.
- Give each child a sheet of paper and a marker.
- Ask everyone to try writing their name upside down on the sheet of paper.
- Exchange papers.
- Use the prayer prompts below to lead your kids in prayer for the person whose name is on the paper they have.
- Kids can switch papers with someone else after each prayer, or they can pray all the prayers for the same person.
 - Thank God for loving your person so much that He gave him/her Jesus.
 - Ask God to help your person watch for ways to put others first this week.
 - Pray for your person to remember today's bottom line: **Put others first because Jesus put you first.**

Prayer

Take a moment and pray with your kids that God will help all of you follow Jesus' example of putting others first.

Dear God,

It's not easy for any of us to put others first. Most of the time we're looking out for ourselves, doing what WE want, making sure we're okay. But You turned that way of thinking upside down and showed us what it looks like to think of others. Help us this week to follow Your example and put others first. In Jesus' name, amen.