

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

QUARTER

Unit 1, Session 6

CONNECTION

POINT: Integrity and contentment in Christ form the foundation for good relationships.

THE BIBLE MEETS

LIFE: What do you look for in a friend? How would you want anyone—friend, acquaintance, or total stranger—to treat you? We likely want others who tell the truth, don't take advantage of others, or live with no envy. God commands us to live lives of integrity and contentment. The last three commandments in the Ten Commandments point to the kind of character we should have in relationship to all people.

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to take his or her faith and Live It Out.

FAMILY CONNECTION

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

PRESCHOOL

Scripture: Mark 14:32-40; Luke 22:39-46

Live It Out: Review the Bible story. Make a point of praying with your child every day. Model how to talk to God with regular words.

Jesus and His disciples celebrated Passover together by eating a special supper. Afterward Jesus walked to a garden. His disciples followed Him. Jesus said to His disciples, "Stay here and pray."

Jesus walked a little further away. He knelt down and prayed, "Father! If possible, please stop what is going to happen. But I want to do whatever You want." Jesus knew that men would be coming soon to get Him. He knew this was part of God's plan.

An angel came to Jesus to help Him. Jesus kept praying. After a while, Jesus got up. He walked back to the disciples. The disciples were sleeping!

Jesus said, "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray." Jesus wanted the disciples to be ready for what was going to happen.

KIDS

Scripture: Mark 14:32-40; Luke 22:39-46

Live It Out: Help your child memorize the Weekly Bible Verse, 1 John 5:14. Explain that praying for things is not wrong, but we should pray for God's will to be done.

In a garden named Gethsemane, Jesus told His disciples to wait while He went to pray. He took Peter, James, and John with Him. Jesus was suffering and troubled. He asked His friends to stay awake and keep watch while He went further into the garden.

Jesus fell to the ground. He prayed, saying, "Father, You can do anything. Take this hard time away from Me. But don't do what I want. Do what You want."

Jesus found the disciples sleeping. He told them to stay awake to keep out of temptation. Jesus went away and prayed some more.

Jesus found the disciples sleeping again. They did not know what to say to Him.

An angel came to Jesus and strengthened Him to do what He must do.

STUDENTS

Scripture: Exodus 20:15-17; Psalm 37:1-6

- What are some ways our culture downplays or overlooks sins like lying and stealing?
- What are some practical steps we can take to avoid discontentment in our lives?
- How does trusting and delighting in the Lord impact your heart's desires?

Live It Out: The first nine commandments deal specifically with external actions, but the tenth deals directly with the heart. Following Christ involves more than outward obedience—we must not only do the right things, but we must do them because we love Jesus and desire to honor Him more than anything else.

With your student, consider any things you desire that you know don't align with God's standards. Take steps this week to cut out any desires based on envy or material worth and cultivate a desire for the things that honor God.