

## BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

### SUMMER 2026

Unit 2, Session 4

#### CONNECTION POINT:

God wants us to surrender everything to Him, including the things we hold closest.

#### THE BIBLE MEETS

**LIFE:** The road to discipleship is not the easiest road but the one that comes with the greatest personal costs. To be a true disciple, one must give up everything for the sake of Jesus. We must give Him what matters most to us. However, when Jesus calls us to give up everything for Him, He also makes it clear that He is worth it. Though we must give Christ what matters most to us, He replaces it with Himself.

**LIVE IT OUT:** Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to live out his or her faith.

# FAMILY CONNECTION

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

## PRESCHOOL

**Scripture:** Luke 10:25-37

**Live It Out:** Review the Bible story with your child. Say that she can help, too. Clap hands with your child, chanting “*H-E-L-P, I can help others.*” Then name a way to help.

A man asked Jesus what rules he should follow to go to heaven. Jesus said, “You should love God and love your neighbor.” The man asked, “Who is my neighbor?”

Jesus told a story. He said, “A man on the road was beaten by robbers who took his money and left him there. A man who worked at the temple came by and saw the hurt man. He crossed the road and did not help. A second temple leader came by and did not help.

Later, a Samaritan walked by. He stopped to help. The Samaritan bandaged the hurt man. He took him to an inn on his donkey. The kind man gave the owner of the inn money to take care of the hurt man until he was well again.”

Jesus asked, “Which of the three men treated the hurt man like a neighbor?” The man said, “The one who helped the hurt man.” Jesus said, “Go and do the same.”

## KIDS

**Scripture:** Mark 10:17-22; Luke 18:18-23

**Live It Out:** Each day your child is faced with choices and consequences. Discuss the ruler’s choice and consequences. Say that the standard for right choices is obedience to God.

As Jesus was getting ready to go on a journey, a rich young ruler ran up to Him, knelt down, and asked a question: “Good Teacher, what must I do to receive eternal life?”

Jesus asked the man, “Why do you call Me good? No one is good except God Himself. You already know the commandments: Keep your marriage promises. Do not kill, steal, or be untruthful. Honor your parents.”

The ruler said, “I have obeyed all those commandments since I was young.”

Jesus looked at this rich young ruler with love. He said, “You are missing one thing. Go and sell everything you have and give to the poor. When you do, you will have treasure in heaven. Then come and follow Me.”

When the man heard this, he became sad and left, because he was owned many things.

## STUDENTS

**Scripture:** Mark 10:17-31

- Why is it worth it to leave the treasures of this life behind for treasures in heaven?
- How is true joy and satisfaction in Jesus better than the things we own in this life?
- Salvation is a work of God in which He gets all the credit. How does this humble us?

#### Live It Out:

We can call people in the culture to repent and believe, but we can’t force them to do it. As a family, discuss who you know who needs to know Jesus. Take a moment to pray for this individual as a family, and continue to pray for this person throughout the week.