



I Will Be Nice When Others Are Mean!

From Great Race Jr. Lesson 3

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - KINDNESS

Great leaders do not respond in kind when others are mean to them.

LEADERSHIP LESSON

Your children will learn ways to be nice when others are mean!

LEADERSHIP STORY

Saul's Conversion. (Acts 9:1-28)

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your children memorize this verse.

"So let's not get tired of doing what is good." Galatians 6:9a (NLT)

Materials Needed:

- A Bible
- The Leadership Video - *I Will Be Nice When Others Are Mean*
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First:

Read the Leadership Story to your children. The Leadership Story for this lesson is about the story of Saul's conversion and is found in Acts 9:1-28.

Next:

Watch the Leadership Video, *I Will Be Nice When Others Are Mean*, with your family.

Then:

Complete the Child Leadership Questions, and lead your family through the Optional Family Activity.



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Child Leadership Questions:

1. Was Saul mean or nice?
(Mean.)
2. Who was Saul mean to?
(People who believed in Jesus.)
3. On his way to the city of Damascus, what happened to Saul?
(A light from heaven shined down and he heard a voice.)
4. The voice asked Saul why he was being mean to Jesus and then told him to go to the city to learn more. Who did Saul meet in the city? (Ananias.)
5. Even though Ananias was afraid of Saul, did he go to see him?
(Yes.)
6. Ananias was nice to Saul. Was Saul mean or nice at the end of the story?
(Nice.)

Saul started telling people about Jesus and being nice to them. When we see people being mean, we should be nice like Ananias.

OPTIONAL FAMILY ACTIVITY: NICE TALK

Have your family gather together. Read each item on the following list of things that are not nice. Ask your family to think of something that is nice to do or say in each situation. After you have read through the list, pray with your family. Ask God to help each person remember to be nice when others are mean.

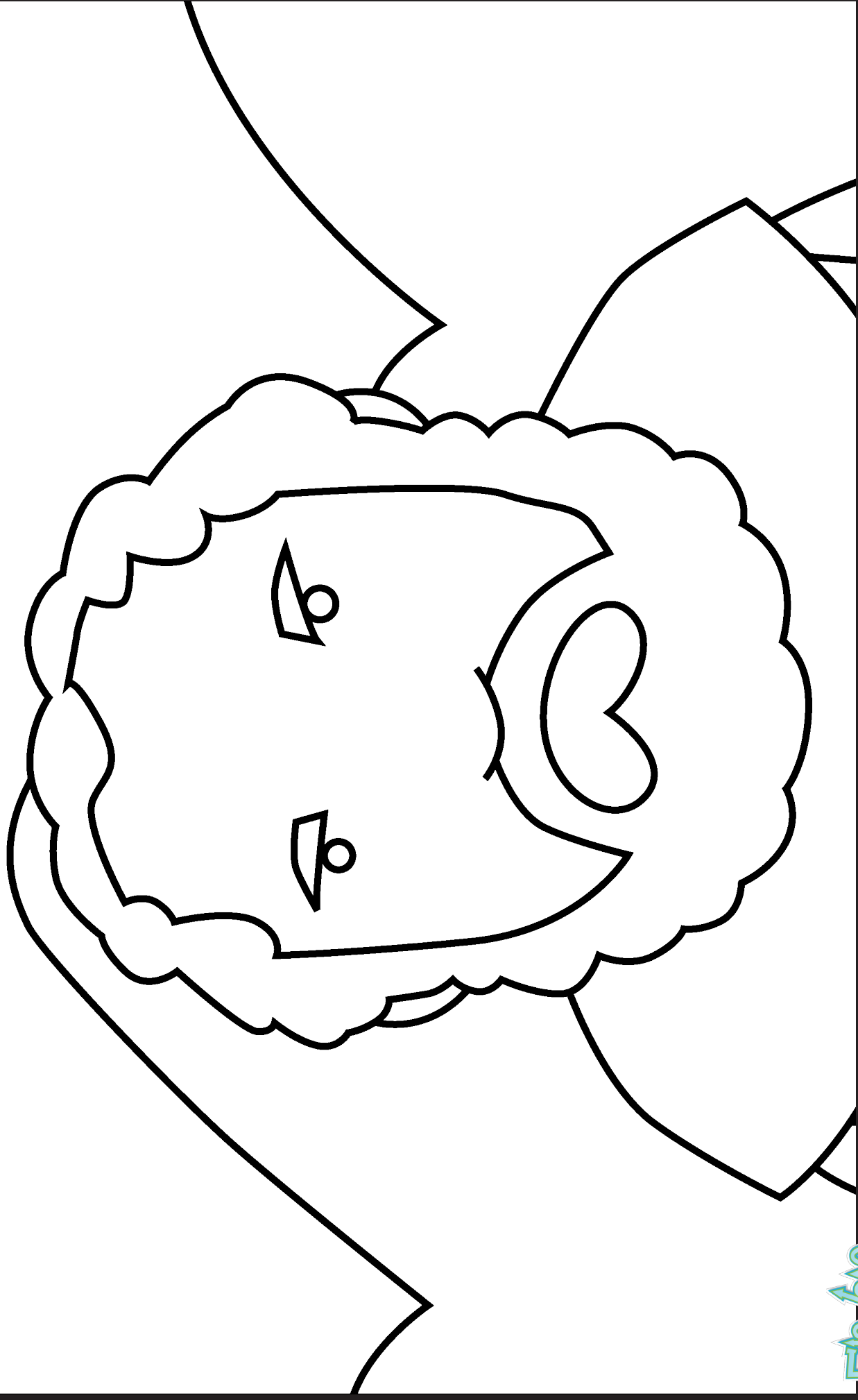
1. A new girl comes to school or church, and the other kids in your class tell her they don't want to be her friend. How can you be nice? (Tell her that you want to be her friend. Offer to sit with her. Give her a hug.)
2. You are playing with your favorite toy and your brother comes and steals it? How can you be nice? (Tell him he can have the toy. Offer him more of your toys. Ask him if he wants to play with you.)
3. What if you are watching a movie and your sister comes in and changes the channel? How can you be nice? (Go to the other room to watch your movie. Ask her if she has a movie she wants to watch with you.)
4. What if another child comes and pushes your friend down? How can you be nice? (Help your friend up. Give your friend a hug. Go tell the other child that it was mean to push your friend down, but that you forgive him. Ask the other child if he or she wants to play with you and your friend.)

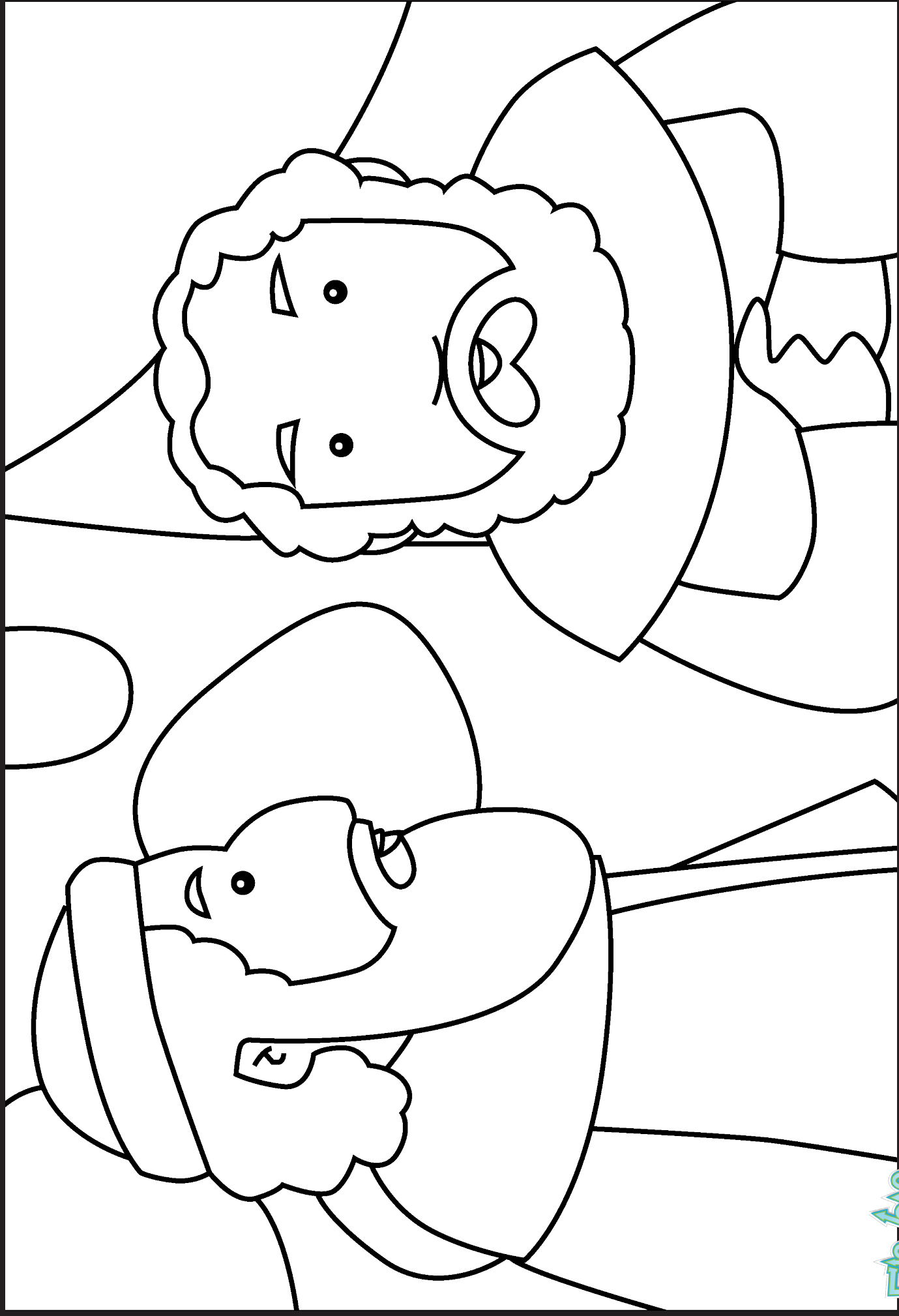


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5. Someone at the park calls you a name. How can you be nice? *(You say something nice to him.)*
6. Your friend is playing with a toy and his brother takes it and hides it. How can you be nice? *(Help your friend find the toy. Ask his brother to come play with the two of you.)*
7. You are playing with some toys at school and another child sticks her tongue out at you. How can you be nice? *(Smile at her. Say something nice about her outfit or hair.)*
8. A girl at church says your shoes are funny looking. How can you be nice? *(Compliment her on something she is wearing.)*
9. You fall down while playing soccer and a boy points at you and laughs. How can you be nice? *(Offer him some cupcakes that you brought with you to the park.)*
10. You see a boy trip your friend at the playground. What you can do to be nice? *(Help your friend up. Ask the boy who tripped your friend to play with you.)*





Ananias was nice when Saul was mean. (Acts 9:1-28)

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