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I Will Talk And Not Fight!

From Game Show Jr.
Lesson 5

LEADERSHIP TRAIT - SELF-CONTROL
Great leaders exercise self-control by using their words instead of fighting.

LEADERSHIP GOAL
Your children will learn that they should talk and not fight.

LEADERSHIP LESSON
Jacob flees Laban - Genesis 31

WHAT DO I DO?
Have your children watch the Leadership Video, *I Will Talk And Not Fight.*

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR THIS LESSON
- Ask your children the Leadership Questions.
- Read the Leadership Story, found in Genesis 31, to your children.
- Do the Optional Family Activity.

OPTIONAL FAMILY ACTIVITY: USE YOUR WORDS

Ask your family to gather together to practice using words instead of fighting. Read each situation and ask your family members to respond to the situation with the words they could use instead of fighting. Use the prompts to help your children with a response if they are not able to come up with one on their own.

- Your brother bumps the table and it causes your cup to fall over. The drink spills all over you. You feel really angry and want to hit your brother. What should you do instead? *(Ask your brother to help you clean up the mess. Ask your brother to get you another drink.)*
- While in the car, your sister keeps poking you and putting her hands on your side of the car. It makes you want to hit her hand. What should you do instead? *(Tell your sister that you want her to stop and keep her hands to herself. Talk to you parents about what your sister is doing to you.)*
- While you are watching TV, your babysitter asks you to begin picking up all your toys. You don't want to and it makes you mad. You think about hitting your babysitter and yelling at her. What you should do instead? *(Ask the babysitter if she will help you pick up the toys.)*

Say: In each of the situations, you wanted to fight, but we talked about some things you could say instead. When we feel like fighting with someone, we need to remember that it's better to talk and not fight. Remember to use your words this week and not fight!

MEMORY VERSE:

Help your children memorize this verse.

"So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise."

Ephesians 5:15 (NLT)

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Main Point: I Will Talk And Not Fight!

Child Leadership Questions:

1. At the beginning of the game show, who was fighting?
   (Fernando, Tuttle, and Abee.)

2. In the physical challenge, what were the contestants supposed to hit with their pillows?
   (Balls.)

3. What did they hit with the pillows instead?
   (Each other.)

4. Because the contestants were fighting with each other, Guy Handsome had them watch a Bible Lesson about talking and not fighting. Who was in this Bible Lesson?
   (Jacob and Laban.)

5. In the Bible Lesson, Laban was not very nice to Jacob. What did God tell Jacob to do?
   (Take his family and go back to his home.)

6. When Laban found out that Jacob had left, what did he do?
   (Chased after him.)

7. Even though Laban and Jacob were mad at each other, did they fight?
   (No.)

8. What did they do instead of fighting?
   (They talked it out and agreed not to fight.)

Jacob and Laban were wise when they chose to talk things out and not fight. We can be wise like they were and use our words to talk to others when we feel like fighting.

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