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## DAY 1: REVIEW

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## DAY 2: SERVING OTHERS

### Read Psalm 138:6

God is in complete control of all things at all times. God has the power to do anything He wants. He could even force us to love Him. But instead, God allows us to choose Him. And though He is big and powerful, He is equally loving and kind. God proved His love by sending Jesus, His only son, to save us. Jesus came to serve, to show us who God is, and to give His life for us.

**At your next family meal, pay attention to who did what to make it happen. Who went to the store to buy all the**

**groceries? Who prepared all the food? Who usually cleans it all up? Take time to thank them, noticing one specific way they served you. And better yet, offer to serve by cleaning up all the dishes! That's one way you could become more like Jesus.**

## DAY 3: REAL RICHES

### Read 2 Corinthians 8:9

Fill in the blanks below (according to today's verse.)

Jesus became poor to \_\_\_\_\_ you.

Because He became poor, you can become \_\_\_\_\_.

Jesus was rich in every way. But He left heaven behind to enter our sinful, imperfect world. Jesus chose to come to Earth as a baby, grow up to heal and help and serve others, and then to give His life on the cross so that everyone who believes in Him could be forgiven.

Jesus became poor to help us, not so that we could become millionaires in this life but so that we could join Him one day in eternity and share in the riches of his love. Jesus came to show us that we are accepted and loved more than we could ever imagine.

**This week, whenever you see a coin or a dollar bill, take a second to thank God for sending Jesus to put you first, so that you could become rich by knowing Him.**

## DAY 4: CLOTHE YOURSELF

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When you got out of bed this morning, what was the first



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## DAY 2: CREATOR OF ALL THINGS

### Read Revelation 4:11

Have you ever been to the mountains? Have you ever stared out at the ocean or stood in a forest covered by trees five times your size? Did you know that God created it all? Imagine the power and creativity involved in shaping those mountain peaks or filling that ocean with endless species of sea life or carefully clothing all those trees with so many beautiful leaves. God did that. It was all part of His plan. And because He made it all, God deserves ALL the credit.

**Grab a piece of paper and draw something BIG that God has made—like the ocean, or the mountains, or the forest. Write today's verse somewhere on the page.**

**Look at all that God has made and take time to praise Him for it all.**

## DAY 3: POSSIBLE FOR GOD

### Read Psalm 8:3-4

Have you ever tried to count the stars in the sky or the grains of sand on the beach? Impossible, right? Can you count the hairs on your head? Set a timer for 2 minutes and see how many hairs you can count. If your hair is short, grab a mirror to help you.

It's IMPOSSIBLE to count the hairs on your head. But you know what? It's not impossible for God. God knows how many stars are in the sky and all of their names. He also knows how many hairs are on your head RIGHT now. And after you brush your hair and several come out, God STILL knows how many are on your head. That's because He cares about you even MORE than He cares about the stars in the sky or the sand on the beach. God made you to be like Him, in His own image, because He loves you. He is worthy of all honor because God is most important.

## DAY 4: GOD IS OUR ROCK

### Read Isaiah 26:4

Think about the strongest person you know. Is it your parent? Is it a superhero? Is it an athlete? There are lots of examples of strength for us to look to. But the truth is, no one is more powerful than God. He created the entire



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## DAY 2: NEW MATH

### Read Mark 9:35

This verse is like a weird math problem. If you want to be first, you have to be last? How can you be first and last at the same time? That's impossible, right? Wrong. God's math is WAY different from ours. God knows that it's better to put others first. It's better to place the wants and needs of others ahead of our own. When you do, you're showing God that you trust Him. You don't have to push ahead and get your way all of the time. It is possible to love like Jesus, even when it's hard.

**Grab a piece of paper. Think about a time this week when you didn't love someone else because it was hard. Maybe you shoved your way to the front of the line or chose the bigger half of the cookie. Draw a picture of how you would respond differently if you chose to love like Jesus instead.**

**Thank God for teaching you some new math—that last really means first.**

## DAY 3: CHOOSE TO AGREE

### Read Romans 12:16

Do you ever have trouble admitting when you're wrong? It can be really hard sometimes, can't it? When you admit you've been wrong, you're proving that your friendship is WAY more important than being right. Agreeing with one another doesn't mean that you never say what's on your mind, but it does mean that you think about how to protect the relationship and stay friends even when you might disagree.

**Think about a time this past week when you disagreed with a friend. What part did you play in the argument? Remember: With help from the Holy Spirit, you can love like Jesus, even when it's hard. Do you need to apologize to that friend and make things right? Ask God to help you "agree with one another" the next time you see that friend and work hard to make things right.**



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## DAY 2: HOLY SPIRIT HELP

### Read Colossians 3:17

Gratitude is letting others know you see how they've helped you. That means that even if you FEEL grateful, others won't know you really are unless you say and show it. This verse reminds us to give thanks when? Some of the time? Only when we feel like it? Nope. Always.

The good news is that YOU have help. Because you can't really do anything that God asks you to do in your own strength. You need His help! When you trust Jesus as your Savior, God's Holy Spirit will live inside you and help you every day.

**Draw the outline of a cross in the center of a piece of paper. Write this verse somewhere inside the cross and decorate it anyway you choose. Cut out the cross and place it in your Bible as a reminder that because of Jesus, you can always be grateful.**

## DAY 3: TRUST IN JESUS

### Read John 14:1

Jesus said the words of John 14:1 to His disciples at their last meal together right before He faced the cross. The disciples were scared and confused. But Jesus didn't want them to worry. They believed in God, and they could also put their trust in Him!

You don't have to be worried or fearful either. You can put your faith in Jesus and what He did for you on the cross. And when you do, He promises to be with you, through all the ups and downs of life. Because when you trust Jesus as your Savior, you're never alone. You can have confidence that Jesus matters most.

**Draw a large heart in the center of a sticky note or piece of paper. Inside the heart, write the words of this verse. On the back, write down two or three things that you're worried about right now. Hang it up as a reminder that Jesus is with you, and He matters most.**

## DAY 4: OPPOSITES

### Read Matthew 11:29-30

Do you know what the word "pride" means? Pride says, "Look at me, I'm awesome. Everything I do is awesome. And you will be awesome too if you hang out with me."



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## DAY 2: YOU FIRST

### Read Philippians 2:3

"Me first!"

"Why does he always get to choose before me?"

"Wait, it's my turn!"

Sound familiar? Have you ever pushed your way to the front of the line or been disappointed when someone got to do something before you? Nobody chooses to be second, right? Number one is where it's at!

But maybe there's another way to look at it. What if you put someone else first instead of yourself? That's what humility is. When you choose to let go of what you think you deserve, you have a chance to show someone else just how valuable they really are. And the BEST example of this is Jesus. He willingly went all the way to the cross to prove that He was thinking about everyone before Himself.

## DAY 3: TWO AHEAD OF ONE

### Read Philippians 2:4

What if there was a tracker that kept count of all your thoughts? Let's say its only job is to keep track of two things:

1. The thoughts you think about yourself: what you want, need, or wish for
2. The thoughts you think about others: what they need and how you could help

Which number would be higher, one or two? Most likely, the answer is one. Why? Because we spend most of our time thinking about ourselves. It's just the way we are. But Jesus wants us to treat others like He did and flip that around. Instead of looking out for our own good, we should FIRST look out for the good of others.

**Ask God to help you switch those two categories in your head this week and put others first.**

## DAY 4: TLK

### Read Philippians 2:5-6

Jesus chose to leave heaven, a PERFECT place, to come to Earth and show us who God is. And in all of his time on Earth, Jesus never said, "Do what I say because I'm God."

