

# **FAMILY ACTIVITIES: TREAT EVERYONE THE SAME**

## FOR YOUNGER KIDS:

### **BALLOON BONANZA**

Supplies: Balloon (1)

**Today's Bible verse:** "You are believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ. So treat everyone the same." James 2:1

Directions: Practice the verse together until your everyone can remember it. When ready, blow the balloon full with air. When finished, pinch it closed, but don't tie it off. Explain that when you release the balloon, everyone will have to quickly recite the verse before the balloon hits the ground. Let the balloon go. As it flutters around, everyone will race to complete the verse.

## FOR OLDER KIDS:

**ROLL WITH IT** Supplies: Dice (2)

Say: The Book of James says that we should treat everyone the same, but sometimes that can be kind of hard. We're going to play a game right now that will help us think about some ways we can treat people the same even if they're different from us.

Directions: Have everyone take turns rolling 2 dice. Read the sentence segments below that correspond with each dice. For example, a roll of 1 and 6 will result in the following sentence: "A kid who barely speaks English...sits next to you on the bus." With every roll, a different sentence will be constructed. After each sentence is constructed, talk about what you could do in that situation to treat that person the same as everyone else.

#### Dice #1:

- 1. A person who barely speaks English...
- 2. A person who communicates using sign language...
- 3. A person who is always getting in trouble...
- 4. A person who has no friends...
- 5. A person who smells different...
- 6. A person whose skin color is different from yours...

#### Dice #2:

- 1...is coming to your birthday party.
- 2...moves next door to you.
- 3...is new to your class.
- 4...joins your soccer team.
- 5...sits at your lunch table.
- 6...sits next to you on the bus.