

Bless your Enemies

Bible story: (Video of Nycole reading bible verse on website)

Questions to ask:

What stood out to you from this list?

Which of these ways to live a Christian life is hard for you to do?

If Paul wrote a letter to us today, what do you think he would emphasize?

Who can help you when it's hard to live your Christian faith each day?

Interactive Lesson:

ITEMS NEEDED: Bathroom air freshener

Years ago there was nothing worse than walking into a bathroom after someone has been in there for a long time. Have you ever walked into the bathroom at home when someone's taken their time and they didn't bother to turn on the fan? It's not very nice, and it's definitely not pleasant!

Thankfully, a number of years ago, someone got a bright idea. Let's put something in a can to turn that smelly bathroom into a garden of flowers!

Spray the air freshener close to but not at the kids.

Isn't that so much better than a stinky bathroom?

The world we live in is a stinky place at times, but we can make it sweeter and fresher when we choose to love others, especially people we don't get along with. The Bible tells us Heaven is a place free from envy, conflict, and hate. When we choose to love the people who get on our nerves and the people who just don't seem to like us, we bring a little piece of Heaven down to Earth.

When life gets stinky this week, bring a little Heaven to your world. Love your friends, your classmates, and your enemies, and let the love of Jesus shine in you.

Why is this important?

This section of Romans offers remarkably reasonable advice about living with others. By highlighting the centrality of harmony, repaying evil with good, showing humility about your gifts,

and living peaceably, the virtues and practices Paul lists are applicable to kids and the many communities they are part of from day to day.

Art ideas:

Prayer idea book:

We can bless our enemies by praying for them. Brainstorm some prayer prompts with your child(ren) write them down and create a booklet to help them with ideas for prayer.

PRAYER HANDS

FREE PRINTABLE



Open the Eyes of my heart:

Remind kids to open their hearts to others and be kind to everyone!

