Your Response to the Lesson

What was most interesting in the Bible story?
What activity was most enjoyable?
What new things did you learn?
Activity A

Feeling Hurt

• What are times you felt hurt?
• How did you respond when others hurt your feelings?
• What can you do to protect and befriend those who are being hurt or bullied by others?
Activity B

Draw a Person Test

• What is your natural response to those who treat you well? How do you react to those who treat you harshly?
• Can you find positive qualities in people who are mean or unlovable?
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PRAYER AND PRAISE

How Was Your Week?

Good things?
Challenges?
Special events?
“Salt and Light” (*Praise Time*, no. 43)
“This Is My Commandment” (*He Is Our Song*, no. 116)
“He Has Shown Thee” (*He Is Our Song*, no. 125)
“Take These Hands” (*He Is Our Song*, no. 127)
Praise God for His provisions.
Pray over the prayer requests.
Thank God for answering the prayers according to His will, for He knows what is best for us.
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INTRODUCTION TO THE STORY

Dealing With Enemies

What can you learn from Jesus’ teaching and His example about how to treat those who are mean to you?
Try to be kind to your enemies and see what happens.
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The Story

You may listen to a podcast recording of the story:
www.juniorpowerpoints.org
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EXPERIENCE THE STORY

Loving Our Enemies


- How would you have felt if you had heard these ideas for the first time?
- Do you think there were Roman soldiers nearby?
- What do you think their reaction would have been to hearing Jesus’ words?
- How may the Jews have felt seeing the Roman soldiers and listening to Jesus’ words about loving our enemies?
Love Is God’s Way

EXPLORE THE BIBLE

Read Matthew 5:21-26, 38-48; Romans 12:14-21; 1 John 4:17-21; Proverbs 24:17.

• Why does God teach us ways to deal with bullies?
• How can you accept and apply Jesus’ teaching about loving our enemies?
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TRYING IT OUT

APPLY THE LESSON

Think of how Jesus responded when He was mocked and laughed at by the soldiers and mob that demanded His death.

- How can you respond as Jesus did when you are mistreated or bullied by your peers?
- What can happen if we choose to really respect everyone?
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In Our Lives

Which are good ways to show Christian love?

- Helping someone you don’t like with their homework.
- Refusing to return borrowed money.
- Sharing your lunch with someone who makes fun of you.
- Inviting an unkempt classmate home for the weekend.
- Being kind to the neighbors’ dog that chewed your shoe last week.
Coming Up Next Week

“Following the Leader”

• Jesus is our example in serving others.
• Study your Sabbath School lesson each day
• Complete the daily activities
• Memorize the Power Text
Dear Jesus,

Help us to learn more about Your love.
Help us to show Your love to those who are difficult to get along with or who are unkind to us. Thank You for helping us love our enemies.

Amen.