

FAMILY GAME TIME

CHERRY FLING

ITEMS NEEDED:

A bucket (may also need a tarp to protect the area around the bucket from cherry juice)
Cherries

INSTRUCTIONS:

Choose two players for this game. Each player will get the chance to throw ten cherries by slinging them from the stem at a bucket on stage. The player who gets the most cherries into the bucket wins.

VARIATION:

This can also be a minute to win it game, where one player must toss 10 cherries into the bucket before time expires.

WHAT'S THE POINT?

Be kind to others - and put a cherry on top of their day.

FAMILY DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

ICEBREAKER:

What are some of your favorite extra treats, like a cherry on top of ice cream?

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY:

Galatians 5:22-23

Have the kids collaborate on a musical version of the Bible verse. Can it be sung to a popular tune, or can you invent your own?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Read 2 Samuel 9

Who was Mephibosheth?

What did David do for Mephibosheth?

Why did David show kindness to Mephibosheth?

Why should we be kind even if people are mean to us?

How can we become kinder to others?

Why is it so important to be kind to people who are not kind to us?

SIMPLE PRAYER:

Dear God,

Fill us with kindness so that we can be kind to everyone we meet.

In Jesus' name,

Amen

FAMILY REVIEW GAME

MID-TERM REVIEW

This Fruit of the Spirit is more lasting than happiness and comes from knowing we are saved.

JOY

This Fruit of the Spirit helps us to trust God when we are waiting for something.

PATIENCE

God wants us to share this Fruit of the Spirit to help people resolve their differences and stop fighting.

PEACE

God wants us to share this Fruit of the Spirit even when other people are not nice to us.

KINDNESS

Jesus described this Fruit of the Spirit in the parable of the lost sheep.

LOVE

CRAFT ACTIVITY

Have the kids make a “Welcome” sign they can hang on the door of their room at home. Just as David welcomed Mephibosheth into his home, let’s be welcoming and show kindness to others this week.