



MONTHLY OVERVIEW

GOD VIEW:

God showed kindness by sending Jesus for us—even when we didn't deserve it. Because of God's love for us, we can be kind to everyone.

Kindness is a fruit of the Spirit. And when you show kindness to others, you give them a glimpse into the heart of God, and how much God loves them. Kindness should be a characteristic of people who follow Jesus. Not only did Jesus model kindness, but He also commanded it. He taught us to treat others the way we want to be treated.

Memory Verse:

"You are God's chosen people. You are holy and dearly loved. So put on tender mercy and kindness as if they were your clothes. Don't be proud. Be gentle and patient.
Colossians 3:12

Gear Up

Week 1

The Kindness of Jesus
Matthew 8:1-4; Matthew
19:13-15; Matthew 9:10-13
Jesus showed us how to be
kind.

Week 2

Ruth and Naomi
Ruth 1-2

Be kind to the people closest
to you.

Week 3

Go the Extra Mile
Matthew 5:41

Be kinder than you have to
be.

Week 4

Good Samaritan
Luke 10:25-37

Be kind to people who are
different from you.

Gear Up

Lower Elementary
Week 2

GOD VIEW

If we know kindness should be a part of our lives, why do we find it difficult to show kindness to others? We often find it easier to show kindness to strangers than those closest to us. We hope that through this question and the following discussion, preteens will understand how to show kindness to the people they love.

MEMORY VERSE

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BIBLE TRUTH

Ruth and Naomi
Ruth 1-2

Key Question

Be kind to the people around you.

SMALL GROUP

Kindness in Action

NOTES

- All **yellow highlighted text** are cues for visual and audio slides.
- The text in **red** indicates stage directions.

Pet Project: Week 2 Teaching Outline:

Start at 15 after (if service is expected to be about an hour)

1. INTRO: Welcome kids, get them excited.
2. Worship
3. Room Expectations
4. FATW: Musana
5. Intro: Gear Up
6. Bible Lesson Video
7. Application:
 - a. Weekly Bottom Line: Be kind to the people closest to you.
 - b. Bible Verse: "You are God's chosen people. You are holy and dearly loved. So put on tender mercy and kindness as if they were your clothes. Don't be proud. Be gentle and patient." Colossians 3:12
 - c. Prayer

LESSON TOTAL: 30 MINUTES

8. Small Groups: 15 minutes

End on the hour

WELCOME 3 minutes

Hey everyone! I'm so glad you're all here today let's stand up and worship! (Welcome kids.)

WORSHIP 6-7 minutes

(Encourage kids to worship God through song and dance. Play worship songs.)

Show Worship: Every move I make

Show Worship: Stand in your love

ROOM RULES

SHOW GRAPHIC: Elementary Room Expectations

We want to have all the fun here at Flatirons Kid's Ministry. We have a few things that we like to commit to make sure everybody has a good time.

Flatirons Kids Are:

Respectful: We respect everyone and take care of the room and toys we have.

Kind: We treat each other kindly, just like we want to be treated, we go out of our way to be kind to others in the room.

Focused: We are listening and following the leaders in the room and the teacher in each activity.

Accountable: None of us are perfect, we are all going to make mistakes, but we will try our best and choose to change our actions when it is needed.

Now we are ready to really have some fun today. Let's go!

Show Graphic: Graphic_Musana

This month for our Friends Around The World, we are going to be helping our friends at Musana! Our friends at Musana are trying to end poverty one community at a time. Musanas Empowerment Center is a skill training and development center, they learn tailoring, knitting, and hairdressing. When you guys bring in donations for Musana, your money is going to help those women learn new things. Once you hear the song play come and you have money to give, you can come up and drop it in the bucket!

Show Graphic: Graphic_Musana_Song

Another way we can help is we can pray for them! So let's go ahead and pray for them!

Large Group Game:

Today, we are going to play a fun game called Super Bowls. You are going to see a question on the screen, and you are going to move to whichever section you think the answer is. (make four quadrants on the floor for A, B, C, D) to know if you got it right, the answer will appear on the screen.

INTRO 1 minute

Show Series Graphic: Gear Up

Today we're looking at the book of Ruth. It's a smaller book in the Old Testament in the Bible that talks about a person... named Ruth. Let's watch the video to learn more about Ruth.

BIBLE TRUTH 10 minutes

Show Video: Video_WK2_Gear Up

APPLICATION 3 minutes

Show Graphic: WK2_BottomLine: Be kind to the people closest to you.

So often, it is easier to show kindness to strangers than to those closest to us. No matter how much we love our family and close friends, it can be hard to show them kindness when they get on our nerves! But you can still be kind, like Ruth, even when someone you love pushes your buttons.

Bible Verse

We also have a Bible verse for the month to help us remember:

Show Verse:

“You are God’s people. You are holy and dearly loved. So put on tender mercy and kindness as if they were your clothes. Don’t be proud. Be gentle and patient.” Colossians 3:12
Let’s read that together. *(Read through with kids a few times using different voices.)*

PRAYER

Let’s pray!

Dear God, thank You for this story of kindness! Your Big Story is amazing; it can show us how to live and love the people around us. God, please help us be kind to the people who are closest to us, like our family and friends. Help us to show kindness like Ruth and Boaz, and to be faithful friends to the people You’ve put in our lives. We love You, and we pray this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Send Kids to small groups:

SMALL GROUPS

(Have kids sit down in circle, in small groups, with volunteer leaders.)

Show Timer: Small Group Countdown