



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
What does kindness look
like?

Week 2

Ruth and Naomi
Ruth 1-2
When is it hard to be kind?

Week 3

Go the Extra Mile
Matthew 5:41
When have you been
surprised by kindness?

Week 4

Good Samaritan
Luke 10:25-37
How can you care for people
who are different from you?

Gear Up

Upper Elementary
Week 3

GOD VIEW

When have you been surprised by kindness? We hear a lot about random acts of kindness, and it's true; often the best kindness is the kind that feels completely random. We pray that this question will help preteens discover how they feel when someone surprises them with kindness. And when that happens, we hope to guide them to figure out the unexpected, surprising ways they can show kindness to the people in their lives.

MEMORY VERSE

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BIBLE TRUTH

Go the extra mile

Matthew 5:41

Key Question

When have you been surprised by kindness?

SMALL GROUP

NOTES

- All **yellow highlighted text** are cues for visual and audio slides.
- The times in **blue** are to guide you and keep it at a kid-friendly time.
- The text in **red** indicates stage directions.

Gear Up - Week 3 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 Rules
4. FATW: Musana
5. Intro: Gear Up
6. Bible Lesson Video
7. Application:
 - a. Weekly Bottom Line: When have you been surprised by kindness?
 - 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. (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 listen and follow the leaders in the room and the teacher in each activity.

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

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

Show Graphic: Musana

This month for our Friends Around The World, we will be helping our friends at Musana! Our friends at Musana are trying to end poverty one community at a time. Musana's 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 will 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:

Since this past week was Valentines day we are going to play Would You Rather Valentines day edition. When you see the question pop up go to the side of the room that they would rather.

INTRO 1 minute

Show Series Graphic: Gear Up

Today, we'll be in the book of Matthew and learning about going the extra mile. Let's look at today's video so we can learn more.

BIBLE TRUTH 11 minutes

Show Video: Video_WK3_Gear Up

APPLICATION 3 minutes

Show Graphic: WK3_BottomLine: When have you been surprised by kindness?

If you're unsure how to show this kind of kindness, look no further than Jesus. When Jesus died on the cross, He gave His life for each one of us even when we didn't deserve it! The kindness Jesus demonstrated and lived was extraordinary! And we get to search for ways to spread His love and kindness to others.

Bible Verse

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

Show 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

Let's read that together. (Read through with kids a few times using different voices.)

PRAYER

Let's pray!

Dear God, thank You for the wisdom You gave Solomon as he thought about ants and the way they work. Thank You for designing us to work hard and use our talents to make a difference. Help us remember to work hard in everything we do. Guide us in taking responsibility and finding the right balance between work and rest. Show us how we can honor You with the work we do. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

SMALL GROUPS

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

Show Timer: Small Group Countdown