Jam Session: Everyone has a part to play



Use this guide to help your family learn about cooperation.



First, watch this week's video!

Cooperation: Working together to do more than you

can do alone

Memory Verse

"Two people are better than one. They can help each other in everything they do."

Ecclesiastes 4:9, NIrV

Bible Story

Jesus Heals a Man Who Could Not Walk / Four Friends Luke 5:17-26

Bottom Line

Work together to help someone in need.

Activity

Need a Friend?

What You Need:

Sheet of paper, coloring utensils

What You Do:

Tell your child to have a seat and close their eyes. Ask them to remember THREE times a friend helped them by using cooperation. (For example: a friend helped them clean up after a sleepover, a group of friends went to get help when they fell on the playground, etc.) Ask your child to describe each situation in detail.

Now, ask them to choose one of those cooperation stories and draw a picture of it. As they're drawing, ask them questions like:

- ► How did it make you feel when your friend helped you?
- How would that situation have been different without the help of your friend?

When your child is finished drawing, hang their artwork somewhere they can see it every day. Say, "Every time you see this picture, remember that 'two people are better than one. They can help each other in everything they do." (Ecclesiastes 4:9, NIrV)

Talk About the Bible Story

What did the friends do in our story today? (They worked together to get their friends to Jesus; they cooperated to help someone in need)

Why is it important to work together to help someone in need?

Talk about a time you helped someone in need. How did that make you feel? How do you think it made them feel?

Who are a few people in need that you could help?

Parent: Share about a time you saw someone who needed help and you worked with others to help them. How did it make the other person feel?



Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, thank You for bringing people into our lives to help us when we have a need. Show us how we can look beyond our 'busyness' and excuses and find a way to help the people around us. Help us cooperate with our families, friends, and classmates—and use the gifts and talents You've given us-so we can help someone in need. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."