

# NCS MESSAGE GUIDE

**TOPIC:** You're Wrong ... but I still Love You

**SCRIPTURE:** Mark 1:9-11

**CENTRAL TRUTH:** For us to have a real relationship with Jesus, our friends, and our family we must be willing to admit we are wrong sometimes but understand that we are still fully loved by God.

**PRAYER:** Father, it means a lot to me that You love me and I bring you joy no matter what I say or do.

**Scripture**

*9 One day Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee, and John baptized him in the Jordan River. 10 As Jesus came up out of the water, he saw the heavens splitting apart and the Holy Spirit descending on Him like a dove. 11 And a voice from heaven said, "You are my dearly loved Son, and you bring me great joy."*

**Message Summary**

No one expected Jesus, the King of the world, to come from nowhere town Nazareth. People had a lot of expectations of what Jesus was supposed to be and do, but many people were wrong. In order for people to accept Jesus as their king and for them to enter into a true relationship with him they would have to admit that they were wrong about him. This is still true today. For us to accept Jesus as king we have to admit where we are wrong about Jesus and how we think we should live and instead accept Jesus and his way of living. This is also true for us to have real relationships with one another (your parents, siblings, and friends). We have to admit we are wrong sometimes to one another so we can have healthy relationships. The good news is whether we are wrong or right God doesn't love us more or less. To Him we are dearly loved children who bring Him great joy! We must be bold enough to admit we are wrong sometimes, but secure enough in God's love for us. You must live in the reality that being wrong doesn't change how God thinks of you.

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**Questions to Consider**

1. Was there a time you didn't want to admit to a friend or family member you were wrong? What was it?
2. How can not admitting you are wrong prevent you to be in relationship with someone?
3. How can not admitting we are wrong prevent us from having a relationship with Jesus?

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## **Daily Spiritual Practice**

### *Monday*

- Listen to the song "I am Loved " by Matt Brock

### *Tuesday*

- Read Psalm 18 and reflect for 3 minutes on the scripture.

### *Wednesday*

- Take time today to thank God for how He views you (You are a child He loves and You bring Him joy!).

### *Thursday*

- Talk with a family member or your group leader about something you think you may be wrong about right now.

### *Friday*

- Listen to the song "Friend of God" by Israel Houghton & New Breed.