



WEEK  
**ONE**  
MARCH 2024

SMALL GROUP  
**PRETEEN**

**PRELUDE**      **SOCIAL**      **STORY**      **WORSHIP**      **GROUPS**      **HOME**

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT  
25 MINUTES

### MADE TO CONNECT

an activity that invites kids to share with others and build on their understanding



### 3. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS [TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** No supplies needed

**WHAT YOU DO:**

**Ask:**

- Do you feel stressed when you're in conflict with someone?
- Who are some people who are hard for you to have peace with?
- Is it challenging to make peace with someone else?
- Why is it important to make peace?
- Does making peace always mean you have to give up what you want?

### TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

**Whenever, Wherever**

Live in Peace with Everyone  
Romans 12:18

### TODAY'S KEY QUESTION

Why is it important to make peace?

### TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

Make peace whenever you can.

### MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

**"If possible, live in peace with everyone. Do that as much as you can."**

Romans 12:18, NIV

### MONTHLY VIRTUE

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### BASIC TRUTH

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an activity that encourages learning through following guidelines and working as a group



### 4. VERSES TO TAKE WITH YOU [HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Bibles,

WHAT YOU DO:

- Make sure each kid has a Bible.
- Together, look up Romans 12:18 using the Bible Navigation Tips below.

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*Finding verses with 4th-5th graders: Our verse is from Romans. Ask kids to tell you whether that's in the Old Testament or the New Testament. (New) So we know it's toward the back of the Bible. When they find Romans, explain that the big numbers on the page are the chapter numbers. Tell them to find chapter 12. Explain that the small numbers are verse numbers. Tell them to them find verses 18 in chapter 12.*

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- Read Romans 12:18 out loud several times together.
- Direct the kids to leave their Bibles open for reference.
- Lead the kids in a game of Romans 12:18 Memory.
- Direct them to look for the first two words of Romans 12:18.
- Allow them to refer to their Bibles as needed.
  - The last two words of the verse will be "Romans" and "12:18."
- The kid who finds the most matches is the winner!
- Instruct the kids to say the verse out loud together.
- Ask: "How can God's Holy Spirit help you make peace?"

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### MADE TO REFLECT

an activity that creates space for personal understanding and application



## 5. MAKE IT PERSONAL WITH PRAYER [PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Prayer Switch" Activity Page and regular markers in assorted colors

### WHAT YOU DO:

- Invite kids to sit together.
- Ask:
  - Is anyone experiencing a situation in your life where you need peace?
  - If so, how can we pray for you?
- Invite any kids who would like to share.
- Hand each kid a "Prayer Switch" Activity Page).
- Set out the regular markers if using the "Prayer Switch" Activity Page
- Close your group time in prayer, making sure to pray specifically about any of situations that may have been shared earlier.

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