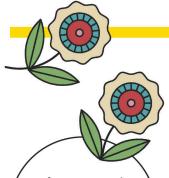
week of April 2, 2023

Community Garden: Growing from the ground up

PARENT GUIDE
Preteen



First, watch this week's video!

Humility:
Putting others
first by giving up
what you think
you deserve

Memory Verse

"Don't do anything only to get ahead. Don't do it because you are proud. Instead, be humble. Value others more than yourselves." Philippians 2:3, NIrV

Bible Story

Palm Sunday / Jesus Washes His Disciples' Feet John 12:9-16; 13:1-17 (Matthew 21:1-11)

Key Question

When has someone put you first?

Use this guide to help your family learn how God can help us have humility.



Activity

Feet Art

What You Need:

Two white sheets of paper; pencils

What You Do:

Invite your child to do an activity with you. Give them a sheet of paper and a pencil, and take a sheet of paper and pencil for yourself.

Say, "We're going to draw a portrait of each another. While you're working, I'll be working. We can't reveal our artwork until we're finished. Oh, and by the way, we're doing a portrait of each other's FEET!

Remove your shoes and socks, and have your child do the same. Sit on the floor and sketch each other's feet. While you're sketching, review the Bible story.

Talk About the Bible Story

Why don't we usually pay attention to someone's feet? (Because they're typically seen as either gross, or something you don't pay attention to.)

When Jesus washed His disciples' feet, how did that demonstrate putting others first? (It was an act of service that He did for them.)

How have you put someone first recently?

We naturally tend to think of ourselves first. What can we do to get in the habit of thinking outside of ourselves and seeing where we can put others first?

Why do you think some people are easier to put first than others?

Why do you think it's so hard to put others first?

Parent: Share a personal story about a time when someone put you first. How did it 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 Jesus' example of humility. Jesus put His friends first when He could have asked them to serve HIM. Show us how we can put others first the way You do. In Jesus' name, amen."