

FAITH & FAMILY



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VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

RESPECT

Practicing the virtue of respect can look like many things. It can mean simply showing love or reverence to someone or something, it can also be speaking and acting according to our own and others' rights, status, and circumstances. Defining and acting out respect is multi-faceted but when there is a lack of respect, it often simply comes down to thinking ourselves better than others. Like Philippians 2:3 says, we should always have the humility to consider others better than ourselves. Our actions of respect for others start with humbling ourselves to be servants-of-all, just like Jesus displayed many times, but particularly when he washed his disciples feet (John 13:1-17). Paul writes that our attitude should mirror that of Christ Jesus who "being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God... but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant..." (Phil 2:6-7). Lord, give us the humility to practice true respect to all God's creatures.

Ideas for Families:

- Read & Discuss together:
 John 13:1-17 & Philippians 2:3-11
- Pray: Lord, give us the strength and humility to show respect for all people and things, especially those who are different from us.

"In humility consider others better than yourselves."

Philippians 2:3