

# HONESTY

Choosing to be  
< **TRUTHFUL** >  
in whatever  
you say & do

WEEK  
**FOUR**  
2<sup>ND</sup> - 3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE

## READ ROMANS 10:9

DAY 1

God sent Jesus, His only Son, to die on the cross for your sin. Not just one specific sin, but for everything you've ever done wrong and anything you ever will do wrong. All you have to do to receive forgiveness and live with God forever is to tell Him that you know you're a sinner, but you believe in Jesus and what He did for you. If you've never told God that before, and you'd like to, ask a parent or other adult who believes in Jesus to help you. By being truthful with God, you can receive forgiveness and the gift of a relationship with Him that will last forever!

**THANK** God for sending Jesus to make us right with Him!

## READ PSALM 32:1-5

DAY 2

Read Psalm 32:1-5 very closely. Notice what the author said made his body weak. Was it his sin? Nope. It was the fact that he kept quiet about his sin—he tried to hide it from God. As soon as he confessed it, he felt so much better!

Here's a little tip. God knows EVERYTHING anyway. And nothing will change His love for you. He wants the best for you, and He knows that part of that is being honest when you've messed up and need help. Grab a stuffed animal or a soft pillow. Squeeze it as hard as you can. Then release it. Do you feel the relaxation in your body when you release it? You can feel that same release when you are honest with God.

**ASK** God to forgive you for not being honest with Him.

READ COLOSSIANS 3:8-10

DAY 3

Ask a sibling or parent to play a quick mirror game with you. Each of you should take turns being the person and the other person being the reflection. If you're the reflection, you have to try to mirror everything the other person does, as though you're the reflection in the mirror.

Did you know that when you're being honest, you're being like God? God is 100% completely honest, all of the time, no matter the situation. If you've put your trust in Jesus as your Savior, that relationship makes it possible for you to become more and more like God, because the Holy Spirit is with you, helping you transform your imperfect life into the character of Jesus. Just be honest when you mess up, and ask God for help to be honest like He is.

**ASK** God to forgive you when you mess up and to help you live a life that's a reflection of Him.

READ PROVERBS 28:13

DAY 4

Stand at a window in your house. Can you see what's going on outside? Of course, it's right in front of you! But you probably don't feel like you can touch what you see. Why? Because something is in between you. A glass wall.

Un-confessed sin is kind of like a glass wall between God and us. God doesn't put it there though—we do, when we aren't honest with God. He's still right there, loving us and waiting on us to be honest with Him so He can forgive us. What an amazing gift forgiveness from God is! And all it requires from us is confession. No matter what we've done, God loves us and wants to be close to us. But closeness requires honesty, so we've got to let God know when we mess up. And when we do, He'll be right there because He never left!

**KNOW** that God loves you no matter what, and He wants you to always be honest with Him.

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with God helps  
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