

Superbook

LOVE YOUR ENEMIES



A message from Superbook's Executive Producer



Dear Friend,

“Love Your Enemies” follows the biblical narrative of how Jesus endured persecution and suffering to pay the price for our salvation—and how He forgave the very people who were torturing Him. It also shows how Stephen, the first martyr of the New Testament Church, followed Christ’s example to forgive those who were stoning him to death.

Use this *Family Discussion Guide* to talk about how believers in Christ can have the power to choose love and forgiveness over hatred and revenge.

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PERSECUTION

Why did Chris get upset at the soccer tryouts? Has anyone ever made fun of you for being a Christian, and how did you respond?

Read Luke 6:31.

If we experience trials and troubles, does that mean God doesn't love us anymore? **Read Romans 8:35-39.**

Why did Jesus say His followers would be persecuted?

Read John 15:18-21.

When we are persecuted, what does God do?

Read Jeremiah 20:11; Matthew 5:10-11.

When going through hard times, what should we think about?

Read 2 Corinthians 4:17-18.

PRAY Heavenly Father, thank You for being with us all the time, no matter what problems we face. Help us forgive people who make fun of us or want to harm us, and remind us to pray for them. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



LOVE AND FORGIVENESS

It's natural to want to hate our enemies and take revenge on them. But what does Jesus say we should do?

Read Matthew 5:43-48.

What did Jesus promise will happen when we show love to others? How does our love show others that we are His disciples?

Read John 13:34-35.

Should we look for reasons to be offended—or should we overlook offenses? **Read Proverbs 10:12; 1 Peter 4:8.**

What did Jesus and Stephen say as they were dying?

Read Luke 23:34; Acts 7:60.

Who gives us the power to follow the examples of Jesus and Stephen, and to love people even when they're being hateful?

Read Romans 5:5.

PRAY Lord Jesus, thank You for showing Your love for us by dying for our sins, even though we didn't deserve it. Help us to show Your love and forgiveness to others. In Your name we pray. Amen.



SALVATION

Our sins earned us the death penalty. Who took the punishment for us? **Read 1 Peter 2:21-24.**

How did Jesus demonstrate His amazing love for us?
Read Romans 5:5-8.

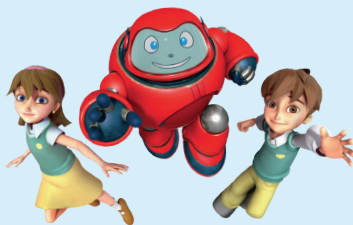
Jesus didn't deserve to die, but He chose to sacrifice His life for us because He understood that this was God's plan of salvation. Would His death be the end of the story? **Read Mark 10:32-34.**

Should we think that we are better than others or that some people don't deserve forgiveness and kindness?
Read Philippians 2:5-8.

At the end of our Superbook adventure, how did Chris show love and mercy to the boy who was so mean to him?
Read Matthew 6:12; Ephesians 4:31-32.

PRAY Dear Jesus, thank You for dying on the cross to pay the price for our sins, then rising from the grave to bring us new life. Fill us with the power of Your Holy Spirit to share the Good News with others! Amen.





IMPORTANT NOTE TO PARENTS

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THE SALVATION POEM®

Jesus, You died upon a cross
And rose again to save the lost
Forgive me now of all my sin
Come be my Savior, Lord, and Friend
Change my life and make it new
And help me, Lord, to live for You

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