

Proving you care more about each other than winning an argument

READ PROVERBS 3:5-6

On the plate on the top, draw a picture of a delicious dinner that your mom or dad would love—maybe steak, lobster, or homemade mac and cheese. Then, on the other plate, draw a picture of what a baby or very young toddler would eat—maybe a bottle, a jar of baby food, or mashed up green beans. Is it fair that the baby has to eat mashed up food and milk while the adult gets a delicious meal? Maybe not, but if you've ever been around a baby, you know that they need that kind of food. A mom or dad knows what's best for their baby, and that may not always be what seems "fair."

Sometimes it's hard to let go of what we think is fair because it means we'll get less of what we think we should get. It's important to remember that God has a plan in all of it though, and He knows what we need better than we do! Since it's His plan, it's going to work out just fine for us in the end.

KNOW that you can trust God no matter what.

READ MATTHEW 20:16

DAY 2

Grab something you have a collection of, think: stuffed animals, LEGO[®] sets, or Pokémon cards. Place them in front of you, in order of your most favorite to your least favorite.

It's fine to do that with a collection of objects, but have you ever felt like you were being ranked last by someone? It doesn't feel good, does it?

Move to the other side of your toy collection, so now the toy you ranked as your least favorite is first. Here's the good news. In God's kingdom, those who are last will be made first! So if you've ever felt like you weren't being treated fairly, remember that God loves you. Try to let go of what is fair, and instead, make others feel as loved as YOU are by God!

THANK God for loving you!

DAY 1



READ PSALM 103:6

Get a BAND-AID[®] and a marker. Leave the BAND-AID wrapped, and on the back of it, write the word FAIR. Put the BAND-AID in your backpack or pocket as a reminder that even when you're hurt by others, God does what is right and fair. He can help you heal when life doesn't seem fair. Hold on to that BAND-AID until you see someone else who might need it more than you—maybe they're physically hurt or maybe they just need a reminder that God is on their side, looking out for what is best for them.

ASK God to help you let go of what is fair so that you can be there for others.

READ 2 THESSALONIANS 1:5

DAY 4

DAY 3

When you let go of what is "fair" so that you can keep peace with others, you are showing them God's love. God can use that to bring others closer to Him! Next to each "unfair" situation below, write how you can choose peace in order to show others God's love.

- Your teacher corrects you for talking, even though it was really your friend who was goofing off.
- There is one chocolate milk left at lunch and two of you are standing in line for it.

Prove you care more about others

• It's your turn to pick the movie for movie night, but your sister has a friend over who wants to choose the movie.

KNOW that even though life isn't fair we can choose to be.