

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

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Unit 1, Session 4

CONNECTION POINT:

Purity in all things impacts your service for Christ.

THE BIBLE MEETS

LIFE: Sexual immorality is so commonplace in our culture that many people no longer consider it immoral. Even some church-goers believe that what makes something immoral is defined by the individual. The Bible presents a clear picture of what sexually immorality entails and what defines purity. Christ's church is called to live distinctive from the world's standards. We are to be pure, living according to God's standards.

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to take his or her faith and Live It Out.

FAMILY CONNECTION

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

PRESCHOOL

Scripture: Mark 7:31-37

Live It Out: Review the Bible story. Remind him that Jesus helped a deaf man by giving him the ability to hear. Explain that Jesus healed people because He is God's Son.

Jesus walked from town to town, telling people about God and making sick people well.

People brought a man to see Jesus. The man could not hear. When he tried to talk, no one could understand him. The people asked Jesus to make the man well.

Jesus took the man away from the crowd. Jesus touched the man's ears and tongue. Jesus looked up and talked to God. Jesus looked at the man and said, "Be opened!"

Suddenly the man could hear! He began to talk so that everyone could understand. Jesus had made the man well!

The people were amazed at what Jesus had done. They said, "Jesus does everything well! He makes people who cannot hear able to hear. He makes people who cannot talk able to talk." The people told everyone how Jesus had made the man well.

KIDS

Scripture: John 14:15-26

Live It Out: Ask your child about something in the Bible that is difficult to understand. Say that God sends His Holy Spirit to help Christians understand the Bible.

Jesus was teaching His disciples. Jesus promised that God would send a Counselor to be a helper to His people. The helper Jesus promised is the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit helps people understand the truth about God and His kingdom. People who do not love God do not have the Holy Spirit to help them.

Jesus knew that He would be leaving His disciples soon. He told them that He would not leave them alone. The Holy Spirit would be with them to guide them and help them.

Jesus wanted the disciples to remember everything that He had taught them. Jesus told them again that if they truly love Him then they would obey His words. Jesus said, "Anyone who loves Me will be loved by My Father. I also will love him and will help him live in ways that please God."

STUDENTS

Scripture: Revelation 2:18-29

- How does your church exhibit love, faithfulness, service, and endurance? How do you personally live out these qualities?
- How do we model purity in a culture that celebrates sexual impurity?
- What has helped you remain faithful in a culture that tolerates immorality and idolatry?

Live It Out: The culture continually tempts people with sensual sins. But Jesus has called us to purity to the point that there shouldn't be even a hint of sexual sin in our lives. We must not give in to cultural perspectives that sex outside God's design is normal or okay. It's not. We must strive every day to live in purity, trusting in the Spirit to provide the strength to walk in obedience.

With your student, make a list of things the world says are perfectly okay, but about which the Bible has something different to say. Dig into Scripture and find verses that address these issues together.