

Road Rules: Ride with respect



Use this guide to help your family learn about respect.

First, watch
this week's
video!

Respect:
Showing
others they are
important by
what you say
and do

Memory Verse

"Do to others as
you want them
to do to you."
Luke 6:31, NIV

Bible Story

A Roman
Commander
Has Faith
Matthew 8:5-13

Key Question

How do you show
respect to God?

Activity

Who's the Boss?

What You Need:

No supplies needed

What You Do:

Invite your child to play a game. Say, "I'm going to name a place. When I name the place, you tell me who is in charge there."

Using the list below, discuss with your child who is "the boss" of each place. Feel free to add in other places that might personalize the activity for your family.

- church (*board, elders, pastor*)
- home (*parents*)
- school (*principal*)
- city (*mayor*)
- United States (*president*)
- zoo (*zookeeper*)
- store (*manager or owner*)
- on a bus (*bus driver*)
- classroom (*teacher*)
- state (*governor*)
- public swimming pool (*lifeguard*)
- the whole universe (*God!*)

When you're finished playing, say, "In our story today, we met someone who gave orders, and people did what he told them to do."

Talk About the Bible Story

What was it about the Roman Commander that made Jesus so pleased? (*The commander had faith that Jesus could heal his sick servant just by using His words.*)

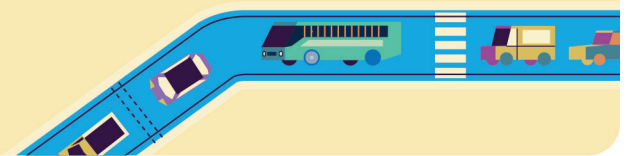
What did Jesus do? (He spoke, and the man's servant was healed)

How did the Roman commander show respect? (He did not feel worthy to have Jesus in his home—he simply asked Jesus to heal his servant and had faith that Jesus would be able to do it)

What do you think is most important—words or actions—when it comes to respect for God and others? Why?

What are three ways you can show respect to God this week?

Parent: Share something you'll do to help you remember God is most important, whether it's reading your Bible before breakfast, posting a verse of Scripture on your mirror, or listening to worship songs in your car.



Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, we believe You should have our greatest respect. You showed US that we are important to You when You sent Jesus to be our Savior. Help us show You how important You are by spending time talking to You in prayer, learning to be more like Jesus, and continuing to learn more about You from the Bible. In Jesus' name, amen."