



**APPLICATION VERSE:**  
Psalm 105:4

**EXPLORE WITH YOUR FAMILY:**

One night before dinner, place the garbage can on the dinner table. After everyone has reacted, lead a discussion about how gross garbage is and compare it to sin. God thinks worse of our sin than we think about the disgusting garbage. God is holy and cannot let us get away with sin. Also, our sin separates us from Him. Discuss that dilemma to be sure your family understands the solution. We get rid of the garbage by taking it out. We get rid of our sin through God's forgiveness when we confess and repent of it.

**TODAY I LEARNED . . .**

King David repented of his sin and asked for God's forgiveness.

**NEXT STEP**

Be aware of the Holy Spirit's conviction (making me aware of my sin) and choose to confess and repent of my sin.

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# EXPLORE



**BIBLE BASICS:**

With your family, review 1 John 1:9.

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Who was Bathsheba?

Who was Uriah?

What did David try to hide from God?

What was the purpose of Nathan's story?

What were David's two choices?

What choice did he make?

What was the result?

**SOMETHING TO  
THINK ABOUT**

Have you ever felt the Holy Spirit convict you of something you were doing that you knew was wrong?

Why is admitting our own sin the first step toward forgiveness?



**APPLICATION VERSE:**  
John 14:6

**EXPLORE WITH YOUR FAMILY:**

This simple object lesson reinforces the destruction of sin. Use a hammer to smash an object (one that will be easily damaged) one time. If there are going to be flying pieces, put the object in a bag for safety. Remind family members how sin separates us from God and controls what we think and how we act. Talk about how sin affects more than just the sinner; it affects those around him or her. Look at the smashed object and relate it to the damage our sin creates.

**TODAY I LEARNED . . .**

Sin causes us to miss the mark of God's holy standard.

**NEXT STEP**

Live my life so others can see God's grace in it.

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**SCRIPTURE:**  
Romans  
1:16-32



**FAMILY THEME:**  
The Curse  
of Sin

**BIBLE BASICS:**

*What is sin?* Sin is anything we think, do, or say that goes against Gods way.

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**GOD'S WAY**

**Sin causes \_\_\_\_\_ from God.**

**Sin controls the way we \_\_\_\_\_ and, therefore, how we \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Sin brings bad \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Sin not only affects \_\_\_\_\_, but also \_\_\_\_\_.**

**WORD BANK:** act, consequences, others, separation, think, us

**SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

Why is it important for people to know about God's grace?

How can showing grace to others lead to them learning about God's grace?



**APPLICATION VERSE:**  
John 14:6

**EXPLORE WITH YOUR FAMILY:**

As you are in the car, have family members think of things they deserve from a good job to a good grade in school. Instead of saying them aloud, give clues to what you are thinking and allow others to guess. When everyone has had a turn, relate this to how we sometimes think because we are good or go to church, we deserve what God gives. Talk about how that is not true. We receive God's grace, His undeserved favor, not because of anything we do, but because of what Jesus did for us on the cross.

**TODAY I LEARNED . . .**

Zacchaeus' heart and life was changed because of Jesus.

**NEXT STEP**

Share with someone how Jesus changes hearts.

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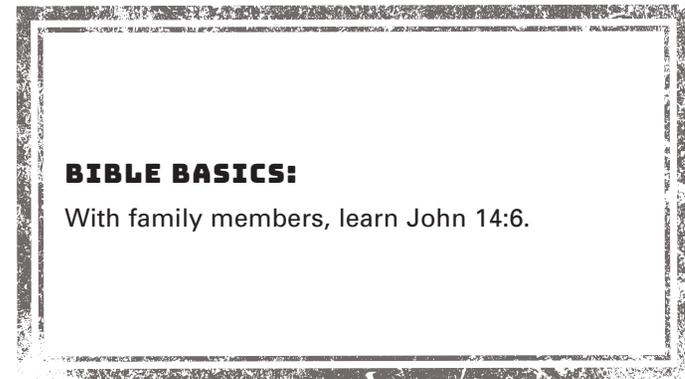
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**SCRIPTURE:**  
Romans  
3:10-26;  
Luke 19



**FAMILY THEME:**  
The Only Cure  
for Sin



**BIBLE BASICS:**

With family members, learn John 14:6.

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Directions: Circle the true sentences and draw an X on the false ones.

Paul told the believers in the church in Rome that as long as they followed God's list of rules, they would go to Heaven.

Jesus is the only cure for our sin.

Tax collectors were well liked in Zacchaeus' time.

Zacchaeus was too short to see Jesus, so he climbed up a tree.

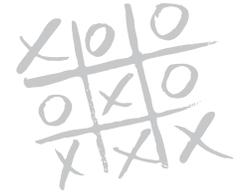
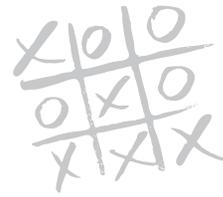
Zacchaeus jumped down from the tree and begged Jesus to come to his house.

The Pharisees were not happy Jesus was going to Zacchaeus' house.

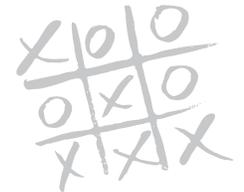
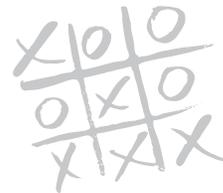
Jesus told the people He came to seek and save the lost.

After meeting Jesus, Zacchaeus' life was completely changed.

Zacchaeus told Jesus that he would give a tenth of the money he had taken from the people back to them.



Jesus is *the way*,  
*the truth*,  
and *the life*.



**SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

How did Jesus' grace change Zacchaeus' heart?

How does His grace change your heart?



**APPLICATION VERSE:**  
John 14:6

**EXPLORE WITH YOUR FAMILY:**

Cut paper into strips and write the word *money* on them. Let your child examine real money, the strips of paper, and play money. Talk about the differences between them all. One is real and the others are fake. Relate it to how Jesus is the one and only way we can have eternal life in Heaven. People may say there are more ways, but those ideas are like the fake money—worthless.

**TODAY I LEARNED . . .**

God offers grace to us through Jesus.

**NEXT STEP**

Accept God’s gift of grace and grow my relationship with Him.

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# EXPLORE



**SCRIPTURE:**  
Romans 5:1-21



**FAMILY THEME:**  
Justified  
by Faith

**BIBLE BASICS:**

With family members, review the names and order of books nine through fourteen of the Old Testament (1 and 2 Samuel, 1 and 2 Kings, and 1 and 2 Chronicles).

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# The Gift of Grace



**SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

How does it feel to know we are justified by our faith in Jesus?

Who can you tell about the gift of God's grace?