GO DEEPER

MEMORY VERSE

"Honor the Lord for the glory of his name. Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness." Psalms 29:2 (NLT)

BOTTOM LINE

Respect God Through Our Words



TALK ABOUT IT

Read: 1 Samuel 24. King Saul was chasing David because he wanted to kill him. David was given an opportunity to take revenge. Instead, he chose to respect God by respecting the king.

Talk about it:

- Do you think David had a right to defend himself against King Saul?
- If you had a chance to hurt someone who hurt you and was still trying to hurt you, would you?
- How did David use his words in a respectful way with King Saul?



WAYS TO WORSHIP

As a family, kneel before God and worship Him with a word that begins with "A." You could say, "God you are amazing." Keep worshiping Him with all the words you can think of that start with "A." Then go on to "B," and so on. See how many words you can think of to give praise to our great God!



THINK ABOUT IT

Read: James 3:2-12

Think about it:

- What does James compare the tongue to?
- If we know that the words that come out of our mouth matter, should we be quick or slow to speak?



EVERY WORD MATTERS

Snip a tiny piece off the corner of a piece of paper. Did that one little "cut" do much damage? Now fold the sheet of paper in half as many times as you can. Cut another small corner off about the same size as the first. Did that one little cut do much damage? Open up the sheet and see how many holes it made with that one little cut. Many times we think our words don't cause much damage. We may even tell someone we're "just kidding." The truth is our words can cause a great deal of damage we may not see on the outside. Just like we need to be super careful with scissors because they can cut, we need to be just as mindful about our words and how they can hurt.

