

MAKE PEACE

Sunday

July 29

Read:

Matthew 5:9

Memory Verse

Matthew 5:9

“Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.”

I know a person who is a dress-maker. Guess what she makes? Dresses, of course. What does a tent-maker make? Tents! What does a shoe-maker make? Shoes! The Bible says we should be peace-makers. So what does God want us to make? Peace!

How exactly do you make peace? You cannot do it with a needle and thread, or hammer and nails. Let me tell you some of the tools you need to make peace in your home, your church or anywhere.

1. Praise. Use your words to praise the work that others do. Look for good things. Do not focus on the bad. Praise brings peace. 2. Forgiveness. When someone does something bad to you, forgive them. Jesus forgives us. We need to forgive others. 3. Unselfishness. Be willing to let others have their way. Do not be selfish. So, what does a peace-maker make? Peace! Be a peace-maker today.

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PEACE-MAKER

One who brings peace by adjusting attitudes and actions, and bringing agreement

MY BROTHER'S KEEPER

Monday

July 30

Read:

Genesis 4:8-9

Fill Ins:

Matthew 5:9

“_____ are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.”

“Glimmer, where is GJ?” Mother asked. “I don’t know,” Glimmer replied. “I haven’t seen him since lunch.”

Glimmer remembered lunch. She and GJ had argued about who had to clean up the table. Finally, Glimmer complained to Mother and GJ had to do the work. Now Glimmer was feeling guilty. She wondered where GJ was. Glimmer knew that it was her fault that GJ did not want to be around her right now. She thought about the story of Cain and Abel. God asked Cain if he knew where Abel was. Cain knew. Cain had murdered Abel. But Cain answered, “Am I my brother’s keeper?” Now Mother was asking her, “Do you know where your brother is?” Glimmer decided she did NOT want to be like Cain. She did want to be her brother’s keeper. She decided that she would go tell GJ that she was sorry. She wanted there to be peace at her house, and she knew that she would have to make it. BB

Write only the colored letters on the lines to read the Thought to Glow.

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WHO STARTED IT?

Tuesday

July 31

Read:

Matthew 20:20-28

Fill Ins:

Matthew 5:9

“Blessed are the _____
for they shall be
called the children
of God.”

Once upon a time, there were two cousins that got into a squabble at their granny's house. Neither boy would apologize. Granny, being the wise woman she was, made the two boys sit down on chairs facing each other. Granny walked out of the room, leaving the two boys looking at each other. Soon one of the boys stuck his tongue out. This was followed by the other making a horrible face back at the first boy. This continued until both boys were laughing at each other making funny faces and having a good time. Soon they forgot all about the argument, and the boys were good friends again.

Fights are never one-sided. We are always quick to see the fault in someone else and forget we have our own problems to deal with. As it says in James 5:16: "Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

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Help GJ find the underlined words in the puzzle.

Spilled milk is easier to clean up than the pieces of a broken heart.

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STAY OUT OF TROUBLE

Wednesday

August 1

Read:

Psalms 46:1

Fill Ins:

Matthew 5:9

“Blessed are the
peacemakers: for
they

be called the
children of God.”

“Stay out of trouble.” I have told my children that many times. But sometimes, that is hard to do. When trouble came looking for Jesus, what did He do? He used the Word of God as His defense. If we want to stay out of trouble, we need to memorize some Bible verses to help us. If someone yells at you, remember Proverbs 15:1, “A soft answer turneth away wrath.” When you are tempted to lie, use Proverbs 6:16-17. “These things doth the Lord hate... a lying tongue.” When you don't want to obey, think about Ephesians 6:1, “Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.” There are many kinds of trouble. Trouble is the opposite of peace. If we are to be peace-makers, we have to find a way to get rid of trouble. Memorizing Bible verses will help you. Whatever the trouble, the Bible has a verse to help you fight it.

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Finish the puzzle by writing the letter that comes *after* the letter under the line.

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