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Go Week 2

I. Synopsis *(a summary of the lesson from this week)*

A global outreach organization is on the GO looking for new recruits! Jonah and Alexis have an application from Evangeline, but they need to see if she really lives like she says she does! GO see what sharing your example looks like in everyday life.

You can watch the teaching segments from this week at:

<http://lifekids.lifechurch.tv/toon-town/unit-79/Week-2>. It will be helpful to watch this segment before talking about it with your child. Or, you all can watch it together as a family – it's only about 15 minutes long!

II. Hook: *(a fun, interactive activity that helps connect to a spiritual conversation)*

Create a short skit in which every person in your family acts out a scene where one person is mean, rude, or disrespectful to another person. The first time, have the second person respond in a similar way – in other words, be mean, rude, or disrespectful right back! Then, the second time, have the second person respond in a way consistent with God's love – being kind, forgiving, not getting angry, etc. Talk about the difference the way we respond to others can make.

III. Book *(a review of the Bible verse and Bible phrase taught this week)*

Have your child lookup and read 1 Peter 2:21, or read it yourself: "Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps."

Then read the phrase for this week: "Our mission is to spread the message of Jesus, to share Jesus' love through our example."

IV. Look *(a series of questions to talk about with your child)*

First, ask your child what he or she remembers from the story that they watched on Sunday. You can remind them that Jonah pretending to drop his packages to see if Evangeline would live out a Christian example by helping him pick them up. Then Jonah and Alexis set up several situations to see how Evangeline would react. Evangeline showed by her example that her life really had been changed by Jesus. Jonah and Alexis also talked about accountability partners and how they can help us make good decisions.

Next, discuss the following questions:

- What is character? How does the way we live our life show others about the love of God?
- What does it mean to be changed from the inside-out? How do we show that this has happened in our lives?
- Which is the better way to bring people to accept God: being kind to them, or arguing with them? Why is one better than the other?
- Who can be an example to us of what it looks like to make good choices?

V. Took *(what you want your child to remember from this story)*

1. The way you live your life can be a great example of God's love to other people.
2. Making right choices demonstrates that God has changed you from the inside out.
3. The Bible says that it's God's kindness that leads others to accept Him, not arguing or judging.
4. If you need help, find some people who are good examples and use their example as a pattern. These people can be a mentor, an accountability partner, or a small group of other believers.

Share with your child about other people in your life who have helped you live your life as an example of God's love.

VI. The Next Step *(what your child can do to get a deeper understanding of these concepts)*

Help your child lookup and read the verses from this week's Take Home Card. Each one that your child completes is worth an extra point in the team competition next Sunday. Be sure and sign off at the bottom for the verses that were read!