

EPIC

AN ADVENTURE OF LOVE AND TRUST
AND HOW IT CHANGED THE WORLD

WEEK 5

DAY 1

READ ACTS 10:34–35

Head to your room and look around. What kind of things do you like the most? If you had to put your stuff into three groups, what would they be? Games, music, stuffed animals, action figures, cards ... Write your three favorites in the box.

When friends come over, what do you guys “do” together? Usually our closest friends like some of the same things we do, that’s why we get along and like to spend time together.

Aren’t you glad though that God doesn’t play favorites? He loves us all! In fact, He sent His only Son to die for all of us!

THANK God for loving you and accepting you the way you are.

MY 3 FAVORITES!

DAY 2

READ EPHESIANS 4:2–3

Go to the kitchen, and bring a parent along to help. Ask if you can borrow a little bit of oil from the pantry. Together, pour a little bit of oil into a clear glass. Then pour a little water on top. The two don’t mix very well, do they? Now get a whisk or a spoon and stir as hard and fast as you can. It takes a LOT of work, but eventually you can get oil and water to mix. But now let the cup sit there for a minute. The oil and water separate again, don’t they? Now try it this way—add a few drops of dishwashing soap and stir it up again. Now the oil and water are friends and mix well!

Think about what it takes to get along with others who are different from us. According to Ephesians 4:2-3, it takes humility, gentleness, patient, love, and a desire to get along. That’s a lot of things we have to add to the mix, but it’s worth it when you see the results of getting along with others who are different!

ASK God to help you get along with everyone, even those who are different from you.



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DAY 3

READ LEVITICUS 19:34

We've all been the new kid at school, on a team, in a class, on the bus, or in the neighborhood, haven't we? How does it feel to walk in a room when you don't know anyone?

How does it make you feel when someone in the room actually welcomes you and tries to get to know you better? _____

Knowing how much it means to have someone love you and treat you like "one of the gang" when you're new to a group, think about ways you can help others feel that way too. Name a situation where you might be able to welcome a new kid into the group: _____

Pray and ask God to help you love those who are different.

LOOK for ways to welcome those who are different or new to your group of friends.

DAY 4

READ GALATIANS 3:28

Go outside and try to find two rocks that are shaped exactly the same way. It's pretty hard, isn't it? Even if you can find two that are the same size, they're probably shaped a little differently. Or if they're the same shape and size, they might be different colors or shades of color. There is one thing that is common to all rocks, though. And that is ... they're rocks. All rocks are rocks, no matter their shape, size, color, type or hardness.

As many differences as there can be among rocks, there are a LOT more differences between all of us humans. But despite all the differences, we have one big thing in common. We're people made in the image of God, and Jesus died for all of us!

KNOW that God made each of us different, but loves us all the same!