

# Vacation Church School

## Virtues Unit 2

### Lesson: Politeness

*He "... hath called us to glory and virtue."*

*2 Peter 1:3*

Goals: By the end of class the child should be able to:

1. Know the word "Polite"
2. Remember God wants us to have good manners.
3. Understand what Good Manners are.
4. Know the scripture verse (by the end of week)

### Vocabulary: (for week)

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| 1. Excellence   | 4. Polite     | 7. Book of Mormon |
| 2. Thankfulness | 5. Joyfulness | 8. Virtue         |
| 3. Friendship   | 6. Bible      | 9. Glory          |

### Materials Needed:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Book of Mormon |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Masking Tape                    | <input type="checkbox"/> KEEP BOX       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marker                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart stickers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Items for "I Have Virtues Book" |   |

### Preparation:

1. *Scripture Activity:*
  - a. Assemble Virtue book (1 per child per week)

Story: Panda is Polite (read in book)

### Discussion:

**What are Good Manners?** *Let children respond...*

*Help them to the understanding that it is being nice, saying please and thank you.*

**Can you tell me anyone you know that is polite?** *Let children respond*

**God wants us to be polite everyday in everything we do. To people we don't know, we are to show them good manners and be kind. Can you tell me ways that you can show good manners?** *Let children respond...*

### Review Activity: Life Size - Kindness

Lay the game pieces on the floor in a large circle, using a small piece of masking tape to hold each sheet in place. Your children will become playing pieces in life-sized board game, stepping from one game piece to another. The "S" piece is where the children start.

A child will stand there, roll one die, and then before advancing the number of spaces indicated on the die, will first tell how he or she could show kindness in a situation you describe. There are no wrong or right answers; encourage kids to think of creative, realistic ways they could show kindness in each situation.

After a child gives an answer, have the child advance the indicated number of spaces. Spaces are in a circle shape so there's no "finish" line. Play until every one has had several turns or has been around the circle at least once. \*optional: when a child lands on a space with words, they may roll the die again, to advance more spaces\*

Here are several suggestions for situations you might use; add your own as well:

- \*You see an elderly lady drop her bag of groceries.
- \*Mom is busy making supper when your little sister begins to fuss.
- \*Your friend has lost her kitten.
- \*You see paper on the floor at church.
- \* The elderly man next door is sick.
- \*Your little brother is having a hard time tying his shoes.
- \*The bathroom needs to be cleaned.
- \*You see someone with their hands full in the parking lot, walking towards the church door.
- \* You have 3 cookies and 4 people want one.

### Scripture Activity:

Holding the Holy Bible and the Book of Mormon.

There are lots of scriptures in the Bible and Book of Mormon that talk about how we should live our life. In order to be good like Jesus we must have virtues. One of the virtues is Politeness.

Jesus wants us to always be kind, and to show that kindness to others through our good manners. Jesus wants our hearts to be full of love and do good things and be nice to others.

Let's read the page in our "I have Virtues Book" Read pages together then let children decorate Politeness page of "I Have Virtues" book with heart stickers.

*Use any extra time for outside unstructured play*