



RLA Kids Weekly Devotional Guide

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Remember: this guide is meant to help facilitate conversations and engagement with Jesus throughout the week, so don't feel like you need to do this all in one day!

What We're Learning This Week

"UNITED IN CHRIST" PHILIPPIANS 1:27-30

Our lesson this week covers Philippians 1:27-30, where we learn that we are united together by Jesus, and that in Christ we have a shared citizenship, a shared mind, a shared future, and shared suffering.

Before we meet together on Sunday

- Initiate and/or continue conversations as a family regarding everything going on in our world today, how your kids are feeling and processing it all, and how they can still trust in the promises of God through it all. Read through the [Family Resources for Current Events](#) page for equipping and resources for all of that.

After the kids watch the video on Sunday

Discipleship Through Scripture and Conversation

- Talk to your kids about the Bible lesson they watched on video. Ask them to explain what they learned/what stuck out to them in the video, and expand upon the truths of the Bible that they are bringing up. Some helpful conversations this week could be:
 1. Paul calls all believers to have unity in Christ. The lesson broke this down into four different ways that disciples of Jesus experience that unity.
 - Citizenship: What does it mean to be a citizen of the gospel? How are we called to live like this? What other places or things are you a citizen of, and how can we view that in light of being a citizen of heaven?
 - Mindset: What is the shared mindset of believers? What is our motivation? How does the Bible tell us that God renews our minds?
 - Future: What is the shared future of all who follow Jesus? What hope does that bring? Who are the people who are facing destruction? Knowing that, how does God call us to interact with and serve those people who are facing destruction?
 - Suffering: How can suffering be for Jesus? And how can suffering be used for good? What does this tell us about who God is? How are we not alone in our suffering?

2. Additional resources for Preteen students:

- Watch [this video](#) from the Bible Project on the book of Philippians.

Discipleship through prayer

- Spend time this week praising God for the unity that we have in Him! Pray for unity for the church, for our city, and for our world through Jesus. Pray for the four main points we talked about today: shared citizenship, shared mindset, shared future, and shared suffering. Continue to pray for everything surrounding coronavirus - for safety, for healing, for unity, and for specific people you can serve as a family.
- Ask each member of your family - adults included - to share one thing they would like prayer over. Have someone to pray for that person's request. Encourage your family to pray for that person for the entire week.

What's Coming Up?

- Follow us on Instagram for daily story time! Our handle is [@RealityLAKids](#)
- Stay connected by joining the [RLA Kids page on RLA Connect](#)
- Continue to be informed through the [Family Resources for Current Events](#) page for equipping and resources for all of that.

Do Your Kids Have Questions About the Video? Want to See Something on the Videos?

We love hearing from you! You can email kids@realityla.com at any time with any feedback or questions that your kids have about the video lesson (or any of your thoughts)...we would love to read some on our next video and answer them! We also them want to see us be silly, so send suggestions in and we will see what we can do. We also love to be praying with and alongside your family, so please send over prayer requests as well (those will be kept off screen, we just want to pray with and for you.)