### week оf March 20, 2022

# Jam Session: Everyone has a part to play

PARENT GUIDE Preteen

Use this guide to help your family learn about cooperation.

## Activity

**Balloon Bounce** 

What You Need:

Two balloons (or beach balls)

### What You Do:

Ask your child to blow up the balloon. Then help them out by tying off the balloon, if needed. Take a few steps away from each other.

Next, take turns bouncing the balloon back and forth. See how many times you can bounce it between the two of you before it hits the ground. Play a few rounds, trying to break that record.

Then, increase the challenge by blowing up another balloon and tying it off. Now, try to keep both balloons off the ground. See how many times you can bounce the balloons back and forth by counting each time you hit the balloons out loud.

### **Talk About the Bible Story**

How did our balloon bouncing require us to cooperate?

In our story today, who worked together to help the man who couldn't walk? (*The man's friends*)

When the man was lowered in front of Jesus, Jesus saw his needs. How did Jesus help the man? (Jesus saw that the man needed forgiveness, so He said, 'Your sins are forgiven.' Jesus also healed the man so he could walk. In both ways, Jesus gave the man what he needed.)

Jesus worked together with the friends to help someone in need. Does Jesus work together with us today to help others? Why or why not?

Parent: Share about a time when you worked together with others to help someone in need.

### Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime persons bed tonight:

"God, You are alway there we need You! This story shows us how important it is for us to work together to help others. The man in our story today had great friends! His friends supported him and worked together to bring him to Jesus for healing. There are so many people who need help. Please show us how we can work together to help others. God, thank You for seeing what we need, and for sending Jesus to make a way for us to be with You now and forever! Amen."

First, watch this week's video!

Cooperation: Working together to do more than you can do alone

#### **Memory Verse**

"Two people are better than one. They can help each other in everything they do." Ecclesiastes 4:9, NIrV

### **Bible Story**

Jesus Heals a Man Who Could Not Walk / Four Friends Luke 5:17-26

### **Key Question**

Who do you know who needs help?

