

Series Big Idea: Following Jesus by obeying His teachings makes me better at life.

Teaching Big Idea: Tell God and be forgiven. Tell a friend and be healed.

Begin in prayer: Thank God for His faithfulness to forgive us and ask Him for courage to be honest with Him and with others.

Talk It Over:

Ice Breaker: Kids are creative at hiding their errors. Share a childhood fault hiding story.

Scripture: When the cool evening breezes were blowing, the man and his wife heard the Lord God walking about in the garden. So they hid from the Lord God among the trees.

Genesis 3:8 (NLT)

Questions:

Do you agree or disagree that secrets change us? Why?

How does hiding affect our relationship with God and others?

Do you find it easier to fess up to God or to 'man'?

What makes it difficult for us to admit our guilt?

Scripture: Admit your faults to one another and pray for each other so that you may be healed.
James 5:16 (LB)

Questions:

Basic accountability, we ask each other: What is God telling you and what are you doing about it?

Take a moment and pray for the person to your right: Please Lord, give _____ a trustworthy friend to share his/her faults with.

Have you ever had an opportunity to pray right away with someone when they confessed a fault to you? If yes, what happened?

Challenge:

Commit to putting basic accountability into practice this week. Who will you connect with?
When? How?

Conclude in Prayer:

Thank God for your time together asking Him to help you admit your faults quickly to Him and to one another...and courage to pray right away.