

PEACE

PROVING YOU CARE MORE ABOUT EACH OTHER
THAN WINNING AN ARGUMENT

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Family Discipleship Devotional (To Be Led by Parent)

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Truth (1 Samuel 25:1-35 Summary)

Now Samuel died. And all Israel came together and mourned for him, and they buried him in his house at Ramah. Then David rose and went down to the wilderness in Paran. And there was a man in Maon who was very rich; he had three thousand sheep and a thousand goats. Now the name of the man was Nabal and the name of his wife Abigail. The woman was discerning and beautiful, but the man was harsh and badly behaved. David heard in the wilderness that Nabal was preparing his sheep. So, David sent ten young men and said to them "Go to Nabal and greet him for me. And you say: 'Peace be to you, and peace be to your house, and peace be to all that you have. Now your shepherds have been with us, and we did them no harm. Therefore, let my young men find favor in your eyes. Please give whatever you have at hand to your servants and your son David.'" When David's young men said all this to Nabal, he answered saying, "Who is David? Shall I take my bread and my water and the meat that I have killed for my shearers and give it to men who come from I do not know where?" So, David's young men went back and told David all this. And David said to his men, "Every man strap on his sword!" And every man of them strapped on his sword. And about four hundred men went up after David.

But one of the young men told Abigail, Nabal's wife, all that had happened. She knew she had to do something! So, Abigail quickly gathered wine, sheep already prepared, grain, raisins, figs and laid them on donkeys. And she said to her young men, "Go on before me; behold, I come after you." But she did not tell her husband Nabal. When Abigail saw David, she hurried and got down from the donkey and fell before him on her face and bowed to the ground. She said, "On me alone be the guilt. Let not my lord regard this worthless fellow, Nabal. But I did not see the young men whom you sent. Now let this present that your servant has brought to you be given to the young men who follow you. Please forgive your servant. For the LORD will certainly make you a sure house, because you are fighting the battles of the LORD, and evil shall not be found in you so long as you live." And David said to Abigail, "Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, who sent you this day to meet me! For as surely as the LORD lives, who has restrained me from hurting you, unless you had hurried and come to meet me, truly by morning there had not been left to Nabal so much as one male. Go up in peace to your house. See, I have obeyed your voice, and I have granted your petition." Then David received from her hand what she had brought him.



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Equipping (Discussion questions)

1. Was David nice to Nabal? Yes, he protected his shepherds.
2. How did David feel when Nabal did not want to share? David was very angry and was going to kill Nabal and his people!
3. How did Abigail save the day? She brought David food and wine then apologized and took all the blame for her husband's mistake.
4. How does this story reflect the gospel? We are fallen and sinners in the eyes of God! We have done evil and not obeyed him. But God sent Jesus to be our mediator and save the day, kind of like Abigail did for Nabal. Because of this God forgave us and wiped away all of our sin!

Accountability

1. How can the peace from God help you to be a peacemaker?
2. Have you been acting like Nabal or Abigail recently?
3. What's your responsibility in terms of peacemaking?
4. What have you learned about the peace of Christ this month?

Mission

1. What are some ways you can be a peacemaker for your friends?
2. Is there anyone you want to share this story with?
3. Share how you got to share the peace of Christ with friends and family this month.

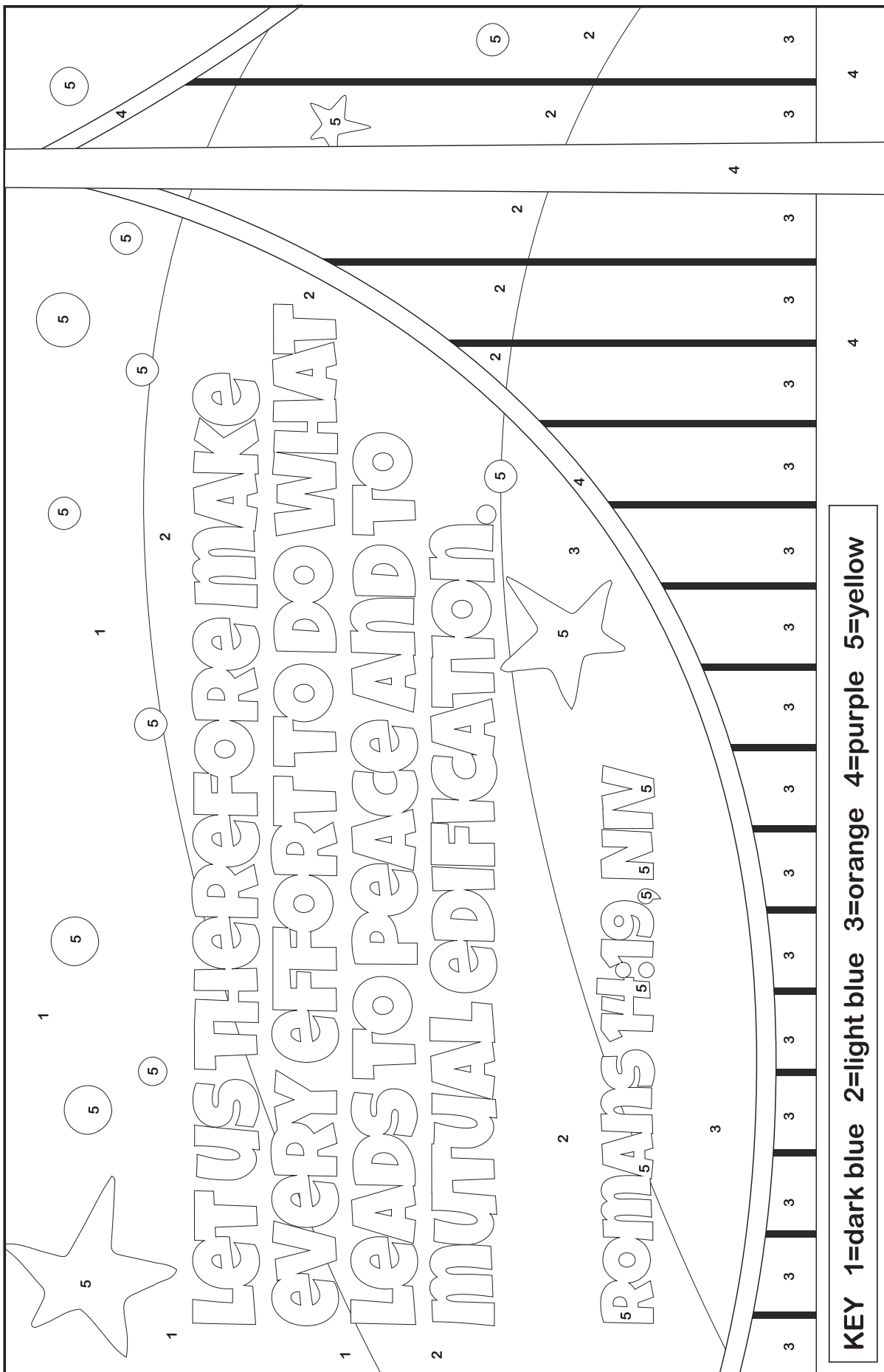
Supplication

1. Do you have anything to thank God for?

God, you created us in your image, and you have given each of us gifts and talents. Some of us are good at making others laugh, and some of us are great at building others up. Some of us love to sing (fill in specific gifts your kids have). God, help us to use these gifts to be peacemakers and to be part of the solution. In Jesus' name, we pray! Amen.



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What to Do:

Print one on cardstock for each kid.

"Coloring by the Numbers, NIV" Activity Page

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