

Press On in Confidence

Lesson #27

Colossians 4:2-18, Proverbs 16:24

HOOK: *Give each child a small spoon or popsicle stick dabbed with spun honey (this type is thick and won't drip). Let the children taste the honey and then discard their spoon/stick.* Wasn't that honey so sweet and delicious? It melts in our mouth and brings a smile to our lips! Keep that thought in your mind as we learn God's Word...

BOOK: The Apostle Paul told the Colossians: “**Let your conversation be always full of grace...**” Conversation means talking to one another. So if I say, “Did you know that Jesus loves you?” And the person says, “I didn't know that. Can you tell me more?” Then we are having a conversation. Paul says that the words we use when we talk to each other—when we have a conversation—should be always full of grace. That means the words we choose to say should be kind and show that we care.

LOOK: Now, think back to the honey we tasted. Mmm...it was sweet and yummy. The Bible says that when our words are kind and caring, it's like sweet honey and we bless one another. We read in Proverbs, “**Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.**” Wow! That means that when our conversation is full of grace (kind and caring, like when we are telling someone about Jesus), it's a blessing.

TOOK: That truth makes me want to be careful with my words! Words are powerful. Are you careful with your words? Do you use your words to tell others about Jesus? Let's practice and choose to say words that are full of grace; words that are kind and caring and point others to Christ. Then, it will be like we're giving a generous taste of sweet, delicious honey to those we speak to. How that will please God and bless others!

Bible Verse: “**Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.**” Proverbs 16:24

Prayer: “**Lord, Thank You for Your Word and teaching us how to live. Help us to have conversations that are always full of grace and may our kind and caring words be a sweet blessing to others. Amen.**”

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what we
learned

Paul told the Colossians: **“Let your conversation be always full of grace...”** A conversation is simply talking to one another. The words we use with each other should be always full of grace (kind and caring). In Proverbs it says, **“Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.”** Wow! That means that when our conversation is full of grace (kind and caring, like when we are telling someone about Jesus) it’s a blessing to them in powerful ways!



memory
verse

“Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.” Proverbs 16:24



parent/child
activity

This week in class your child was given a taste of honey. We all agreed that it was sweet and yummy. As you go about your week, talk about our words and how using them to be kind and tell others about Jesus is so important. Then, “catch” your child speaking gracious words and thank him/her. As a treat, spread a little honey on some bread and savor the sweetness together as you chat about gracious words and the power they have to bless others.



daily prayer

“Lord, Thank You for Your Word and teaching us how to live. Help us to have conversations that are always full of grace and may our kind and caring words be a sweet blessing and lead others to You. Amen.”

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