



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:

Saul is Destroyed by Jealousy

Take Home Point:

Jealousy can poison our hearts.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: Why did Gordy turn "green with envy"? (*He was jealous of the contestant that won candy.*) How was this like King Saul in the Bible? (*Saul was so jealous of David that he tried to kill him. Saul's heart became poisoned with jealousy and he would not follow God's ways.*)

God Time at Home

Select questions and adapt for your family.

FOR STARTERS: Have some kind of green dessert. Explain that if someone is very envious or jealous of another person, they are said to be "green with envy." Having jealousy means that we want something from someone so much that we would try to take it or wish the other person didn't have it at all. Let everyone share a time they were jealous of another person for what that person had and they didn't.

READ THE BIBLE: Read the events from a Bible storybook in 1 Samuel 18-26 about how Saul tried to kill David

KEY VERSE: Galatians 5:26, *"We can't allow ourselves to act arrogantly and to provoke or envy each other."*

TALK ABOUT IT: Who can remember some of the things that Saul did because he was jealous of David? (*He threw a spear at David, he tried to get David killed in battle, he sent soldiers to kill David in his house, he killed the priest and his family, and he hunted after David.*) Why do you think Saul became so jealous? (*He was very threatened by any other king. He was not following God's way or even recognizing that God was truly the King over all. Saul was just trying to build a kingdom for himself instead of a kingdom for God. His heart was poisoned because of his jealousy for David. The more he became jealous of David, the more his heart was filled with poison. Saul was not happy and he was not living for God.*)

God says there is a way *not* to have envy or jealousy. We can do this when we are filled with Jesus. Jesus came to earth as God's Son. Jesus was not jealous that his Heavenly Father stayed in heaven and he had to come here as a man. Instead, he was obedient and lived his life to God's glory all the way to the point of dying on the cross for us. When we trust in Jesus as our Savior, he fills our life with his love. We do not worry about trying to build our own kingdom like Saul did.

PRAYER POWER: Thank God that Jesus was not jealous and he gave his life on the cross for us. Pray for forgiveness when jealous and for freedom to be generous like Jesus.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

Play a game of spoons. Kids learned the game in Kingdom Quest and can show you how to play. Have fun together, even though this game could cause silly jealousy of another's spoon. Use it as an opportunity to discuss how you might do things to help build up one another rather than take away from each other.

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