



# HOMEGUIDE



## LESSON 4.3

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



Draw the word "Revenge" in the most creative way you can think of. Revenge is ugly and messy, so make your drawing ugly and messy. When finished, draw a big "X" through "Revenge."



Tell God about all the things you can do to live in peace with someone who hurts you.

## THIS WEEK WE LEARNED

### DAVID SPARES SAUL'S LIFE

**BIG IDEA:** God wants us to live in peace, so we should avoid taking revenge on others.

**BIBLE BASIS:** 1 Samuel 23-24, 26, 31

**KEY VERSE:** "Make sure that no one pays back one wrong act with another. Instead, always try to do what is good for each other and for everyone else." 1 Thessalonians 5:15 (NirV)



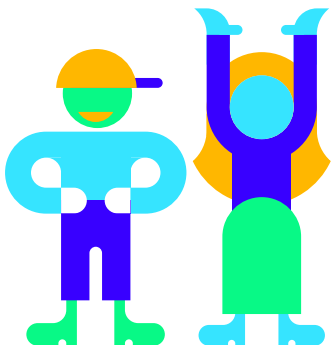
**READ IT!**

1 Samuel 24. Write to God your favorite part of the story. Tell Him why you liked it.



**PRAY IT!**

Write a prayer to God. Tell him you'll do your best not to take revenge when someone hurts you.



## NEXT WEEK'S LESSON

**DAVID SINS**

**BIG IDEA:** God is merciful, so we can go to Him for forgiveness.

**BIBLE BASIS:** 2 Samuel 11

**KEY VERSE:** "Even though your sins are bright red, they will be white as snow. Even though they are deep red, they will be white like wool." Isaiah 1:18



# GROUP ACTIVITY

## David Spares Saul's Life

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## Peace Pass

**Supplies:** Balloon and permanent markers

**Set up:** For each small group, inflate a balloon and use a marker to write the following verse on it:

"The Lord blesses His people with peace." Psalm 29:11 (NirV)

**Say:** In today's Bible story, David made sure that he didn't pay back one wrong act with another. David didn't get revenge on King Saul. And that's what God wants for us too. We shouldn't let people hurt us, but when they do, we should do what is good—we should respond with peace. God wants us to live in peace, so we should avoid taking revenge. It can be so tempting to want revenge, but Jesus wants us to make peace with people who sin against us. There's another kind of peace, though. It's the kind of peace that we feel inside of us when our heart and mind are calm. Psalm 29:11 tells us who can give us that kind of peace. Let's read it.

**Directions:** Read the Bible verse on the balloon and ask the question below. Next, toss the balloon to a kid in your group. Encourage the kid holding the balloon to share their answer to the question. When finished, have that kid toss the balloon to another kid and repeat. Continue until every kid has a turn to share. Finally, lead your group in a closing prayer. Encourage the kids to tell God about the things that keep them from feeling peace. Have them ask God to bless them with peace in their hearts and minds.

**Question:** Is there anything in your life that keeps you from feeling peace? In other words, is there anything that makes you mad, sad, worried, or afraid?



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