

# AMBASSADORS ARE MINISTERS

## BIG TRUTH: AMBASSADORS ARE MINISTERS

2 Corinthians 3:5-6; 1 Corinthians 4:1; Acts 20:24; 2 Timothy 4:5; 1 Corinthians 9:17; 1 Thessalonians 2:4; 2 Timothy 1:14

## BIBLE VERSE: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:18-19

*"All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to Himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation."*

## BIG IDEAS

- The gospel is God's plan to redeem and give a new purpose to the lost.
- Every Jesus follower is called to be a minister.
- In grace God entrusts redeemed rebels to be His ministers.

## BIBLE PASSAGE: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:18-19

## KNEEL - I AM AN AMBASSADOR

The Kneel Year is an exploration of what it means to worship God with our all (Luke 10:26-28). Worship is not something that is limited to a service once a week, but instead occurs every day, in all of life. We are unceasing worshipers. Worship never stops, it only changes directions. In order to worship God with all of our heart, soul, strength, and mind, we must embrace our identity as image bearers. It is out of that identity that we can begin to live for God's glory in all of life (Colossians 3:17).

## SERIES AIMS



### Every student should know that...

- Jesus is the One True King.
- An ambassador is someone who is a representative of someone else.
- Jesus followers are set apart to live as ambassadors for God in the world.



### Every student should feel...

- Deep sorrow and compassion for people around them who do not know Jesus.
- Passionate about the gospel that rescued them out of darkness.



### Every student should strive to...

- Learn more about how to live faithfully as an ambassador for Christ.
- Share the gospel with at least one person who does not know Jesus.



### Every student should want...

- To look at the world through a gospel lens.
- To live as a faithful minister of reconciliation.
- To orient their thoughts, actions, and conversations around the gospel that saved them.

## FAMILY WORKOUT:

This week we will consider how to discuss with our son or daughter what it means to be a minister for God. We will pray with them to have boldness in sharing the gospel. We will lead them to practice having spiritual conversations and sharing the gospel.

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**Read and meditate on 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 this week.**

- Ponder how you might help your son or daughter understand what reconciliation is and how they can be ministers of reconciliation. How can you model being a minister of reconciliation to your son or daughter? How can you help their understanding grow and lead them to live as ministers of the gospel?
- Consider how you can share with your son or daughter ways you have spiritual conversations with the lost people in your life. How can you help your son or daughter learn how to turn conversations to spiritual things and then share the gospel?



**Spend time praying for your son or daughter this week.**

- Pray that they would grow in their understanding of the gospel and be able to boldly share the truth with their lost friends.
- Pray with your student this week. Pray that they would live as ministers of reconciliation. Pray they would understand how to serve God in their daily lives and they would grow in their boldness in sharing the gospel.



**Discuss with your son or daughter the ways you turn conversations into spiritual conversations.**

- Help them come up with a few strategies to use in their own conversations and encourage them to share the gospel boldly.
- Meet with your student to discuss ways he or she can boldly share the gospel with two of their lost friends this week. Share some of the ways you seek to share the gospel with them and encourage them to be intentional with their friends.