



family challenge

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# Respect

*“Show proper respect to everyone,  
love the family of believers, fear  
God, honor the emperor.”*

*- 1 Peter 2:17*

**I will honor my father and mother.**

**I will wait my turn to speak.**

**I will show good manners.**

**I will show respect to my elders.**

# Family Activities

## Learning Respect

This is an activity that can be used to get “respect” into the vocabulary of small children so that both you and they can use the word. Tell them that respect can sometimes be as simple as acting nice and talking nice and minding. Then, tell them about Mikey. Ask them whether he was showing respect after each sentence.

- Mikey’s mom asked him to clean up his room and he yelled, “I don’t want to!”
- He took the last three cookies off the plate when there were still several people in line behind him.
- He said, “May I watch TV, please?”
- He looked at his grandfather in the eye and said, “Yes, sir,” when his grandfather asked him to help him work in the yard.
- He left his friend’s toys out in the rain.
- When he couldn’t get the puzzle together, he said, “This is stupid!” and threw it aside.

## Respecting Others

*Items Needed - Chalkboard/Chalk, Dry Erase Board/Markers, or Paper/Pencil*

This is an opportunity to see where your children are in understanding the concept of respect and can serve as a great teaching opportunity. On a small chalkboard, dry erase board, or just a piece of paper, make two columns. In the first column, make a list of things and people who we need to respect (God, mom, dad, adults, friends, siblings, teachers, earth, things, etc.). Once you have done this, ask your children to explain how we should show respect to these things/people. Fill in the second column with their answers (or answers that you come up with together).

\*If you are able to do this on a chalkboard or dry erase board, place it on the refrigerator or on a wall in one of the main rooms of your home - somewhere it is easily seen on a regular basis.

## Sir & Ma’am

Challenge your family to spend the week practicing how to address and respond to adults you interact with (the best place to practice is at home, with mom and dad). Talk about why it is important to show respect to adults and how we can show respect through our speech.