



HONESTY

Choosing to be truthful in whatever you say and do.

MEMORY VERSE

"An honest person has respect for the Lord." Proverbs 14:2a, NIV

WEEK 1:

Joseph's Brothers Lie to Jacob
Genesis 37:17-36; 45:25-28

BOTTOM LINE:

When you are not truthful, you can hurt the people you care about.

WEEK 2:

Naaman and Elisha's Servant, Gehazi
2 Kings 5

BOTTOM LINE:

When you are not truthful, you lose trust.

WEEK 3:

Jesus and Zacchaeus
Luke 19:1-10

BOTTOM LINE:

When you are truthful and make things right, you build trust.

WEEK 4:

Judas Betrays Jesus
Matthew 26:14-16, 20-25, 45-50; 27:1-5 (Background Context: John 12:1-6; 13:21-30)

BOTTOM LINE:

You can lie so much that it's hard to remember what's true.

EASTER WEEK:

Easter
John 3:3,16; 14:1-6, 28-29; John 18—20

BOTTOM LINE:

When Jesus came back from the dead, it proved what He said was true.





Parent Cue



MEAL TIME

WEEK 1:

Ask a kid: Why is it important to be honest even if no one would know otherwise?

Ask a parent: What are some excuses we sometimes make to justify dishonesty?

WEEK 2:

Ask a kid: What are some reasons that people sometimes lie?

Ask a parent: Why is it easier to build trust the first time, rather than regain trust once it's lost?

WEEK 3:

Ask a kid: What do you love so much that you might be tempted to lie for it?

Ask a parent: Talk about a time that you were given something by mistake—how did you respond, and how did you feel about your response?

WEEK 4:

Ask a kid: Do you think you have a reputation of being honest? Why or why not?

Ask a parent: How does a person's honesty in the small things help him earn trust?

EASTER WEEK:

Ask a kid: For which of God's promises are you the most thankful that it's true? Why?

Ask a parent: Why do you know that you CAN believe God, in spite of your doubts?



PARENT TIME

Take a moment and think about your child's high school graduation party or wedding reception. When your kid takes this momentous step from childhood to adulthood, who will be the people in the room celebrating with him? Will he still be friends with the buds he has in elementary school? Are there family friends who will be a part of his life? Will his extended family be influential in his life?

Here's the important thing to realize: the choices we make right now will partially determine the people who impact our kids into adulthood. The friendships we encourage them to pursue and maintain will be the ones most likely to last. The family friends we invest in will be the

ones who set an example for our kids. The extended family we involve in our kids' lives will be the most influential.

To think further about widening the circle of influence around our kids, download this month's Parent Link Live podcast on www.OrangeParents.org.

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