



SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

TRUTH
WEEK 3 BE KIND WHEN YOU DISAGREE

Small Group Welcome

1. **Introduce** yourself, and **welcome** new kids by name.
2. Kids **share** what happened during the past week.
3. **Check up** on past week's prayer requests and events.
4. **Discuss** the question: **Say your favorite sport. How many different favorites did your group have?**

Small Group Activity

You'll Need

Per Kid	1 Pizza sticker kit
Per Group	Nothing

After Activity

Kids Keep	The pizza they made
You Keep	Nothing (<i>throw away unwanted pieces and trash</i>)

To Do

1. **Give** everyone (including yourself) a pizza sticker kit.

Say: I have a challenge: Create the BEST, TASTIEST pizza. Only put the toppings you really like on there! *Go!*

2. Kids **stick** toppings they like on their pizza crusts.
3. You **create** a pizza, too, but make sure your pizza is **completely different** from every other kid's pizza.

Say: Time's up! Show me your pizzas!

5. **Reveal** (playfully to keep from hurting feelings) your pizza, and **declare** it the *THE BEST* pizza of all time.
6. **Ask** kids if they agree, and (playfully) **defend** your pizza if they don't.

Say: I'm just kidding around, right? If we don't agree on something like *pizza toppings* it doesn't mean everyone else is wrong! It's okay to like different things and disagree on what is the best sometimes!

7. **As time allows**, kids **look** at each other's pizzas to see what's different about them and what's the same.

Small Group Discussion

Say the point and Bible verse together.

It's okay to disagree—just do so respectfully.

Colossians 4:6 NIV

Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

1. **What do you think this Bible verse is talking about?** *Answers will vary.*

Choose a few review questions.

1. **How would you explain the word "disagree" to someone else?** *Answers will vary. Idea: When two people have different ideas about the same thing.*
2. **If a kid disagrees with a parent, what would you tell them to do?** *Answers will vary. Ideas: pray, calmly talk with the parent, respect their rules, etc.*
3. **What are some disagreements that really aren't a big deal?** *Answers will vary.*
4. **How can you be respectful to someone who disagrees with you about following Jesus?** *Answers will vary. Ideas: Pray for them, love them, listen, invite them to church, keep following Jesus, etc.*

Choose an action step question.

1. **Think of a person you disagree with a lot. What can you do to show respect to them this week?** *Answers will vary.*
2. **Who can you talk to if you need help with a disagreement?** *Answers will vary.*

Pray together.

1. **Ask** kids to share things they'd like to pray about.
2. **Write down** their prayer requests.
3. **Pray** together over the prayer requests.

Not sure what to pray? Pray this: God, please help us listen well and show respect and love to other people when we disagree with them. In Jesus' name, amen.

Check Out

Stay in small groups until kids are checked out.

1. Encourage **kids to talk** about what's on their mind and **play** a game like *Telephone* or *Simon Says*.
2. When a kid from your small group leaves, **say** a positive and specific compliment to their family.
3. **Ask** parents to **take a pic** of the parent convo card at the door to help **continue the conversation** at home.

Please save questions on back for Small Group Discussion.