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| **Be Kind and Caring**  **Heroes- 5-6 Years** | |
| **DATE** | **31st August 2025** |
| **TOPIC/TEXT** | **Be Kind and Caring/ James 1:27** |
| **OBJECTIVE** | Children will learn that God wants us to have kind and caring hearts, helping people who need love and support like children who have no mum and dad.  **Takeaway:** *“I can show God’s love by helping and caring for others.”* |
| **PREPARATION** | Watch this video. <https://youtu.be/i7JPEuVjCPc> |
| **VISUALS** | Families in neighborhood |
| **PRAYER** | Dear Jesus, thank You for loving us. Please give us hearts full of kindness and compassion. Help us to care for others just like You care for us. Amen.” |
| **BIG WORD TIME** | **Lesson Recap and Introduction:**  Hello children, I hope you are enjoying your holidays.  Last week, we concluded lessons on the Fruit of the Holy Spirit. **What are the Fruit of the Spirit?**  **Show the children two pictures**:   * One of a child sad and hungry. * One of a child being hugged and cared for.   *Which child do you think feels loved? Which child do you think needs help? How can we show love to people like this?”*  Today, is another really, really, really special Sunday. It’s Watoto Neighborhood Sunday.  A special Sunday where we talk about things we do as Watoto Church to care for children who don’t have a mum and dad.  God wants us to take care of people who are sad or alone.  Say it together with hand motions:   * “God wants us” (point up) * “to take care of” (hug yourself) * “people who are sad” (make a sad face) * “or alone” (hold out empty hands).   Let’s read **James 1:27**  *“Pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows ...”*  As God’s children, this is what God wants us to do. We can **“Kind and Caring”** for these children. That’s our Topic, today.  Let’s get into our crews and learn more. |
| **CREW TIME** | **Preparation:** Think about a time you were kind and caring and share it with the children. Read more about Watoto and how we can partner with the church in caring for the orphans in Watoto and the widows in Watoto Neighborhood. For the video in the lesson, you can use your smartphone to watch with the children.  **Presentation:**  In our crew today, we are going learn more about being **“Kind and Caring”.**   1. Who are people we can take care of when they are sad or need help? 2. How do you feel when someone helps you? 3. What can you do this week to show that you are kind and caring?   Being kind and caring means we notice when someone is sad, lonely, or in need, and we do something to help. You can share your toy, give a hug, or pray for them.”  Through Watoto, we have been able to be kind and caring for others as a church.  Let’s watch this video together. <https://youtu.be/i7JPEuVjCPc>  As Watoto Church, we encourage each other to do these 3 things to fulfill the verse we read in James 1:27 to be **“Kind and Caring”.**   1. Pray for Watoto Children and the Neighborhood mothers. 2. Sponsor or make a donation towards the ministry. It can be as a family, as a class in your school, or even with your friends. Only 70,000 per month. 3. Visit the Watoto Villages as a family, as a class in your school, or even with your friends, and see what God is doing when we work together and care for the orphans and the widows. |
| **PRAYER** | Jesus, please give me a kind heart. Help me care for others who are sad or need help. I want to love like You. Amen |
| **CONCLUSION** | You can be kinder and caring to your friends who have either lost one or 2 of their parents. It hurts to lose a parents but like you saw in the video when we come and care for them, it gives them hope and a smile on their faces to live another day.  Altar Call. |
| **WEEKLY CHALLENGE** | Talk to your family about what you learn today and how you can be **“Kind and Caring”.** |
| **MEMORY VERSE** | **James 1:27 NLT**  *“Pure and genuine religion in the sight of God the Father means caring for orphans and widows.”* |