# Summer 2019 JUNIOR CT: Real Love

#### Main Points Each Week:

<u>Lesson 1: June 3-8</u> Real Love is Kind

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#### Week 1: June 3-8

"How do you show real love?"

"I choose to be kind, because God has been kind to me." God's Truth: Ephesians 4:32 (NIRV)

Be kind and tender to one another. Forgive one another, just as God forgave you because of what Christ has done.

### Totlights:

Teach the new short verse (the portion in red) and sign language.

#### Minilights and Dynamites:

- Teach the new declaration and short verse with sign language.
- Listen to 'Chapter 1a' of the new story, Preschool Version.

#### Junior Classes with 10 minute CT: Real Love is Kind

- 1. Teach the Declaration and full Verse.
- 2. Listen to Chapter 1a of "Miracle at Redimere House"
  - a. "Who is Mama Addie?" (She is the house mom at an orphanage where 20 girls live)
  - b. "Who is Mettie?" (She is the newest girl at the orphanage; Mama Addie brought her there so the street cleaners would not take her to the workhouse)
  - c. "What did Mettie do in today's story?" (She tore apart Felicity's special doll)

#### 3. Lesson: Real Love is Kind

- This story we are listening to this summer is going to help us learn about what <u>real love</u> is like.
- b. Real love is kind to others, even when they don't deserve it just like Mama Addie was kind to Mettie and gave her a place to live, even though she was mean and didn't deserve it.

#### 4. Application

- a. Real love comes from God. God is kind to us, even when we don't deserve it.
- b. God has shown you kindness by giving you a family!
- c. God has shown all of us kindness by creating the sunshine and the beautiful outdoors for us to play in!

What is another example I can give to my students of kindness that God has shown to them?			

#### Week 2: June 10-15

#### "How do you show real love?"

"I choose to be kind, because God has been kind to me." God's Truth: Ephesians 4:32 (NIRV)

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### Totlights:

Practice short verse (the portion in red) and sign language.

### Minilights and Dynamites:

- Practice declaration and short verse with sign language.
- Listen to 'Chapter 1b' of the story, Preschool Version.

#### Junior Classes with 10 minute CT:

1. Practice the Declaration and full verse.

#### 2. Review Last Week's Story and listen to Chapter 1b of "Miracle at Redimere House"

- a. Review:
  - i. Mettie is a new girl at the Redimere House orphanage. Girls who do not have homes of their own live there, and Mama Addie takes care of them. Mettie is NOT kind– in last week's story she tore apart Felicity's special doll.
- b. After listening to this week's story:
  - i. Where did Mama Addie take Mettie? (She led her into the kitchen to sit down with her)
  - ii. What did Mama Addie want to do? (She wanted to scold Mettie for what she had done)
  - iii. What did Mama Addie do instead? (She gave Mettie a roll to eat, and she wondered if she could dig any goodness out of Mettie).

#### 3. Lesson: Kindness is Generous

- a. What does it mean to be **generous**? (Being generous means giving away what you have to others, even if it is hard for you.)
- b. How was Mama Addie generous in today's story? (She gave a bread roll to Mettie, even though Mettie had just been very mean to someone else.)

#### 4. Application

- a. Real love is kind, and part of being kind is being generous.
- b. How can you be generous today? (Give your quarter for the candy machine to someone else to enjoy; Give up your place in line to someone behind you.)

### **Planning:**

How can I model generosity to my students this week?

#### Week 3: June 17-22

#### "How do you show real love?"

"I choose to be kind, because God has been kind to me." God's Truth: Ephesians 4:32 (NIRV)

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### Totlights:

Practice short verse (the portion in red) and sign language.

#### Minilights and Dynamites:

- Practice declaration and short verse with sign language.
- Listen to 'Chapter 2a' of the story, Preschool Version.

#### Junior Classes with 10 minute CT:

1. Practice the Declaration and full verse.

#### 2. Review Last Week's Story and listen to Chapter 2a of "Miracle at Redimere House"

- a. Review:
  - Mettie is the new girl at the Redimere House orphanage that no one likes. After she tore
    apart Felicity's special doll, Mama Addie wanted to scold her. Instead, she took her to
    the kitchen, gave her a bread roll to eat, and thought about how to find goodness in
    Mettie.
- b. After listening to this week's story:
  - i. Why is Mettie so angry in today's story? (She doesn't like how she was being disciplined for destroying Felicity's doll)
  - ii. What did Mama Addie decide that Mettie had to do? (Mama Addie decided that Mettie would have to stay in her room for a while and be separated from the other girls)
  - iii. What did Mettie do in the study? (She threw all the books onto the floor)

#### 3. Lesson: I Can Choose to be Kind

a. The other girls in the house just want Mettie to leave, but Mama Addie tells them that what Mettie needs is a family who loves her.

#### 4. Application

- a. Has anyone ever been mean to you? (Yes; \_\_\_\_ has taken my toys; stuck their tongue out at me; cut in front of me in line; told me that they don't like me)
- b. How can you choose to be kind to that person, even when they are mean to you? (I can smile at them; I can tell them God loves them; I can give them something I have that they would like;)

### **Planning:**

What is another real life example I can give to my students of showing kindness when someone is mean? \_\_\_\_

### Week 4: June 24-29 (CLOSED next week, July 1-6)

#### "How do you show real love?"

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#### Totlights:

Practice short verse (the portion in red) and sign language.

#### Minilights and Dynamites:

- Practice declaration and short verse with sign language.
- Listen to 'Chapter 2b' of the story, Preschool Version.

#### Junior Classes with 10 minute CT:

1. Practice the Declaration and full verse.

#### 2. Review Last Week's Story and listen to Chapter 2b of "Miracle at Redimere House"

- a. Review:
  - Mettie was angry because she didn't like how she was being disciplined for destroying Felicity's doll; She throws all the books in the study on the floor; The other girls wish Mettie would leave, but Mama Addie tells them that Mettie needs a family who loves her.
- b. After listening to this week's story:
  - i. Mama Addie asks if any of the girls would help her clean up the books. What does Felcity say? (Felicity says "NEVER!")
  - ii. Who ends up helping Mama Addie? (Sandra decides to help Mama Addie clean up)
  - iii. How did Sandra feel after she helped pick up Mettie's mess? (She was happy inside!)

#### 3. Lesson: God Shows Us What Real Love Is

- a. Maybe we haven't all torn apart someone's doll, but all of us have done bad things that deserve a punishment.
- b. Jesus Christ showed us real love by taking the punishment for the bad things we have done, and dying on the cross.
- c. Because God's son Jesus showed us such great love, we can show real love to others.

#### 4. Application

- a. Always remember this: God gave his son Jesus to die on the cross because He loves you and wanted to take the punishment for the bad things you have done.
- b. God always loves you, no matter how good or bad you are.

How has God's love impacted <b>my</b> life?	

### Week 5: July 8-13

#### "How do you show real love?"

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### Totlights:

Practice short verse (the portion in red) and sign language.

#### Minilights and Dynamites:

- Practice declaration and short verse with sign language.
- Listen to 'Chapter 3a' of the story, Preschool Version.

#### Junior Classes with 10 minute CT:

1. Practice the Declaration and full verse.

#### 2. Review Last Week's Story and listen to Chapter 3a of "Miracle at Redimere House"

- a. Review:
  - i. Mama Addie asked the girls if anyone would help her clean up Mettie's mess. Felicity said "NEVER!", because she was so upset about how mean Mettie was to her. But Sandra agreed to help Mama Addie, and when she was done, she felt happy inside!
- b. After listening to this week's story:
  - i. Why was Mettie confused when she woke up from her nap? (She had been happy about the big mess she made, but the room wasn't a mess! Had it been a dream?)
  - ii. Why didn't Mama Addie have a bread roll at dinner that night? (She had given her roll to Mettie earlier that day.)
  - iii. Mettie helps with the dishes that night, and Mama Addie is very pleased. But it says that Mettie has a plan to get back at Mama Addie. What could her plan be? (???)

#### 3. Lesson: Kindness Believes People Can Change

- a. Mama Addie continues to show love to Mettie, even though Mettie does not deserve it.
- b. Mama Addie is an example of great kindness, because she believes that Mettie can change.

#### 4. Application

- a. Think of a time when someone did something mean to you. What did you think about that person? (I thought they were mean; the worst friend ever; a terrible person.)
- b. Kindness believes that when you show real love, a person can change. Next time someone is mean to you, what is something better you can think about them? (*This person could change and become more kind if I show them love instead of fighting back!*)

#### **Planning:**

What will I choose to *believe* about my challenging student this week? \_\_\_\_\_

### Week 6: July 15-20

#### "How do you show real love?"

"I choose to be kind, because God has been kind to me." God's Truth: Ephesians 4:32 (NIRV)

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### Totlights:

Practice short verse (the portion in red) and sign language.

#### Minilights and Dynamites:

- Practice declaration and short verse with sign language.
- Listen to 'Chapter 3b' of the story, Preschool Version.

#### Junior Classes with 10 minute CT:

1. Practice the Declaration and full verse.

### 2. Review Last Week's Story and listen to Chapter 3b of "Miracle at Redimere House"

- a. Review:
  - i. Mettie was confused when she woke up from her nap and found the big mess she had made all cleaned up. Even though Mama Addie is being so kind to Mettie, Mettie is making a secret plan to get back at Mama Addie. Mettie volunteers to wash the dishes that night.
- b. After listening to this week's story:
  - i. While Mettie does the dishes, she is memorizing where everything goes in the kitchen and looking for a good hiding place. What could she be planning to do? (???)
  - ii. After dinner, Mama Addie leads devotions with the girls and talks about God's love. Why doesn't Mettie like this? (She thinks it is a bunch of lies; She doesn't think God loves her)
  - iii. What are the words that Mettie can't forget at the end of the story? ("Much loved!")

#### 3. Lesson: God is Kind, and He Loves You

- a. The bible tells us that God is kind, and that He loves us.
- b. God created sun, rain, animals, and flowers for us to enjoy. God is always watching over us.

#### 4. Application

a. Ask God to show you the ways he is kind and loving towards you today, and be on the lookout!

How can I point out God's love and kindness to my students during class today?		

### Week 7: July 22-27

#### "How do you show real love?"

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### Totlights:

Practice short verse (the portion in red) and sign language.

#### Minilights and Dynamites:

- Practice declaration and short verse with sign language.
- Listen to 'Chapter 4a' of the story, Preschool Version.

#### Junior Classes with 10 minute CT:

1. Practice the Declaration and full verse.

### 2. Review Last Week's Story and listen to Chapter 4a of "Miracle at Redimere House"

- a. Review:
  - i. Mettie is helping with chores and doing the dishes, but she is making up some kind of mean plan while she does it. Mettie does not like devotions, when Mama Addie talks about God's love and kindness. She thinks it is a bunch of lies... but she can't forget the words "Much loved!".
- b. After listening to this week's story:
  - i. What does Mama Addie notice when she opens the bag of vegetables? (Many of them are gone)
  - ii. Since the vegetables are disappearing, what is happening to the girls? (They are getting less food; everyone gets smaller bowls of soup; they feel hungry at night)
  - iii. What does Felicity discover that Mettie is doing? (Mettie is stealing vegetables, hiding them, and then eating them when no one is looking.)

#### 3. Lesson: Sometimes It Is Hard To Be Kind

- a. Mama Addie has worked very hard to be kind to Mettie, and Mettie still hasn't changed!
- b. What are some things Mama Addie has done for Mettie? (Let her stay at the orphanage even though she is mean to the girls; Given up some of her own food; Believed Mettie would change)

#### 4. Application

a. How can you keep being kind when the other person is not kind back to you? (Don't fight back; Think of something nice you can say; Remember that God loves me AND He loves them.)

### **Planning:**

On a personal level, what "difficult person" is God challenging you to show kindness to in your own life? \_\_\_\_

### Week 8: July 29-August 3

#### "How do you show real love?"

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### Totlights:

Practice short verse (the portion in red) and sign language.

### Minilights and Dynamites:

- Practice declaration and short verse with sign language.
- Listen to 'Chapter 4b' of the story, Preschool Version.

#### Junior Classes with 10 minute CT:

1. Practice the Declaration and full verse.

#### 2. Review Last Week's Story and listen to Chapter 4b of "Miracle at Redimere House"

- a. Review:
  - i. Mama Addie notices that the vegetables are disappearing. The girls are not getting enough to eat, and they are going to bed hungry. Felicity discovers that Mettie is stealing vegetables and hiding them for herself, then eating them when no one is looking.
- b. After listening to this week's story:
  - i. How did Mama Addie feel when she learned that Mettie was stealing food? (She was surprised and sad. She was upset that Mettie had been pretending to be helpful with the chores, but was just fooling everyone and stealing food.)
  - ii. How did the girls feel when they found out that Mettie had been stealing food? (They felt that Mettie should be punished with extra work, or kicked out of the house.)

#### 3. Lesson: Kindness Is Tender and Gentle

- a. Our verse says to be kind and tender. What do you think it means to be tender? (????)
- b. Being tender means to be gentle, and considerate of the other person's feelings.

#### 4. Application

a. When someone does something mean to you, how can thinking of that person's feelings help you to be more kind? (I can remember that maybe something bad happened to them, and that is why they are being mean to me; I can remember that they need love and encouragement.)

How can I encourage my students to be 'tender' today and consider each other's <i>feelings</i> ?	

### Week 9: August 5-10

#### "How do you show real love?"

"I choose to be kind, because God has been kind to me." God's Truth: Ephesians 4:32 (NIRV)

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### Totlights:

Practice short verse (the portion in red) and sign language.

### Minilights and Dynamites:

- Practice declaration and short verse with sign language.
- Listen to 'Chapter 5a' of the story, Preschool Version.

#### Junior Classes with 10 minute CT:

1. Practice the Declaration and full verse.

#### 2. Review Last Week's Story and listen to Chapter 5a of "Miracle at Redimere House"

- a. Review:
  - i. Mama Addie was sad and upset to learn that Mettie was stealing food. Mettie had fooled Mama Addie into thinking she was helping, when she was really just sneaking food and making everyone else hungrier. The girls were upset when they found out, and they wanted Mettie to be kicked out of the house.
- b. After listening to this week's story:
  - i. What story did Mama Addie tell the girls? (She told them the story of when she was a girl)
  - ii. After Mama Addie's parents died, what did she realize about herself? (She was selfish; She didn't listen to her parents; She didn't notice how hard they worked for her)
  - iii. What did God teach Addie after she had to move to orphanages and workhouses? (God showed Addie that He loved her very much, and that she had been wrong not to listen to her parents.)

#### 3. Lesson: Someone Needs Your Kindness

- a. Mama Addie knew what it was like to be a selfish, disobedient child that had lost their parents. She felt for Mettie, because she once had been like her.
- b. Mettie was mean on the outside, because she didn't feel like anyone loved her on the inside.

#### 4. Application

a. When someone is being mean on the outside, what do you think they need the most on the inside? (They need to feel loved; to feel included; to feel like someone cares about them)

### **Planning:**

What opportunity to show kindness will I point out to my students?

### Week 10: August 12-17

#### "How do you show real love?"

"I choose to be kind, because God has been kind to me." God's Truth: Ephesians 4:32 (NIRV)

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### Totlights:

Practice short verse (the portion in red) and sign language.

### Minilights and Dynamites:

- Practice declaration and short verse with sign language.
- Listen to 'Chapter 5b' of the story, Preschool Version.

#### Junior Classes with 10 minute CT:

1. Practice the Declaration and full verse.

#### 2. Review Last Week's Story and listen to Chapter 5b of "Miracle at Redimere House"

- a. Review:
  - i. Mama Addie tells the girls a story of how she was a selfish girl who disobeyed her parents and did not appreciate how hard they worked to provide for her. Then when her parents both died, she had to live in orphanages and workhouses, and she realized how terrible she had been to her parents.
- b. After listening to this week's story:
  - i. What did Addie learn about why God sent his son Jesus into the world? (She learned that Jesus came to take the punishment for wrong things we have done including for the wrong things she had done to her parents. She learned that God loved her and forgave her for the bad things she had done.)
  - ii. Why does Mama Addie want to be kind to Mettie? (Because God has been kind to her)
  - iii. After listening to Mama Addie's story, how do the girls treat Mettie? (They start showing kindness and love to her.)

#### 3. Lesson: Kindness Is Attentive

- a. Showing kindness means being attentive. What do you think it means to be attentive? (???)
- b. Being attentive means to pay close attention and to observe carefully.

#### 4. Application

- a. Practice being attentive: quietly observe the person next to you for one minute. What are they wearing? Do they look happy? Sad? Tired? (Let students share what they observed!)
- b. The more you notice about someone, the better you can know their needs and show kindness!

#### **Planning:**

How else will I get my students to practice being attentive throughout this week's class?

### Week 11: August 19-24

#### "How do you show real love?"

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### Totlights:

Practice short verse (the portion in red) and sign language.

### Minilights and Dynamites:

- Practice declaration and short verse with sign language.
- Listen to 'Chapter 6a' of the story, Preschool Version.

#### Junior Classes with 10 minute CT:

1. Practice the Declaration and full verse.

#### 2. Review Last Week's Story and listen to Chapter 6a of "Miracle at Redimere House"

- a. Review:
  - i. Mama Addie was selfish and disobedient as a girl, and then she lost both of her parents. She realized the bad things she had done, and learned that God loved her and had forgiven her for those things. Now she wants to show kindness to Mettie, because God showed kindness to her. The girls start trying to show love to Mettie too!
- b. After listening to this week's story:
  - i. What happened to Mettie when three little girls gave her flowers and a kind note? (She cried, and wondered how anyone could love someone like her.)
  - ii. How did Mettie act once she believed that she was loved? (Mettie let the little girls sit with her; She wanted to hear more about God's love during devotions.)
  - iii. After Mettie started changing for the good, what bad thing started happening again? (Food started disappearing.)

#### 3. Lesson: Kindness Can Start A Miracle

- a. What is a miracle? (A miracle is when something that seems impossible comes true!)
- b. How did kindness start a miracle in Mettie? (It seemed impossible for Mettie to be loving and kind, but finally the little girls' kindness changed her, and she became loving towards them!)

#### 4. Application

a. The little girls surprised Mettie with their kindness. How can you surprise someone with kindness? (Pick flowers for someone; write a kind note to someone; help someone else clean up their mess even though it isn't your job!)

What is another idea you have for you students of how to surprise someone with kindness?	

### Week 12: Aug 26-28 & Sep 4-7 (Wed gets two week 12's)

#### "How do you show real love?"

"I choose to be kind, because God has been kind to me." God's Truth: Ephesians 4:32 (NIRV)

Be kind and tender to one another. Forgive one another, just as God forgave you because of what Christ has done.

### Totlights:

Practice short verse (the portion in red) and sign language.

#### Minilights and Dynamites:

- Practice declaration and short verse with sign language.
- Listen to 'Chapter 6b' of the story, Preschool Version.

#### Junior Classes with 10 minute CT:

1. Practice the Declaration and full verse.

### 2. Review Last Week's Story and listen to Chapter 6b of "Miracle at Redimere House"

- a. Review:
  - i. Three little girls gave Mettie flowers and a kind note. Mettie finally realized that she was loved, and began to show kindness to the girls. She wanted to learn more about God's love. But after Mettie changed for the good, food began disappearing again.
- b. After listening to this week's story:
  - i. What did Mettie wake up to hear and see one night? (She heard a raspy sound, and saw a shadow by the corner of the house.)
  - ii. Who did Mama Addie and Mettie catch? (They caught two skinny girls who were sneaking into the kitchen through the stove pipe to steal food!)
  - iii. Who did the girls turn out to be? (The girls turned out to be Mettie's sisters who she had been separated from a long time ago!)
  - iv. What did everyone at Redimere House do once Mettie's sisters were discovered? (They showed them love and kindness, and brought them into their family.)

#### 3. Lesson: Kindness Forgives

- a. What does it mean to forgive someone? (???)
- b. To forgive someone means to let go of the wrong things they did to you, and that you will **not** try to "get them back".
- c. To forgive someone means to keep loving them, even though they did something wrong.

#### 4. Application

a. We can forgive others when they do bad things, because God forgives us for our wrongs!

#### **Planning:**

What is a tangible way you can show God's love or forgiveness to a student this week?