



# **RESPECT STARTS WITH ME: MAKING A DIFFERENCE!**

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KIDS ASSEMBLY TOPIC

**2024 Kids Assembly Topic for July**

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## OBJECTIVES

At the end of the session, the kids should be able to:

- Understand what respect is.
- Appreciate the importance of the virtue of respect in their lives.
- Learn how to be more respectful as children to their loved ones.

## MOTIVATION

**Activity: Respect Song**

Watch this video:

[Respect Song](#)

- You can also teach the dance/steps of the song. This is optional.

## Processing:

Respect is one of the most important virtues we can learn. To have respect means to treat others as you want to be treated. When we respect one another, it helps our world become a better place. Let us remember that respect is not just for you and me; it is for everyone. By respecting one another, we show love to our neighbors and honor God.

## EXPANDED OUTLINE



### I. HEAD

Respect is caring enough to consider how your words and actions impact others. Treating someone with respect means interacting with them in a way that shows you care about their well-being and feelings. When you respect someone, you treat them kindly and use good manners. Sometimes it means doing things for them or listening to their instructions. There are many ways we can show respect to others.



### II. HEART

Respecting each other is one of the important values we learn, forming the basis of good relationships. This is because respect teaches us to care about how our words and actions affect others. And for us to show respect and become more respectful, we need to do the following:

#### 1. LISTEN ATTENTIVELY

When you listen attentively to someone, you show them that their words and thoughts are important to you, just as they are important to them. It means giving them your full attention without interrupting or thinking about something else. This shows respect and love because it acknowledges their value and demonstrates that you care about what they have to say. Just as you want your parents or siblings to listen when you have something to say, listening attentively shows love and respect to them.

*(For example, in class, when your teacher or a friend is talking, you can show respect by looking at them, not talking over them, nodding to show you understand, and saying 'opo' or 'po'.)*

## **2. USE KIND WORDS**

You respect others by using kind words. Treating others with gentleness and consideration is a way to show respect. It means speaking to others in a way that encourages them, rather than using words that could hurt or offend them. Simple words like 'please,' 'thank you,' and 'sorry' show that you respect others' feelings and appreciate them. Additionally, when speaking to someone older, you can say 'po' and 'opo' as a sign of respect.

*(For example, thanking your sibling for helping you with your assignment or saying sorry if you accidentally upset someone shows that you care about them.)*

## **3. OBEY**

Obeying others means willingly following their instructions and guidance. It shows respect for someone who is older or more knowledgeable, such as parents, teachers, and elders. Obedience demonstrates that you value their wisdom and experience.

*(For example, if your mom asks you to clean your room, following her request shows that you respect her instructions and appreciate her role in your life. Obeying her not only fulfills a task but also communicates your love and consideration for her. Similarly, listening to your teacher's instructions in class shows that you respect their authority and are willing to learn from them, helping to create a positive and productive learning environment.)*

*“Respect everyone, love other believers, honor God, and respect the King.”*

**- 1 Peter 2:17**

Respecting others by listening well, using kind words, and following rules shows our love and care for them. Listening shows that others matter, kind words bring comfort, and following rules keeps things fair. Remember that respect helps us get along with others and creates a better place for us to live. It teaches us to treat everyone kindly and show love to our friends, family, and most importantly, to God. By practicing these behaviors, we can build better relationships with others and strengthen our relationship with God, becoming better children of Him!



### III. ACTIVITY: Arts and Crafts

**Activity:** Respect and Care for Things (Coloring Activity, See Appendix A)

**Materials:**

- Printed coloring page/paper (see attachment for sample)
- Markers / crayons / color pens

**Mechanics:**

Have the children color the pictures.

### B. FIRST STEPS (5-7 years old) & FOOTSTEPS (8-10 years old)

**Activity:** Flower of good Manners

**Materials:**

- Colored Paper
- Scissor
- Color Pens
- Glue



**Instructions:**


1. Choose colored paper to represent the petals, leaves, and stem of the flower.
2. Draw the petals, leaves, and stem on the colored paper.
3. Cut out the drawn petals, leaves, and stem.
4. Write on the petals the things you can do to show respect to others.
5. Glue the petals and leaves to the stem to assemble the flower.

*See Appendix B for the peg of the finish output.*

**C. STEP UP (11-12 years old)**

**Activity:** Group Discussion

**Discussion Question:**

- When do you find it difficult to show respect to the people around you?
  - What can you do to become more respectful?
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## **RECITATION OF MFC KIDS PROMISE**

### **1. I will imitate Jesus.**

I will pray to God and read the Bible every day.

I will make Jesus as my role model by obeying rules and doing good in school.

### **2. I will be a good family member.**

I will be a good son/daughter to my parents by obeying and respecting them.

I will be a good sister/brother to my siblings through sharing and supporting them.

### **3. I will be an active member of MFC Kids**

I will always attend and participate in all MFC Kids activities.

I will share my time, talents, and treasures to others especially to my brothers and sisters in MFC Kids

I will love, respect and be loyal to my MFC Kids family.

### **4. I will tell others about Jesus.**

I will love my brothers and sisters, relatives, and friends by doing good deeds every day that will reflect God's love.

I will serve in our Parish Church.

I will love the poor by sharing what I have with them



# Respect and care for things



APPENDIX B



**Dear Parents/Guardians,**

Thank you for allowing your kids to attend our Kids Assembly this month and for joining us in the conviction that they are never too young to know Christ. We appreciate your love and dedication to bringing your child/ren closer to the Lord. Our topic this month is about cultivating a respectful heart. They have learned that respect enables us to love others even more.

As parents, we can help them to become more respectful by encouraging them to do the following activities:

**1. Role-playing Scenarios** - Create scenarios where children can practice showing respect, such as greeting elders, listening attentively, or sharing toys with siblings. Play games where children can also take on roles of parents or teachers, learning firsthand the responsibilities and respect involved.

**2. Discussion Time & Family Rules** - Together as a family, you can have a family discussion on how you can respect one another even more. Have open discussions about respecting differences, cultures, and opinions, encouraging empathy and understanding. Talk about rules and responsibilities in your family. Involve children in setting family rules that emphasize respectful communication and behavior.

**3. Acts of Kindness** - Encourage children to perform acts of kindness and respect, such as helping with chores without being asked or writing thank-you notes. You can challenge them to perform acts of kindness and respect towards each other throughout the week. Keep track of these acts and celebrate them together at the end of the week.

After doing the activities, we encourage you to post these on your social media accounts so that you can inspire other parents and families to journey with their kids. Use these hashtags - #MFCKids #ParentChildActivity #MomentsThatMatter

Thank you very much and we hope to be with your kid/s next month!

**MFC Kids Team**