



FAMILY DISCUSSION GUIDE

WISDOM WEEK 4 LEARNING FROM YOUR MISTAKES

Family Discussion Kick-off

1. Kids **share** what happened during the past week.
2. **Check up** on past week's prayer requests and events.
3. **Discuss** the Discussion Kick-off question: **What would you do if you saw a dog vomit?**

Family Activity

You'll Need

- 1 set of carpet spots
- 1 Learn from Mistakes activity supplement

To Do

Say: Let's play a game that helps us learn from mistakes!

1. **Don't allow** kids to see activity supplement at all!
2. **Place** carpet spots in a 4x4 grid on floor. **Leave** about one foot between spots. **Note:** *Color doesn't matter.*
3. **Line** kids up next to the grid so they can see which spots the kids ahead of them choose to step on.
4. The first kid **tries to guess** the right path across the grid according to *Diagram 1* by **stepping** on the spots.
5. Each time the kid steps on a spot, **they wait** for you to **tell them** if they are "**safe**" and **can continue** *OR* if they must **go to the end of the line** because they chose a spot that corresponds with a Ⓞ on Diagram 1. **Note:** *Kids who are out still need to watch because they may go again if no one else completes the path.*
6. **Repeat steps 4 and 5** for the rest of the kids in line until a kid **makes it across the grid**.
7. **If time allows, repeat** game with a different diagram.

Family Discussion

Say the point and Bible verse together.

God can help me learn from my mistakes.

Proverbs 26:11 NLT

As a dog returns to its vomit, so a fool repeats his foolishness.

1. **What is it like when a person repeats the same mistake over and over?** *A dog who eats its puke*

Choose a few review questions.

1. **When is making a mistake a good thing?** *When you learn from it and try not to make it again*
2. **Think about the Bible story. When Peter made a huge mistake, what did he learn?** *If you make a mistake, Jesus still loves you, and He still has good plans for you.*
3. **You can learn from other people's mistakes, too. Talk about a mistake someone else made that you learned from.** *Answers will vary.*
4. **Think of a mistake you made. Share it with the group if you feel comfortable.** *Answers will vary.*
5. **What can you learn from the mistake you shared with us?** *Answers will vary.*

Choose an action step question.

1. **What can you do this week when you make a mistake?** *Learn from it, ask God to help me make a better choice next time, etc.*
2. **Share a mistake you make over and over. What do you think will help you quit making that mistake?** *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, thank You for forgiving us when we choose to follow Jesus. Please help us learn from our mistakes. In Jesus' name, amen.