Jam Session: Everyone has a part to play

Use this guide to help your family learn about cooperation.



First, watch this week's video!

Cooperation:
Working
together to do
more than you
can do alone

Memory Verse

"Two people are better than one. They can help each other in everything they do." Ecclesiastes 4:9, NIrV

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Bible Story

Building the Tabernacle Exodus 25:8-9; 28:1, 3; 31:1-11; 35:21, 25, 34; 39:42-43 Exodus 19, 25

Bottom Line

God wants us to work together.

Activity

String It Together

What You Need:

String, music player/smartphone

What You Do:

Tie the ends of the string together and create a circle. Place it on the floor. Call out some shapes for your child to make with the string, and challenge them to do it without letting go of the string. If they need your help, you can give them suggestions for how to move the string to complete the shape. (Your child will almost certainly need your help with some of the shapes, which will give you the chance to work together!)

Cue up a few fun songs your child likes to listen to, and then call out the following shapes:

- Square
- **■** Triangle
- **■** Rectangle
- Oval
- Figure eight
- Star
- Moon

When the activity is finished, say, "Great job creating shapes. Did you need any help to get the job done? We can always get more done when we work together, because two people are better than one!"

Talk About the Bible Story

Who in today's Bible story worked together? (God's people, the Israelites)

Do you think they would have gotten the special tent built if they hadn't worked together?

What are some good things that can happen when we cooperate?

Why do you think God made us to work together?

Parents: Talk about a time when you cooperated with someone else (a group or another person) to do something that you wouldn't have been able to do on your own.



Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"God, thank You for being here with us right now, listening to us pray. We read in the Bible that when two or three people pray together, it's a powerful thing. We pray together now that we would work together with others to do what matters most—showing Your love to other people. Remind us throughout our week that You want us to show cooperation. We love You. Amen!"