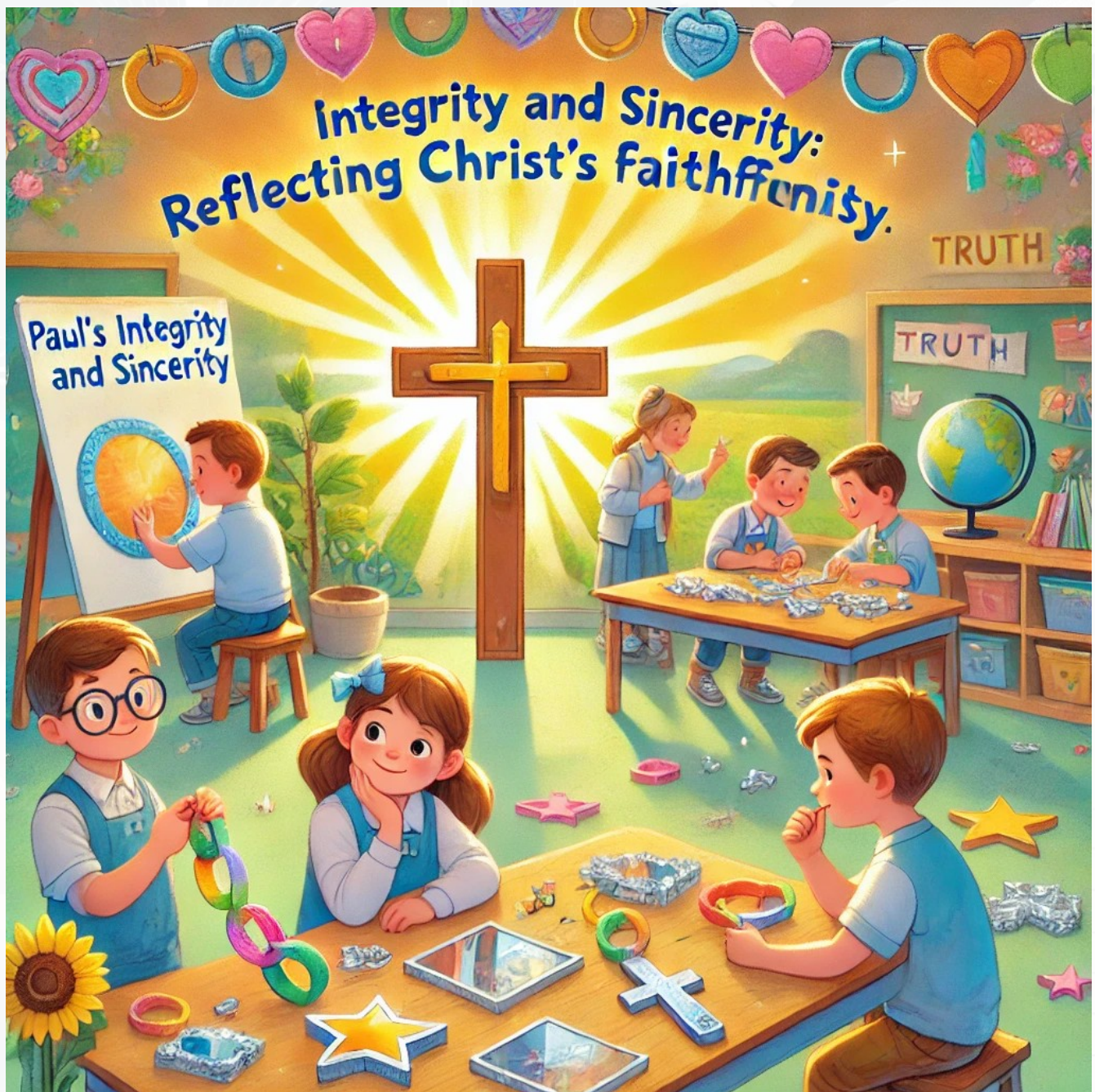




Paul's Integrity and Sincerity - Reflecting Christ's Faithfulness

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2 Corinthians 1:12 – "Now this is our boast: Our conscience testifies that we have conducted ourselves in the world, and especially in our relations with you, with integrity and godly sincerity. We have done so, relying not on worldly wisdom but on God's grace."

Setting the Scene

Key Concept: Integrity and sincerity mean being truthful, honest, and consistent in our words and actions. Paul teaches us to live in a way that reflects Christ's faithfulness by relying on God's grace rather than worldly wisdom.

Engaging Analogy:

"Imagine a mirror reflecting light. When the mirror is clean, it reflects light clearly. But if it's dirty or broken, the light becomes dim. In the same way, our lives reflect Christ's love and faithfulness when we live with integrity and sincerity. Our choices and actions make the reflection bright for others to see."

Can you think of a time when your actions reflected kindness or honesty to others?

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Invitation: Encourage participants to think about what it means to live with integrity and sincerity. Challenge them to consider how honesty and faithfulness reflect Jesus in their relationships and decisions.















Section 1: Reflect and Discuss

Reflection Questions

1. What does being honest mean to you?
2. Why is it important to be kind and truthful in what we say and do?
3. How can relying on God's grace help us make good choices?
4. Can you think of a time when being truthful made a situation better? How did it feel?
5. What does it mean to live with integrity?
6. Why is it important to be honest and sincere in what we say and do?
7. How can relying on God's grace help us make good choices?
8. Can you think of a time when being truthful made a situation better? How did it feel?

Family or Group Discussion

- Share examples of people in the Bible who showed integrity and sincerity, such as Daniel in the lion's den, Ruth's faithfulness to Naomi, or Jesus always speaking truth with love.
- Discuss real-life situations where it can be challenging to stay honest and how God helps us in those moments.



Section 2: Hands-On Activities

Activity 1: Truthful Mirror Craft

Objective: Create a craft that symbolizes how living with integrity reflects Christ's faithfulness.

Materials Needed:

- Paper plates
- Aluminum foil or shiny gift wrap
- Markers or crayons
- Stickers and glue

Instructions:

1. Cover the center of a paper plate with aluminum foil or shiny gift wrap to create a "mirror."
2. Around the "mirror," write words and phrases that describe integrity and sincerity, such as "Truth," "Kindness," and "Faithfulness."
3. Decorate the plate with stickers and designs that make the craft personal and meaningful.
4. Display the "mirror" as a reminder to live a life that reflects Christ's faithfulness.

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Activity 2: Integrity Scenarios Game

Objective: Practice making honest and sincere choices through role-playing.

Materials Needed:

- Cards with pre-written integrity scenarios (e.g., "You find money on the ground—do you keep it or try to find the owner?" "Your friend asks if you broke their toy—how do you respond?")

Instructions:

1. Divide participants into pairs or small groups.
2. Give each group a scenario card and ask them to role-play how they would respond with integrity.
3. After each scenario, discuss how their actions reflect Christ's faithfulness and why honesty matters.
4. Emphasize how God's grace gives us strength to make good choices even when it's difficult.



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Section 4: Closing Reflection and Prayer

Reflection:

- What is one way I can show integrity and sincerity this week?
- Encourage participants to think of a specific situation where they can reflect Christ's faithfulness by being truthful and sincere.

Prayer:

Lead a prayer thanking God for His faithfulness and asking for strength to live with integrity and sincerity in every situation. Pray for wisdom and courage to make honest choices that reflect Jesus.

