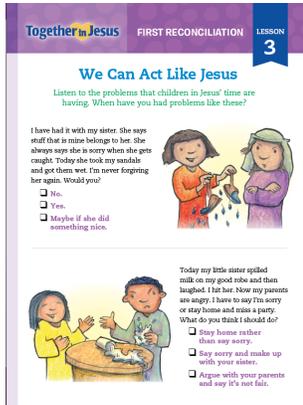


# Together in Jesus

## First Reconciliation Preparation Child's Book At-a-Glance

### Lesson 3 – We Can Act Like Jesus



### OVERVIEW

Lesson 3 explores what Jesus asks of his followers in his Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's Gospel. In this sermon Jesus introduces God's beatitude point of view, which promises life with God for people who seem unimportant in our world—the poor, meek, lowly, sorrowing and persecuted, mercy givers, and the pure of heart. Jesus reveals that beatitude or happiness with God is our ultimate call.

In the Sermon on the Mount Jesus tells us not only to keep the Ten Commandments, but to do even more—to love our enemies, to forgive those who hurt us, to go the extra mile, to make-up with people before we bring gifts to God, and to treat others the same way we want to be treated. These teachings challenge children as they do adults.

Lesson 3 lays careful groundwork for your child to hear Jesus' Sermon on the Mount at his or her own level. It invites your child to wrestle with practical dilemmas such as fights with brothers and sisters or helping others with errands. Lesson 3 situates these dilemmas in Jesus' time, but they are conflicts your child will find familiar. After your child wrestles with what to do, he or she asks Jesus what he thinks in a Gospel drama. This lesson aims to make clear and concrete ways Jesus calls his followers to love as he loves and as God loves all of us.

**Scripture:** The Scripture story will help your child to solve family and peer dilemmas and lead him or her concretely into what the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5–6) asks of Christians.

### VIDEOS

With your child, click [here](#) and select one or more of the suggested videos for Lesson 3.

### Objectives of Lesson 3

1. Your child will role-play common solutions to common children's conflicts.
2. Your child will dramatize the Sermon on the Mount and identify how Jesus asks him or her to handle conflicts.
3. Your child will recognize that Jesus, God's Son, became truly human while remaining truly God.
4. Your child will reflect on his or her own actions in following Jesus' way.

