**Lesson 8:** Proper Humanity – Kindness

Note: The practical applications provided in the lesson are offered as suggestions to help the saints in their preparation. They are not meant to direct or limit the ways in which the focus of the lesson can be applied. The saints are encouraged to pray and contact the Lord to receive His burden and guidance in teaching and applying the lesson. Fellowship with other saints, and inquiring of the children themselves, may also bring out many helpful applications.

**Verse:** "And be kind to one another” (Ephesians 4:32a)

**Focus:** We should be kind to our siblings, friends, and classmates.

**Scripture:** Luke 10:25-37

**Bible story:** One time, the Lord Jesus told his disciples a story. A man was on his way to the city of Jericho. Some bad men beat him and stole everything he had. The man was hurt and needed help. Along came two different men, but they did not stop. Then along came a Samaritan man. When he saw the hurt man, he stopped. He cleaned up the man’s wounds. He lifted the man onto his own donkey and took him to a good place to stay. The Samaritan man took care of the hurt man all night long. In the morning, the Samaritan man left money for the owner of the place to take good care of the hurt man until he returned. The Lord told people that they should all go and do what the Samaritan man did, in taking care of the hurt man.

**Practical Application:** We should be kind, or nice, to those around us. When someone around us gets hurt, we shouldn’t ignore them or make fun of them. Rather, we should ask them how they are feeling and do our best to help and care for that person. Discuss with the children what types of behavior show kindness and what do not. Share how our words can show kindness as well as our actions. Asking how someone is feeling may be an act of kindness; including others in an activity may also be an act of kindness. Discuss with the children how they feel when someone is kind to them versus when someone is mean to them. Encourage them also to take care of their siblings or friends when they are hurt.

**Suggested Songs:** 19 (When We’re Kind to Others); 191 (This Little Light of Mine); Vessels Unto Honor # 4 (What Kind of Sharer Does Everybody Love); Vessels Unto Honor #7 (No One Likes to Be Left Out)