

# ONE CONVERSATION™

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

## BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE

**LUKE 10:38-42**

Concept: Conflict Among Christians

**THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE:** We typically assume conflict means there is a “good guy” and a “bad guy.” But conflict does not always mean someone is in the wrong. It’s not always about who’s right and who’s wrong. It’s about what should be our focus and priority in each situation. Jesus shows us that even in the midst of conflict, He should be our priority.

### PRESCHOOL



**LUKE 10:38-42**

**LIFE POINT:** God comes first.

- Why was Martha angry with her sister?
- What did Jesus tell Martha?
- How was Mary thinking about God first?

**LIVE IT OUT:** Talk about the following situations: eat a cookie or share a cookie; watch TV or read the Bible; go to the park or go to church. Help your child decide which of the choices God would want her to do.

### KIDS



**LUKE 10:38-42**

**LIFE POINT:** God is the best option, and He wants to be the priority in your life.

- Why was Martha angry with her sister?
- How was Mary showing that she was making God a priority in her life?

**LIVE IT OUT:** Give your child a sheet of paper and pen. Ask her to list all her favorite activities and then to rank them from most to least favorite. Explain that these are her priorities. Discuss ways she might rearrange some of her priorities to put God first in her life.

### STUDENTS



**LUKE 10:38-42**

**THE POINT:** Conflict can arise because of different priorities.

- What caused the silliest argument you’ve ever had?
- What helps you decide among good, better, and best?

**LIVE IT OUT:** Your student has been encouraged to do one or both Live It Out activities in the Personal Study Guide. Here are some suggested ways to help your student:

*If she chose to do **Good or Best**:*

- Ask your student if she will share her “Good or Best” list with you.
- Let your student know that she can come to you with questions about “gray” areas of her faith.

*If she chose to complete **Watch and Reflect**:*

- Help her determine what decisions were good and what would be best in each situation presented in the movie.
- Pray for your student to choose the *best* thing when she makes decisions this week.

Have a conversation around this quote: “The truth of the matter is that you always know the right thing to do. The hard part is doing it.”<sup>1</sup> —General Norman Schwarzkopf

1. Kevin Kruse, “Norman Schwarzkopf: 10 Quotes on Leadership and War,” *Forbes*, 27 December 2012. <http://www.forbes.com> (accessed 25 February 2013).