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HOME DISCUSSION GUIDE
for Elementary

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Lesson 12

Open Eyes

“Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed.”

Isaiah 1:17

Read Luke 18:35-43 aloud to your kids. This short story is about Bartimaeus, the blind man who called out to Jesus. People around him told him to be quiet and thought Jesus would ignore him. But Jesus had the man brought to Him, asked him what he wanted and then healed him. Everyone rejoiced and praised God—but ask: **Why do you think the people told him to be quiet? Why didn't Jesus ignore him? What does this mean for us? How do we treat people whom others might want to ignore?**

Try This:

Ask your kids, **Who are the people at school or church that other kids tend to ignore or make fun of?** They will know! Talk about why they think these people are treated this way. Then brainstorm a list of things your kids can do to follow Jesus' example of loving others—even others most people want to ignore. Pray with them, asking God's help to follow through. And be sure to talk about it in days to come!