

## **TAKE A STAND** (*application activity*)

**What You Need:** “Take a Stand” Activity Page, Super Hero Capes if you have them or a towel, blanket anything that can be made into a cape

### **What You Do:**

Have child/kids put on a cape. Guide each child to find a spot and crouch down. Read a scenario from the “Take a Stand” Activity Page. If the child in the scenario chose to stand for what is right, the kids should pop up and strike a super hero pose;

if the child in the scenario didn’t stand for what is right, kids stay crouched down and frozen.

### **What You Say:**

We learned that God wants us to stand for what is right. What does it mean to stand for what is right? (*To do the right thing; to do the right thing even when others don’t; to do the right thing even when it’s hard.*) Exactly! To stand for what’s right means to do the right thing no matter what. It means to do the right thing even when others aren’t, and it means to do the right thing even when it’s hard. Do super heroes stand for what’s right? You bet! How did the kids in our scenarios stand for what is right? (*Allow several answers to be given.*)

*(Share a child appropriate way you practice conviction by doing the right thing again and again, such as by obeying the speed limit, being kind to people that others ignore, telling people about Jesus even when you’re scared, etc.)*

Can you name some ways you will choose to stand for what’s right even when others don’t? Great ideas! It’s always good to stand for what is right even when others don’t.

## **SUPER SCRAMBLE** (*review the Bible story*)

**What You Need:** “Super Scramble Cards” Activity Pages, (*optional*) poster board cut into shape of a super hero cape, tape

### **What You Do:**

Scramble the cards on table or floor, reserving the large story card for yourself. Place the red super hero cape in the center of the table or tape it to a wall.

Read the story aloud from the card and, as you read, encourage kids to find and place the Super Scramble Cards in line order or on the super hero cape if you made one. By the end of the story, all of the pictures should show the events in order. Have child/kids tell the story to you using the pictures (adjusting any that may be out of sequence). During this last retelling, encourage the kids to tell you what happened when Jesus showed conviction.

### **What You Say:**

“Excellent job telling our story today! Did Jesus do the right thing even when it was hard? Yes! Jesus chose to do what God wanted Him to do even though it was VERY hard.

**“Jesus showed us how to stand for what’s right.”**

He prayed for another way, but He willingly gave up what He wanted for what God wanted because He knew it was the right thing to do. He gave up His life to save you and me! Talk about love!!

When we remember how Jesus showed conviction in the garden, we can remember to stand up for what’s right. It’s not always going to be easy, but just like Jesus prayed for God’s help, so can we. When we’re not sure how to do what God wants, we can simply ask. We can show our love for God by choosing to do what He wants instead of what we want. And you know what? Choosing what God wants instead of what we want will always work out better, because God loves us and wants what is best for us.

## **SUPER CAPES** (*memory verse activity*)

**What You Need:** “Super Capes” Activity Page, markers, hole punch, scissors, small strips of construction paper, small lollipops, small lengths of ribbon, tape

### **What You Do:**

First, look up the verse

Give each kid a Super Cape and tell them to cut the cape out from the template and punch out the hole at the top as indicated. Then, you may proceed in one of two directions:

*Option 1:* Tie ribbons through the hole on the cape and use it as a bookmark in their Bibles. Say the verse together a few times, and you could practice closing the Bible and opening it quickly to the memory verse (using their bookmark if wanted).

*Option 2:* Give each child a lollipop and show them how to place the lollipop stick through the hole in the cape. Let them draw eyes on the small construction paper strips and tape them around the lollipop to look like a super hero mask. Say the verse together a few times while assembling the pops, and then set the pops aside for later.

### **What You Say:**

This verse really reminds us of conviction! It can be hard standing up for what’s right and it’s easy to get tired of doing the right thing, but remember:

**“Jesus showed us how to stand for what’s right.”**

Even when He was tired and His friends all took a nap, Jesus showed conviction when He did what God wanted.”