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## A Matter of Trust

**Bible Story:** A Matter of Trust (Naaman and Elisha's Servant) • *2 Kings 5*

**Bottom Line:** When you're not truthful you lose trust.

**Memory Verse:** Anyone who lives without blame walks safely. But anyone who takes a crooked path will get caught. Proverbs 10:9 (NirV)

**Life App:** Integrity—Choosing to be truthful in whatever you say and do

### Activity #1- Bible Story

Parents, read through this week's Bible story with your child or check out our video teaching on this page. This week we are learning about Naaman and Elisha's servant and how he lost their trust when he was dishonest.

### Activity #2- A Chain Reaction

**What you need:** Dominoes

**What you do:**

- Have your child build a domino track by standing up dominos and placing them about half an inch apart, so that when one domino falls it knocks the next domino down.
- After they have created a couple of domino tracks say "You did a great job of setting up your dominos for a chain reaction. Integrity, like your domino tracks, can also result in a chain reaction—what you do and say affects not only you but other people too."
- Have your child knock over their domino track to illustrate the chain reaction that integrity can have on others.

### Activity #3- Discussion Questions

1. What can be a consequence of lying? Encourage them to give an example of how being dishonest can result in a chain reaction. Example: When I lie about finishing my homework to my parents, they may not believe me in the future when I tell them I got an A on my math test.
2. Why do you think integrity is so important? Why is it important for people to trust you? (Be prepared to share why it is important to you to be someone with integrity.)
3. What happens if we're dishonest with someone a few times in a row? How does that affect what that person thinks of us and our relationship with them?

4. When we choose to be dishonest, can we ever be sure our dishonesty won't affect anyone? Why or why not? *(Lead kids to understand that even if we don't get caught, there are still consequences in terms of how we feel in our hearts. Sometimes we think that being dishonest won't affect anyone, but we forget that it always affects us.)*
5. How can our choice to be truthful in whatever we say and do affect others? (To prompt discussion, ask: Imagine you are playing a game with a friend and you decide to cheat so you get a better score—who could your actions affect and how?)