



ARGUING TEACHING GUIDE 1 LESSON



MAIN SCRIPTURE: James 1:19 NIV

MAIN POINT: You never win an argument if you lose the relationship.

JESUS CONNECTION: When we have faith in Jesus, our broken relationship with God is restored.

THE WHAT

WHAT are we talking about and WHY does it matter to me? (2-4 min)

ME

- Today our world is pretty divided on a lot of things. No matter who you are, where you live, or what kind of personality you have, you have experienced what it feels like to be in an argument.
Speaker Note: Tell a personal story about the way you argued growing up, including who you most often argued with and what about.
Everyone has a go-to style for arguing. In the same way, nearly everybody has something they want to fight for—a subject that gets you ready to throw down.

WE

- Our worlds are full of arguments and the options are endless.
When the world around you is in constant conflict, most people tend to do one of three things:
o Go straight to anger.
o Feel torn.
o Couldn't care less.
When we really get involved in an argument, we all just want one thing: to win.
We all have a few tactics that we've practiced to help us win—through yelling or silence, ghosting or fighting, talking to the person or talking about them so everybody else knows how wrong they are, etc.
Whether in our homes, on social media, or in the culture we observe around us, we are surrounded by big questions with big arguments FOR and AGAINST nearly everything.
With that in mind—in a time with unavoidable arguments—what are we supposed to do?

TRANSITION

- How can we get better at arguing?

SO WHAT

So WHAT does this mean for my faith and life with God? (6-8 min)

GOD

- We're going to look at a passage from the book of James, who was the brother of Jesus.

NOTES

Horizontal lines for taking notes.



