



## GETTING STARTED

To get started today, you will want to review the Ten Commandments, Nard's full name and the verse of the day in Isnag. Hand out the verse of the day on pre-printed pieces of paper and write it on the board. Start by saying something like this:

Yesterday we learned about Nard Pugyao from the Isnag people in the Philippines. Nard liked what he learned about Jesus but still didn't know God had a special plan for him. And since he didn't know God, he didn't know God's rules! Nard's parents didn't even know God's rules. Can you imagine your mom and dad not knowing the rules?! Let's review the rules God gave to one of His superstars—Moses.

### Read Exodus 20:1–17

Now we are going to hear another story about Nard Pugyao. Who can remember how to say Nard's last name?

Have the brave students share Nard's last name.

Speaking Isnag is fun! Let's say today's verse in Isnag too! Our verse today is: "For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God."

Pass out today's verse in Isnag to the children and teach them to say it. You may want to write it on a blackboard or have them read it off the printed sheets of paper.

### Romans 3:23 (Isnag)

áta ngámin tolay ay nakabásul da mà ngámin. Awan oray isa nga annung na nga meráman kiya kinadáyaw ne Dios.

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# TEN COMMANDMENTS

## Are You Good Enough?

### TODAY'S VERSE

*"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."*

Romans 3:23

### SUPPLIES NEEDED

- Photocopies of the 10 Commandments Cube—one for each student \*
- Pair of scissors and glue stick for each child
- Markers or crayons to color cube (if time allows)
- Today's verse printed in the Isnag language, one for each child to take home \*
- Story-time resources for Day 2 \*

Now let's learn more about Nard and his life in the Philippines. I think the story is just getting good!

Back when Nard was a young boy, living in the village, before the missionary man Dick came, Nard sometimes saw people get very sick. The Isnag people believed someone got sick because they didn't follow the rules of the evil spirits. Most of the time, Nard noticed that the people would become better again, over time. But sometimes, a very sick person would die. And when that happened, everyone in the village would cry, and they would get angry and want to blame somebody for breaking the rules. They didn't know about Jesus and the comfort He can bring us, especially when we go through hard times.

Every time someone got sick, Nard would think of his own family, and he hoped none of them would ever get sick. And he especially worried about his littlest sister, because he wanted to protect her as the big brother.

Well, one day it happened. His little sister became very sick. He knew she was very sick because of the worried looks on his parents' faces. They were pacing the floor, wondering what to do. And what could Nard do? He decided at first to try to be brave.

So he sat down beside her bed and tried telling her some jokes. But she wouldn't open her eyes. She was too sick to giggle at his jokes like she usually did.

He began to feel hot tears streaming down his cheeks. Nard was very afraid. And he was angry. He thought, "How could the evil spirits punish her like this? She doesn't deserve it! She is very good!"

It was up to someone to do something that would make the evil spirits happy. Then the evil spirits would leave his sister alone, and she'd become well again.

The person who could try to make the spirits happy was the village witch doctor. He could pray to the spirits and offer them different gifts. But sometimes the evil spirits wouldn't listen, or maybe they just wouldn't like the gifts.

Well, day after day, Nard watched as his little sister didn't become any better. She was too weak to even get out of bed.

The village witch doctor must do the right thing—or he might not please the spirits! I know they're upset with us, because they've made my little sister very sick! thought Nard.

One morning, Nard overheard his father speaking with the village witch doctor, as he watched both of them carefully through the tiny holes in the bamboo wall: "We need you to try something else—my daughter is dying, can't you see? You have been giving baskets of rice to please the spirits, but I guess that is not enough. Is there anything else you can do? You must help us!"

Nard, his family, and his entire village just never felt safe. What if they accidentally did something to offend an evil spirit, and that spirit caused something terrible to happen? No one ever knew for sure what the evil spirits wanted or what it took to make them happy.

Nard didn't know what to do—but God did—and he had a plan for Nard! A very good plan!

## ACTIVITY

### 10 Commandment Cube

Today's activity is a fun way to remember the Ten Commandments. Lead the children through the exercise by rolling the cube. Have the children identify the commandment that lands on top and discuss ways to obey the commandment. If the cube lands on the OneVerse logo, discuss other ways people try to please God besides obeying God and following His rules. For instance, in this story of Nard, the Isnag people didn't know that praying to anyone besides God for healing is idolatry, as in the commandment: "Have no other gods before me."

Each child can make his or her own cube to take home to share with his or her parents. You may want to say something like this:

Because of the Bible, we know God doesn't make us guess what he wants. He tells us exactly what we must do to obey Him in the Ten Commandments. God is more powerful than any other being. When bad things happen, we can run to Him and know that He won't turn us away, because He loves us!

Nard and his family had to guess at what the rules were. But we know because God tells us what His rules are. Today we are going to make a 10 Commandment Cube—it's a game!



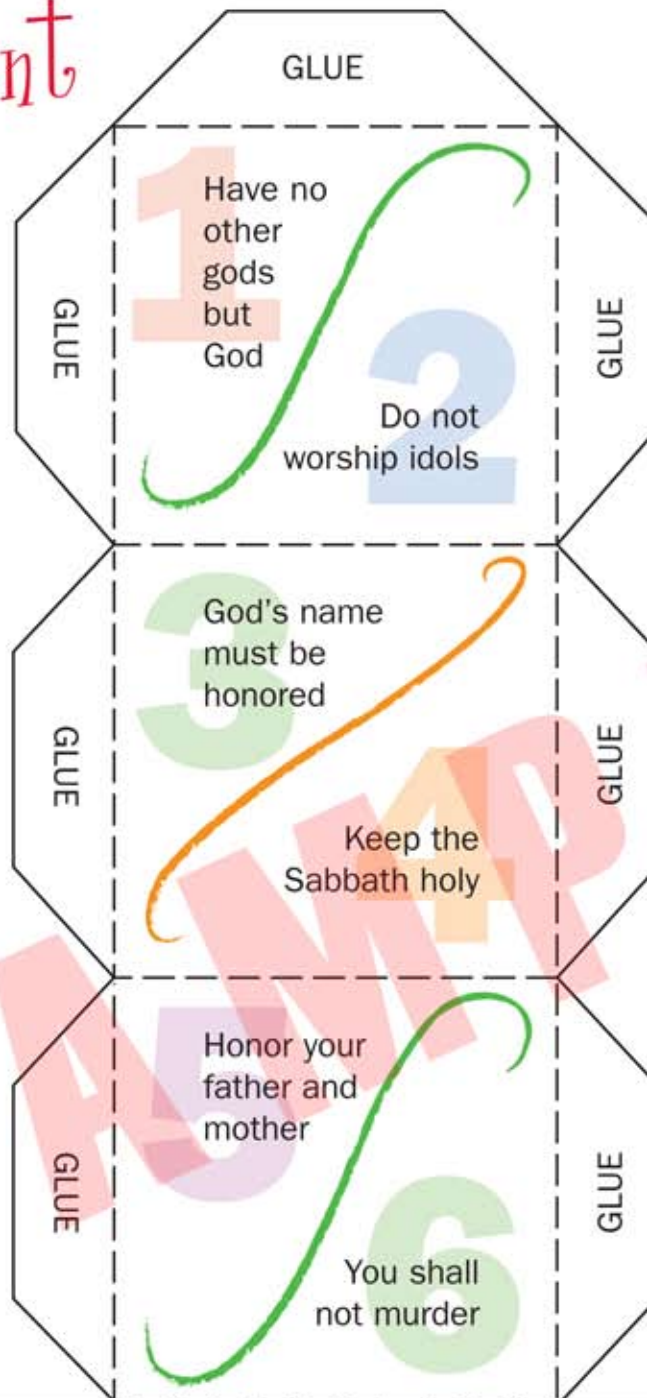
BACKSTAGE  
TOUR BUS



# Ten Commandment Cube

## Directions:

1. Color and decorate your cube.
2. Cut on outer solid lines.
3. Fold on dotted lines.
4. Apply glue to tabs and form into a cube, with glue tabs inside.
5. Roll the cube and discuss ways to obey the commandment that comes up.
6. If the OneVerse logo comes up, mention other ways people try to please God besides obeying God and following his rules.



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# Romans 3:23 in Isneg for Day 2

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da mà ngámin. Awan oray isa  
nga annung na nga meráman  
kiya kinadáyaw ne Dios.

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