



Jamie just moved to a new town and has a new school. The new friends she meets joke and say mean things about people who follow God. Jamie decides not to tell them she follows God and tries to ignore it when they make fun of other kids in their class.

(To talk about: Jamie is acting like she doesn't follow God, to try and fit in with her friends. It might be wiser to keep on being a good friend, but also nicely share with her friends why she follows God.)



Elliot has a lot of questions, but he doesn't ask them. He has questions about math but doesn't want to ask the teacher. He has questions about God in church, but it seems like everyone else gets it, so he doesn't want to ask.

(To talk about: Elliot might be acting like he understands even though he doesn't, because he doesn't want to seem less smart than other kids. The truth is, asking questions is extremely smart! In both school and church, asking questions shows that you care, and that you are thinking about important things.)



Carly got her report card back and is sure that her parents won't be happy. She hides it in her backpack and doesn't show them. She forgets about it for a couple days, but then her parents ask where her report card is.

(To talk about: Carly doesn't want to disappoint or upset her parents, so she hides her report card. It would probably be wiser to talk about it, instead of hiding it.)



There's a kid who is always mean to Ryan, and one day, Ryan thinks of a way to get back at him. He gets online and starts to write mean things about that other kid. When he gets to school the next day, that kid seems sad and upset.

(To talk about: Ryan can hide who he is online, but the words he uses can still hurt just as badly as if he said them out loud. It would be much more wise to ask an adult for help talking to the kid who has been unkind to him.)