Bee Kind

An easy skit for four children based on Ephesians 4:32

Props:  
- Small table  
- Three chairs  
- Checker game  
- Popcorn bowl

Characters:  
- Child 1  
- Child 2  
- Child 3 (if played by a boy, change the gender references in the script)  
- Bee Kind (child in a bumblebee costume)

Costume: Bee costume can be made from two sheets of poster paper painted to look like a bumblebee with the words “Bee Kind” in large letters on one or both sides. Add paper or fabric straps across both shoulders so child can wear like a “sandwich board.” Add wings if desired. Antenna can be pipe cleaners (chenille stems) attached to a plastic headband.

Setting: Child 1 and Child 2 are playing checkers at a table with two chairs. A third chair is nearby but not pulled to the table. A bowl filled with imaginary popcorn is on the table. Child 3 is playing alone across the stage from the table.

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Child 1:  (points to child 3) What’s she doing here?  
Child 2:  My mom’s watching her.  
Child 1:  Well, I hope she doesn’t want to play with us. Only two people can play this game.  
Child 2:  Shh, here she comes!  
Child 3:  (walks to the table and watches) Can I play?  
Child 1:  (rudely) No! This is a game for two people only.  
Child 3:  Is it okay if I watch?  
Child 1:  I guess so.  
Child 3:  Can I have some popcorn?  
Child 1:  It’s for us but I guess you can have a few pieces.  
Child 2:  (passes the popcorn bowl to Child 3) Here have some.  
Child 3:  (reaches for the bowl and bumps the checker board) Oh! I’m sorry!  
Child 1:  Now look what you’ve done! You ruined our game!

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Child 3:  (goes back to the side, crying)
Child 1:  (putting checkers back on the board) I knew she’d mess something up.
Bee Kind:  (comes on stage and comforts Child 3)
Child 3:  (closes her eyes as if she were sleeping)
Child 1:  (pointing to Bee) What is that?
Child 2:  Good question! Hey, you in the bee suit. Who are you and what are you doing in my room?
Child 1 and Child 2:  (walk over to stand by Bee Kind)
Bee Kind:  I came to make Jesus feel better.
Child 2:  Jesus? That’s not Jesus.
Bee Kind:  Jesus taught that if we do something unkind to another person, we did it to Jesus (from Matthew 25:40). You were unkind to her so Jesus’ feelings are hurt.
Child 1:  Oh no. Is Jesus unhappy with us? What can we do?
Bee Kind:  Jesus also taught that if we do something kind for another person, we do something kind to Jesus. Does that give you any ideas?
Child 2:  I wish we could just start the whole thing again.
Bee Kind:  Sounds like time for a “Bee Kind Rewind.” Children, reverse your engines.
Child 1 and Child 2:  (Walk backwards to the table and sit down. They return the checker board and popcorn to their places.)
Child 3:  (wakes up, yawns, stretches and looks at the table)
Child 1:  (points to Child 3) What’s she doing here?
Child 2:  My mom’s watching her.
Child 3:  (walks to the table) Can I play?
Child 1:  Only two can play checkers at a time but you can watch us finish this game and then you can play the winner.
Child 2:  There’s another chair right over there. Pull it to the table.
Child 1:  And have some popcorn, it’s really good.
Bee Kind:  (walks to center stage) Remember what the Bible says: “...be kind to one another...” (Ephesians 4:32 NRSV)

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