**🏕️ Interfaith Worship Guide for Scouts**

**Theme: A Scout is Kind**

**Welcome & Opening**

**Leader (Chaplain or Scout Leader):
Welcome, Scouts and friends.
Today we gather to reflect on one of the most powerful traits we can live out each day: Kindness.
The sixth point of the Scout Law reminds us that a Scout is Kind.
Kindness costs nothing but means everything. It helps us build better patrols, stronger communities, and a more compassionate world.**

**All say together (optional):
*A Scout is kind. A Scout understands that there is strength in gentleness. A Scout treats others as they wish to be treated.***

**Moment of Silence / Centering Reflection**

**Take a moment to pause and reflect:**

* **When has someone’s kindness made a difference in your life?**
* **When have you shown kindness, even when it was hard?**
* **How can you offer more kindness today?**

**(*Pause for 30–60 seconds*)**

**Sacred Readings on Kindness**

**📖 Christianity – Ephesians 4:32**

**“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”**

**📖 Judaism – Micah 6:8**

**“What does the Lord require of you? To act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God.”**

**📖 Islam – Hadith, Sahih Muslim**

**“Allah is kind and loves kindness in all matters.”**

**📖 Hinduism – Mahabharata**

**“The gift of kindness is the gift of peace. Speak sweetly, act gently, and give freely.”**

**📖 Buddhism – Metta Sutta**

**“Let one cultivate a boundless love toward all beings. Let them be kind to all, without exception.”**

**Scout Reflection: What Does It Mean to Be Kind?**

**Leader or Scout Speaker:
Being kind doesn’t just mean being nice—it means being intentional with your actions and words.
It means stepping in when someone’s left out, speaking gently when tempers rise, and offering your help with no expectation of reward.
Kindness makes us better Scouts, better teammates, and better humans.
In a world where you can be anything—be kind.**

**Interactive Element: Kindness in Action**

**Option 1: Kindness Circle
Invite Scouts to go around and share one kind act they witnessed this week—something they did or saw someone else do.**

**Option 2: Kindness Challenge
Challenge each Scout to:**

* **Perform one kind act today**
* **Perform one kind act this week for someone they don’t know well**
* **Reflect later as a troop on how those actions made them feel**

**Group Commitment / Responsive Reading**

**Leader:
Let us speak together as one troop, committed to living kindly:**

**All say together:**

**I will be kind.
I will treat others with gentleness and respect.
I will help, encourage, and forgive.
I will be strong enough to be kind in hard moments.
I will make the world better through my words and actions.**

**Closing Blessing / Benediction**

**Leader:
As we go from this place, may we carry kindness in our thoughts, our voices, and our hearts.
May our kindness lift those who are down, comfort those who are hurting, and inspire those around us.
And may we always remember:**

**All together:**

***A Scout is Kind.***