

Parent Packet

Sunday, May 17th 2020

Main Idea	We need each other. Even when we're different, we need to love each other.
Scripture	1 Corinthians 6:12
This Month's Memory Verse	<i>"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want."</i> Have kids suggest hand motions to the words of the verse, and decide as a family which ones to use. Go through the verse a few times using the hand motions.
Activity	<u>Taste Test</u> : have kids taste various condiments while blindfolded, and guess what they are. These things are edible, they're not the best thing to eat for lunch. In the same way, all the things we're allowed to do may not be the best things to do to love other people.
Craft	Tie dye sun catchers: have kids color on a coffee filter with a sharpie. Setting it in a safe place, drip vinegar onto it and watch the colors run. Hang it in a window. Just as the sun shines <i>through</i> it, everything we do should be done <i>through</i> love.
Service	Do you know your any elderly neighbors? Can you bring them anything to their doorstep?
Prayer	Dear God, thank You for giving people each other. Forgive us for not getting along. Help us to appreciate each other, and take good care of each other.
Catechism	Question #46: What is the Lord's Supper? Christ commanded all Christians to eat bread and to drink from the cup in thankful remembrance of him.

This Week's Story

Kindergarten-Third grade

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"It's my right to take back my toy. It's mine," Penny explained.

"It's my right to share my feelings and speak what's on my mind," Parker replied.

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(Read verse 12)

"This means," Dad explained, "that just because something is your right, doesn't always mean it is the right thing to do, if it's not loving. Penny, it may be your right to defend what's yours, but it's not always the most loving thing to do. Parker, it may be your right to say what you feel, but it's not always the most loving thing to do. Last week, we learned that Christians are living stones, and that put together, we make a beautiful house. We need each other, even though we're all different. God made us all different, and we must be kind to each other. It is really hard, but God will help us." And they prayed for God's help.

So what . . .

does this story teach us about Jesus?

do you like about this story?

is weird about this story?

can we learn from this story about our lives today?

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Fourth grade plus

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1. What are some rights that may not always be right?
2. When has someone done something to you that may have seemed fair or just, but was unloving?
3. Is God perfectly just or perfectly loving? (BOTH!)

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Preschool

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