



Lesson 9. Why church? Why do we need to do our faith together?

Activity: Each family member, answer this question... *What would be worst for you? Put in order from best to worst and say why...*

- (A) a box of coloured pencils that is missing a few colours, or
- (B) a puzzle that is missing a few pieces, or
- (C) a computer keyboard that is missing a few keys, or
- (D) a piano with a few missing notes, or
- (E) a church with a few missing people.



It's sad and annoying when parts are missing, isn't it? The whole thing can't be fully effective with missing parts, can it?

In the church, we are God's gift to one another. What a gift that we don't have to live our Christian lives alone! And the whole church is our gift to God and the world as we honour him together and work to make the world more like His Kingdom.

What does the Bible say about the church?

- 1 Corinthians 12:27 What is the church like? Who is part of it?
- John 13:35 How will others know that we are God's people?

In these difficult times while we are separated by Corona Virus, can we still be the church?

- Romans 8:39 We are still together in His love
- Hebrews 10:24-25 Although the Bible says we should keep meeting together, at the moment staying apart is an act of love and protection towards vulnerable church members. How can we still 'be the church though apart' according to this verse?

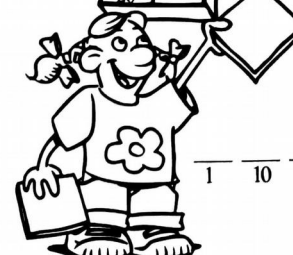
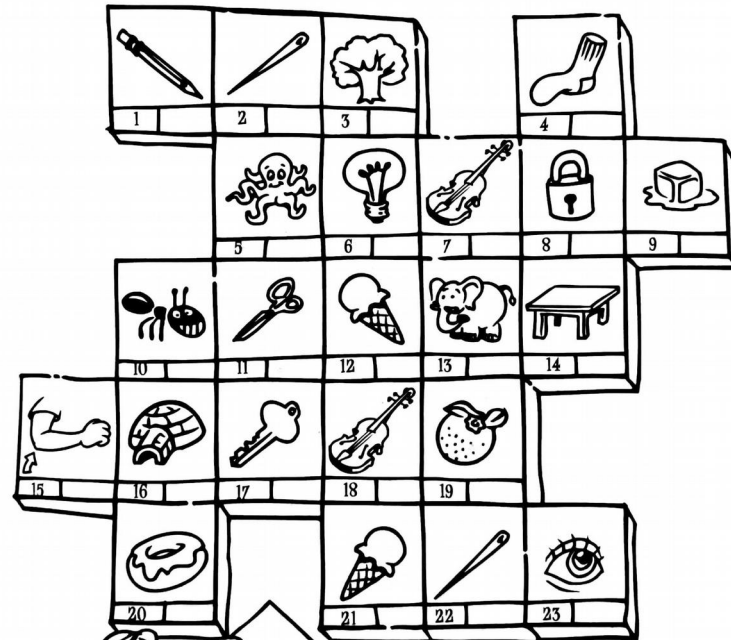
Family challenge: Think of a way your family can encourage someone in your church family this week.

PICTURE PERFECT!



1 Corinthians 13:4

Write the first letter of each picture in the grid below. Then write those letters in the matching blanks. You will find the words of the verse.



8 5 18 15 12 4
1 10 3 21 13 22 14 6 19 7 23
9 11 17 16 2 20

Message me if you want the answer! Brenda 0845 427251

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For Fun: Listen to Psalty's song, "Beloved"
[I John 4:7,8 \(Beloved\) - Kids Praise Co. - YouTube](#)

Dear Lord, may our love for one another grow even stronger as we care for one another from a distance. Grow Your church, Lord. Amen