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The church is all Christians everywhere, who gather together in their communities to worship and serve God.







### Play the Key Passage Song







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TIP: If some children can't read, ask them to close their eyes and imagine as you read it



Do we need to be jealous of others or think any one has a better job in the church? Why not?

#### **Answer:**

No job is more important than another. Becoming jealous or prideful leads to the church dividing, not uniting.

We need to remember that God has given each person a talent as a gift so that we can serve others. If everyone used their talents only for themselves, the church would not work the way God designed it to. This is why instead of being jealous, we can celebrate each person's gift and be thankful to the God who gave us that gift.



How have you seen the church work together? Did you see people sacrifice their own needs and rights for others?

#### **Answer:**

[Answers will vary.]

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For example, during VBS many people work together to make snacks, lead in music, create crafts, design decorations, and play games. All the people volunteering are sacrificing their time and energy for the little children. Remind kids that God has designed the body to work together to serve and honor



## Game Day

게임시간

(Pick up craft kits in the church mailbox!)



#### **HUMAN LETTERS**

- 1. Form kids into groups of three or four.
- 2. Assign each group a letter, and challenge them to work together to create that letter with their bodies.
- 3. Consider assigning letters that spell out words from the session like "unity" or "church".
- Take a photo of the letters!



#### **BIBLE CONNECTION**

Our purpose in this life is to know God and enjoy life in His kingdom.

One way we can do that is by coming together in unity with other believers. Paul wrote that the church is like a body with different parts.

Is any one part more important than another? Of course not! Just as the body needs all its parts to function properly, the church needs each person bringing her unique personalities and skills in order to be healthy and thriving.



#### NO HANDS, NO FEET

- 1. Provide each kid with a piece of paper and a pencil.
- 2. Challenge kids to write their names on the paper without using their hands. Invite kids to get creative as to how they might write their name without using their hands.
- 3. Next, lead kids to line up on one side of the room. Challenge kids to cross to the other side of the room without using their feet.

### Game 2:

#### **BIBLE CONNECTION**

Without using our hands, writing our names was much more challenging. And without using our feet, we had a harder time crossing the room. Both parts have important roles to play in our daily activities.

Today, we learned how each person in the church has an important job. We need every person to do their part to help the church grow and share the gospel.



#### **AGREE OR DISAGREE?**

- 1. Guide kids to stand in the middle of the room.
- 2. Tell kids that you will call out a statement and that if they agree with the statement they should run to the right side of the room.
- 3. If they disagree, they should run to the left side of the room. After kids have made their decision, direct them to return to the middle of the room.
- 4. Consider calling out the following statements:
  - Broccoli is good.
  - Chocolate ice cream is the best.
  - Reading is better than watching TV.
  - Sour gummy worms are gross.
  - Summer is the best season.



#### **BIBLE CONNECTION**

We didn't all agree on everything, and that's OK. We do not find our identity in the things we like or the things we can do well. Instead we find who we are (our identity) in the one who made us, God!

In our story today, we saw how the church didn't always agree either. But our differences should not divide the church. Paul helped the church to understand that it's good to have people who are different. At the end of the day, Jesus is the one who is powerful enough to gather all of us to be one body.



For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

1 Corinthians 12:12

