

SMALL GROUP RESOURCE

Big Idea: God changes my life.

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Luke 1:26-56

Matthew 3

John 19

Hebrews 9

John 14

1 John 5

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

How can you tell what kind of seed you are planting in your garden?

1 John 5:1-5

How do you know that you are a child of God?

1 John 5:6-13

John mentions 3 things that testify to the fact the Jesus is God's Son: Spirit, water, and blood.

Where do these things show up in Jesus' life and how do these events testify to who Jesus is?

What error do you think John is attempting to correct?

What would you do differently if you were 100% confident that you had eternal life?

1 John 5:14-20

How does God's promise of eternal life effect your prayer life?

How does God's promise of eternal life effect your relationships with others?

How does God's promise of eternal life effect you?

1 John 5:21

What is an idol?

Why does John give this "parting shot"?

PRAYER FOCUS:

Thank God for His presence on earth.

Express your confidence in your adoption as God's child.

Pray for a brother who is struggling with sin.

Ask for a deeper understanding of God and His will.

FAMILY RESOURCE

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READ 1 JOHN 5:1-3

What is a "burden"?

Is it a burden to be a part of your family?

List some of your family rules and tell why they are your rules.

Is it a burden to be a part of God's family?

Make a list of some of the things God expects from His family.

READ 1 JOHN 5:4-5

What does "overcome" mean?

How do you "overcome" something?

What did Jesus overcome for us?

Pick something that is hard to do, but get it done together.

READ 1 JOHN 5:6-13

Jesus was born (water) and died (blood).

He was all man, yet God (Spirit).

Because Jesus overcame death,

we can too because He is our Savior.

Play tri-ominos to remind you of these 3 things about Jesus.

READ 1 JOHN 5:14-15

What kinds of things do your parents want for you?

What kinds of things does God want for you?

What does it mean to ask for things "according to His will"?

What kinds of things is God going to give you?

Make a special prayer list for God and put it on the refrigerator.

READ 1 JOHN 5:16-20

How should we react when we know

that someone else has sinned?

How should we react to our own sin?

Complete this sentence:

The devil made me do it but.....

READ 1 JOHN 5:21

What is an idol? How do we make our own gods?

How do we find out what God is really like and what He wants?

Have a treasure hunt.

How can you hunt for God?

MEMORY VERSE:

But _____,
God's _____ is _____ in _____.

Whoever _____

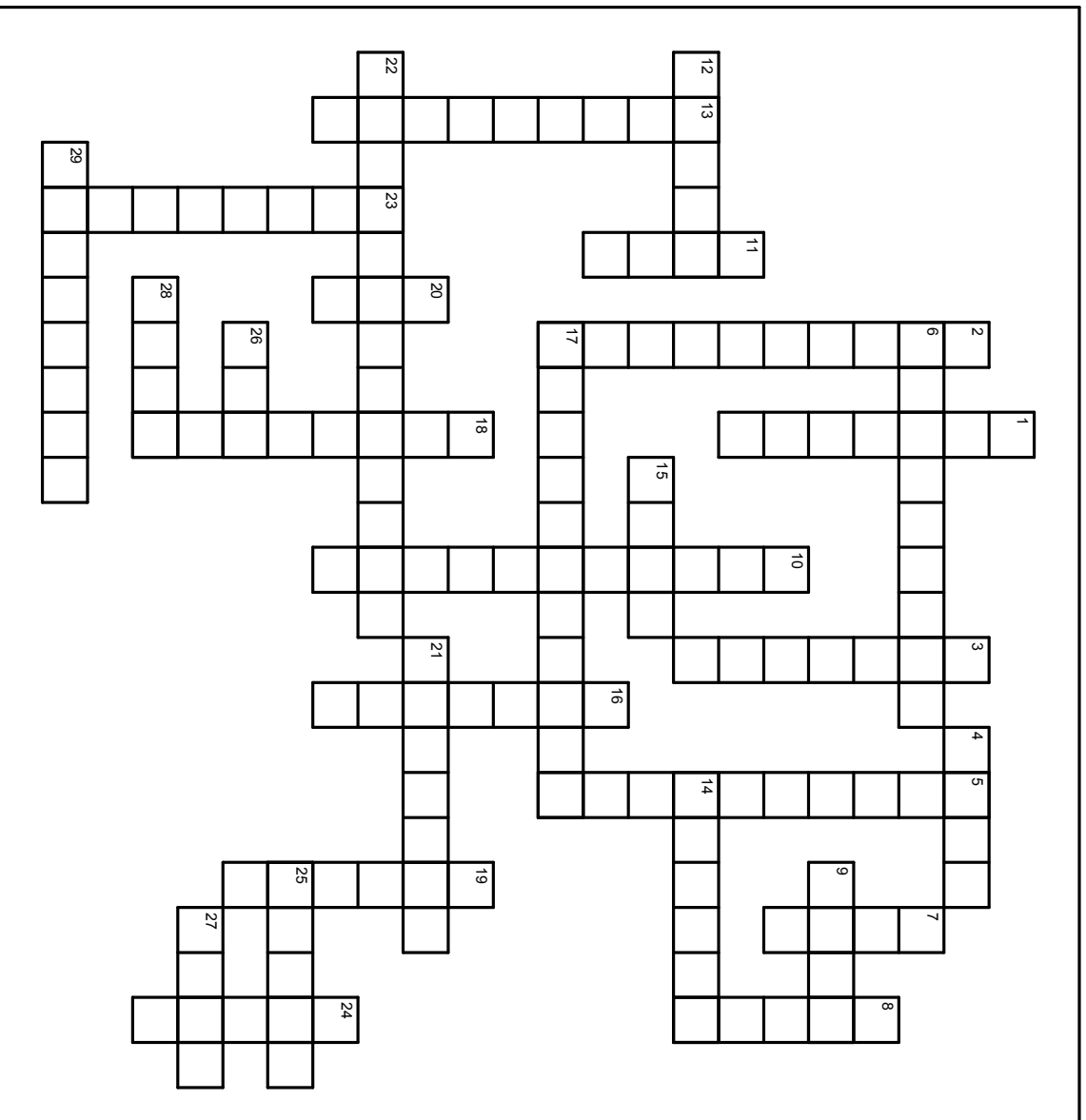
1 John 2:5-6

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God Changes Me

All clues are from the NIV version of the Bible.



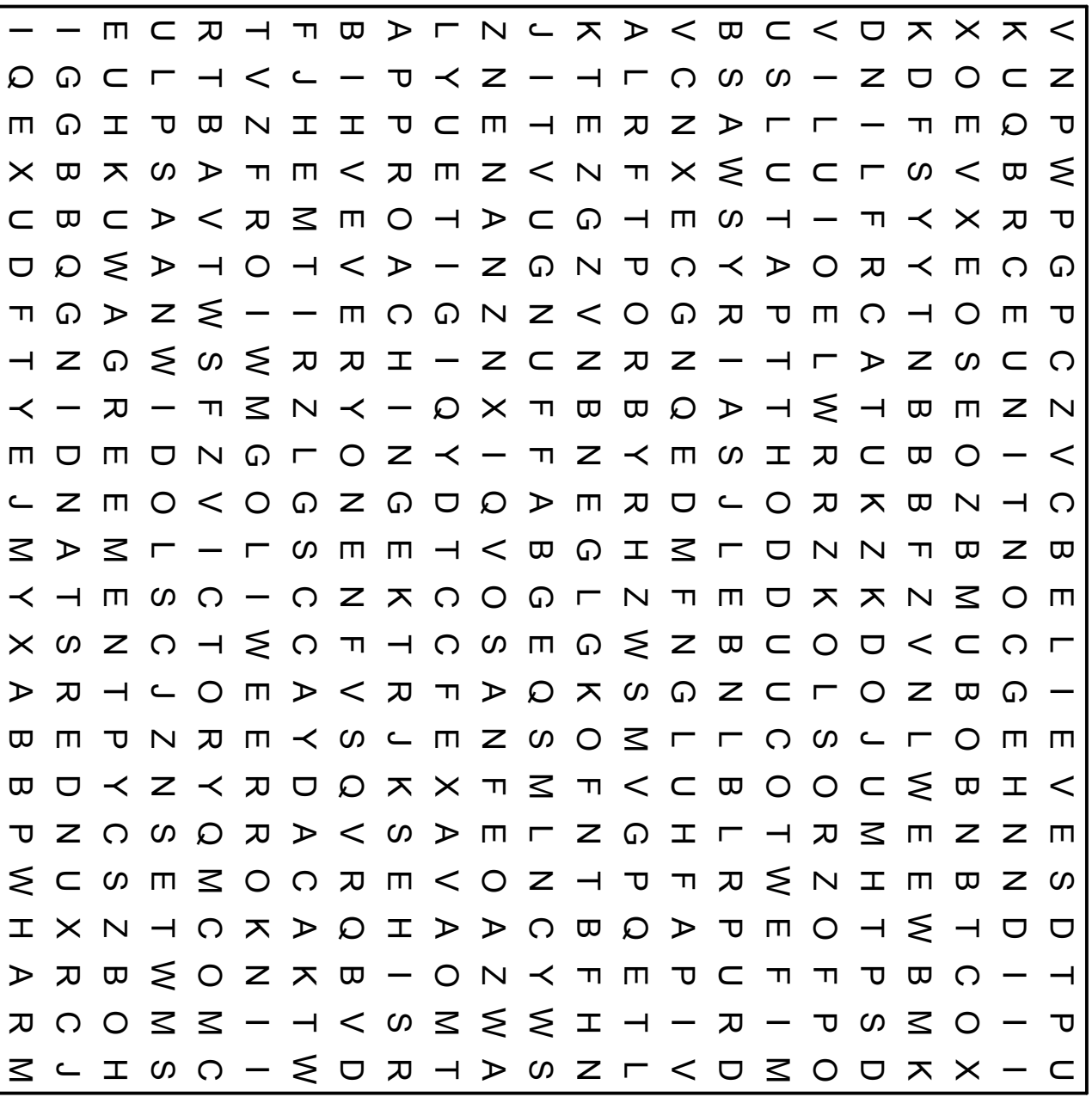
Across

- do (1 John 5:3)
- rises to the top (1 John 5:4)
- protected (1 John 5:18)
- one of the ways Jesus came (1 John 5:6)
- He is truth (1 John 5:6)
- hurt (1 John 5:18)
- God's gift to us (1 John 5:11)
- rule (1 John 5:19)
- knowledge (1 John 5:20)
- gods of our own making (1 John 5:21)
- action that is wrong (1 John 5:16)
- are confident of (1 John 5:2)
- arrived (1 John 5:20)
- trusts (1 John 5:5)

Down

- better (1 John 5:8)
- assurance (1 John 5:14)
- witness (1 John 5:7)
- too hard (1 John 5:3)
- someone who doesn't tell the truth (1 John 5:10)
- the core of your being (1 John 5:10)
- nearing (1 John 5:14)
- not false (1 John 5:20)
- say the same thing (1 John 5:7)
- win (1 John 5:4)
- keep on (1 John 5:18)
- do (1 John 5:16)
- request (1 John 5:14)
- all people (1 John 5:1)
- one of the ways Jesus came (1 John 5:6)

God Changes Me



everyone

know

obey

burdensome

overcomes

victory

believes

water

blood

Spirit

testify

agreement

greater

heart

liar

eternal life

confidence

approaching

ask

commit

sin

continue

safe

harm

control

come

understanding

true

idols

God Changes Me

1. ETRERAG -----
2. EEVELSIB -----
3. GNEERMNTAE -----
4. TLOCNRNO -----
5. ECOM -----
6. OYEB -----
7. COTRYVI -----
8. RTAWE -----
9. NNDRUANDESIGT -----
10. BDOOL -----
11. UERT -----
12. ISN -----
13. ENRLTAE IFEL -----
14. TFITTEYS -----
15. NVERYEEO -----
16. RHOINPGPAAC -----
17. SPIRTI -----
18. KAS -----
19. IEFENOENDC -----
20. BMNDROSUEE -----
21. INTEUOCN -----
22. MHAR -----
23. SOMCVEERO -----
24. CTMOIM -----
25. WKON -----
26. RLAI -----
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