

SMALL GROUP RESOURCE

It is kind to share.

SCRIPTURE READING:

John 6:1-15

Luke 6:35

1 Corinthians 13:4

Ephesians 4:32

Romans 2:4

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

“Practice random acts of kindness.” Is what the Holy Spirit produces? Is God’s kindness random or intentional? As you study, think about how you would rephrase this popular quotation to capture God’s heart.

John 6:1-15

Who demonstrates kindness in this story?
How would the story have changed if the boy had been unwilling to share?

Luke 6:35, 1 Corinthians 13:4, & Ephesians 4:32

Where does kindness come from?
Is kindness active or passive?
Describe the “kindness” that you find in these verses.

Romans 2:4

How has God shown His kindness to you?
What is the kindest thing you could do for one of your neighbors who doesn’t know Jesus?
What will you share with a neighbor this week to show them God’s kindness?

PRAYER FOCUS:

Praise God for His kindness.

Agree with God about times you have been unkind.

Thank God for specific ways He has been kind to you.

Ask God for opportunities to be kind to your neighbors.

FAMILY RESOURCE

Big Idea: It is kind to share.

READ JOHN 6:1-3

Why did the people follow Jesus?

Play “follow the leader”.

READ JOHN 6:5-6

When was the last time you had unexpected company?

Make some food and put it in the freezer for an unexpected need.

READ JOHN 6:7

Figure out how much your dinner costs.

Multiply that number by 5,000.

READ JOHN 6:8-9

Among 5,000 people, only one boy had food.

Make up some stories that show how that could have happened.

READ JOHN 6:10-11

What do you think Jesus said in His prayer?

Write a prayer that your family will use at dinner time.

READ JOHN 6:12-13

What do you do with your leftovers?

Why should you avoid wasting food?

Be sure you eat everything you put on your plate.

Who showed kindness in this story?

How did they show kindness?

MEMORY VERSE:

But the _____ of _____ spirit is _____, _____, _____, _____,
kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness,
and self-control. Against _____ things there is _____ law.

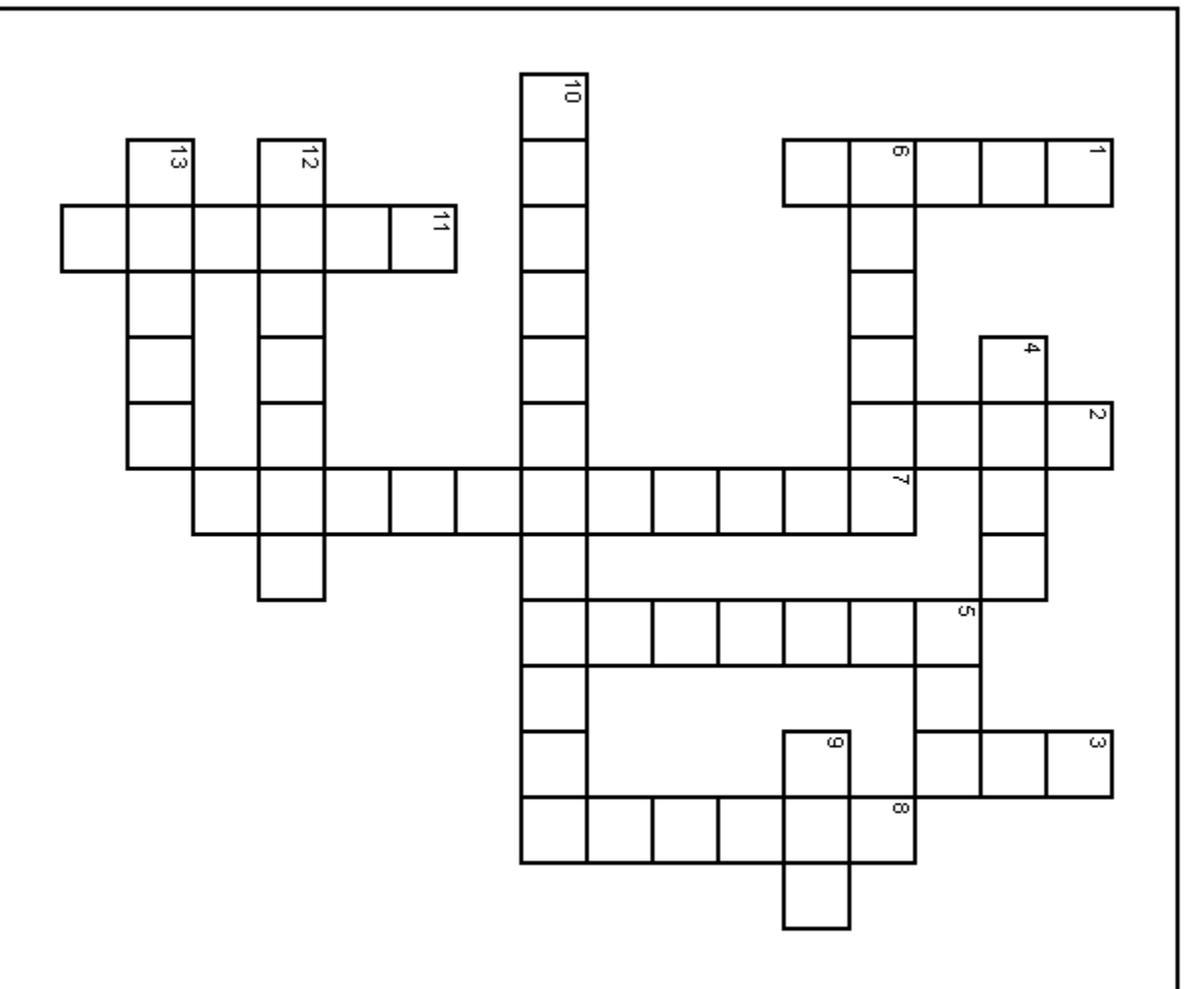
Galatians 5:22-23

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It Is Kind To Share

All clues are from the NIV version of the Bible.



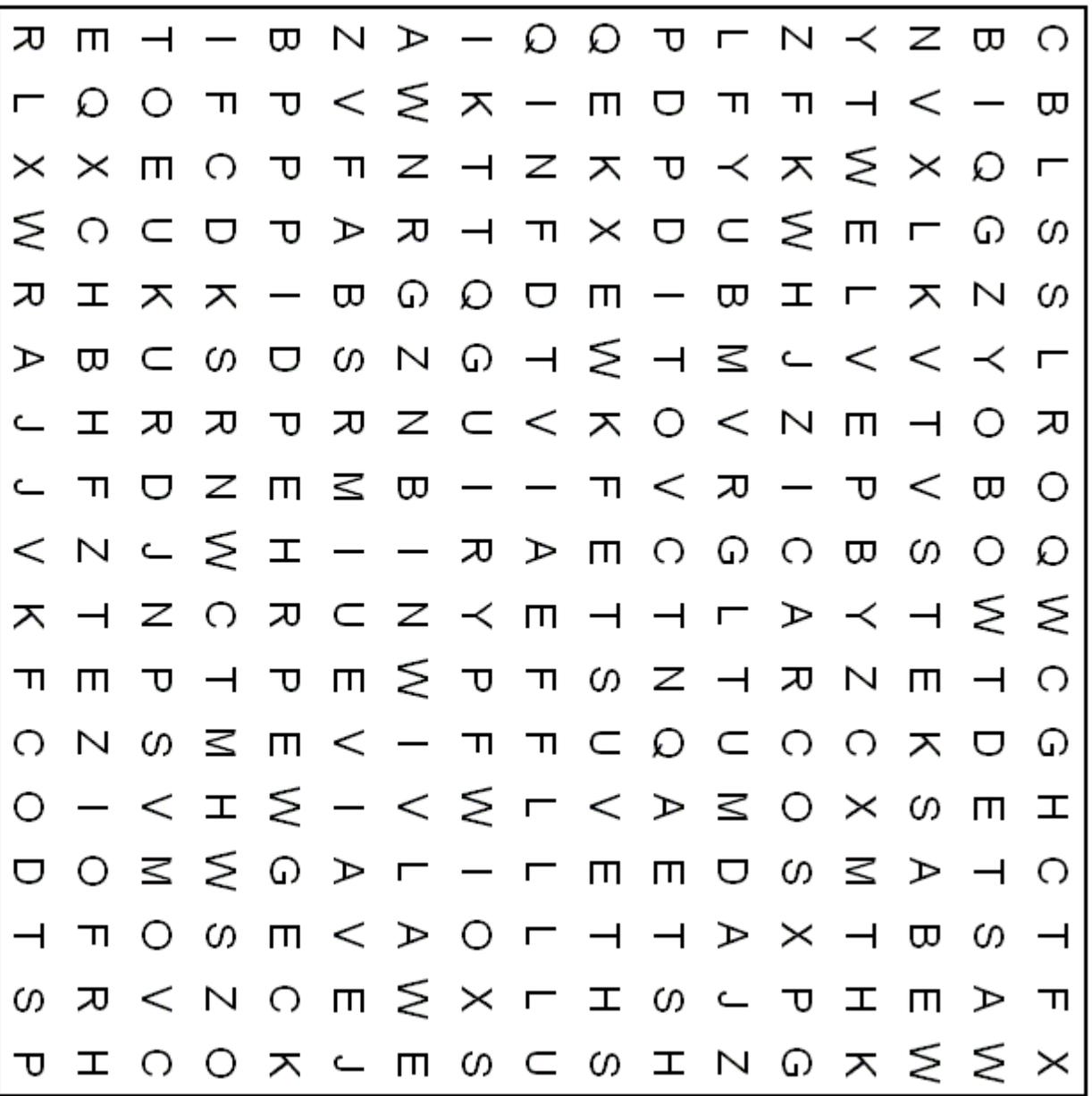
Across

4. mouthful (John 6:7)
5. purchase (John 6:5)
6. thrown away without using (John 6:12)
9. one plus one (John 6:9)
10. slope of a hill (John 6:3)
12. name of a sea (John 6:1)
13. son of God (John 6:1)

Down

1. lots of people (John 6:2)
2. half of ten (John 6:9)
3. young male (John 6:9)
5. woven bowls (John 6:13)
7. passed out (John 6:11)
8. an even dozen (John 6:13)
11. sections of bread (John 6:11)

It Is Kind To Share



crowd

boy

five

mountainside

loaves

buy

distributed

two

bite

Galilee

wasted

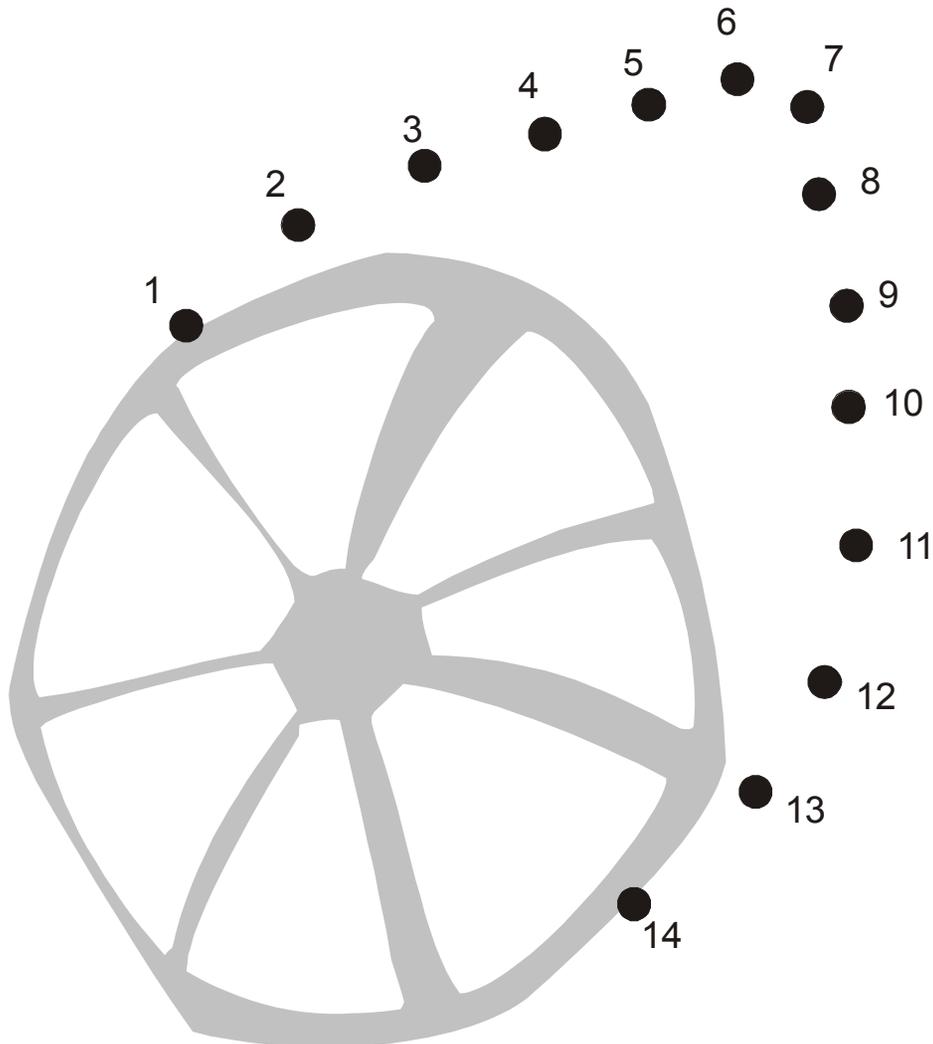
Jesus

twelve

baskets

KINDNESS It would be VERY KIND to make some lemonade for others on a hot day. (A lemon is willing to be squeezed for others.)

When you use a lemon,
remember that God wants you to be kind.
Better yet, SHARE a lemon with someone else!



Word Scramble

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|------------------|-------|
| 1. LSVAEO | _____ |
| 2. IEDRTIUSBDT | _____ |
| 3. WLVTEE | _____ |
| 4. CDROW | _____ |
| 5. EIFV | _____ |
| 6. YOB | _____ |
| 7. BSKTESA | _____ |
| 8. WTO | _____ |
| 9. DETWSA | _____ |
| 10. ESJUS | _____ |
| 11. EEALGLI | _____ |
| 12. YUB | _____ |
| 13. MAUDNOETNIIS | _____ |
| 14. IEBT | _____ |

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Bible Verse in sign: But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, **KINDNESS** - You make the K sign with both hands (2 fistful giving!) and keep it going round and round.

What's the difference between having good manners and being kind?

What one word is in every verse?

(This makes a great Bible drill!)

Exodus 12:4

Leviticus 19:17

Numbers 10:32

Deuteronomy 18:8

Joshua 22:19

1 Samuel 30:22

1 Chronicles 9:25

Psalms 106:5

Proverbs 16:19

Isaiah 58:7

Matthew 25:21

Luke 3:11

Romans 12:13

1 Corinthians 9:23

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

Make "KINDNESS" coupons. Think about something that someone needs and either write or draw what you can do for them. Give away the coupon with a smile and the expectation of kindly doing what you promised when they return the coupon to you.

Pick some flowers and give them away.

Do something nice for a neighbor like putting their garbage cans away or walking their dog.

Pick up litter in the park before going to the playground.

Out of playdough make a basket or bag, fish, bread, & other things you'd need for a picnic lunch.

GAMES:

Goldfish cracker relay - Have each person from each team use a small cup to scoop up enough goldfish crackers for the rest of the line. They must jiggle one cracker into each hand, return the unused crackers to the bowl (source) and then pass the cup along for the next of their team. Continue until each team member has served one goldfish cracker to each member of their team.

Play FRUIT BINGO.

Play FRUIT MATCH.

MUSIC:

Galatians 5:22-23

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