Dear Children's Ministry Leaders,

In light of churches across the country closing in response to COVID-19 safety precautions, we at Group Publishing want to ensure that your children continue to receive spiritual nurturing. As a result, Group is allowing churches who use our materials to send families lessons and student materials your kids would normally participate in at church. We hope you enjoy using this content in a different way, and that your kids are impacted.

Group is extending the following permissions to churches upon request:

1. **Permission to share the included student materials with families from your churches via email, postal service, or a privately accessible, password-protected website that only families from your church can access.**
2. **Permission to share other elements from the week's lesson, such as the teacher guide that goes along with this lesson, with families from your churches via email, postal service, or a privately accessible, password-protected website that only families from your church can access.**
3. **Permission to share a video recording presenting this lesson with families via your church website or platform of your choice. (We ask that you remove the video each week when you post a new one.)**

You may decide to offer a video broadcast or pre-recorded video where you and your regular Children's Ministry crew lead these lessons digitally for families to partake in at home. Or you may encourage parents to lead these lessons, which creates a fun opportunity for them to see what a typical lesson for their kids is like.

This permission is granted on a limited basis for as long as your church is unable to meet in person. Families are encouraged to use these materials within their households, but may not publish or share them in any way outside of your church family.

If you want to use Group's materials beyond these permissions, email permissions@group.com.

We hope God blesses your congregation through this unusual season, and that your community remains strong even though for a time you may not be meeting together.

God bless you, and stay healthy!

- Your friends at Group Publishing

Name _____

Christians Care for One Another

Psalm 23; Acts 2:42-47

Objects to find

Instructions: Have children choose two favorite items on this page and color them in. Then discuss with kids which items they might like to share with friends. Remind them that the people in the Bible passage shared all that they had with each other. *(For additional instructions, see Teacher Guide.)*

What I Learned Today...

HomeConnect®

Bible Time

This week's Bible passage (Acts 2:42–47) tells us that God's family takes care of each other just as the early believers did. They met every day for teaching and fellowship. They prayed together every day. God worked wonders through these people who were filled with the wonder of their resurrected Lord. Miracles happened. The people came together constantly. They sold their things to give to others who were more needy. They broke bread and shared meals together. And God rewarded them with more brothers and sisters in the Lord.

Key Verse: We can teach the world about Jesus (adapted from Matthew 28:19–20).

Daily Challenge®

Your child learned that God's family takes care of each other. Your child committed to one of the following challenges to take care of someone this week. Help your child follow through on the challenge!

- Make a snack for your friends. Before you eat, thank God for helping you make the snack.
- Each night before you go to bed, pray for the people in your family. Ask God to help them and keep them safe.
- Do something kind for someone who's sick, hurt, or sad this week.

Homespun Idea

Create a "Goodwill Puzzle." Start with a heavy, blank piece of paper. When your child thinks of a way to take care of someone else, have him or her draw a picture of the action on one part of the paper. When your child has drawn three to five ways, help your child cut the pictures into a puzzle.

ASK

- What's your favorite thing you would like to do for someone else?
- What's it like to do good things for others?

Outdoor Family Fun

Go on a "Kindness Hunt" with your child. As you walk through your neighborhood, in a mall, or in the grocery store, look for small ways you and your child could show kindness to other people. For example, maybe you could pick up something an elderly person dropped, or maybe you could give someone change when he or she doesn't have enough. Search for as many ways of being kind as you can find.

ASK

- What do you like about showing kindness to other people?
- Why does Jesus want us to care for others?

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