

Many Members, Many gifts

Bible story: Romans 12:1-8 (Video of Nycole reading bible verse on website)

Questions to ask:

What would it be like if all of us were exactly the same?

How can you learn from people who are different from you?

Why do you think God created us all to be unique and different?

How can we work together to share God's love with people?

Why is this important?

Paul is insistent about the need for our religious confessions of faith (what we believe) to take on flesh in the way we live. Kids need help, sometimes, connecting what they say they value and care about with what they choose to do. This passage can help them see their own unique giftedness as necessary to the strength of the community

Interactive Lesson:

FAMILY GIFTS

Supplies: Markers, craft sticks, paper bags

God has given each one of us different gifts and talents. Make a family gifts bag! Invite kids to decorate a lunch bag so it looks like a gift bag. Give kids at least one craft stick for each member of their families. On the craft sticks, help them print the name of a family member on one side and a gift they have on the other. (If you don't have craft sticks you can cut a small piece of paper for each member of the family) Put the stick in a decorated lunch bag. Each time you gather for a meal, take one stick out of the bag and offer a prayer of thanks for that person and her or his gifts

Art Ideas:

Have your child draw themselves doing/using the gifts they have. (younger children may need help with determining what their gifts are) Or you can have them pick a friend or family member to draw a picture of.