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DECEMBER 18, 2022
PRIMARY LIFE APPLICATION STORY



Mama and Tyler were wrapping Christmas gifts.

"Here's Dad's flashlight," she said.

"Wow!" said Tyler. "It has a radio, and when you twist this part, there's a light."

"Yes, so we can see if our electricity goes out," Mama said. "Let's wrap those batteries, too."

"What are they for?" Tyler asked.

"The batteries give it power so that all parts of the flashlight work together," Mama said. "It's like how God gives Christians special gifts so we can all live and work together peacefully."

LESSON 3 • DECEMBER 18, 2022

“There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope when you were called— one Lord, one faith, one baptism” (Ephesians 4:4–5, NIV).

The Good Life



Paul taught the people of Ephesus to live a good life. He told them to always try to live in unity. That means to live together in peace and cooperation so they could not be separated.

Paul said that there is one body of believers and one Holy Spirit. They share the same hope in God. They believed in the Lord Jesus Christ and were baptized

into the same faith. And God the Father is the Head of all who are Christians. If we live in unity, we will grow up in Christ. All of us will grow, working together and loving each other the way we are supposed to, as parts of the body of Christ.

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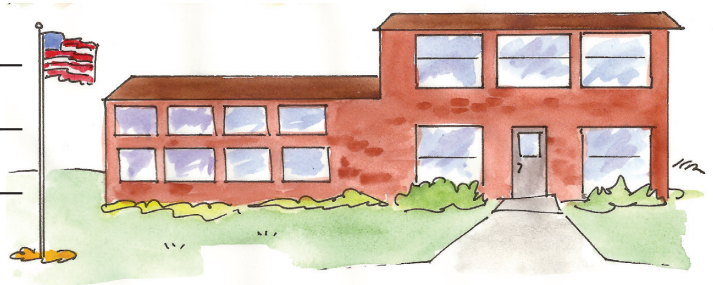
Lord, Help Me to Bring Unity

What are ways you can show unity? Write your ideas on the lines below.



At home _____

At school _____



At church _____



Memory Verse:

"Speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into Christ" (from Ephesians 4:15, NIV).

DEAR PARENTS

Your child is learning about unity. Talk with them about the ways they want to show unity this week. They wrote them down in this student folder.



Unity = Growth

How can you love and serve the church this week? Circle one and write down what you will do.

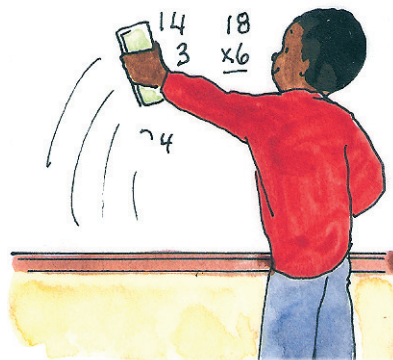
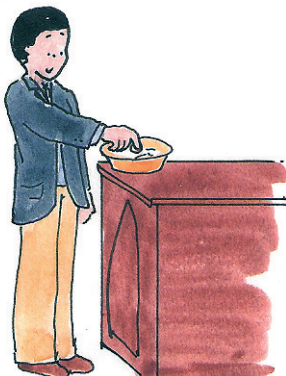


Pray



Help

Give



Name _____

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“Tamara, would you help me in here, please?” Tamara’s mother was in a special new room in the house—a nursery.

Tamara went into the blue room. “I can’t wait to meet my baby brother,” Tamara said.

“It will be very soon now,” her mother said. “Will you help me move the cradle over to that corner?”

They each took an end and moved the cradle. “We’re all ready for our little Christmas baby!”

“We’ll sure have a merry Christmas this year!” Tamara said.

LESSON 4 • DECEMBER 25, 2022

"And Mary said: 'My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior'"
(Luke 1:46–47, NIV).

The Best Gifts



Mary was visiting her cousin Elizabeth. She was joyful because she was going to have a baby. She praised God. She knew that throughout all history, people would know that God had done great things for her.

Mary said that God shows mercy to every generation. He punishes the proud, but He lifts up the humble. He takes care

of those who love and fear Him.

He feeds the hungry, and He helps Israel, the people who came from Abraham.

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Manger Acrostic

Color the letters to this acrostic. They spell MANGER. Write a word, or words, to go with each letter that has anything at all to do with Christmas or Jesus (for example: M-ary).

M _____

A _____

N _____

G _____

E _____

R _____



Memory Verse:

"For the Mighty One has done great things for me—holy is his name" (Luke 1:49, NIV).

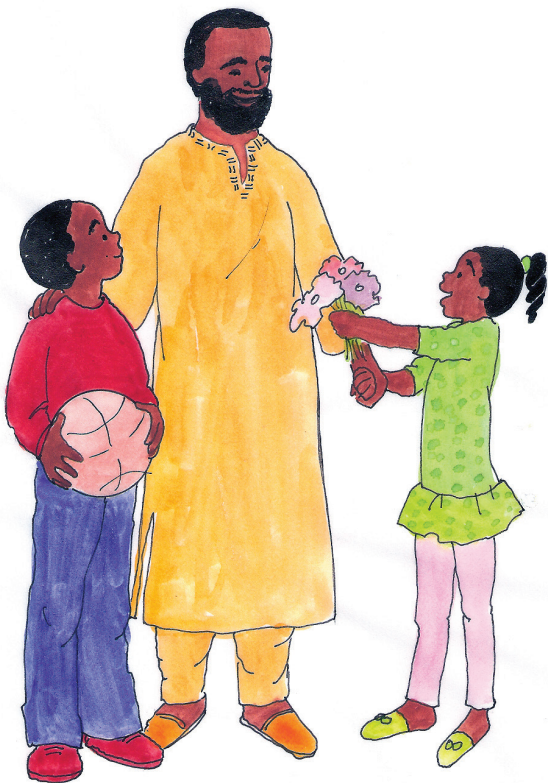
DEAR PARENTS

Today, our child learned all about Jesus, the best gift ever. Together you can celebrate Jesus and His gift of love this week.



Christmas "Thank You" Poem

Read the Christmas poem; and then, where it says, "Thank You for," write different things to thank Jesus for (example: Thank You for loving me).



Thank You

Jesus, born on Christmas Day,

Come into my heart to stay;

*I'm thankful, Jesus,
that You came.*

*My life will never be
the same.*

*I thank You, Lord,
for many things—*

*Because of You, my whole
heart sings.*

Thank You for _____.

Name _____