Theme of the day: Love and the Church

Question of the day: Why would God want us to work together?

Verse of the day: Hebrews 10:24

Key Story: Building the Tabernacle - From Exodus

Key take away: Everything we've learned this week: Loving God, our neighbors, the others, Trusting God... it all comes together to help us understand what it means to be the Church and the HUGE

role love plays in the Church.

SO & SO SHOW

https://youtu.be/Hzcxod6HhiA

The Question of the day comes from this video: "Why would God want us to work together?

BIBLE STORY

Exodus - Tabernacle Story

This story is quite long and can be difficult to understand when read straight out of the Bible for kids. I would encourage you to either re-watch the story section of the So & So Show episode above or watch the video below for a cool kid friendly option!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D9GHhJpjnds

STORY RECAP

I always find that having kids try to retell the story after hearing is a great way to help them remember it. Try asking them to summarize it with you!

STORY & VIDEO DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What does Tabernacle mean? (Dwell)
- Who did God put in charge of creating the Tabernacle? (Moses)
- What sorts of supplies did people bring to help build? (Silver, gold, fabrics and yarn, etc)
- How were the people in the story working together?
- How have you had to work together with people before? At school? At home?With friends?

VERSE OF DAY & LESSON

READ Hebrews 10:24

ASK What do you think this verse means?

Spur is kind of a funny word, isn't it? It's not one we use very often... When we say "spur one another on" it basically means, let's encourage one another. Lift each other up or cheer each other on.

ASK Have you ever had to cheer someone on or encourage someone?

SAY

Earlier this week we learned all about loving God, loving our neighbors, and loving the others. This verse helps us to see how we can use what we learned to spur one another on, or cheer each other on, or encourage one another... toward love and good deeds!

ASK

What do you think "love and good deeds" mean?

SAY

We've learned that God calls us to live a certain way. Perhaps one way we can name how we're supposed to live is by calling "Love and good deeds"...

ASK

What gifts, skills, or talents do you have?

SAY

We're going to change gears a little bit now and talk about how we're supposed to work together. We're going to read some verses from the book of 1 Corinthians. This is a letter written by Paul to the people in Corinth. At the time, the Corinthians were trying to understand why some people had different skills or spiritual gifts than other people. Paul gives a really good example of how we can understand how we're all different but all still really important.

READ

1 Corinthians 12: 12-27

SAY

These verses help us understand how we're all given different skills, talents, gifts to use in life and in the church. Someone could be really good at music, so they can lead worship at church, while another person could be really bad at music BUT really good at leading Bible studies, so maybe they're a Sunday School teacher. We're all given different and important gifts, skills, and talents that can help us work together to BE the church.

ASK

How can you use the gifts, skills, or talents you named earlier to help the church?

Spend some time talking about everyone's different skills/talents/gifts, help each other get creative with their connections! Make sure everyone understands their gifts/talents/skills can be used to help be the Church. End in prayer, thanking God for our individual gifts, talents, and skills and asking for help in understanding how to use those to better be the Church.

ACTIVITY

Church Collage

Needed: Paper and art supplies

As a family, or individually, create a collage of what it means TO YOU to be the Church.

Brainstorm ideas, images, etc from everything you've learned this week.

Feel free to post those pictures online and tag us with #3CrossStaycation

OR email us a picture of you with your collage, and we'll be putting together a short wrap-up/highlights video to be posted online and on our website from this week. We'd love for you to be a part of it!



