



LESSON 8

I WILL COOPERATE AND WORK WITH OTHERS AT CHURCH!

FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

Our Bible Verse this week is Romans 12:5. This verse tells us that we should all work together as one body.

In our Bible Story, the Israelites work together to build the Tabernacle. Paul also teaches us how we should all work together to make up the church. Read Exodus 36, 1 Corinthians 12, and Romans 12:5 with your child.

ALL IN

Gather your family together to have them help make one of the family's favorite meals. Divide up the ingredients and assign a family member to each ingredient. Have him or her put in the ingredient when it is time. As you are enjoying the meal together ask your family if the meal would have tasted the same if some of the ingredients were left out. If even one ingredient is left out, the meal would not be the same. Tell your family that the church is like a wonderful meal that God is cooking for the whole world to taste. But God has given some of the ingredients to each one of us. If we don't put in our part, the recipe won't be the same. Talk to your family about things that keep you from coming to church. Make a commitment, as a family, to make being in church your top priority for the week. Tell coaches, teachers, and friends that your child's first priority is church.

HOKEY POKEY

Do the Hokey Pokey with your family. After you have sung the song and done the motions together, discuss with your children how being a part of the church is like being a part of the body. Read Romans 12:5. Tell your family that each one of them has something special that no other part of the body has. It takes all the parts of the body working together to make church the best it can be. Tell your family that we should not be like the Hokey Pokey song. We should not put part of ourselves in and pull it back out. We should not even put our whole self in and put our whole self out. We should put our whole self into church. That means making church a priority and saying "no" to doing things that would cause us to miss being in church. Discuss, with your family, things that you may need to say "no" to, so that you can fulfill your commitment to be in church every week.