

## Sunday School @ 9:45 am Sunday Mornings

(In-Person or via Zoom)

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## Worship @ 11 am Sunday Mornings

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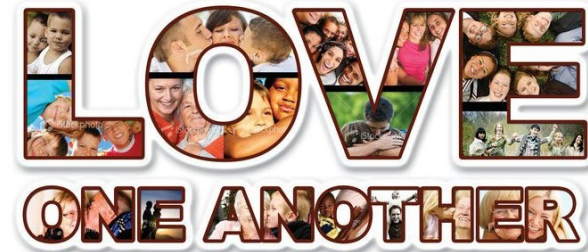
## Zion Children's Bulletin

May 15, 2022 (Year C) \* 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Ages 7+)



### Hearing God's Word:

Today's Scriptures include John 13:31-35 (Gospel Lesson), Revelation 21:1-6 (Epistle Lesson), and Psalm 148 (Psalter Lesson).



**LOVE one another, As i have LOVED you.**  
**John 13:34**

### Jesus Prepares to Leave and Gives A New Command

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<sup>31</sup> When Judas was gone, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man receives his glory. And God receives glory through him. <sup>32</sup> If God receives glory through him, then God will give glory to the Son through himself. And God will give him glory quickly." <sup>33</sup> Jesus said, "My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me. And what I told the Jews, I tell you now: Where I am going you cannot come. <sup>34</sup> "I give you a new command: Love each other. You must love each other as I have loved you. <sup>35</sup> All people will know that you are my followers if you love each other."



### Jesus Prepares to Leave

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3 in 1 Son 2 God 3 Himself  
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3 glorify 1 and 2 Him 3 Him  
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Now is the Son of God glorified and God is glorified in Him. If God is glorified in Him, God will glorify the Son in Himself and will glorify Him at once.

Jesus told His disciples that He would only be with them a little longer. He warned them that looking for Him would not help. What did He tell them?

Find the letter that is missing from the second word of the set. Write it on the line. Then transfer the letters by their numbers to the lines below.

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| ease see <u>e</u>   | glade deal <u>d</u>   |
| share rash <u>s</u> | galore glare <u>r</u> |
| heat tea <u>h</u>   | sugar rags <u>g</u>   |
| where here <u>w</u> | time tie <u>m</u>     |
| paint nap <u>p</u>  | crayon acorn <u>y</u> |

Where I am going you cannot come. I give you a new command: Love each other. You must love each other as I have loved you. All people will know that you are my followers if you love one another.

Then Jesus said,  
"As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are My disciples, if you love one another."

## Children's Moment: Characteristics of a Christian

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This morning, I'd like to explain a fun and simple exercise, but first, I want you to show me the exercise that you think I'm going to teach you. So...think about different exercises that you know and then think about which one you think I'm going to teach you. When I say "Go" – I'll give you 10 seconds to show me the exercise you think I'll teach you. We'll see how close your guess is to my actual exercise. Any questions? Ok, I think we're ready to do this. Go ahead and stand up and have someone count to 10 for you while you show the exercise that you think I am going to show you. Ready? Set? Go!

10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1!

Yay! Well done! Thank you for doing that! That was great! I think your exercise moves are more fun than mine. The exercise I was going to show you was jogging in place. The way to do that is to stand in one spot. Then, you bring one knee up, nice and high. Then you bring it down while you bring the other knee up. Then you do it faster and faster until you're "running in place."

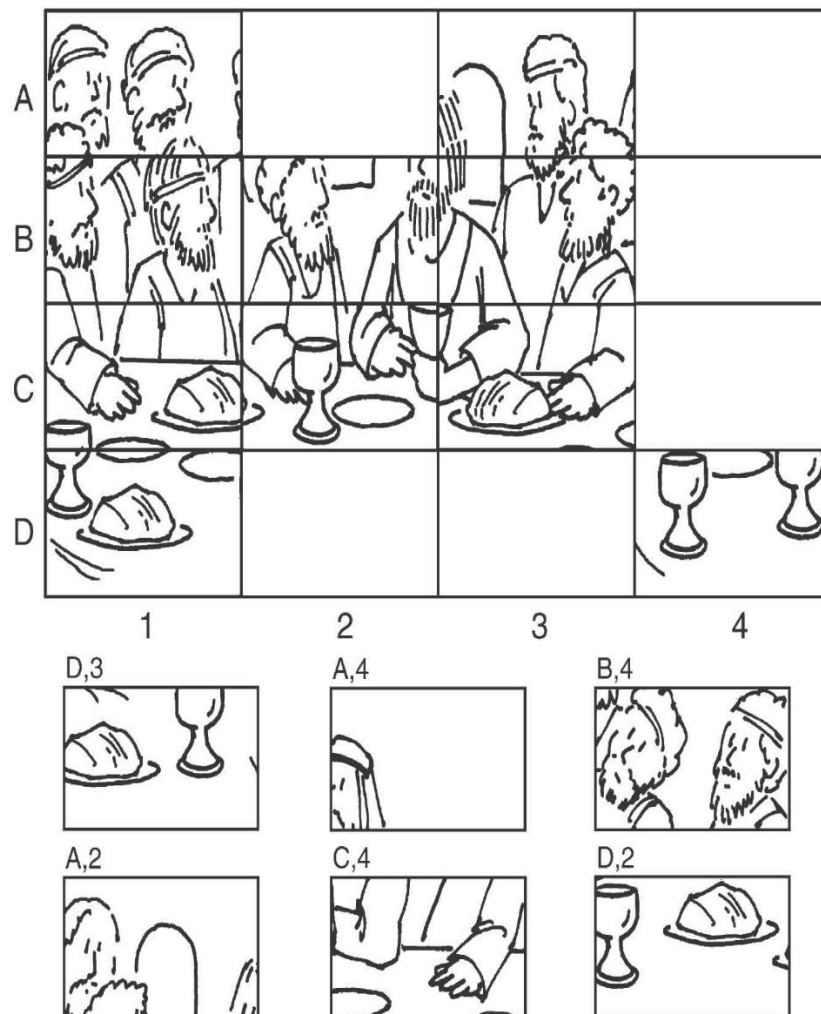
So, were you able to show others what I was going to teach you before I told you the move? No, not really... Do you think that if I had told/showed you FIRST, then you would've been better able to show others what my exercise move was? Yes, I think so too.

In today's scripture story, Jesus is teaching his disciples a new rule. He tells them to, "Love one another as I have loved you." A very important thing about this rule is that Jesus was already living that rule. He had already shown his disciples how to love one another because he had already been loving them. And, because Jesus loved first, then the disciples were able to see and know what Jesus meant when he said, "As I have loved you." Here are some of the loving actions that Jesus did for his disciples: 1) He invited them to be his students and wanted to spend time with them. 2) He shared stories with them to help them better understand God. 3) He showed them how to how to talk and listen to God (what we call praying).

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|       |      | 1     |        |       | 8     |
| time  | met  | _____ | heart  | heat  | _____ |
|       |      | 2     |        |       | 9     |
| ease  | see  | _____ | glade  | deal  | _____ |
|       |      | 3     |        |       | 10    |
| share | rash | _____ | galore | glare | _____ |
|       |      | 4     |        |       | 11    |
| heat  | tea  | _____ | sugar  | rags  | _____ |
|       |      | 5     |        |       | 12    |
| where | here | _____ | time   | tie   | _____ |
|       |      | 6     |        |       | 13    |
| pant  | nap  | _____ | crayon | acorn | _____ |
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 10 11 2 1 10 \_\_\_\_\_  
 14 11 12  
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 8 3 1 1 11 7 8 11 13 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
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And you know what?

If we read the stories about Jesus, then we, too, can see these same actions that Jesus showed his disciples. In this way, Jesus shows us how to be his students. And, because we can see how Jesus showed his love toward his disciples, then we can see how we are to love one another, just like Jesus loved his disciples.

As Jesus disciples, then, because Jesus loved us first, we know how to love others like Jesus loved us. And that's the good news for today.

**Let Us Pray:** This is a repeat-after-one-another prayer. One person reads the plain line and everyone else reads the bold line. If you are alone, simply pray the bolded lines.

Dear God,  
**Dear God,**

Thank you for Jesus...  
**Thank you for Jesus...**

...who shows your love...  
**...who shows your love...**

...to his disciples...  
**...to his disciples...**

...so that they and we can see...  
**...so that they and we can see...**

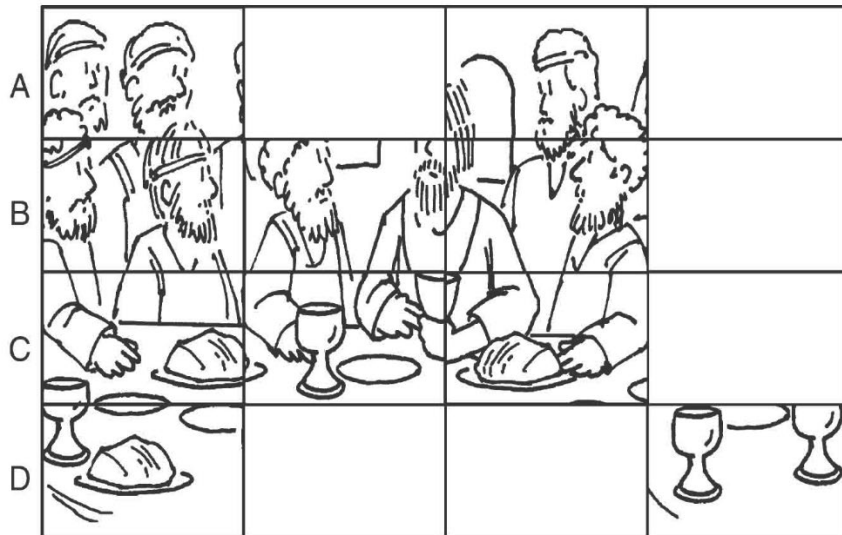
...how to then share your love with others.  
**...how to then share your love with others.**

Thank you and Amen.  
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D,3



A,4



B,4



A,2



C,4



D,2



What did Jesus say to His disciples?

Reading from left to right, write all of the 1's in order. When you reach the last 1, return to the top and write all the 2's in order. Then return to the top and write all the 3's in order.

|             |        |             |           |
|-------------|--------|-------------|-----------|
| 1 Now       | 2 in   | 3 the       | 1 is      |
| 2 Him       | 3 Son  | 1 the       | 2 If      |
| 3 in        | 1 Son  | 2 God       | 3 Himself |
| 1 of        | 2 is   | 3 and       | 1 God     |
| 2 glorified | 3 will | 1 glorified | 2 in      |
| 3 glorify   | 1 and  | 2 Him       | 3 Him     |
| 1 God       | 2 God  | 3 at        | 1 is      |
| 2 will      | 3 once | 1 glorified | 2 glorify |

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