

# United in God's Family Activity Sheets



Jesus showed how to love others and serve together.

# Just for Fun

In his letter to Philippians, Paul encourages us to look at Jesus and then try to mirror Him, to imitate Him, so that we can be good friends to others.

Here are a few imitation games for you to play:

- Follow the Leader take turns being the leader and get everyone else to copy everything you do.
- Imitation Imagination Take turns to play. Think of an animal or famous person then without talking imitate their behaviour. The others have to guess what or who you are.

How easy was it to imitate or mirror others? Paul says that if we really look properly at Jesus, we can try to imitate Him.

- What do you think it means to imitate or mirror Jesus?
- What kind of friend was Jesus?
- How would you want to be like Jesus? Write or draw the ways in the mirror.



# God's Word

It makes us feel good to receive awards, and most of us like being the centre of attention! But have you ever been around someone who wanted to receive ALL the awards and wanted to be the centre of attention ALL the time?

- How do you feel about people who want all the attention?
- When might someone your age think that he or she is better than everyone else?

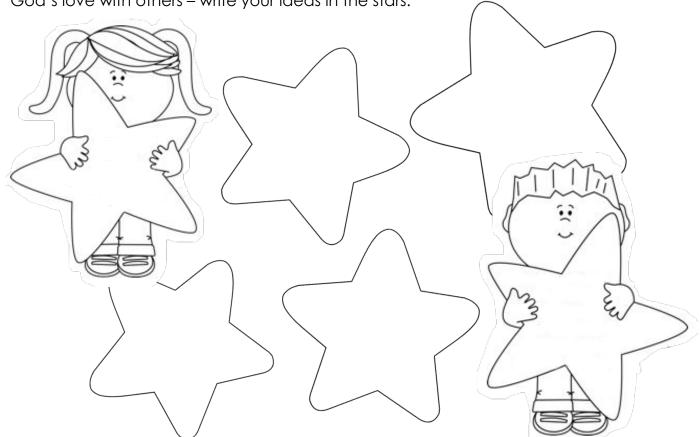
In his letter to the Philippians, Paul says something interesting about the way we should think of ourselves and how we should treat others.

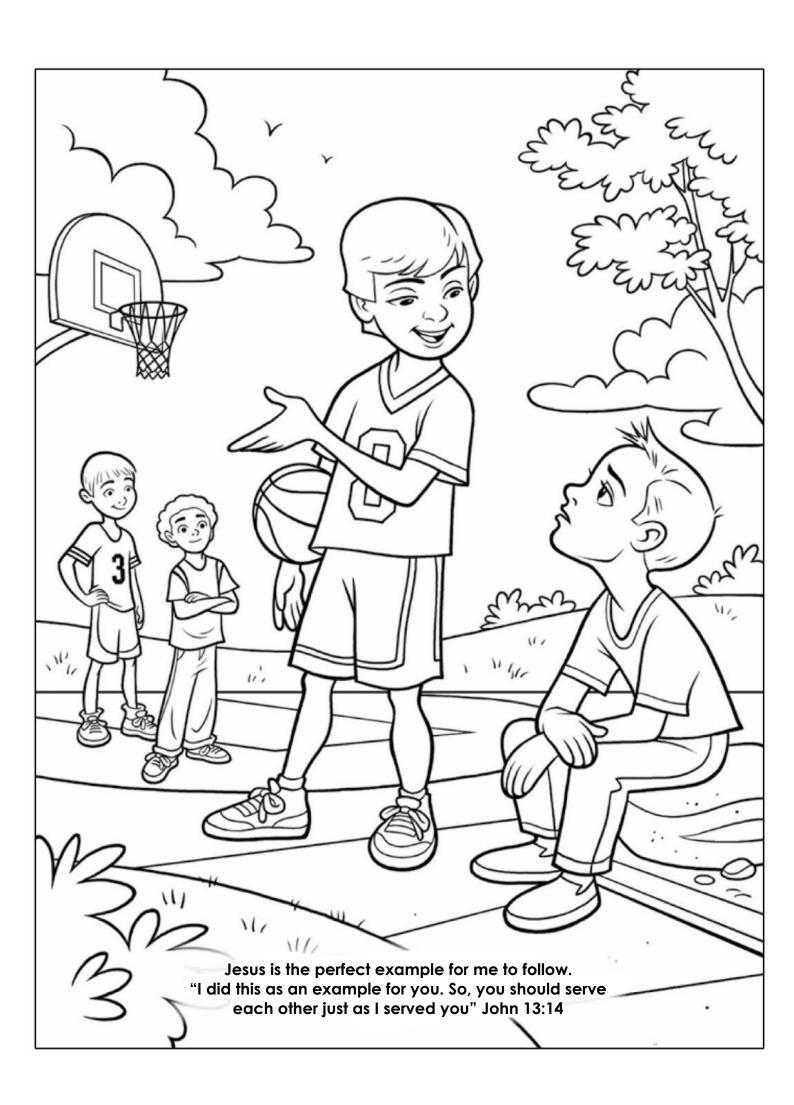
In whatever you do, don't let selfishness or pride be your guide. Be humble, and honour others more than yourselves. Don't be interested only in your own life but care about the lives of others too.

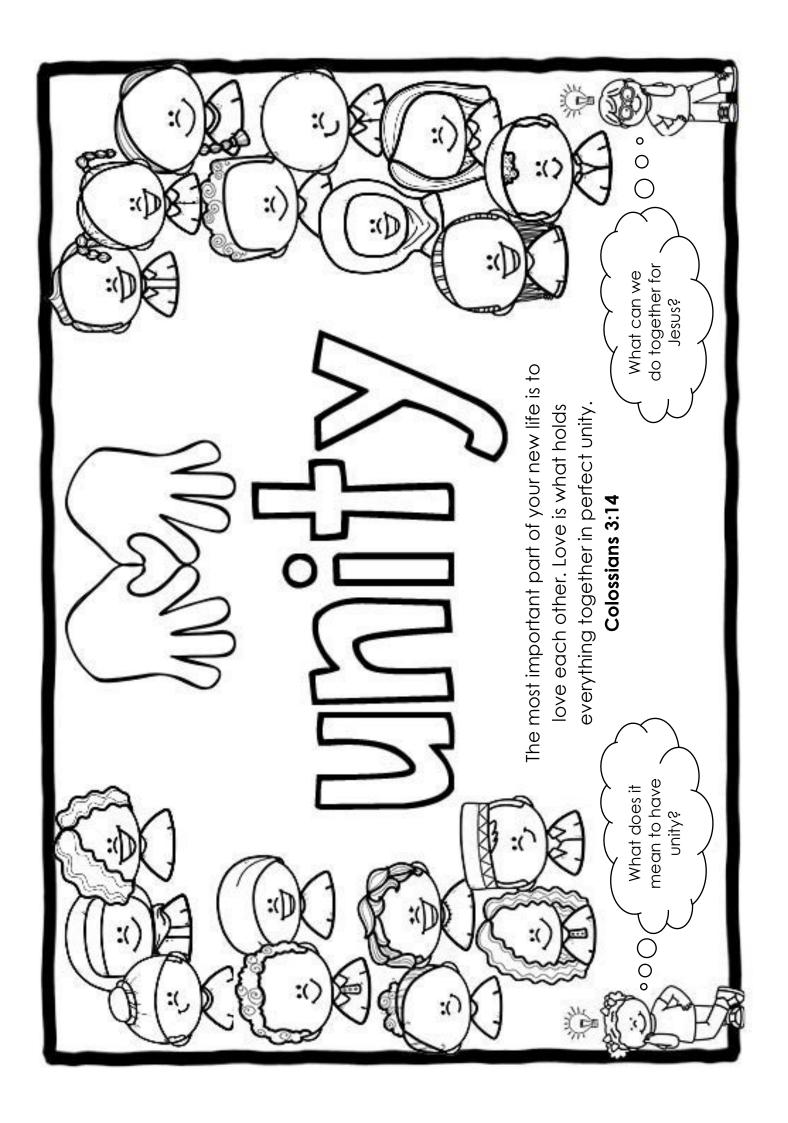
Philippians 2:3-4

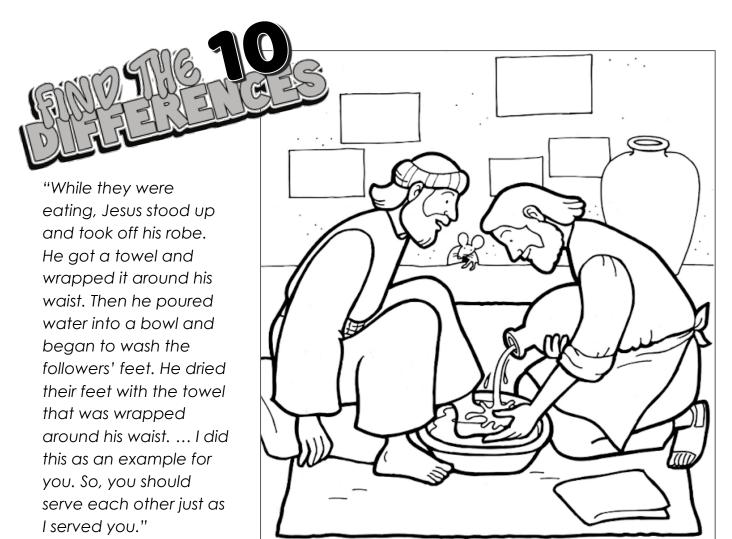
- How does someone who is selfish treat others?
- What does Paul say we should do instead of being selfish or full of pride?

Paul also says that we should agree with each other and show love for each other. Be **united** in our goals and in the way we think. Because Christians all belong to the same family of God, we should all have the same goal – to share the love of God with others and serve them like Jesus served. What are some things we can do **together** to share God's love with others – write your ideas in the stars.









John 13:4-5, 15

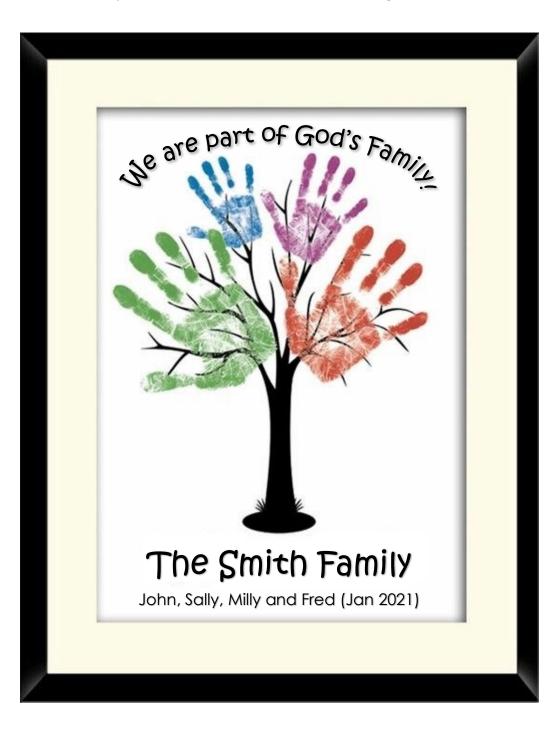


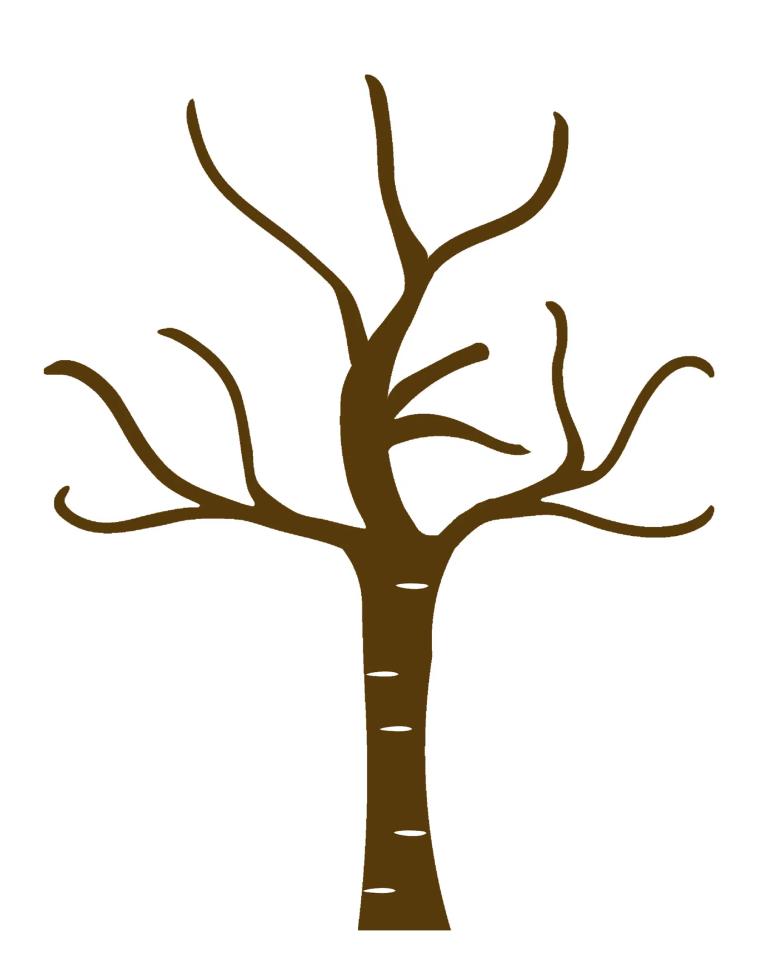
When Jesus washed his disciples feet, he showed us how to put others first. He also showed us how to love each other by serving them.

## **Handprint Family Tree Craft**

Need: Largish piece of paper (a3 should work), Paint or crayons, Glue, scissors.

- 1. Print off the tree (next page), cut it out and stick on your biggish piece of paper or draw your own one.
- 2. Get each person in the family to do a painted or drawn handprint on the tree like leaves.
- 3. Leave to dry. Then write names, date and decorate. Put it up somewhere to remind you that your family is united with all God's other children we are all part of God's one big family. Spend some time together this week praying for each other and the rest of God's family. (Each person can take turns holding the picture as you pray)





### **SONG LYRICS**

## **Love One Another**

This is how the world will know how the world will see that we live what we believe with everything we do every word we speak let us live for this one thing we will, we will

#### Chorus

love one another
love one another
with a love like no other
that we've found in You
love one another
love one another
ye love one another
that's what we'll do

There is not a greater love than the One who came to give it all away You laid down your life Gave up everything We will live to do the same we will, we will

#### Chorus

We're alive, we're alive to love one another We're alive, we're alive with love like no other We're alive, we're alive We're sisters and brothers We're alive, we're alive to love one another

#### Chorus x2

## Live Differently (Yancy)

O, O, O x2
We can shine a light
We can be a voice
We can make a difference
And change the world
The greatest of all
Is the one who serves
So, God, we give our lives
To serve You faithfully, yeah

#### Chorus

We want to be Your hands and feet
We want to live differently
We want to love
We want to give
We want to serve those in need
And be Your hands and feet
We want to live differently, yeah
We want to love
We want to give
We want to serve
We want to live differently O, O, O
We want to live differently O, O, O

Your kingdom come, Your will be done
This is our prayer
We want to serve You, God
We want to serve You, God
Your kingdom come, Your will be done
This is our prayer
We want to serve You, God
We want to serve You, God
We want to serve You, God

(We want to be Your hands and feet ... We want to live differently)

#### Chorus

We want to live differently