

1st-5th Grade Small Group Lesson



Session Title: The Church Was Divided

Bible Passage: 1 Corinthians 1:10-31

Main Point: Paul wrote that Christians are joined together by faith in Jesus.

Key Passage: Galatians 2:20

Big Picture Question: Why does God want us to obey Him? Obedience is our response to God's love for us.

Christ Connection: *Paul told believers in the Corinthian church to come together because of the gospel of Jesus. He reminded them that Jesus saves sinners. Because of Jesus and what He has done, believers can humbly come together as one body.*

Triple Threat Activity

If you can, form 2 teams and have them work together or figure out the answer to the riddle and see who can come up with an answer first. Read each of the following sets of three things. What do the three things have in common. Feel free to create your own, if you would like!

Suggested triplet riddles:

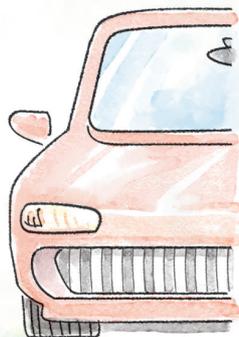
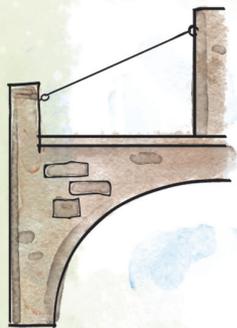
- Apples, bananas, peaches (*all fruit*)
- Stop sign, ripe tomatoes, blood (*all red*)
- Cities, countries, chickens (*all start with C*)
- Top, shop, mop (*all rhyme*)
- Cats, dogs, books (*all have tails/tales*)

Each set of three things had something that united them. Your job was to figure out what that was! Well, for us, we don't have to figure out on our own what unites Christians. God has revealed it to us through His Word. Paul wrote that Christians are joined together by faith in Jesus. That means that even when we disagree on some things, we can remain united and work together for the most important thing: spreading the truth of the gospel.

Half and Half

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INSTRUCTIONS: Complete each picture by drawing the missing half.



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BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

- Why does God want us to obey Him? Obedience is our response to God's love for us.

BIBLE STORY:

THE CHURCH WAS DIVIDED

- Paul wrote a letter to the Corinthians.
- The Corinthians were fighting about whom to follow.
- Paul wrote that Christians are joined together by faith in Jesus.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- Why do you think it is important for Christians to be united?
- Whom should Christians follow? Why?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Cut some objects, like a baseball, an insulated mug, or a seashell in half. Show your kids what these objects look like on the inside. Discuss how, despite being cool to look at, each object cannot function when divided. Discuss ways the church benefits from being united by faith in Christ.

Younger Kids Activity Pages
Unit 31, Session 2