



CIRCLE UP

Use this time to gather together and get everyone talking.

DO

Have each family member choose a number between 1 and 5, and then play TRUTH or DARE based on the number they choose!

- 1 - TRUTH: What do you love about church?
DARE: Balance a spoon on your nose.
- 2 - TRUTH: What is your favorite way to celebrate?
DARE: Pat your head and rub your stomach at the same time.
- 3 - TRUTH: What's your favorite food to eat at parties?
DARE: Do your best dance moves.
- 4 - TRUTH: What is one thing you want to thank God for?
DARE: Go outside and shout, "Jesus loves you!"
- 5 - TRUTH: What is something you love about your family?
DARE: Tell everyone in the room one thing you love about them.

SAY

Today we're celebrating how the Church isn't a building, it's people — like us! People who follow Jesus by loving God, loving others, and having fun doing it together are the Church. That means we are the Church! So say this after me:

I Am (thumbs to chest)

The Church (make a C with one hand and place it on top of opposite hand)

WATCH

Watch today's Elementary and/or Preschool video on the web page where you found this lesson or on the KidSpring App or YouTube channel.

ASK your Elementary Schooler:

How did the early church love God and love others?
(Learned about Jesus and lived like Him, put others first, prayed together, shared everything)

How can you show love to God this week? How can you show love to others this week?

ASK your Preschooler:

What are some things the early church did together? (Prayed, sang songs, worshipped God, ate meals, shared, helped, etc.)

HAVE FUN TOGETHER

Play a fun game to help your kids understand that we are the Church and how your family can be the Church to those around you.

SAY God made us, and He made each of us to be a part of His Church! Our bodies can remind us how to be the Church. Let's play a game to see how.

PLAY Play "Simon Says" by saying, "Simon says point to your ...," and then call out one of the body parts below.

To make it more of a challenge, call out a body part while actually pointing to a different body part. Or sometimes say, "Simon says to touch elbows with someone else!" Then everyone should find someone to touch elbows with.

Afterwards, talk about how these body parts remind us how to be the Church and choose three of the actions to do as a family this week.

EYES - We can look for people who need love and we can read God's Word

MOUTH - We can tell others that God loves them

NOSE - We can share delicious smelling food with others

BRAIN - We can teach others what God is teaching us

EARS - We can listen to God and to others

NECK - We can support others who are hurting or need help

HEART - We can pray for others and believe God will help them

LEFT HAND - We can use our hands to help others

RIGHT HAND - We can give to God and to others

ELBOWS - We can show God we love Him by always working hard

ARMS - We can hug others and raise our arms to worship God

LEGS - We can stand strong against the enemy

LEFT FOOT - We can go to neighbors and tell them about God's love

RIGHT FOOT - We can follow Jesus and be leaders who show others how to follow Him, too

PRAY Father God, thank You for our church! We're so excited that we get to be the Church every day! Please help us to love You and love others. Show us how to be the Church to our family and neighbors this week! We love You and celebrate You! Amen.