

# INSEPARABLE

ENCOURAGING THE CHURCH AT HOME  
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 2018

"HOW GOOD AND HOW PLEASANT  
IT IS...TO DWELL IN UNITY."

PSALM 133:1

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TONIGHT WE WILL GATHER AS A FAMILY. WE WILL PUT OUR PHONES AND OTHER DISTRACTIONS AWAY AND FOCUS ON OUR FAMILY WHILE WE ARE TOGETHER. WE MAY BE TOGETHER FOR 30 MINUTES OR 2 HOURS, BUT WE WILL MAKE THE MOST OF THE TIME WE SPEND TOGETHER, BONDING OUR FAMILY AND DIRECTING OUR FAMILY TOWARD GOD.

(FILL IN WHO WILL TAKE CARE OF EACH JOB FOR THE NIGHT.)

\_\_\_\_\_ IS IN CHARGE OF OPENING PRAYER

\_\_\_\_\_ IS IN CHARGE OF READING SCRIPTURE

\_\_\_\_\_ IS IN CHARGE OF LEADING THE LESSON

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\_\_\_\_\_ IS IN CHARGE OF PICKING THE SNACK

\_\_\_\_\_ IS IN CHARGE OF CLOSING PRAYER

# OPENING PRAYER

MAY THE GOD OF ALL PATIENCE AND CONSOLATION GRANT TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF OUR FAMILY THAT WE MAY LIVE IN PERFECT HARMONY WITH ONE ANOTHER. WITH ONE HEART, MAY WE GIVE GLORY TO GOD OUR FATHER AND TO JESUS CHRIST OUR BROTHER. IN THE UNITY AND LOVE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN

## SCRIPTURE

THE HOUR HAS COME FOR THE SON OF MAN TO BE GLORIFIED. AMEN, AMEN, I SAY TO YOU, UNLESS A GRAIN OF WHEAT FALLS TO THE GROUND AND DIES, IT REMAINS JUST A GRAIN OF WHEAT; BUT IF IT DIES, IT PRODUCES MUCH FRUIT. WHOEVER LOVES HIS LIFE LOSES IT, AND WHOEVER HATES HIS LIFE IN THIS WORLD WILL PRESERVE IT FOR ETERNAL LIFE. WHOEVER SERVES ME MUST FOLLOW ME, AND WHERE I AM, THERE ALSO WILL MY SERVANT BE. THE FATHER WILL HONOR WHOEVER SERVES ME. JOHN 12:23-26

## LESSON

WE DIE IN JESUS BUT IN JESUS WE ARE BROUGHT TO NEW LIFE. WE ARE DOING THE WILL OF GOD WHEN WE FOLLOW JESUS. BECAUSE OF JESUS DEATH AND RESURRECTION, WE TOO WILL RISE LIKE JESUS DID.

# ACTIVITY

## PEAS IN A JAR

MATERIALS:

MASON JAR

PAPER TOWELS

WATER

PEA SEEDS



INSTRUCTIONS:

1. FOLD UP SOME PAPER TOWEL AND STUFF INTO THE JAR.

2. PLACE THE SEEDS BETWEEN THE JAR AND THE PAPER TOWEL SO THEY CAN BE SEEN FROM OUTSIDE THE JAR.

3. WATER THE SEEDS BUT DON'T FLOOD THE JAR.

4. CONTINUE TO WATCH THE SEEDS GROW. WATCH FOR:

- ROOTS
- ROOT HAIRS
- SPROUT PUSHING UPWARD

5. WHEN THE PEAS ARE LARGE ENOUGH, PLANT THEM IN THE GROUND OUTSIDE AND HARVEST THE PEAS WHEN THOSE GROW.

# ACTIVITY

GET SOME OTHER PLANTS READY  
FOR PLANTING OUTSIDE!

TAKE A WALK OUTSIDE

HAVE MOVIE NIGHT!  
EVERYONE IN PAJAMAS, GET OUT  
PILLOWS AND BLANKETS, AND MAKE  
SOME POPCORN! ENJOY!

PLAY A BOARD GAME

HAVE A PICNIC DINNER IN THE  
LIVING ROOM

LET US KNOW WHICH ACTIVITIES REALLY  
INSPIRED COMMUNITY BUILDING WITHIN YOUR  
FAMILY!!

# TREAT

## SNACK TREES!

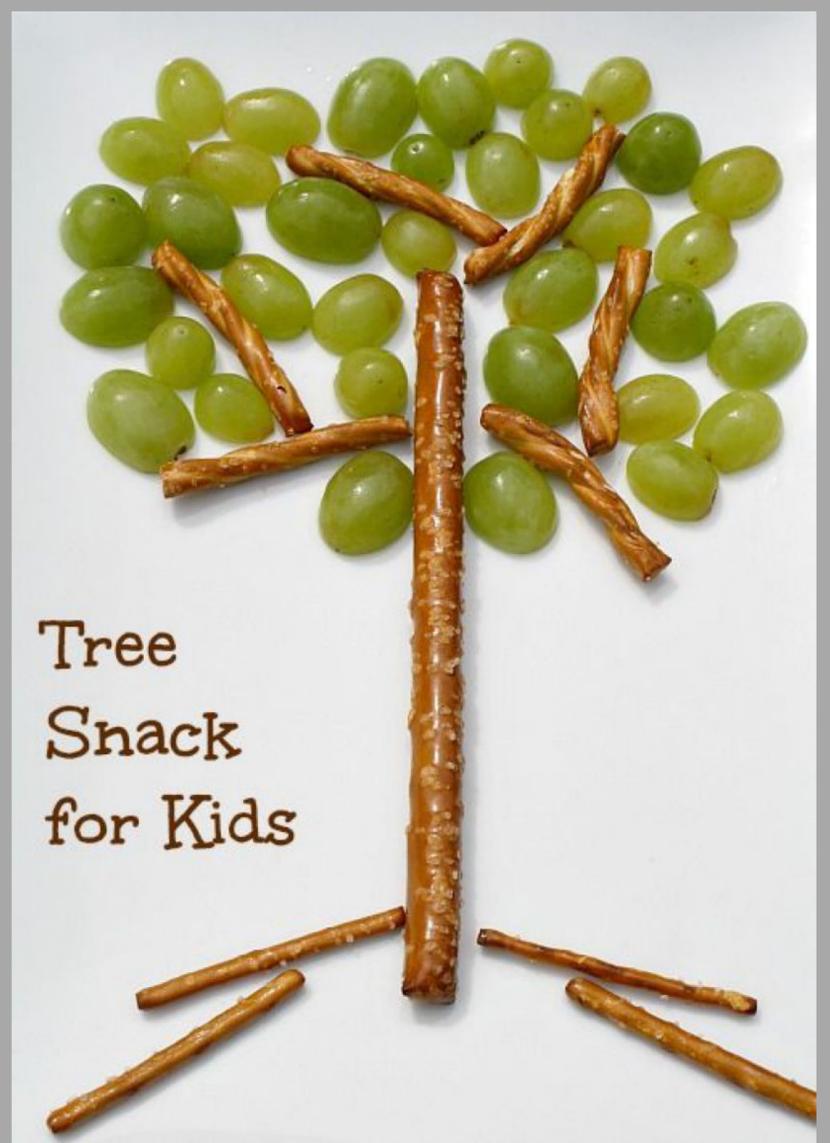
### INGREDIENTS:

- ~STICK PRETZELS
- ~GREEN GRAPES
- ~PLATES

### DIRECTIONS:

1. USE THE STICK PRETZELS TO MAKE THE TRUNK AND BRANCHES OF THE TREE.
2. USE THE GRAPES AS THE LEAVES. IT MIGHT HELP TO USE GRAPE HALVES TO THEY AREN'T ROLLING ALL OVER THE PLATE.

OR SNACK ON A  
DIFFERENT TREAT YOUR  
FAMILY ENJOYS!



# CLOSING PRAYER

LORD, WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS PRECIOUS FAMILY OF OURS. FOR THE TALENTS AND GOOD THINGS THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN EACH OF US. PLEASE KEEP US UNITED, AND OUR BOND STRONG AS THE DAYS PASS. PLEASE GUIDE US, PROTECT US AND EQUIP US TO DO YOUR WILL EACH AND EVERY DAY. THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU ARE, AND ALL THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN US. OUR HEARTS ARE FOREVER GRATEFUL!

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