

Hi Everyone

Hope you are safe and well.

Today we are exploring what it means to be connected to someone or something.

So, let's explore what it means!!

Story

I am the Vine

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The Vine and the Branches

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The story of the Vine

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A Story to read

Let us imagine that God is a gardener, and in God's garden there is a plant: a vine. The vine is rooted in the soil, and the soil is rich and nutritious, full of God's goodness. The gardener pours all his love into it, so the vine has plenty of water and food, and everything else it needs to grow well.

There are many branches on the vine, some have fruit and some do not. God cuts off all the branches that are dry and weak, and have no fruit. Then he looks at the branches that are fruitful and cuts those branches back, so that they will bear even more fruit.

Jesus is like a vine. We are the branches.

If the branches stay firmly attached to the root of the plant, they can draw on the goodness in the soil and produce sweet, juicy grapes. If we follow Jesus and stay as close to him as the branches of the vine, we will grow well. Jesus will give us all the nourishment we need and we will produce wonderful fruit, like love, Kindness, and helpfulness.

Jesus says that if we follow him, we can ask for whatever we want, and it will be done for us.

- **Songs**

When we give we grow

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Nothings to Big

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This is a vine with fruit growing on it.

I wonder how you would keep this vine healthy, what would you do?

This is a vine which hasn't got a fruit

I wonder what God would do with this vine?

I wonder if Jesus was Just talk about Grapes?



Good fruit makes the Gardener happy. When we do good things and stay close to Jesus, we make God happy. These are some of the things that make God happy when we are Loving, Joyful, are Peaceful, when we have patience when we are kind, faithful, show goodness, gentleness and self-control.

There is a lot to think about but I wonder if you already do some of these things.



- **Activities**

Fruit Tree

You will need

Twiglets

Grapes

Paper Plate



What to do

Take your paper plate and take the twiglets , make a tree with branches to be the leaves then take a photograph of it and then eat the twiglets and grapes!

- **Stay Connected**

This is a game.

You will need a Symbol of faith – cross, palm cross, heart.

Parents your help is needed: send the children out of the room then hide the object somewhere in the room. Then let the children back in the room and use the terms hot and cold or freezing to help them know if they are close to the object

Use a lamp that has a plug or a batterie operated lamp.

As the children to look at the plug and think about a time when they felt really connected to God.

Then plug in the lamp and on a piece of paper draw or write how you can connect to God every day.

Then Switch the light on and ask the children to pray that God would shine on them and help shine his love to everyone they meet.

Or you could use the Lord's Prayer

