

Making it Mine

A Bible study for kids ready to grow a faith of their own.

Month 5 Week 1

GOD AND ME

READ:

- 1 John
- 2 John
- 3 John

Heart graffiti:

“Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe.

Hebrews 12:28

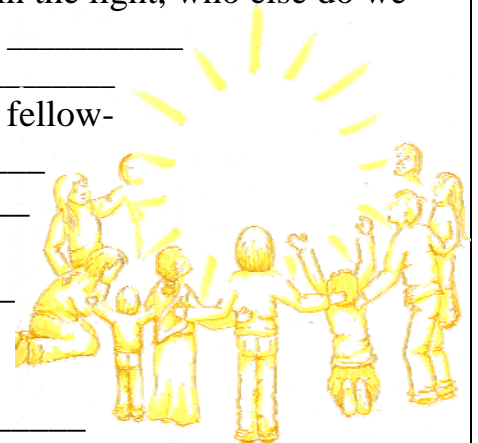
There are many things that we can **do** to improve our **relationship** with God, just as there is in any relationship. God has given us His living words in the form of the Bible that we might know Him better. He has given us the avenue of prayer in order to communicate with Him. He has shown us His Presence all around us. But the first thing that I think we need to recognize is that God gave us a need and desire for Him when He created us as spiritual beings in His image. Yes, we have physical bodies, and live in a physical world. But at the same time, right now, we are spiritual beings created in God’s image and living in the spiritual world. We are **unique** among God’s creation, created for more than meets the eye. We aren’t just trapped in the physical world waiting until we get to heaven for our spiritual life to become the reality. The spiritual reality of God and our spiritual selves in **communion** with Him is a reality right here and now....if we can open our eyes to see it.

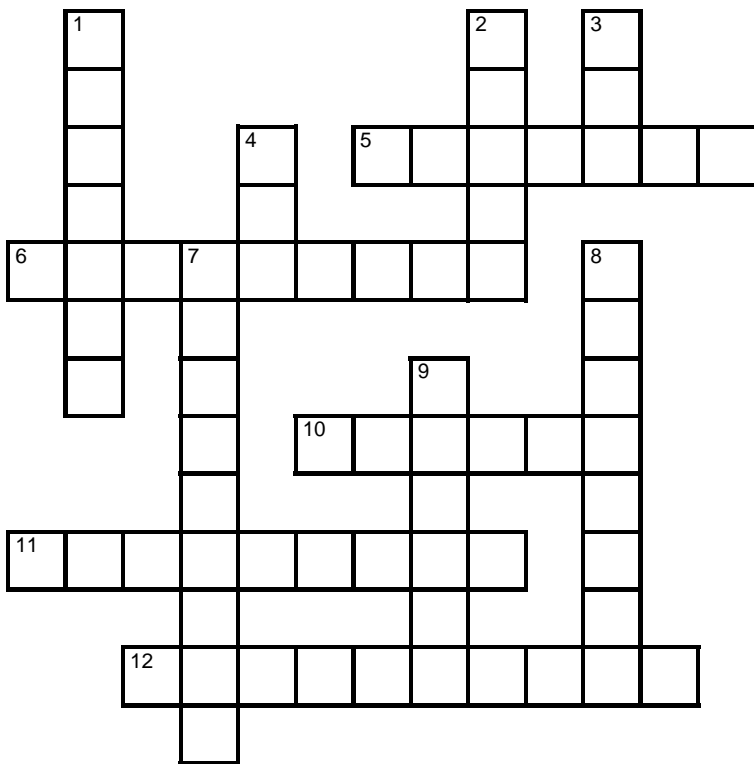
Being a Christian is much more than knowing **about** God, it is being **with** God. It is having a relationship with Him like Jesus did. It is worshipping the God that we know and love.

John wants the reader to share in the same **fellowship** with the Father and Son that he has. He relates this fellowship to walking in the light. If we walk in the light, who else do we have fellowship with (1 John 1)? _____

How can we know that we are in fellowship with Him? _____

How can you tell those who are living in the light? _____





Use the missing words from Hebrews 12:28 to complete this crossword puzzle. Be sure and use the NIV translation.

“ _____, _____
 (6 ACROSS) (2 ACROSS)
 we are _____ a _____
 (11 ACROSS) (5 ACROSS)
 that _____ be _____,
 (9 DOWN) (10 ACROSS)
 let us be _____, and so
 (8 DOWN)
 _____ _____
 (1 DOWN) (3 DOWN)
 _____ with _____
 (12 ACROSS) (7 DOWN)
 and _____” Hebrews 12:28
 (4 DOWN)

WHAT DO THESE WORDS MEAN?

Draw a line matching the word to their meaning. Use a dictionary if necessary. BEWARE- some of these words have very similar meanings!

KINGDOM

WORSHIP

ACCEPTABLY

REVERENCE

AWE

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UNIQUE

COMMUNION

FELLOWSHIP

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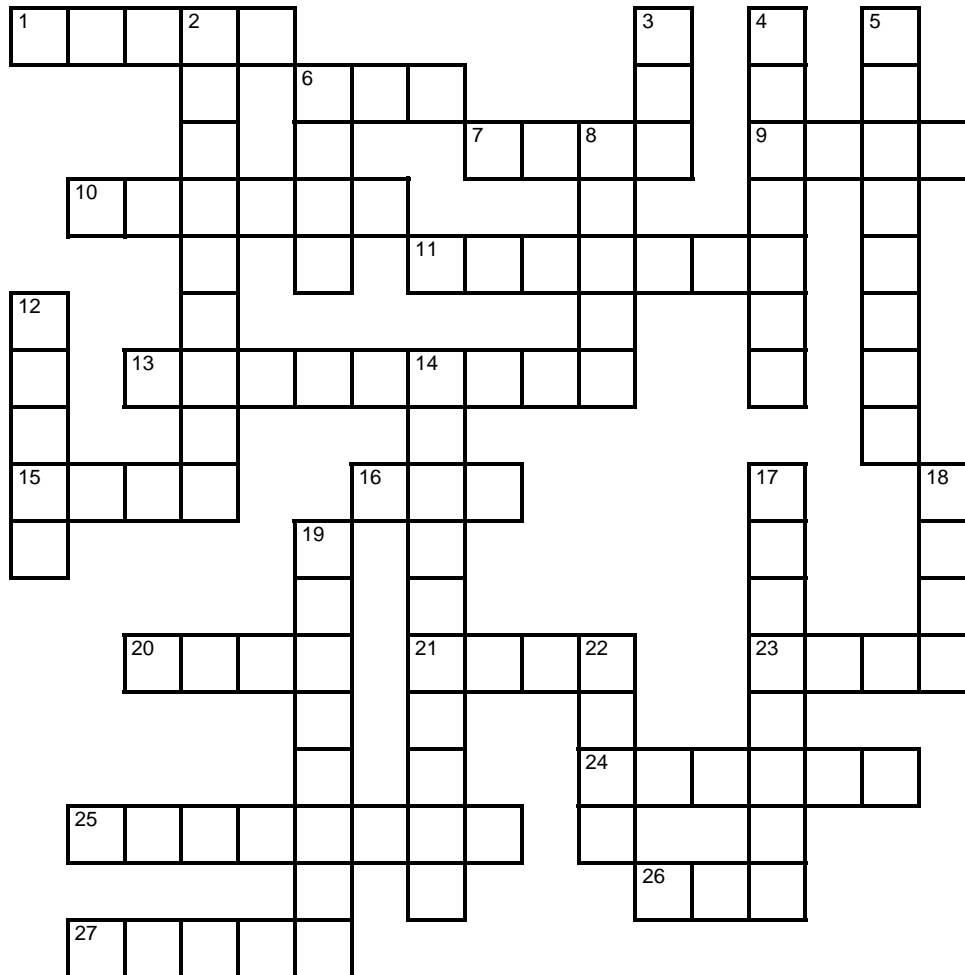
a sharing of common interests, goals, experiences, or views

likely to please the person who receives it



PUZZLE PAGE

1, 2 and 3 John



Down

2. God's is greater
1 Jn. 5:9
3. God hears what we
____ 1 Jn. 5:14
4. God's command
1 Jn. 3:23
5. comes from the world
1 Jn. 2:16
6. imitate this 3 Jn. 11
8. God is 1 Jn. 1:5
12. Jesus Christ came by
water and _____
1 Jn. 5:6
14. a malicious gossip
3 Jn. 9-10
17. we are _____ of God
1 Jn. 3:1
18. if you have the Son
you have this
1 Jn. 5:12
19. not in fellowship
with God 1 Jn. 1:6
22. don't _____ what
you have worked for
2 Jn. 8

Across

1. anyone who does not love remains in this 1 Jn.
3:14
6. where love comes from 1 Jn. 4:7
7. do this as Jesus did 1 Jn. 2:6
9. one who says "I love God" but hates his brother 1
Jn. 4:20
10. love with this 1 Jn. 3:18
11. what God is faithful to do with our sins 1 Jn. 1:9
13. we will be this before Him 1 Jn. 2:28
15. we know God if we do this 1 Jn. 2:3
16. from having children walking in the truth 2 Jn. 4
21. those who do this have not seen God 3 Jn.
11
23. what we should do to one another 1 Jn.
3:11
24. shows that He lives in us 1 Jn. 3:24
25. anyone who hates his brother 1 Jn. 3:15
26. we do not know Him if we continue to do
this 1 Jn. 3:6
27. what we should lay down for our brothers
1 Jn. 3:16

M5W1 TIPS for parents and teachers

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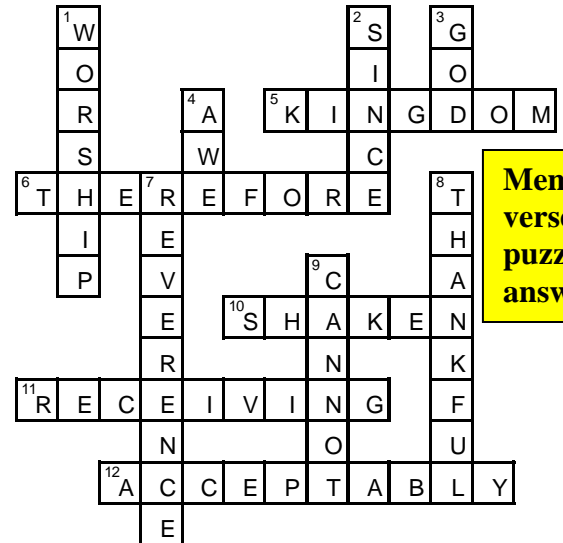
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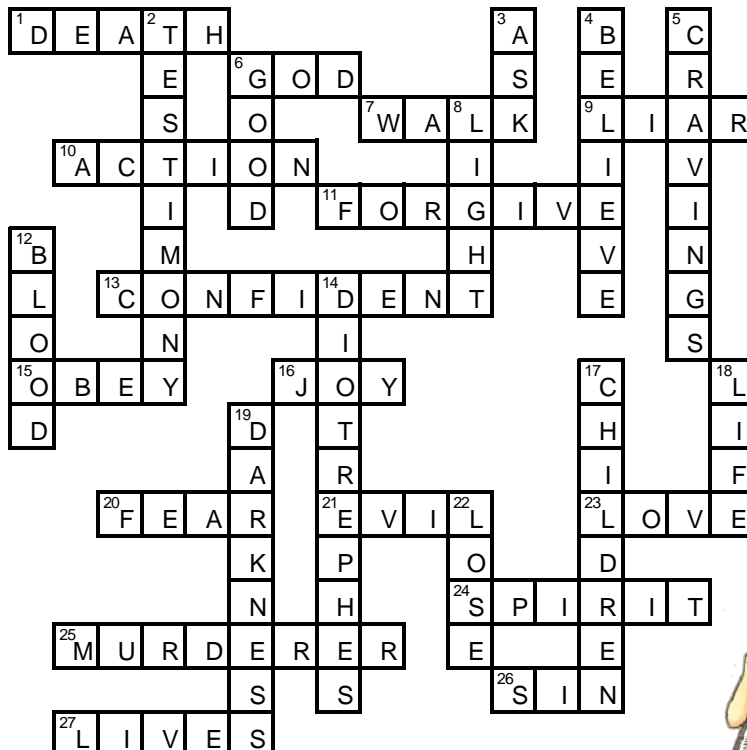
Memory
verse
puzzle
answers

IN THE LIGHT ... TOGETHER

Turn off the lights in the room, and hold up a flashlight, explaining that this is the light of the Father and Son. One by one, ask each student how close they want to be to the light. Soon you will have the whole class clustered close around the flashlight. Explain that this is unity. The goal of everyone there is to be near the light.

Now, describe an imaginary disagreement that two of your students may have had. They don't even want to be near each other. What will they do? Will that become more important than being near the light? Where does God want them to be? Where do they want even their enemy to be? Who is the real enemy?

ANSWERS TO 1,2 AND 3 JOHN CROSSWORD PUZZLE



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