







Acts 2:1 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in ¹ place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent , and it filled the entire  where they were ³ Divided , as of , appeared among them, and a  rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Here is a famous poem about the wind:

Who Has Seen the Wind?

BY CHRISTINA ROSSETTI

Who has seen the wind?

Neither I nor you:

But when the leaves hang trembling,

The wind is passing through.

Who has seen the wind?

Neither you nor I:

But when the trees bow down their heads,

The wind is passing by.

We don't know what God the Spirit looks like - the disciples in our passage compare the Spirit to wind and flames. But just like we can tell when the wind passes by, we can tell when the Spirit is at work by the results. In order to use words and ideas that we can understand we say, "The movement of the Spirit produces the fruit of the Spirit". In the space below draw a picture of something being changed by wind or fire.



For the last few weeks we have been hearing about how the only necessary thing is Jesus. That is true but, if we trust Jesus we will have the Holy Spirit moving in our lives to control our behavior. Paul told the churches in Galatia:

Galatians 5:16 Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹ envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. ²⁶ Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

Some of these ideas seem to be opposites. If you think so, draw a line between the opposites in the two columns:

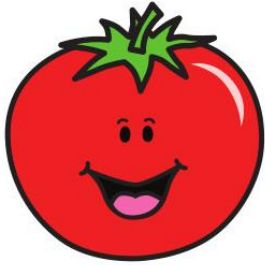
how I might act on my own		how I can act when the Spirit helps me
anger		faithfulness,
disobedience		generosity, (goodness)
envy		gentleness,
fighting and arguing,		joy,
greed		kindness,
jealousy		love,
making something be more important than God,		patience,
pigging out		peace,
taking sides,		self-control

other things to do:

Play "memory" using the fruit cards. Print out two copies. Cut the cards out. Turn them over and try to match. If you play this game with your sister, remember to act like you are really showing the fruits of kindness, gentleness, generosity and peace. 😊

If you color the coloring sheets or play the game, you will see that the artist uses "goodness" for "generosity." That's OK. Sometimes there are many ways to translate words from the language that Paul used to write them. How is generosity different from goodness?

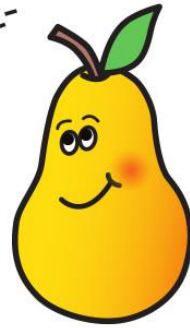
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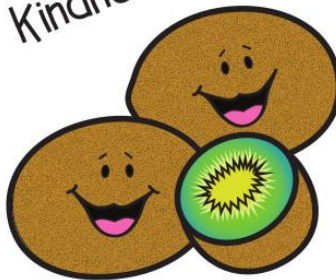
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Faithfulness



Kindness



Forbearance

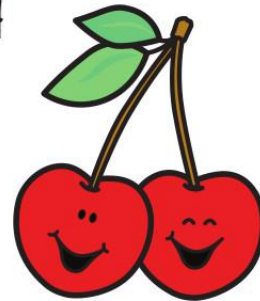
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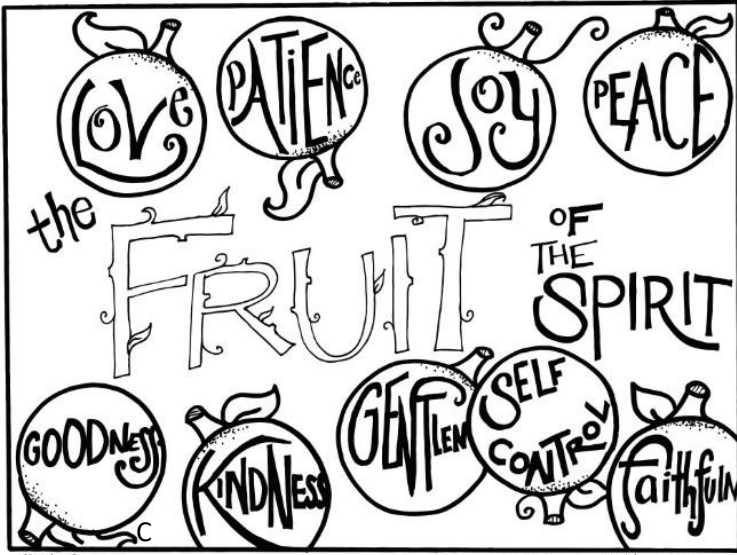


Goodness



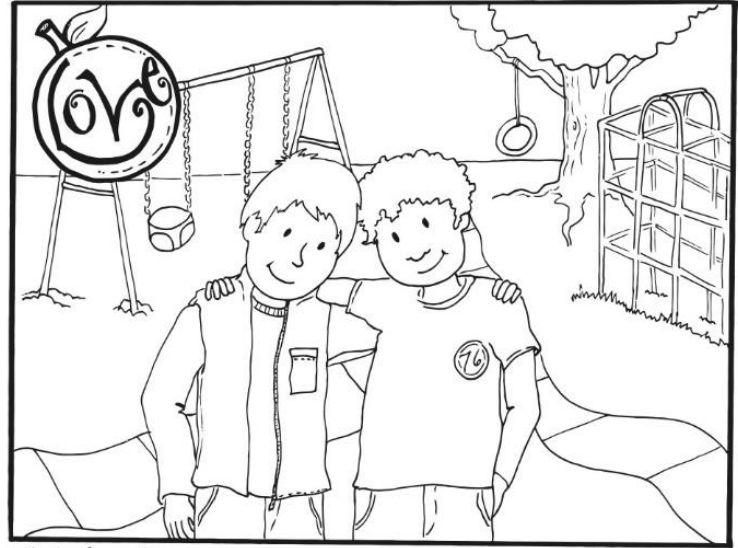
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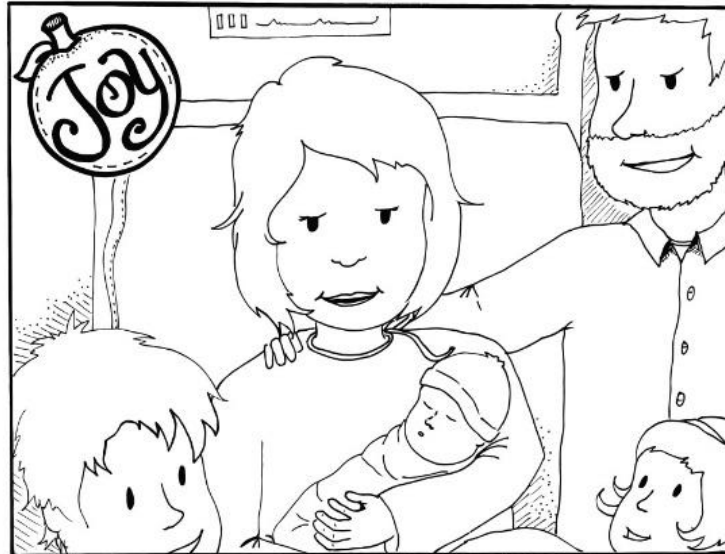
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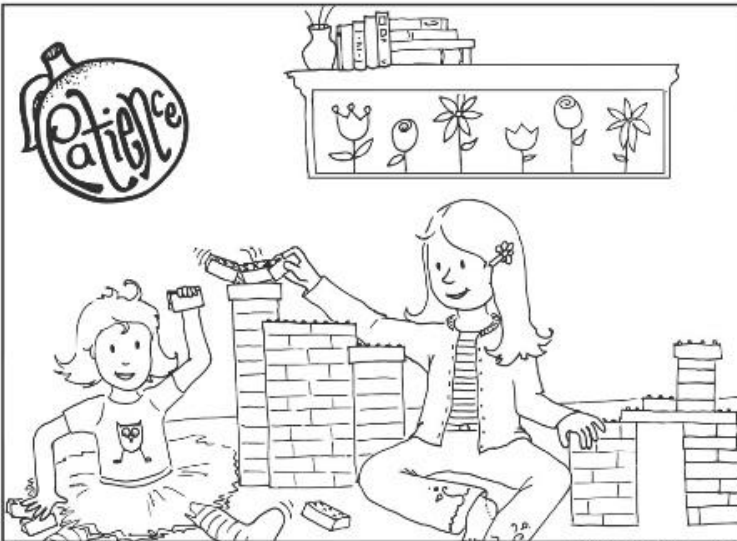
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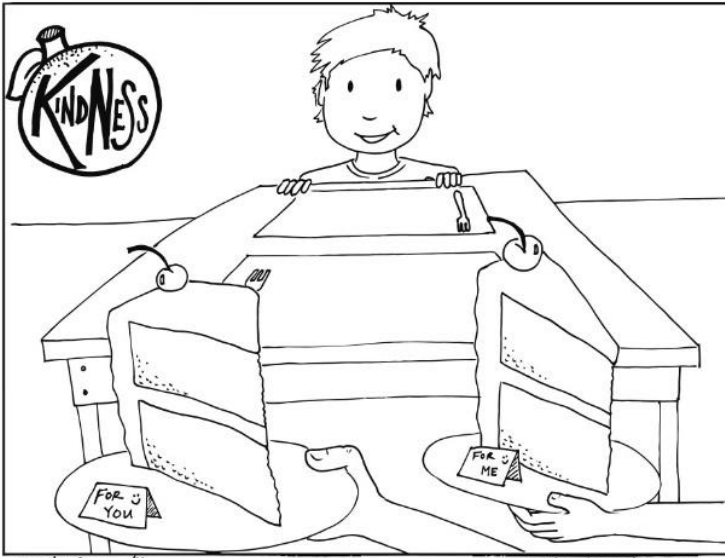
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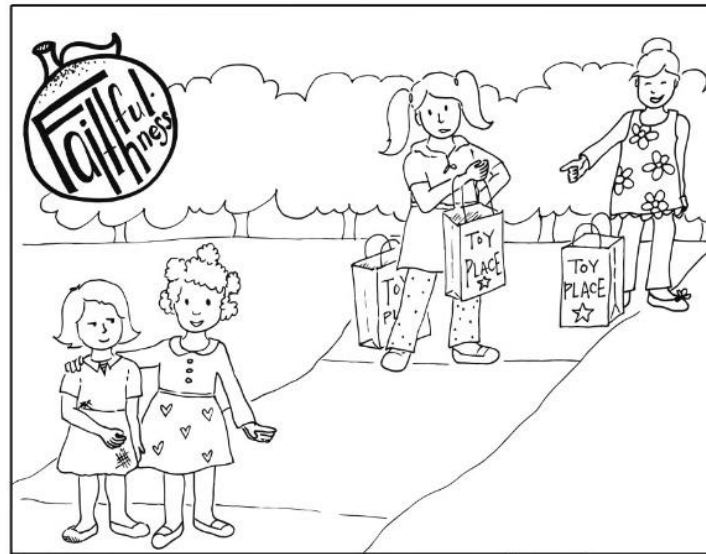
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