

Wednesday, April 29, 2020

Lesson: Chosen and Appointed to Bear Fruit

Praise & Worship: God Is the Vine - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gET4P4ZQsCQ>

Every Move I Make - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MPvnZILn6EY>

Scripture References: John 15: 5, 16-17, Galatians 5:22,23

Memory Verse of Power: "I am the Vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; For without Me you can do nothing." John 15:5

Scripture Summary: Take turns reading aloud the Scripture verses before reviewing the summary.

1. You are loved; you chosen; you are appointed to bear lasting fruit. So, what does Jesus see in you to love, choose, and appoint you? He sees someone created in the image of God. He sees someone whom God loves. He sees someone with whom He wants to share eternity.
2. Definitions: Choose - to pick someone or something Appoint - to choose someone for a special job
Love - to give special care and attention to Bear - to make more of something
Fruit - 1. Usually a sweet food (such as a blueberry, orange, or apple) that grows on a tree, vine, or bush.
2. A result or reward that comes from some action or activity
3. Actions from the heart that show Jesus lives in your heart and you follow His commands.
3. We bear fruit for Jesus by showing love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Discussion Thoughts:

1. Why does Jesus want us to bear fruit? John 15:8, 11,12,16,17
2. What is the fruit of the Spirit? Galatians 5:22,23
3. Is bearing fruit always easy? Explain why or why not?
4. What should we do when it is hard to show the fruit of the Spirit? John 15:16 (Ask the Father for Help)

Encouragement:

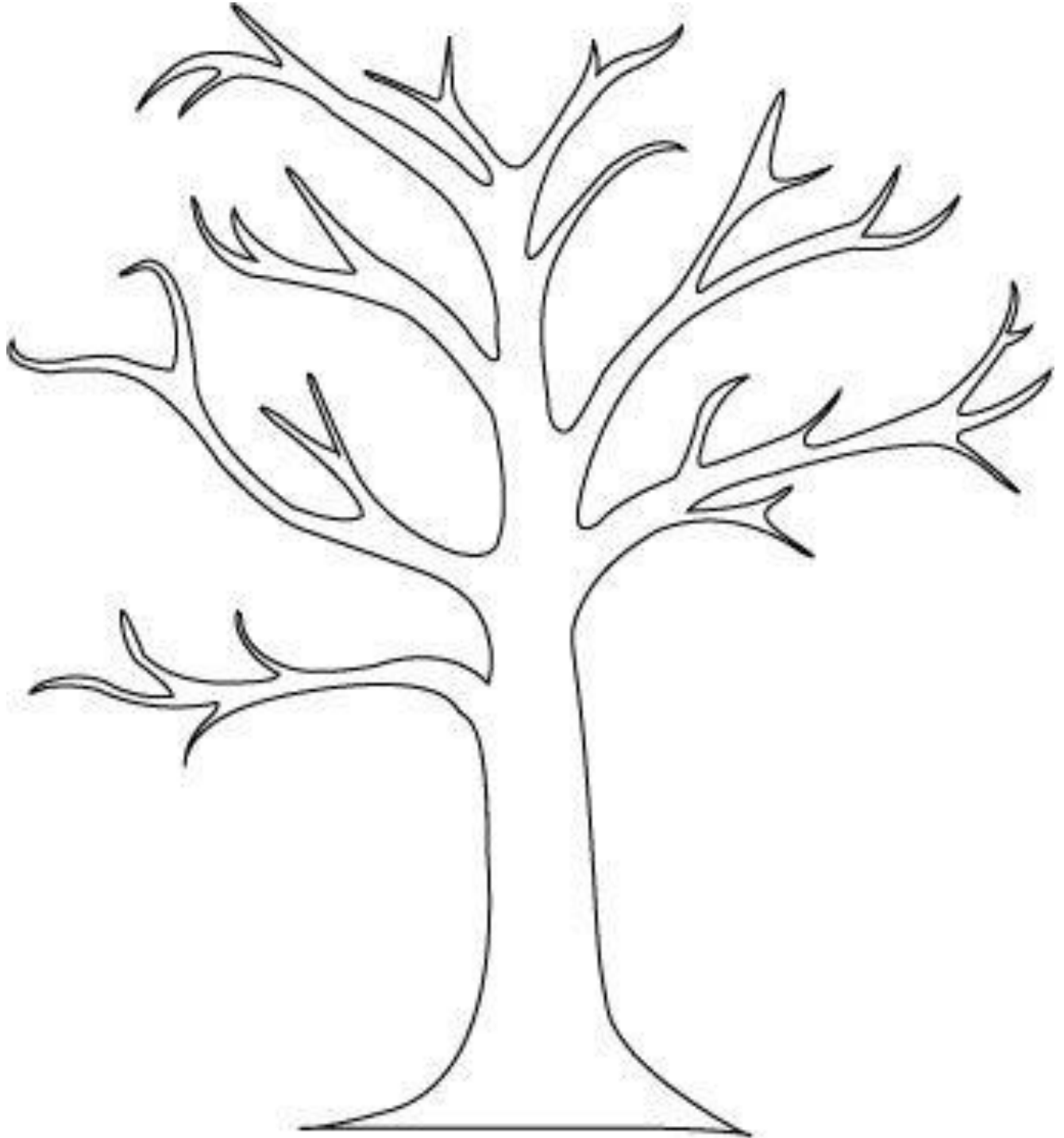
You do not have to be a "grown up" to be chosen, appointed, or to bear fruit for Jesus. Jesus chooses and appoints us at all ages. For example, babies give love, joy, peace, etc. when they smile, laugh, or give a hug. They encourage us to practice patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control when they want to play at 2 am, when they play "let's toss the food everywhere", or when they have diarrhea days. We just have to give Jesus our heart, ask Him to help us bear fruit that shows He lives in our heart. He helps us bear good fruit that remains when we show His love to others.

Object Lesson: Listed below are some ways we can display the fruit of the Spirit? What ways can you think of?

Help someone carry groceries	Pray for someone who is hurt or sick	Tell the truth
Read a story to a younger sibling	Open the door for someone	Make a card for a neighbor
Open the door for someone	Tell someone you love them	Share your toys
Smile at someone who looks sad	Don't speak in anger	Do what Jesus says is right

Prayer: Father, thank You for choosing and appointing me to bear good fruit. Thank You for teaching me how to always display the fruit of the Spirit. Thank You for loving me and teaching me to love You and others. Amen.

Craft: Every time you display a fruit of the Spirit throughout the week, draw a piece of fruit on the tree. It is your personal fruit of the Spirit diary tree. Decorate it with as many kinds of fruit as you wish.



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I can follow Jesus by helping others.



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Some suggestions to show the fruit of the Spirit around the house

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Family Chores

A. Read about Adam's and Sally's family chores.



Hi my name is Adam. I live with my family in a big house. I have two sisters and one brother. We share many chores with our parents. My brother and I take the garbage out.

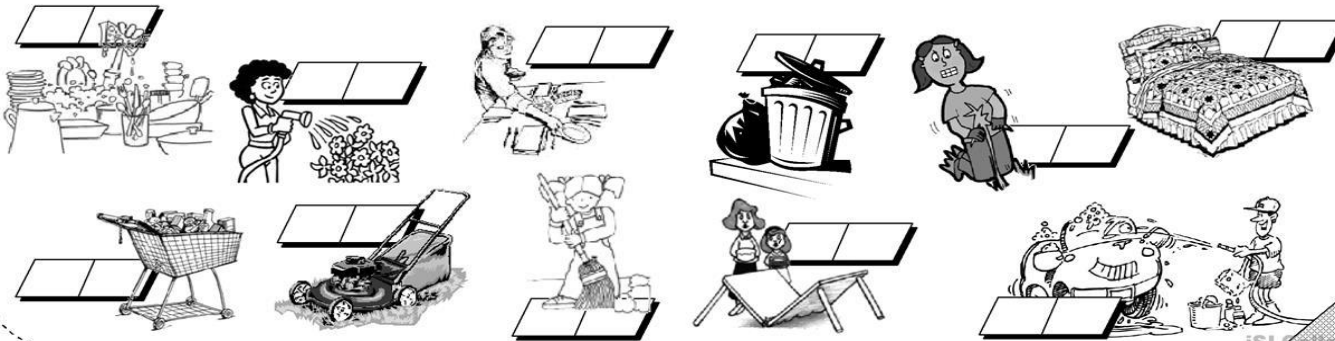
We also wash our father's car twice a week. Every Friday, I weed the garden and my brother waters the plants. I also make my bed in the morning. My sister, Emily, sweeps the floor every evening and washes the dishes after dinner. She also helps Mom with shopping every Thursday. My mother cooks for us and washes our clothes. My father fixes anything broken at home.



Hi my name is Sally. My family is small, my father, my mother, my sister Joanna and Me. We live in a flat in a tall building. I help my family with the chores. I make my own bed.

I set the table for dinner while mom cooks. Every Tuesday my parents go shopping for food and I take care of my sister Joanna and help her with homework. My father fixes things in the house. My mother cooks our meals and sweeps the floor every night. When Mom or Dad is tired I bring water for them.

B. Write (A) next to Adam's chores, (S) next to Sally's chores, and (A/S) next to chores they share.



Reading

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