

St. John Lutheran Church  
Fall 2020 Sunday School  
Third/Fourth Grade  
Week 7 (November 1)

**We put God first.**  
**Genesis 11:1-9**

**Key Verse: Deuteronomy 6:5**  
**Love the Lord your God with**  
**all your heart and with all your soul and**  
**with all your strength.**

### **Activity 1: BUILDING BABEL**

The Bible says the whole world had one language. That means people could all understand one another when they spoke. After people moved eastward to Babel and settled down, they decided to build a tower to show off and to bring them recognition - they tried to make themselves look more important than God.

#### **Materials:**

- Brick sheet (included)
- Spiral scripture sheet (included)
- Tape
- Scissors

#### **Instructions:**

- Make a cone out of the brick sheet - secure with tape
- Cut across the wide end of the cone so the cone will stand on a table
- Cut the spiral scripture and place over cone to make a ramp to the top - secure with tape at both ends

### **INTERVIEW TIME!!**

Ask your family members the following questions and write down their responses.

- What makes bragging good or bad?
- What's the difference between bragging and talking about the things God can do?
- What have you done to show that you love God and put him first?

Please share your Building Babel activity and your Interview Responses  
with your St. John family and friends  
by emailing a photo to [stjohn@ruraltel.net](mailto:stjohn@ruraltel.net)

## Activity 2: Humility To Go

God came down and confused the people's language so they couldn't understand one another anymore. God struck the tower down and scattered the people. The people needed to learn they were not as good as God and they always need God.

### Materials:

- Humility card sheet (included)
- Bible
- Pen or pencil
- Scissors

### Instructions:

- Using your Bible, find each of the verses listed below
- Write one verse on each card
- Cut out each card
- Put the cards in your family's vehicles
- When you are traveling with your family, read a verse at each red light, or when you see a certain animal, or when you pass by the church, or other times you agree on!

These verses will remind you to be humble and recognize how truly wonderful God is.

## The Apostles' Creed

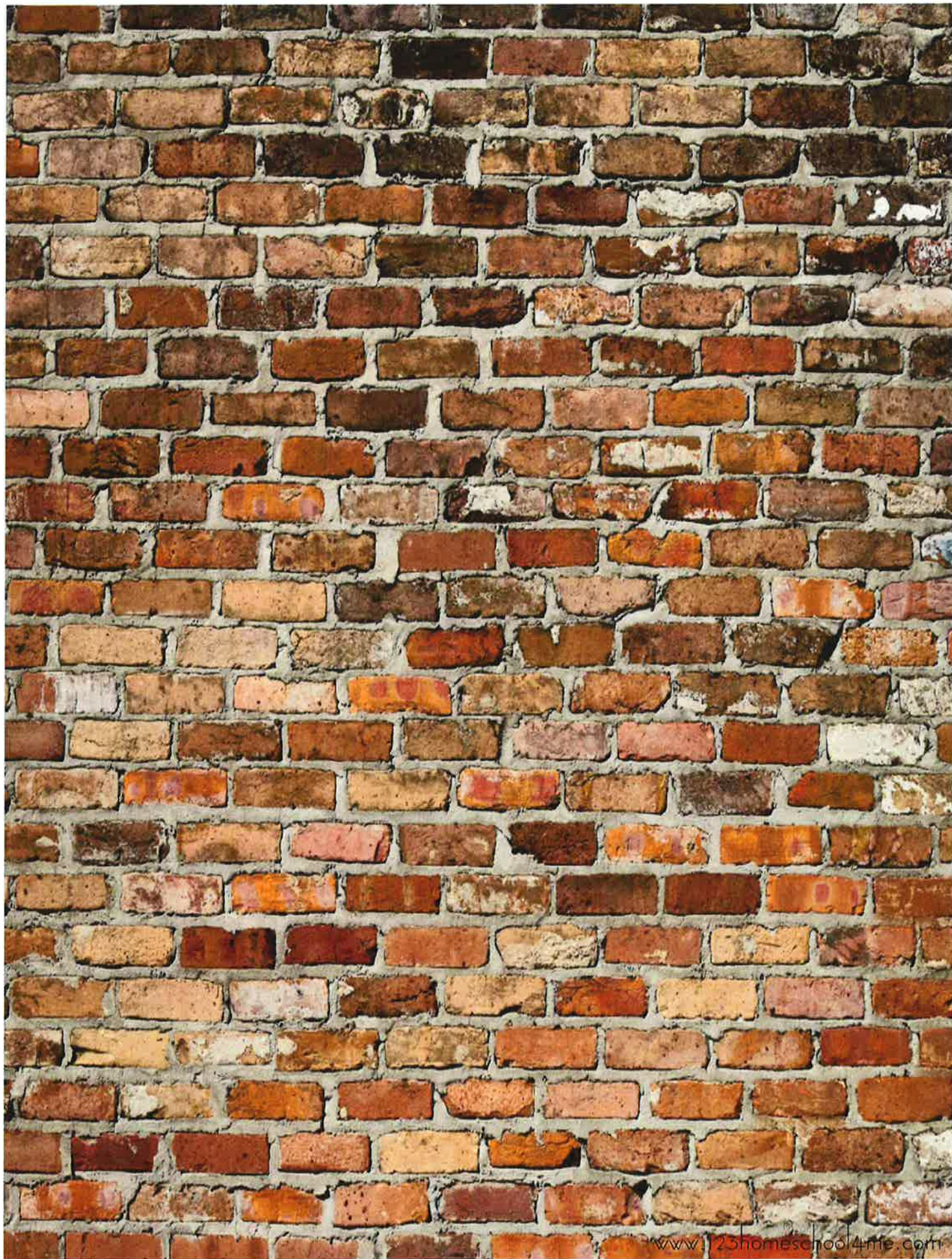
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

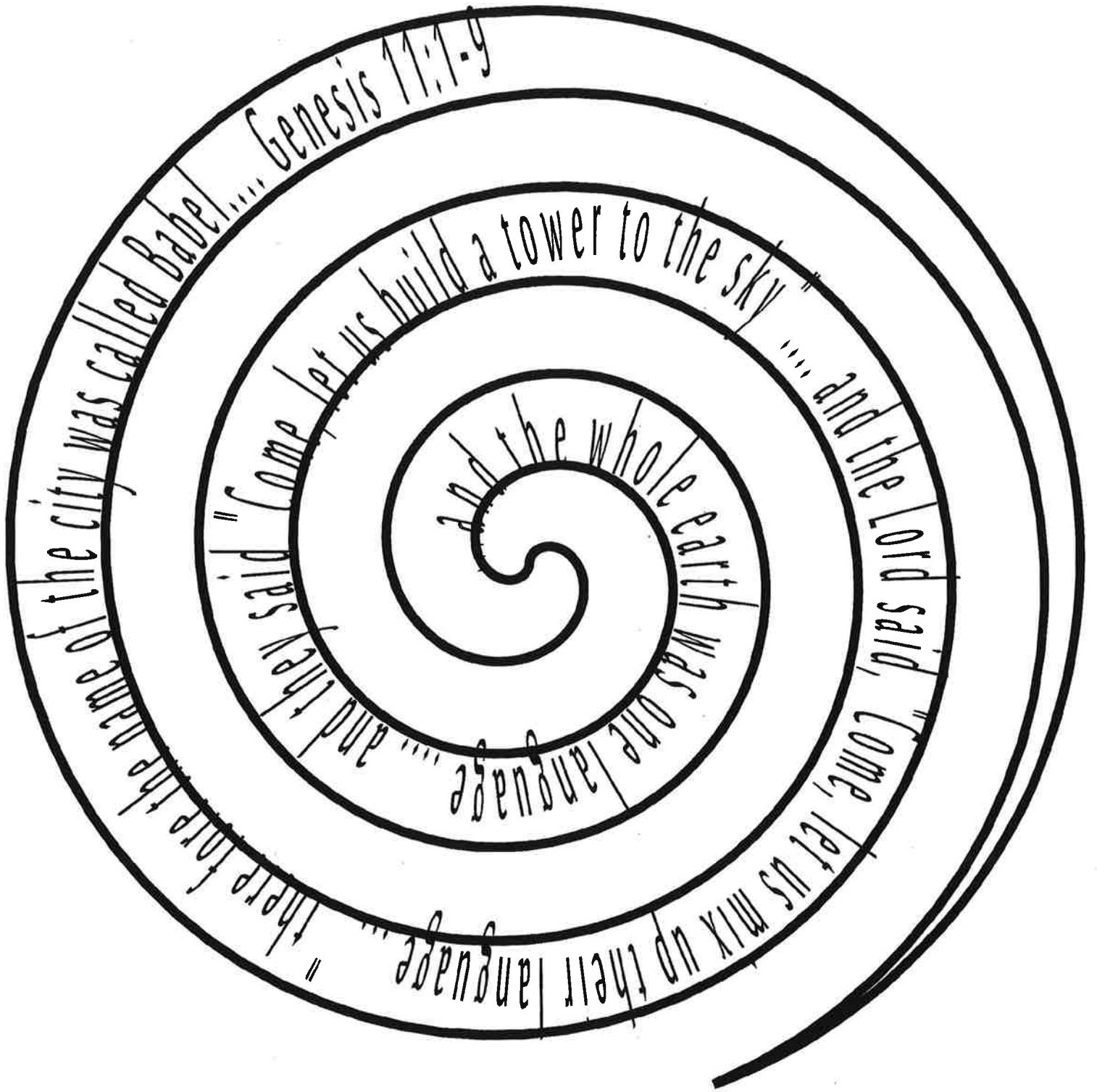
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

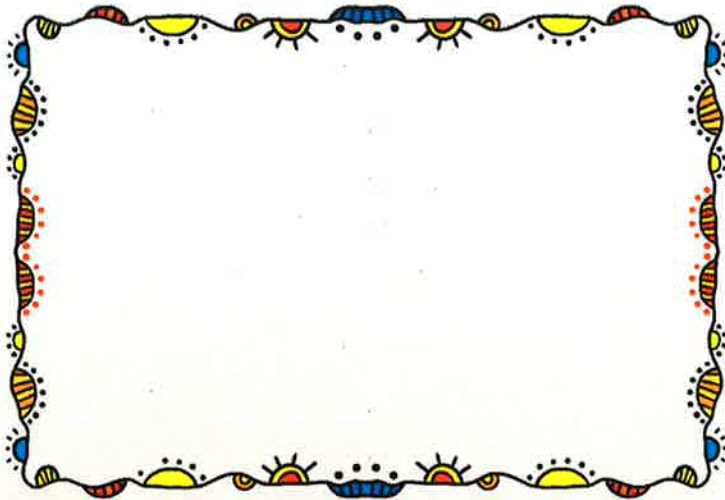
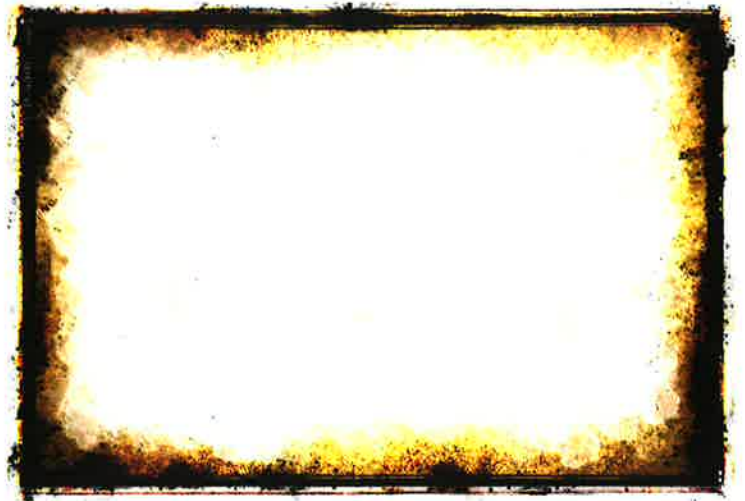
## Closing Prayer

God, help us to put you first.  
We need your help to put you before all else.  
In Jesus' name, amen.





therefore the name of the city was called Babel... Genesis 11:1-9  
"Come, let us mix up their language..."  
and they said, "Come, let us build a tower to the sky..."  
and the Lord said, "Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other."  
Therefore the name of the city was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of the whole world. That is why it is called Babel to this day.



Psalm 145:17-21

Isaiah 40:25-26

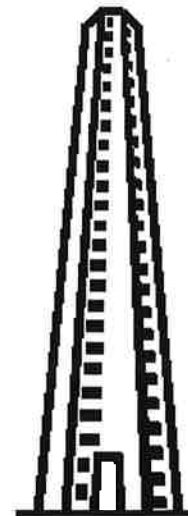
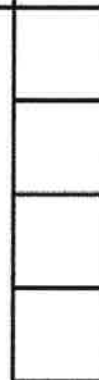
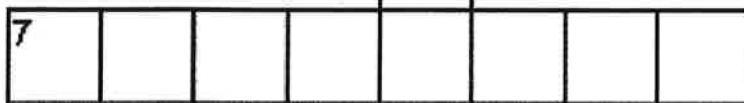
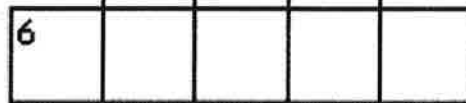
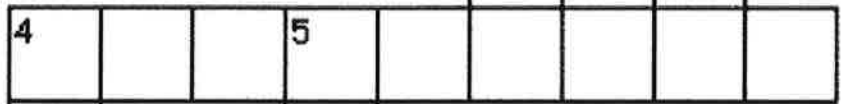
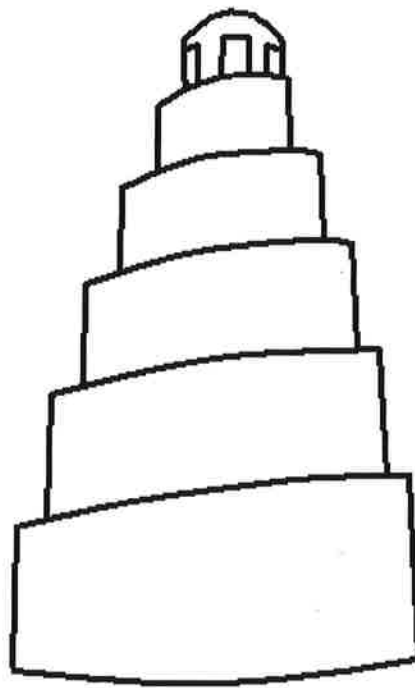
Isaiah 57:15

Jeremiah 10:6-8

Matthew 23:12

1 Corinthians 1:25

# Tower of Babel



## Across

4. After, the people were \_\_\_\_\_ over the earth.
6. God hates this.
7. What did God do to their language to stop the people from building?

## Down

1. What all the people had in common.
2. By putting others before ourselves we are being \_\_\_\_\_.
3. This was the name of the king who wanted to make a name for himself.
4. How God felt when the people forgot about Him?
5. What did the people want to build to make themselves great.

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

# Tower of Babel

## Anagram



Word List:

Babylonia, brick, build, confusion,  
gateway, heaven, languages, Nimrod,  
pride, scattered

dimnor \_\_\_\_\_

bcikr \_\_\_\_\_

cfinnosu \_\_\_\_\_

aeahnv \_\_\_\_\_

aaegtwy \_\_\_\_\_

bdilu \_\_\_\_\_

aaeglnsu \_\_\_\_\_

deipr \_\_\_\_\_

acdeerstt \_\_\_\_\_

aabbilnoy \_\_\_\_\_



# Fruits of the Spirit

**Love:** An overwhelming feeling or sense of commitment to a person or God. Love involves actions that go beyond kindness, that often involve self-sacrifice and doing things we don't want to.

**Joy:** A happy feeling about something God did or created, or a decision to be to be happy.

**Peace:** Solving arguments instead of getting all upset, or having the "peace that passes understanding" that comes in the best and worst of times.

**Patience:** Waiting for God's timing to get the things we want.

**Kindness:** Actions that show sympathy or understanding toward others.

**Goodness:** Sticking to God's ways, especially when others are not.

**Faithfulness:** Continuing to believe in God, whether in good times or bad.

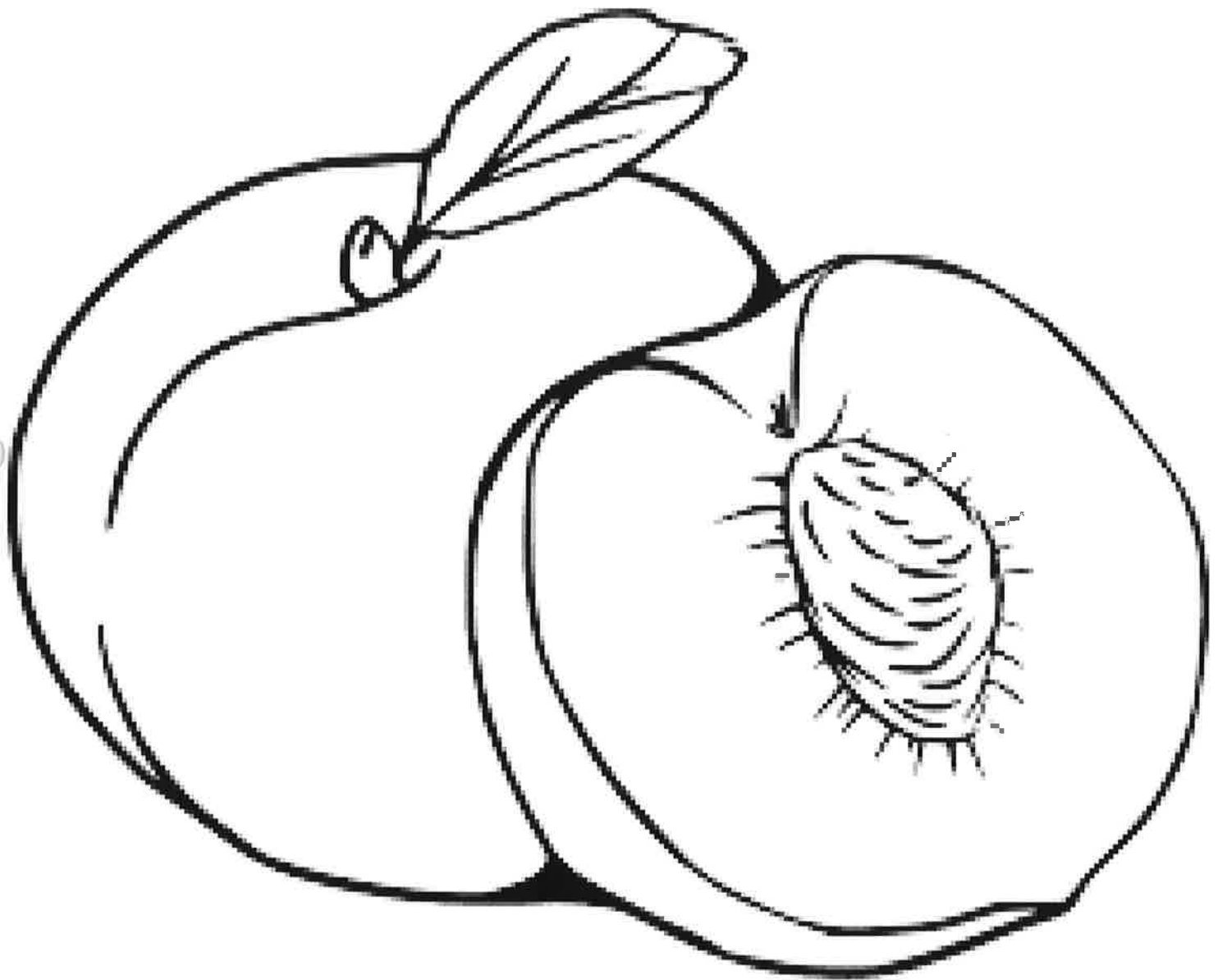
**Gentleness:** Also translated as "meekness", which is not weakness! The opposites of gentleness are anger and a desire for revenge.

**Self-Control:** The ability to control our own thought, words, and actions.



# Fruits of the Spirit - GENTLENESS

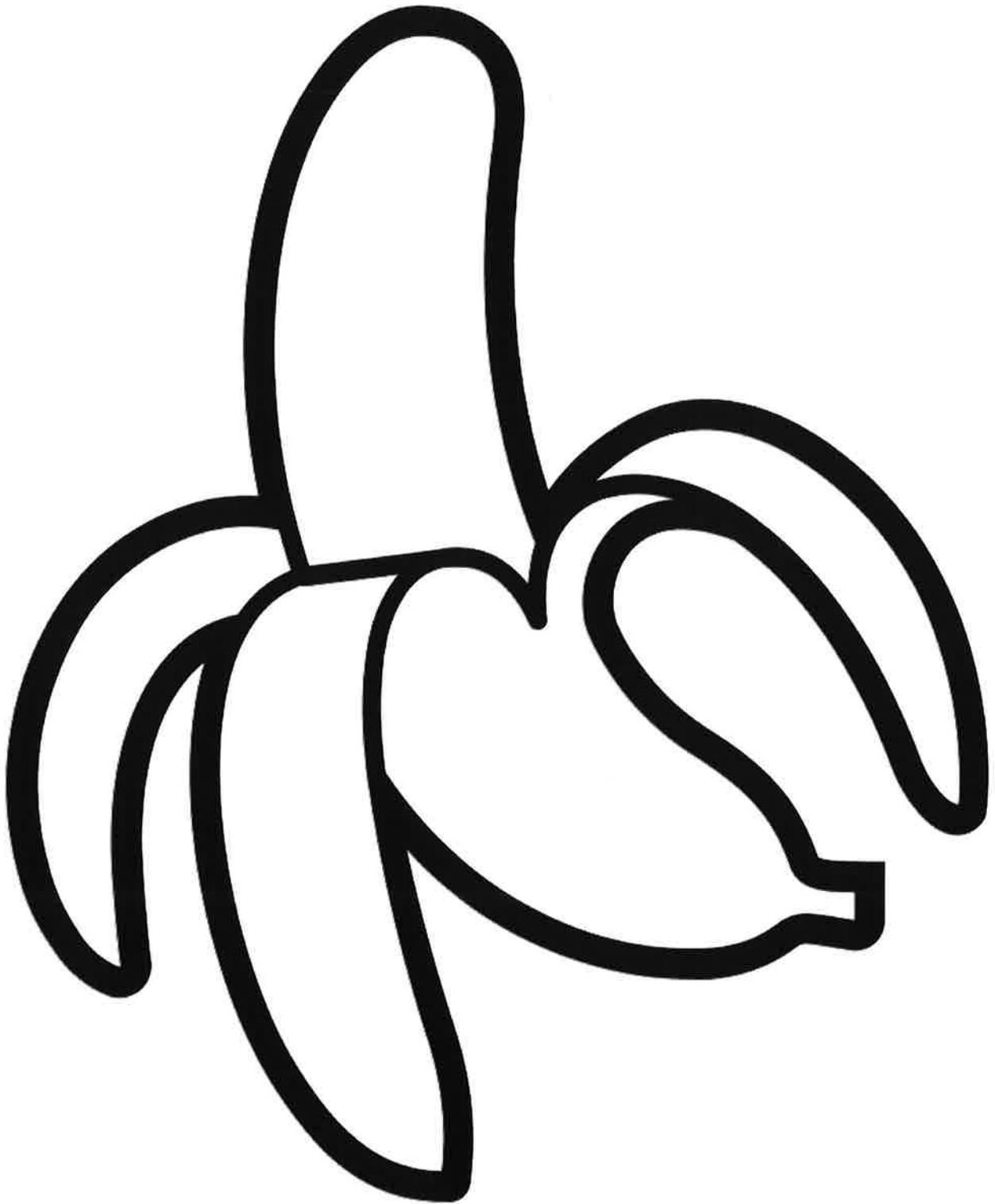
"Walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness."  
Ephesians 4:1b-2a ESV



"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control."  
Galatians 5:22-23a ESV

# Fruits of the Spirit - GOODNESS

"The earth is full of goodness of the Lord."  
Psalm 33:5b KJV



"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience,  
kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control."  
Galatians 5:22-23a ESV

## Operation Christmas Child 2020

It's that time of year again that we start collecting shoe boxes filled with goodies and necessities for Operation Christmas Child! We have enjoyed doing this for many years now. Although this year is going to look a little different as we are not hosting an in person Packing Party, we're still supporting this mission. Lucky for us we can do that by packing boxes at our convenience at home. This week you'll notice there's a foldable box with your porch bag. What we'd like to ask you to prayerfully consider is packing a box and dropping it off directly to Bible Baptist church at 1401 North Lincoln, no later than Sunday, November, 22<sup>nd</sup>.



We hope participating in this mission as a family finds you well as we approach the holidays.

Many blessings,  
Alex and Audrey Lofland



### 1 Find a Shoebox

Start with an average-size cardboard or plastic shoebox. If you want to wrap it, cover the box and lid separately.



2-4

5-9

10-14

### 2 Girl or Boy?

Decide whether you will pack a box for a girl or a boy, and the age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14.



### 3 Fill with Gifts

Select a medium to large "wow" item such as a soccer ball with pump or stuffed animal, then fill with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies.



### 4 Pray

Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive your gift. You can also include a personal note and photo.

## Mission

The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to provide God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.