

# KIDS ACTIVITIES

Sunday 6th September

When a person sins against you

## READ

“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him what he did wrong. Do this in private. If he listens to you, then you have helped him to be your brother again. But if he refuses to listen, then go to him again and take one or two other people with you. ‘Every case may be proved by two or three witnesses.’ If he refuses to listen to them, then tell it to the church. If he refuses to listen to the church, then treat him as you would one who does not believe in God. Treat him as if he were a tax collector.” “I tell you the truth. The things you don’t allow on earth will be the things God does not allow. The things you allow on earth will be the things that God allows.” “Also, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about something, then you can pray for it. And the thing you ask for will be done for you by my Father in heaven. This is true because if two or three people come together in my name, I am there with them.”

Matthew 18:15-20





## THINK

- Has anyone ever said something that hurt your feelings?
- Sure they have! Perhaps you were playing with a friend and they called you a name.
- What did that make you want to do?
- Did it make you want to want to get even by calling your friend a name?

I have heard people say, "Don't get mad; get even." But here's a better idea, "Don't get even; get ahead." How do you do that? Well, let me explain. In our Bible reading today,

Jesus says, "If a fellow believer hurts you, go and tell him -- work it out between the two of you. If he listens, you've made a friend." Now that's what I call "getting ahead." If we try to get even, we will lose a friend, but if we forgive someone, we will make a friend! Jesus did not call us to be his disciples to make other people pay for their sins by hurting them back. Instead, he told us to do what he did -- love them and forgive them.

Sometimes that is very hard to do, but we can do it if we ask for a forgiving spirit to talk to them and try to resolve the conflict rather than to try get even by hurting them back.

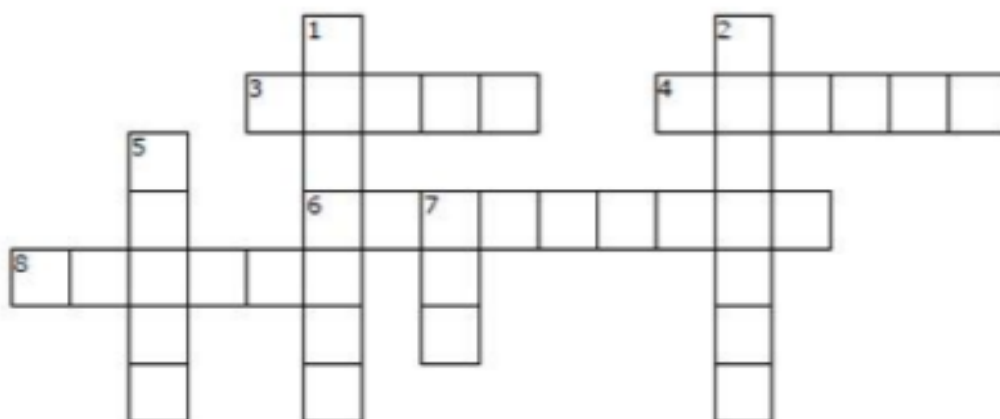
## Pray

Dear God,  
Help us to love and forgive others as you have loved and forgiven us. In Jesus' name we pray.  
Amen.

# When Someone Hurts You

"If your brother sins against you, go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. Matthew 18:15a

Based on Matthew 18:15-20 (NIV)



## ACROSS

3. A statement proven to be accurate
4. To pay attention; To make an effort to hear something
6. A spoken or written statement that something is true
8. All followers of Christ as a group

## DOWN

1. A member of the same race, church, religious group, or organization
2. A person who sees an event happen
5. A quality in a person that shows that they are not perfect
7. Breaking a religious law

BROTHER	TESTIMONY	SIN	LISTEN
WITNESS	FAULT	CHURCH	TRUTH

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BROTHER  
 WRONG  
 EVIDENCE  
 WITNESSES  
 SUSTAIN  
 COMMUNITY  
 PAGAN  
 BIND  
 TWO  
 EARTH  
 AGREE  
 NAME