

## **FAMILY TABLE TIME**

### **LENTEN LESSON: WEEK 4 / March 14**

#### **PRESCHOOL BIBLE LESSON**

**Review our Lenten theme verse by saying it together 2-3 times:**

I am the way, the truth and the life (John 14:6)

**Optionally sing together:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B5135QHRpVI>

**(Song begins at 2:08 into the video)**

#### **Read John 15:5**

Ask child(ren) if they can see a tree through a window of your house.

Go together to that window—or go outside and look at the tree for this lesson.

Jesus said that he is like a vine and we are like branches on the vine.

That's kind of like him being the trunk of this tree and us being a branch.

Which branch are you? 😊

Let's pretend that this is a fruit tree (decide what kind)

Where does the fruit grow? On the branches or on the trunk?

(If you've ever picked apples in the fall, draw from this memory)

If a big wind came and broke off the branch what would happen?

(it would fall to the ground, die, wouldn't make fruit)

Jesus wants us to be connected to him just like a branch and to make fruit!

How can we be connected to Jesus?

(listen to his Word, obey, pray...)

Let's pray that our family will be connected to Jesus like branches.

Pray together.

#### **FAMILY ACTIVITY OPTIONS**

**Print out, color and chat together:**

"I am the vine, you are the branches" coloring sheet (link below)

Optionally glue tiny scrunches of tissue paper to flowers on branch

**OR draw your own vine and branch pictures individually or together!**

## ELEMENTARY BIBLE LESSON

**Review our Lenten theme verse by saying it together 2-3 times:**

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### Read John 15:5

Ask child(ren) if they can see a tree through a window of your house.

Go together to that window--or go outside and look at the tree for this lesson.

What did Jesus say in the Bible passage we read?

Jesus being the vine is kind of like him being the trunk---it's what the branches grow from.

On a fruit tree, where does the fruit grow from? The trunk or the branches?

It's kind of amazing that Jesus wants us to be connected to him just like a branch and to make fruit!

If a big wind came and broke off the branch what would happen?  
(it would fall to the ground, die, wouldn't make fruit)

How do we become disconnected to Jesus?

(give no priority or attention to prayer, God's word, worship or fellowship)

How can we be connected to Jesus? (listen to his Word, obey, pray...)

Let's pray that our family will be connected to Jesus like branches!

What fruit will be bear? :)

Pray together.

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