

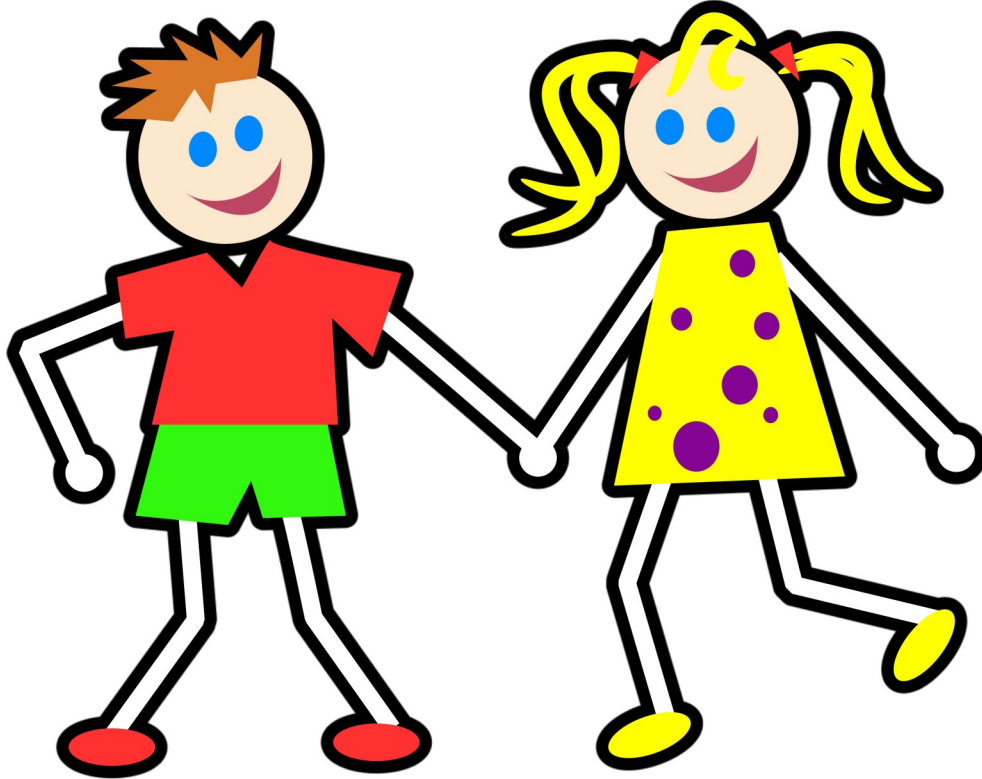


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Righteous RELATIONSHIPS

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GOD'S WORD SAYS: "Two are better than one...for if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow... "

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10.

A relationship is a bond or connection you have with someone else. We all have relationships. It could be with a mom or dad, a brother or sister, a grandparent, or a friend. God wants us to have relationships that are righteous, this means that the bonds we have with others should honor Him. Let's talk about that a little more.

Relationship with God



GOD'S WORD SAYS: "For ye are all children of God by faith in Christ Jesus."

Galatians 3:29.



The most important relationship that we can have is with God. Sadly, after God created Adam, he sinned, and our relationship with God was broken. Thankfully, God sent His Son Jesus Christ to die on the cross and rise again. When we trust in Christ, we are connected with God forever. We have a forever relationship with God. We can talk to Him in prayer and learn about Him in the Bible.

Relationship with Parents/Guardians



GOD'S WORD SAYS: "Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right."

Ephesians 6:1.

God wants us to obey our parents. God has told parents to raise their children to know and love Him. Children are to allow their parents to train them in the ways of God. This does not mean your parents are perfect. Only God is perfect. But children should obey God by obeying their parents. We can obey our parents by doing our chores and being ready for church in time. God has connected us to adults to help us learn about Him.



Relationship with Brothers/Sisters



GOD'S WORD SAYS: "Hatred stirs up strife, but love covers all offenses."

Proverb 10:12.



Are we always be kind to our brothers and sisters? Are they always be nice to us? Well, God wants us to love our brother and sister. We can show our love to our brothers and sisters by sharing our things, saying kind words, and being patient with them. We should love them as much as God loved us, which is a BIG love! God has allowed us to have the special connection of brother and sister in our lives.

Relationship with Friends



GOD'S WORD SAYS: "A friend loves at all times..."

Proverb 17:17.

Friends are special people. Friends share our likes, play games with us, help us when we are sad, and are with us for special times. We need to be smart when we choose our friends. We should connect with friends who help us love and obey the Lord. Friends that will not tempt us to sin. God has given us a relationship with our friends to be encouraged to serve Him.





GOD'S WORD SAYS: "My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.."
1 John 3:18.

God has blessed you us with relationships in our life. Use each box to draw a picture of a different relationship in your life and how you can show God's love to that person.

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