

***Nurturing Faith...
Every Day in Every Way***



July 15, 2018

Amos 7:7-15
Psalm 85:8-13
Ephesians 1:3-14
Mark 6:14-29



He Has Chosen Us!

Object: A soccer ball or some other team sport object

Do you like sports? What is your favorite sport? Baseball? Basketball? Soccer?

Have you ever been at recess and teams were chosen to play a game? Have you ever been the last chosen to play a game?

I hope that this has never happened to you, but it probably has. It has happened to most of us.

Our Bible lesson today is about being chosen to be in the family of God. How would you like to be in God's family? The Bible tells us that before he even made the world, God loved us and chose us. Before we were even born, God decided to adopt us into his own family.

Why would God want us to be in his family? Is it because we are so good and so wonderful? No, it is because HE is so good and so wonderful. We needed someone to help us to grow and he is there to help us every day. We needed someone to love us and he loved us more than anyone ever could.

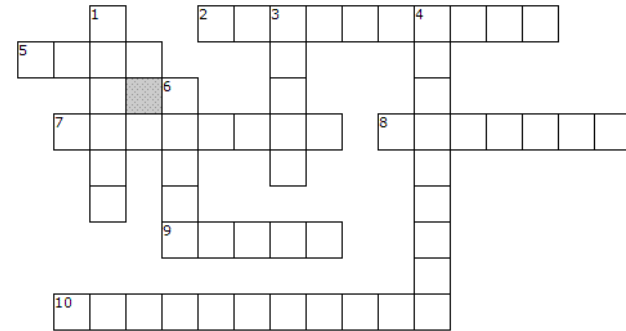
I am so glad that God chose us to be a part of his family.

Dear Father, thank you for choosing us and for sending your Son so that we could be a part of your family. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

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Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we may know the hope to which God has called us. Alleluia. (Eph. 1:17-18)

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 2. Remaining the same
- 5. A proposed course of action
- 7. A considerate and thoughtful act
- 8. The ability to go wherever one chooses without restriction
- 9. To have confidence in someone or something; to depend on
- 10. Money or property left to children by their parents

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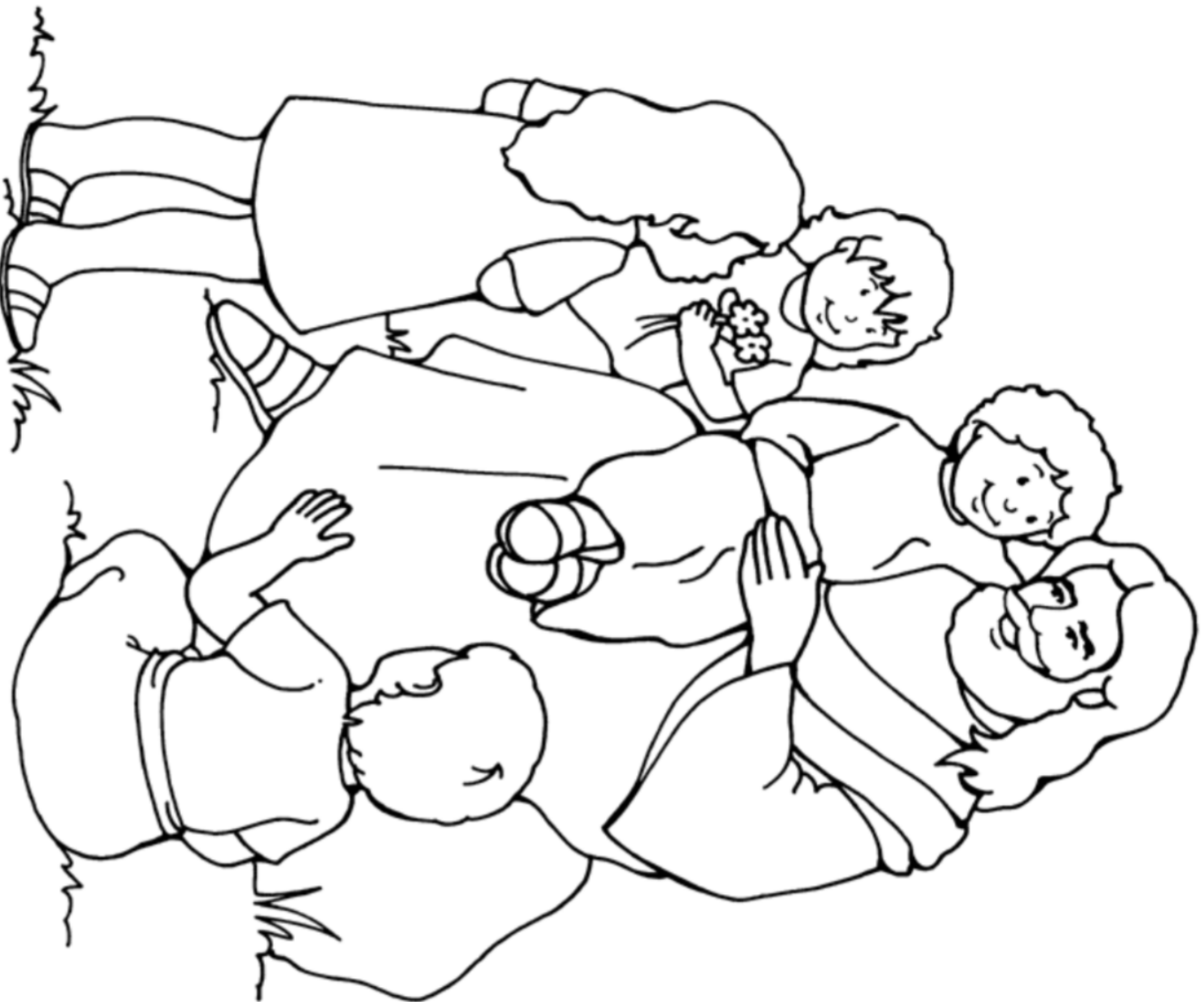
- 1. A group of persons consisting of one or two parents and their children
- 3. To have selected something from several possibilities
- 4. Assurance that something will be done as promised; to make certain
- 6. To take into one's family and raise as one's own child

GUARANTEE	FAMILY	TRUST	FREEDOM	UNCHANGING
INHERITANCE	PLAN	CHOSE	ADOPT	KINDNESS

FOOT FAMILY: Let the child trace both of their feet several times and cut the feet out. Place in the shape of a wreath and glue to a paper plate. Write the names of each of the members of the child's family on the "feet" and write the words "ADOPTED BY GOD" in the middle of the wreath.



JESUS AND THE CHILDREN



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