

Activity

How do Jesus' disciples shine God's light for others? Find the pair of words that sounds RIGHT in the following sentences, then WRITE the correct word in the blank.

WORD BANK

piece-peace
guessed-guest
rain-reign
no-know
sun-Son
knew-new
there-their

1. Jesus _____ that the people needed to know God in a _____ way.
2. _____ were several people who listened to Jesus. They were his disciples. _____ job was to help Jesus spread the Good News of God's love. Are you a disciple, too?
3. As Jesus' disciples, we do our _____ to bring _____ and justice to our world.
4. Jesus said that _____ person who gives hospitality would be unrewarded. Do you _____ what "hospitality" means?
5. You _____ it! Hospitality means welcoming others. When you welcome a _____ in Jesus' name, you welcome Jesus himself!
6. Jesus Christ, the _____ of God shines through each of us just as the _____ shines through a window.
7. When the Son shines, the _____ of God grows just like green grass after a spring _____.

Family Corner

Faith Focus

Before sending his disciples forth, Jesus told them that whoever welcomed them would be welcoming him. And whoever welcomed Jesus would be welcoming the Father. Jesus, the Son, shines through all of his disciples, including us. The Son shines when we welcome others and when others welcome us. And of course, the Son and the "Reign" go together. The Son-shine brightens our world, and the Reign of God helps us all to grow!

Family Activity

Hospitality is the welcome we show our guests in our homes. It is a simple act of service. As a family, take a look at your front door. Is it as welcoming as you want it to be? If not, get a broom, bucket of water, and sponge. Sweep the dirt, clear the cobwebs, and scrub the grime. Don't forget to wash the windows. Let the sun shine into your home while the Son shines through your hospitality. Now, invite someone over!