

# KIDS' CITY DEVOTIONAL

## *you* + THE CHURCH

“And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.”

Luke 2:52 NirV

## DAY 1

### READ

Remember this: We can grow in wisdom and stature together. We can love, serve and grow together.

#### What does it mean to have a church family?

Becoming a Christian means being adopted into God's family as a child of God, and as a brother or sister to fellow believers.

- “All who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.” **Romans 8:14 NirV**
- “The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ ...” **Romans 8:16–17 NirV**
- “So, then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of God's family.” **Ephesians 2:19 NirV**

#### What does it mean to live in a community of believers?

We can love one another.

- “Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.” **Colossians 3:13 NirV**
- “Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor.” **Romans 12:10 NirV**

### DO: LIST YOUR FRIENDS FROM CHURCH

### PRAY

Pray for each of the people you listed above.



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## DAY 2

### READ: WE CAN SERVE ONE ANOTHER

- “So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.” **Galatians 6:10 NIV**
- “Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.” **2 Corinthians 13:11 NIV**

### DO

Ask your Small Group Leader for some ideas on how you can help at church and write them below.

### PRAY

Make a list of ways God gifted you to be helpful to others, then ask God to show you how you can use those gifts to help others at church.



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## DAY 3

### READ: WE BELONG

Our church family and our small group are places where we belong and where we can grow in our wisdom and faith. YOU can learn together, grow together, be friends and live your lives together in your church family and your small group.

- “How good and pleasant it is when God’s people live together in unity!” **Psalm 133:1 NirV**
- “And all who believed were together and had all things in common.” **Acts 2:44 NirV**
- “And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the day approaching.” **Hebrews 10:24–25 NirV**

The Bible says the Holy Spirit is present whenever believers gather together (Matthew 18:20). A great example of this was the early church of Acts, which made a habit of meeting together, eating together, and worshiping together

**Remember: We can grow in wisdom and stature together with our church family.**

### DO

Think of three friends you can invite to church and write their names below.

### PRAY

Pray for the people on your list by name, and ask for opportunities to invite them to church.

### PARENT RESOURCES

Visit [kidscity.org](https://www.kidscity.org) or scan the QR code for additional resources.

