



SO MANY WAYS TO SERVE!

Circle and say all of these ways to serve others.
What is your favorite? Can you think of other ways?



Make the Bed



Set the Table



Carry the Groceries



Help with Laundry



Help with the Baby



Sweep the Floor



Share a Toy

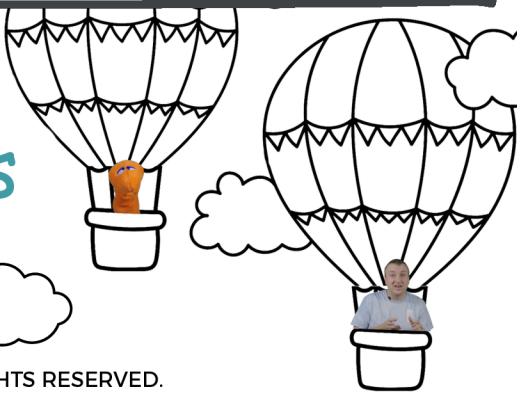


Water the Plants



Feed the Dog

I Will Always
Serve!



Take-Home Paper Early Childhood



Name _____

MEMORY VERSE

"AND WE ARE GOD'S HOUSE."

HEBREWS 3:6



Bible Story
The Widow At Zarephath
1 Kings 17:8-24

Dear Parents, Today we continued the series, Forward Motion. Each week, we are talking about one of the five core values of followers of Jesus: Gather Purposefully, Connect Deeply, Serve Selflessly, Give Generously and Influence Daily. Today we learned about **Serving Selflessly**. You can help your child continue to grow by using the activities in this Take-Home Paper at your own pace. It's fun, easy, and you will grow together! When your child completes this, sign the front and have them return it to class the following week for a prize.

Parent's Signature _____

READ THE BIBLE STORY

1 Kings 17:8-16

Then the Lord said to Elijah, 'Go and live in the village of Zarephath, near the city of Sidon. I have instructed a widow there to feed you.'



As he arrived at the gates of the village, he saw a widow gathering sticks, and he asked her, 'Would you please bring me a little water in a cup?'



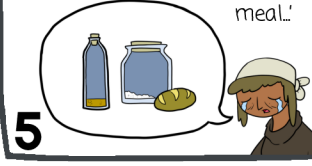
As she was going to get it, he called to her, 'Bring me a bite of bread, too.'



But she said, 'I swear by the Lord your God that I don't have a single piece of bread in the house.'



'And I have only a handful of flour left in the jar and a little cooking oil in the bottom of the jug. I was just gathering a few sticks to cook this last meal.'



'But Elijah said to her, 'Don't be afraid! Go ahead and do just what you've said, but make a little bread for me first.'



'Then use what's left to prepare a meal for yourself and our son.'

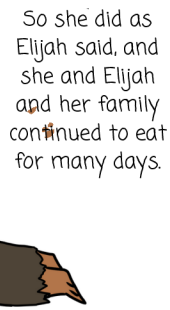


For this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says:

'There will always be flour and olive oil left in your containers until the time when the Lord sends rain and the crops grow again!'



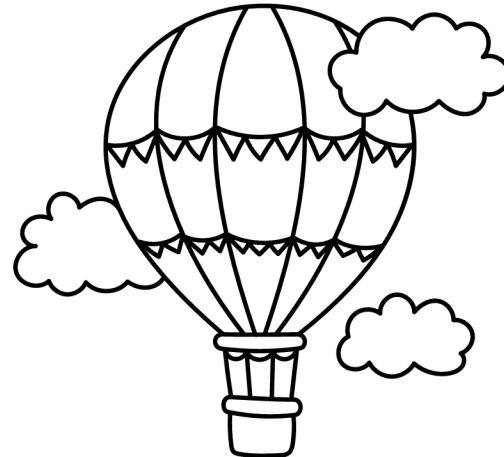
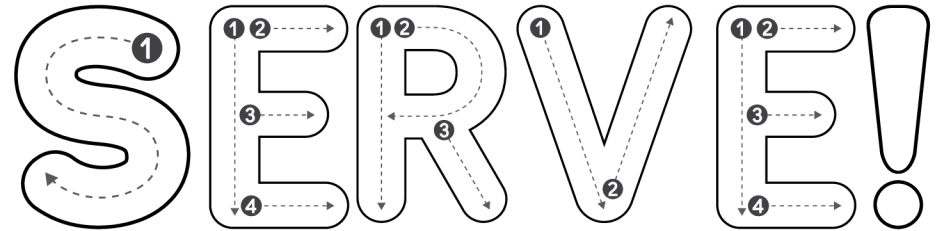
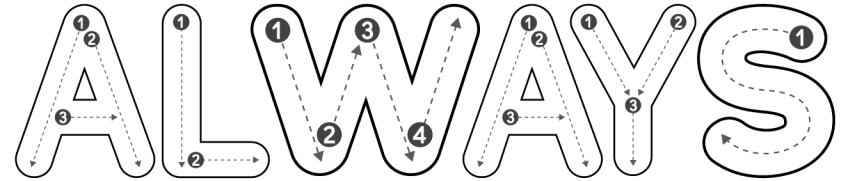
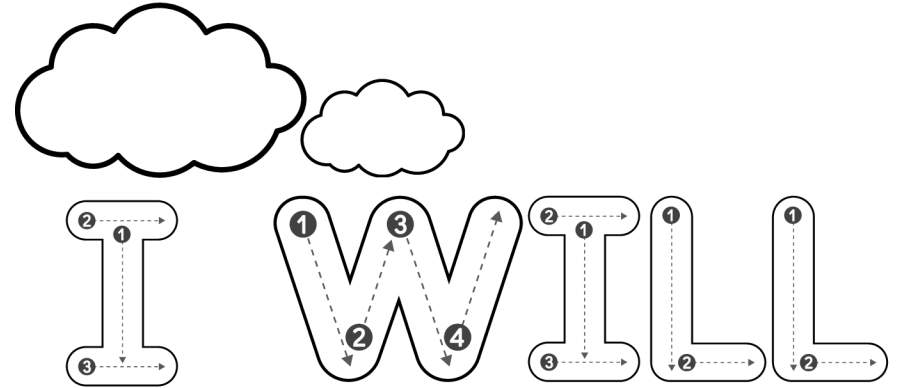
So she did as Elijah said, and she and Elijah continued to eat for many days.



There was always enough flour and olive oil left in the containers, just as the Lord had promised through Elijah.'



TRACE AND SAY THE ONE THING





FIND THE HIDDEN PICTURES



Can you find these hidden pictures?
Circle them!



bird



horseshoe



pear



balloon



paintbrush



peanut



banana



paper
plane



camera



bacon



carrot



soap



tea cup



fish



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5 READ THE POEM AND COLOR



Jesus loves us, this we know!
He helps us everywhere we go.
We can be like Jesus, too,
In everything we say and do.
Serving others, big and small -
That's the greatest gift of all!

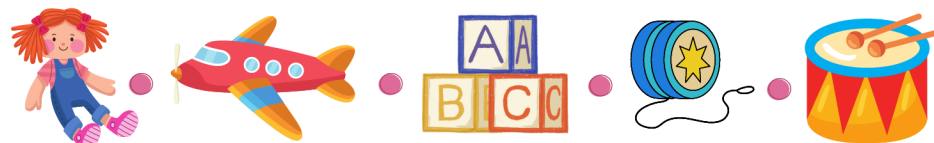


2 READ PETE'S STORY

Pete loved to play soccer! He joined the team this school year and was having such a fun time practicing with his friends. It was his favorite thing to do, but he was super tired whenever he got home after playing.



One day, he was so excited to sit on the couch and watch his favorite show so that he could relax before dinner. Then, he saw his little sister, Ally, trying to pick up her toys. His mom told her that she had to clean up before dinner, and she was having a hard time putting the toys in the right bins.



Pete could have sat on the couch and watched TV, and he really wanted to because he was so tired from soccer practice! He didn't feel his best. But then, Pete remembered what he had learned in church: we should **ALWAYS** serve, even if we don't feel like it! That's what Jesus would do. So, Pete turned off the TV and helped his little sister. She was so happy and gave him a big hug to say "thank you"!



- How did Pete serve his sister?
- What do you think God felt about that?
- How can you serve someone this week?
- What will God feel about that?

I Will Always Serve!