

Family and Friends or God?

YES, I AM A CHRISTIAN.



In today's Gospel reading Jesus says, "If any one comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple."

You probably thought that God doesn't want us to hate anyone, right? Well He doesn't! What Jesus was saying was that we should love God more than we love the people closest to us. He means that we should be ready to do what God wants even if that means losing our family or best friends.

Normally God wants us to stay close to the people we love, but what if you had to choose between doing the right thing or keeping your friends? Are you ready to give up anything or anyone that would stop you from loving God?

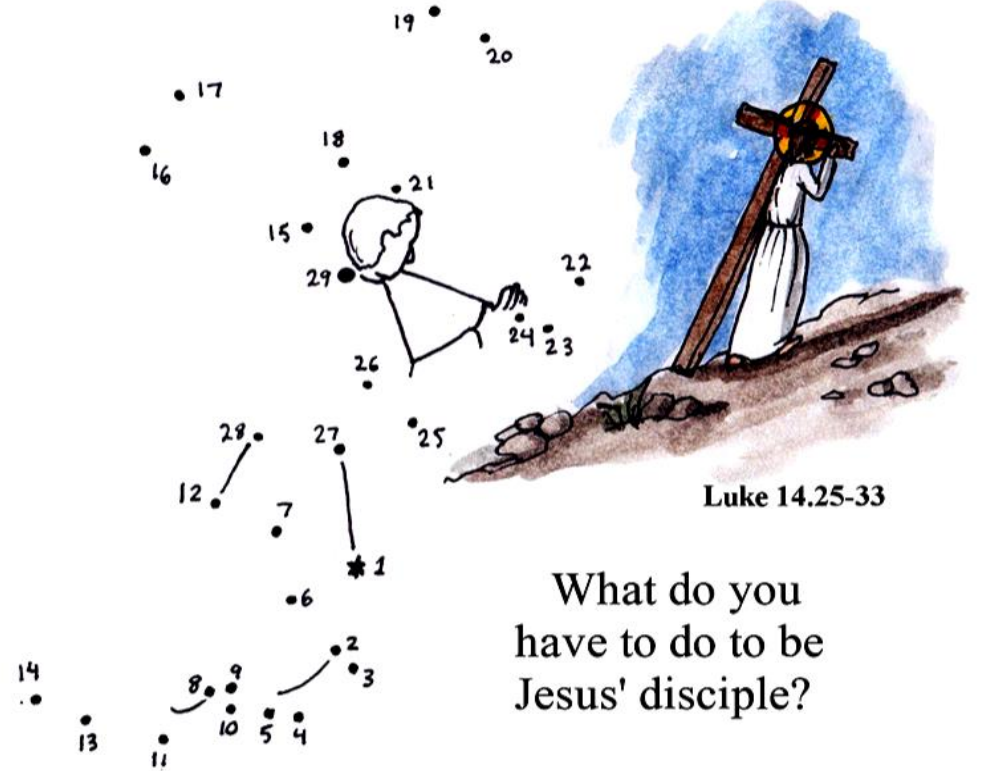
STEAL THAT IF YOU WANT TO STAY FRIENDS WITH ME.
NO. I WON'T.



Answer to Word-Find:
 We ask God for His mercy.



**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 September 4th, 2022**



Luke 14.25-33

What do you have to do to be Jesus' disciple?


Connect the dots to find out, starting at the star beside the number 1. Then you can colour the picture in.

*This Thursday is Our Lady's Birthday!
 What can your family do to celebrate Mary's Birthday?*

Saint Teresa of Calcutta

September 5

AGNES GONXHA BOJAXHIU WAS BORN IN YUGOSLAVIA IN 1910. HER FATHER DIED WHEN SHE WAS 8. AT AGE 12 SHE KNEW GOD WANTED HER TO BE A MISSIONARY.




Lord, You want me to work for You, don't You?

WHEN SHE WAS 18 AGNES BECAME A NUN AND TOOK THE NAME TERESA. SHE TAUGHT AT A SCHOOL FOR RICH GIRLS IN INDIA.



ON A TRAIN WHEN SHE WAS 36, SR. TERESA FELT GOD CALL HER TO SERVE THE VERY POOR.



I want you to serve Me in the poorest of the poor.

Today we will start learning how to read.




SHE GOT PERMISSION TO TAKE A NEW HABIT AND START A SCHOOL FOR POOR CHILDREN.


SOON OTHER WOMEN JOINED MOTHER TERESA TO HELP THE POOR AND DYING.



MOTHER TERESA KNEW THAT THEY COULD NOT CONTINUE WITHOUT TAKING TIME EVERY DAY TO TALK WITH JESUS.



Governments should also work to protect the poor and the unborn.



IN 1979 MOTHER TERESA WON THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE, BUT SHE STAYED HUMBLE AND USED EVERY CHANCE TO TELL THE RICH AND POWERFUL PEOPLE TO PROTECT THE POOR AND WEAK.

SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA DIED ON SEPTEMBER 5TH, 1997. WE CAN LEARN FROM HER TO DEFEND AND HELP THOSE WHO CAN'T HELP THEMSELVES, ESPECIALLY THE POOR AND UNBORN CHILDREN. WE ALSO LEARN FROM HER EXAMPLE THAT WE NEED TO SPEND TIME IN PRAYER WITH JESUS EVERY DAY.

Psalm 90 Word-Find

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 A S W A H E A R T S V
 D E E M O R N I N G E
 E R E K U L O V E L N
 S V P R S O G O D A I
 R A Y E A R S G F D N
 E N O J N D R R H P G
 N T I O D R E A M I A
 E S N I G H T S S T W
 W A T C H M E S R Y A
 E C Y E S T E R D A Y
 D A Y S Y W I S D O M

See if you can find all the words from today's Psalm that are written in CAPITALS. The leftover letters tell what we are doing when we pray this Psalm.



A THOUSAND YEARS in thy sight are but as YESTERDAY when it is past, or as a WATCH in the NIGHT.

Thou dost SWEEP men AWAY; they are like a DREAM, like GRASS which is RENEWED in the morning: in the MORNING it flourishes and is renewed; in the EVENING it FADES and withers.

So teach us to number our DAYS that we may get a HEART of WISDOM. Return, O LORD! How long? Have PITY on thy SERVANTS!

SATISFY us in the morning with thy steadfast LOVE, that we may REJOICE and be GLAD all our days.