# City SG - November 24-25, 2018

Bible Story: All Together Now (One Body but Many Parts) • 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

**Bottom Line:** Work together to point others to Jesus.

Memory Verse: "Two people are better than one. They can help each other in everything they do."

Ecclesiastes 4:9 (NIrV)

#### 1. Guess the Part Game

What You Need: "Guess the Part Cards" Activity Page (one set per group)

#### What You Do:

- Hand out a card to each kid and instruct kids to put the cards facedown on the floor in front of them.
- Make sure the kids do not look at their cards.
- Go around the circle and let each kid take a turn holding their card to their forehead.
- The rest of the kids can give clues to help the kid holding the card try to guess what body part is on his card.
- Kids giving clues may ONLY use their words—no pointing to that body part.
- Whenever kids guess their part correctly, challenge them to think of one way they could use that part to show or tell others about Jesus.

## What You Say:

"You gave some super imaginative answers! I'm so thankful that we have all these different parts working together to tell others about Jesus. The body God has given you is amazing! If you were just one big nose, ear, or elbow, you would only be able to do one thing! Just as God has designed all the parts of your body to work together to do amazing things, He's designed each one of us as members of the church—the body of Christ—to tell others about Him too. When we cooperate and choose to work together, we have the opportunity to show SO many people just how much Jesus loves them. That's why we must *[Bottom Line]* work together to point others to Jesus."

[Make It Personal] (Talk about how as a volunteer, along with the other volunteers in children's ministry, you help to tell kids about Jesus. Talk about how your part as a Small Group Leader and the Worship Leader's part and the Storyteller's part and the Tech Team's part all [Bottom Line] work together to point others to Jesus.)

### 2. One Part Verse

What You Need: "Guess the Part Cards" (from activity 1) and "Memory Verse Cards" (one set per group), Bibles

#### What You Do:

- Select a volunteer to look up and read Ecclesiastes 4:9.
  - o NOTE: If you are leading a group of 1<sup>st</sup> Graders, you may need to read the verse to them.
- Shuffle the "Guess the Part Cards" (remove the "mouth" card!) and put them face down in separate stacks in the center of the group.
- Shuffle the "Memory Verse Cards" and lay them out face up in the middle of the group.
- Let kids take turns drawing one body part card and then attempting to put the "Memory Verse Cards" in order using ONLY that body part.
- Let each kid have a turn trying, although with some body parts it will be impossible.
- If time allows after everyone has had a turn, let the kids work together to put the verse in order.

## What You Say:

"What was faster: using one body part to put the verse in order or all of your body parts? Just like you needed all your body parts to complete this task, God needs each one of us working together to help others learn about Jesus. He knows that two are better than one. That's why he's given us each other. But it's up to us to cooperate and [Bottom Line] work together to point others to Jesus."

## 3. Pray and Dismiss

What You Need: No supplies needed

#### What You Do:

- Lead kids in a guick series of commands:
  - Hand to elbow
  - Nose to wrist
  - Finger to nose
  - Elbow to leg
  - o Ear to knee
- Next, guide each child to find a partner. Lead them to do the following commands together:
  - Hand to head
  - o Elbow to shoulder
  - Knee to knee
  - Elbow to knee
  - Back to back
  - o Ear to ear
- End by saying, "Bottom to floor."

# What You Say:

"Is each part of our body important? You bet! Your eyes are important, your ears are important, your nose is important, every finger and every toe is important. Each and every bit of you is important! And just like every part of you is important, every person in the church is important, too. Each person is important because God made us all unique. He gave us all unique skills and abilities so we can use those skills to point others to Jesus.

"Maybe you're a good listener, maybe you're a good helper, maybe you're a good leader, or maybe you're a good encourager. Whatever part you play, it's important to **[Bottom Line]** work together to point others to **Jesus.** Because when we work together, people can see God's love in us, and that's the biggest, most important reason to cooperate. Let's pray.

"Dear God, thank You that just as each and every part of a body is important, we are ALL important to You. Thank You for making us unique and for giving us different talents and abilities. Just like all the parts of a body work together, help us **[Bottom Line]** work together to point others to Jesus so that we can show others how much You love them. We love You, Lord. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."

**BEFORE DISMISSAL: AT "COMMUNION CALL"** 

HAND OUT "GOD TIME" SHEETS TO EACH CHILD AND ALLOW THEM TIME TO BEGIN WORKING ON THE WEEKLY ACTIVITY

IF CHILDREN BRING THEM BACK THE FOLLOWING WEEK, THEY RECEIVE A PRIZE!