### Draw & Color

Color the picture of Jesus welcoming a child.





October 6, 2024 Mark 10:2-16

## Jesus Blesses Children

Some people were standing around with their children.

"Look!" cried a man, "There's Jesus! We should bring our kids to him for a blessing."

"Yes," said a woman, "if Jesus touches them, they'll be happy and healthy."

They started walking toward Jesus.

"Stop right there!" said Peter. "Jesus is too busy for you."

"Yes," said John. "He's tired from teaching. Don't bother him."

"Besides, he's only here for grown-ups," said James.

Jesus heard them and stood up. "That's not true," he said. "Let the little children come to me. They're special to God."

"Really?" asked Philip.

"Yes," said Jesus, taking a baby in his arms. "God loves all kids, and kids are great at loving God. Grown-ups need to love God the way kids do."

"I guess we could try that," said Peter.



#### **REMEMBER THIS**

KIDS MATTER!

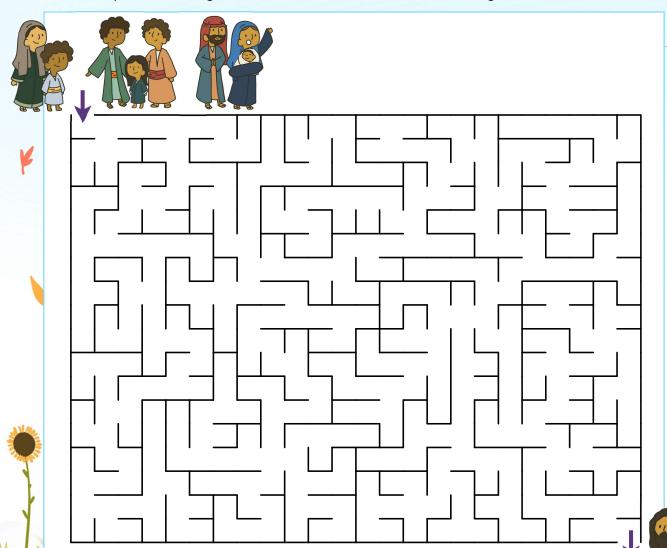
Kids are an important part of the church! God loves you and welcomes you!

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# LET THE CHILDREN COME

Help the adults get their children to Jesus for a blessing.



#### **Did You Know?**

Children today have many more rights than they used to in the past. For example, before laws were put into place, some kids worked in factories. Not any more.



If you're old enough, offer to take care of someone's kids for a while. If not, pretend your stuffed animals or dolls are children and give them a blessing!

