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Blue Group

NAME:

CLASS:



Love the Lord
your God with
all your heart



and with all
your soul and
with all your
mind and



with all your
strength...
Love your
neighbour as
yourself.'



There is no
commandment
greater than
these.

Mark 12: 29-31

Faith Flower

Materials:

- Craft Template
- Colouring Utensils
- Scissors

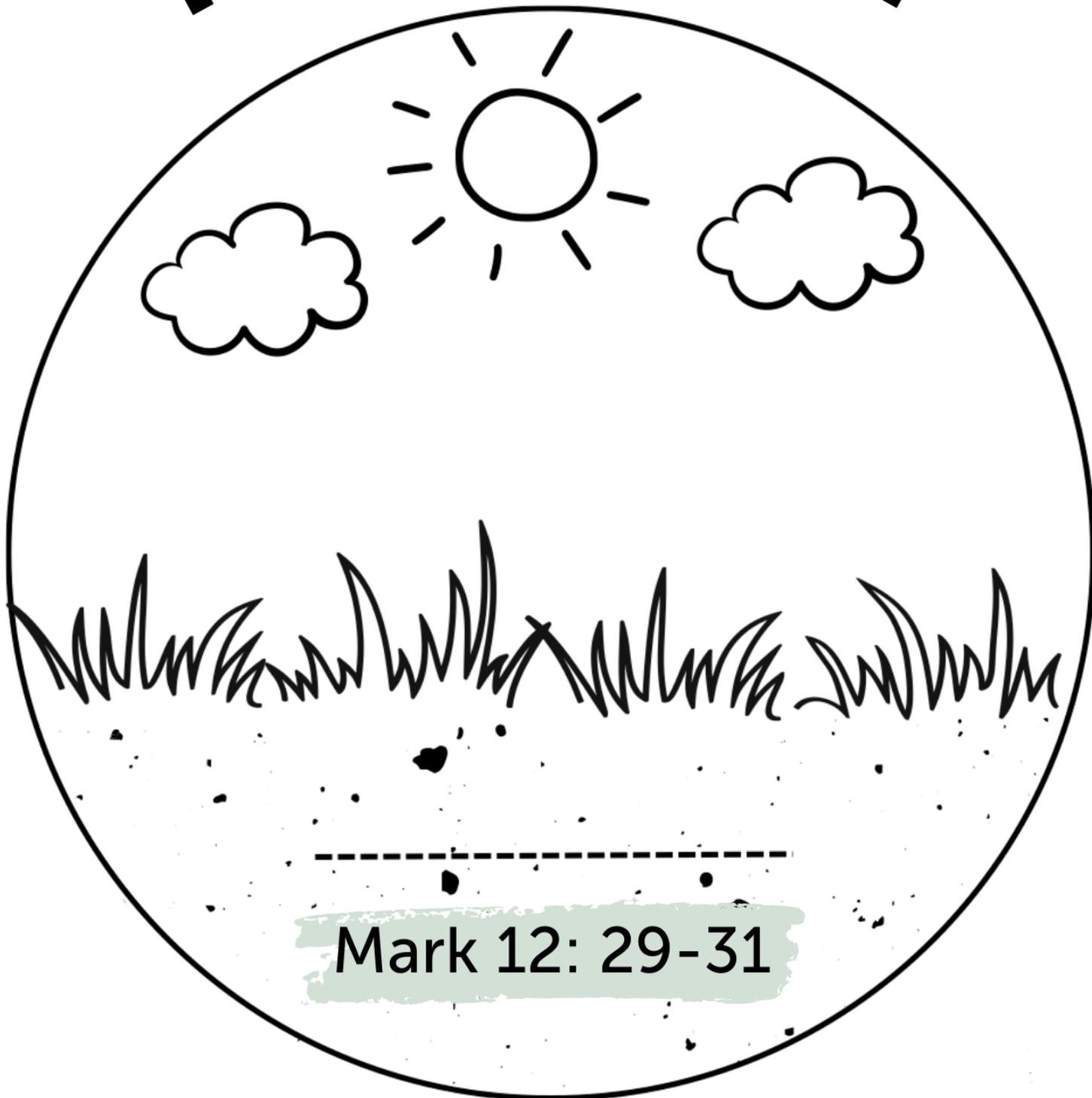
Instructions:

- Print off template.
- Colour the flower stages and the flower scene.
- Cut out the strip of flower stages. Just along the outside. (Don't cut each individual stage out)
- Cut a slit in the scene along the dotted line.
- Pull the strip through the slit and watch the flower grow.

Tips:

- When printing, make sure you "fit to page" so everything makes it on the page.
- Discuss how to help grow a healthy faith.

Faith Flower



Growing in God

Key Elements



PRAYER

Father God, thank you for your love – that you want us to be honest and real with you. Help us to live and love others the way you want us to. Amen

MEMORY VERSE

“He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?”

Micah 6:8



Being FAIR

What does it mean to be fair?

I think fairness is when _____



Think about the situations below. Circle if they are **fair, equal, or both** and talk about why with an adult. Remember to consider if equal is fair.

A 3 year old and a 7 year old are served the same amount of food at dinner.	Fair Equal Both
Year 8 and primary 1 get the same amount of homework.	Fair Equal Both
During school assemblies, the younger kids get to sit near the stage and the older kids are in the back of the room.	Fair Equal Both
I help out around the house doing chores like feeding the family dog. My older sister helps with doing laundry.	Fair Equal Both
At the school library, each student can borrow up to 3 books.	Fair Equal Both
During a birthday party celebration in class, everyone can only have 1 cupcake. There are 20 of us and there are 3 cupcakes left.	Fair Equal Both
Your teacher partnered up the class for an activity and you didn't get to choose who to work with.	Fair Equal Both

Activity:

Prayer Jar

1. Fill your jar with layers of different dried food. Make sure they are all equal in size!



2. Write a prayer using the prompts on screen.



Prayer Jar

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3. Cut out the prayer tag, add some string, tie it around the neck of your jar, bring it home and share your prayer with your family.

4. Keep the jar somewhere you will see it every day to help you remember that we are all equally loved by God and to help you give thanks to God when you pray.

PRAYER

Father God, thank you that you see so much more than we can see. Help us to see beyond ourselves, to the world around us and the people in it. Help this bigger picture give us bigger hearts and a stronger desire to be more generous like you. Amen

MEMORY VERSE

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The Blind Man And The Elephant

It was six men of Indostan, to learning much inclined,
who went to see the elephant (Though all of them were blind),
that each by observation, might satisfy his mind.

The first approached the elephant, and, happening to fall,
against his broad and sturdy side, at once began to bawl:
"God bless me! but the elephant, is nothing but a wall!"

The second feeling of the tusk, cried: "Ho! what have we here,
so very round and smooth and sharp? To me tis mighty clear,
this wonder of an elephant, is very like a spear!"

The third approached the animal, and, happening to take,
the squirming trunk within his hands, "I see," quoth he,
the elephant is very like a snake!"

The fourth reached out his eager hand, and felt about the knee:
"What most this wondrous beast is like, is mighty plain," quoth he;
"Tis clear enough the elephant is very like a tree."

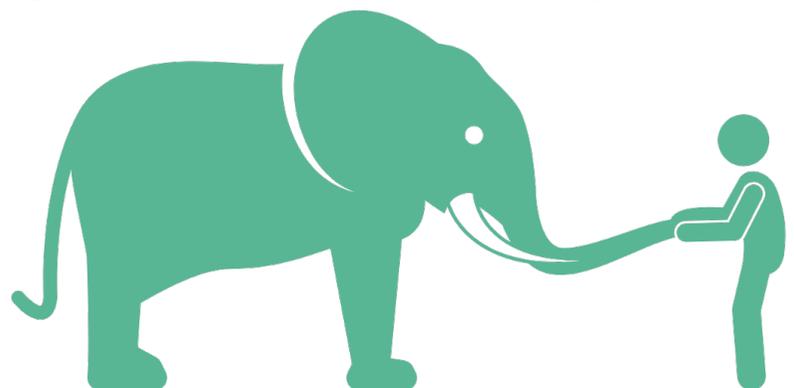
The fifth, who chanced to touch the ear, Said; "E'en the blindest man
can tell what this resembles most; Deny the fact who can,
This marvel of an elephant, is very like a fan!"

The sixth no sooner had begun, about the beast to grope,
than, seizing on the swinging tail, that fell within his scope,
"I see," quoth he, "the elephant is very like a rope!"

And so these men of Indostan, disputed loud and long,
each in his own opinion, exceeding stiff and strong,
Though each was partly in the right, and all were in the wrong!

So, oft in theologic wars, the
disputants, I ween,
tread on in utter ignorance, of
what each other mean,
and prate about the elephant,
not one of them has seen!

John Godfrey Saxe





Session 3

Equal value
Different starting point

Antony Njoroge

CEO of Tumaini Africa Foundation, Nairobi, Kenya



“No giving of any kind should take away the dignity of the receiver. That’s why the concept of sharing is the driving spirit and philosophy in our community work. We as TAF receive from people who make us feel important. Our duty is [share this feeling of] importance to everyone.”

“Open your mouth. Be right and fair in what you decide. **Stand up** for the rights of those who are suffering and in need.”

Proverbs 31:9

“Learn to do good; **seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless, plead the widow’s cause.**”

Isaiah 1:17

What do these verses and Antony’s statement teach us about how we should act? _____

PRAYER

Father God, help us to remember that together we can be part of changing things that are unfair and unjust. Help us to have the courage to do justice and love one another well. Amen

MEMORY VERSE

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Session 4

Fair Play for all



Map your learning from
'Fair Play' onto this verse.

"Finally, all of you,
have **unity** of mind,
sympathy, brotherly
love, a **tender** heart,
and a **humble** mind."

1 Peter 3:8

PRAYER

Father God, as part of your global family of faith we thank you for one another, for the ways in which we can learn from one another. Help us to work together to bring about 'Fair Play' for all. Amen

MEMORY VERSE

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