

CATECHESIS@HOME 2021 #29

"THE GREATEST AMONG YOU"

(29th Sunday of Ordinary Time)



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INTRODUCTION

This material has been prepared to provide families an opportunity to gather and spend time reflecting and discussing about the scripture readings of 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time. This week, Jesus teaches his disciples who is truly the greatest among them.

HOW TO USE THE MATERIAL

This document contains activities that members of the family may complete individually (just the children), in pairs (with parental assistance), or as an entire family. It would be helpful to print a hard-copy, so that members of your family may carry out different activities at the same time.

WHEN TO USE THE MATERIAL

During the week after the family has celebrated the Mass of 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of each one gathered here in your presence today. Thank you, Lord Jesus, for bringing us the gift of life and faith. Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Peace, guide us during this family gathering. We make this prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.



SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Invite someone to read **Mark 10: 35-45**. Then, as a family reflect on the questions given below and share your responses with one another. If necessary, parents are encouraged to rephrase the information and questions according to their children's level of understanding.

Time of reflection and response:

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and asked him to give them the places of greatest honour in his kingdom. Jesus asked them if they were ready to receive the same treatment that he was going to receive. When they said yes, he told them that they would, but that he could not promise them what they had asked for.

Why did James and John look for Jesus?
Why do I look for Jesus? What do I hope to receive from him?
What will I do if I do not receive what I am hoping for?

The other disciples were angry with James and John, and Jesus said to them, "As you know, the rulers of nations behave like tyrants and oppress the people. But it shall not be so among you; whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you shall make himself the slave of all. Think of the Son of Man who has not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life to redeem many."

Why were the other disciples angry with James and John?
Why did Jesus say that whoever wants to be great must make himself a slave?
What can I do to be like the Son of Man who came to serve and give his life?

Today, Jesus teaches us the true meaning of greatness. He shows us that greatness is not a position to be given, but comes instead from following the Son of Man in giving his life for love of others. We pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, that we may also be able to follow Jesus in loving those around us.

Say together as a family:

"Lord Jesus, you came down from heaven that we might have life in your name. You ask us to believe and to put our hope in you. We know that you love us and watch over us always. May we continue to grow in our faith and follow you, especially in times of trouble."

FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES

Below you will find some activities for younger children, revolving around the Gospel passage. Select the activities you would like to complete with your children, or try to complete them all if you can!

Activity #1: Find the Words.

Winning the Prize

"And whoever wants to be first among you must be the slave of everyone else. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:44-45 (NLT)

Based on Mark 10:35-45



C F F V Q C R R K S E Y X F B
W I K G D E O Y F C O O Z K F
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U Z R F O S L L H O G J E I G
Q O U H U R P O P Q K C A J O
W S R A L E J A B T R I G H T
F X N U D Q S Z Q D H T U Q D
S U L S L U Z E E C F R B P M
O N E X S E W N R B F F O R S
N B F S L S R T Z V E A E N Y
S X T S A T T N Z G A D V S E
U L F I V Q D V B N A N E O U
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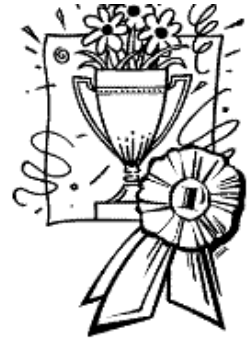
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HONOR	SERVANT	JAMES	LEADER	PLACE
SUFFER	RIGHT	THRONE	REQUEST	FAVOR
AUTHORITY	SLAVE	SIT	WORLD	SONS

Activity #2: Break the Code

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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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- 5-15-10-26-9 _____
- 26-22-8-9-22-10 _____
- 3-22-10-4-8-6-25 _____
- 26-22-14-25 _____
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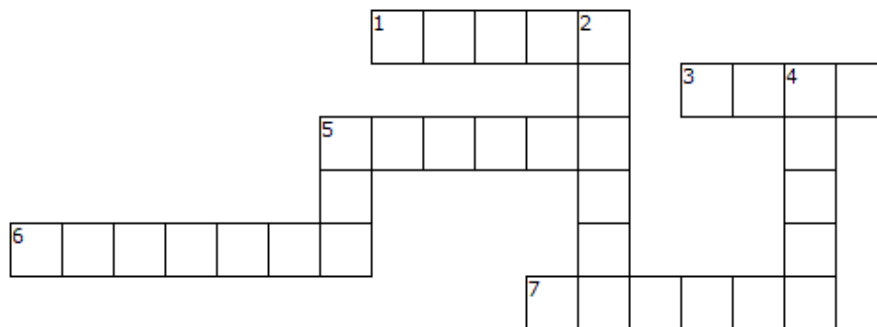
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RIGHT	LEFT	FAVOR	WORLD	SUFFER

Activity #3: Solve the Puzzle

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ACROSS

1. The direction that is the opposite of left
3. The direction that is the opposite of right
5. To feel physical or mental pain
6. A person who works for another person
7. to be in front; to be first

DOWN

2. A special chair used by a king or queen
4. To do something to help someone, often after they ask you to do it
5. To occupy a chair

RIGHT
THRONE

LEFT
FAVOR

SERVANT
SUFFER

LEADER
SIT

Activity #4: Unscramble the Message.

Unscramble the words in the boxes. Complete the sentence below using the letters in the numbered boxes to find out what Jesus said to his disciples.

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27 15 5 23

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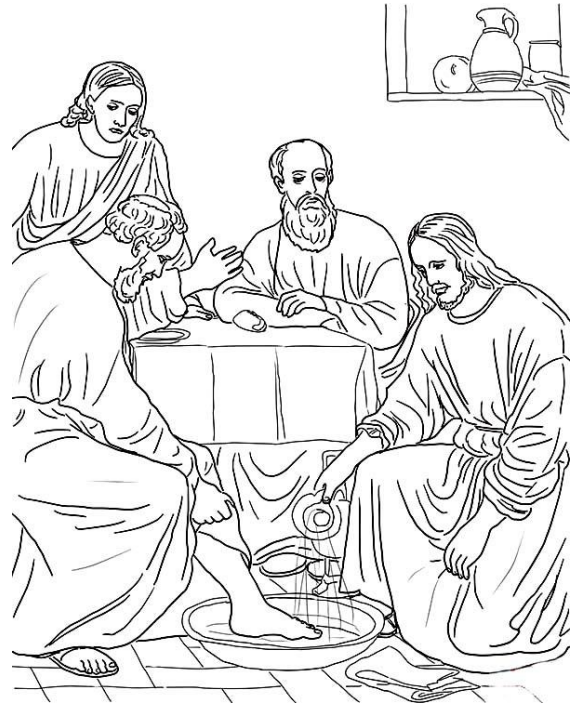
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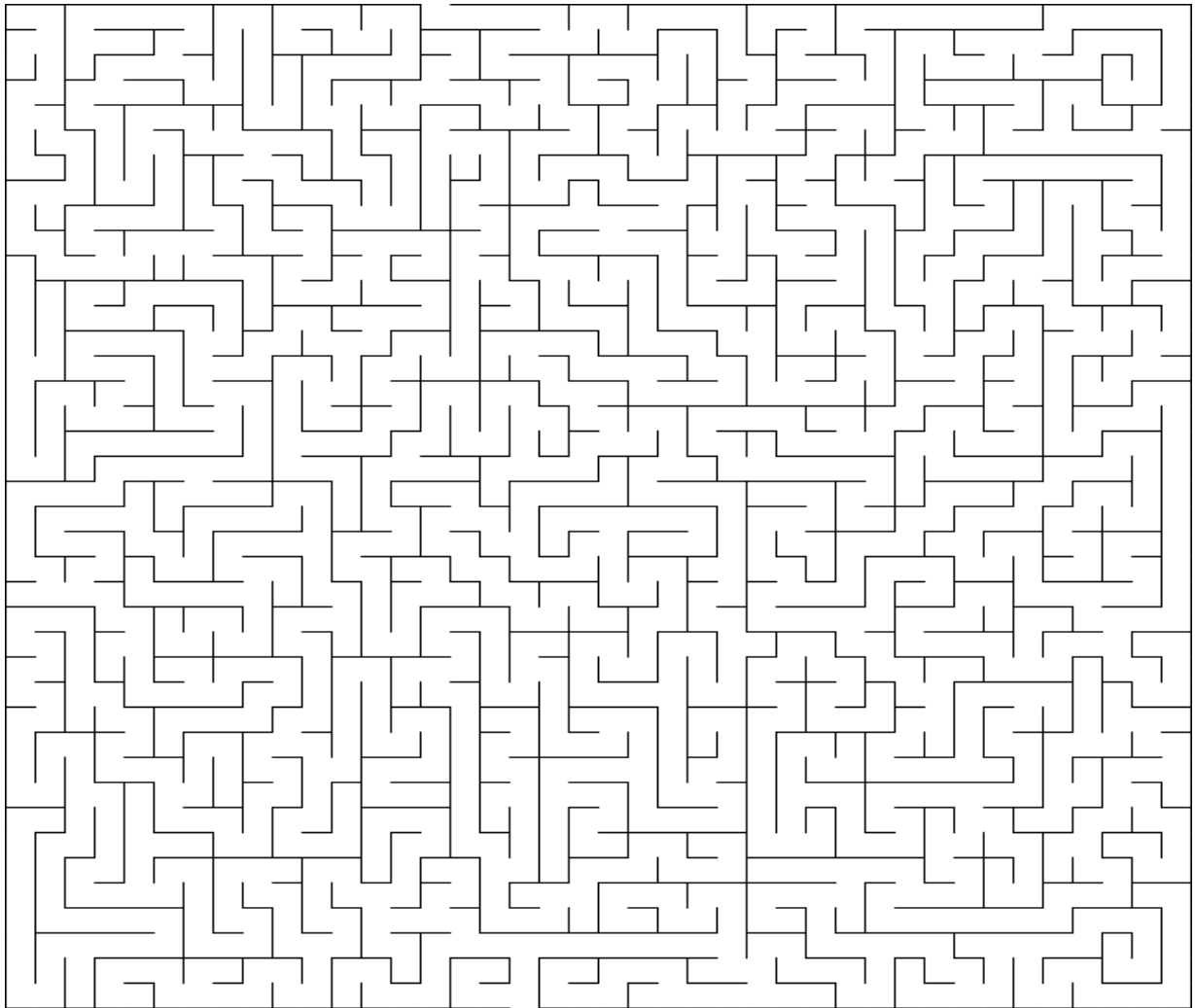
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Activity #5: Help James and John find their way to Jesus.



Activity #6: Find the Words

To Be Like Jesus

"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Mark 10:35-45



F I R S T E A R M O S B Q L A
F D H I L Q E F W H K W K M W
S E S H E F D Y F A V O R U V
G Q L P F W L R G L P U G X E
R N Y U T L X U I R D M U S Y
E L S K W F E L W R G O B E R
A T H H A C O E A X L M R R Y
T J H O S L L R M K O V L V L
Z D T R N D I E W K R Z T A I
G Y H G O O Y W A C Y J B N H
S R F W E N R Q P D F W K T I
A I Y Y K A E Q X L E T J N A
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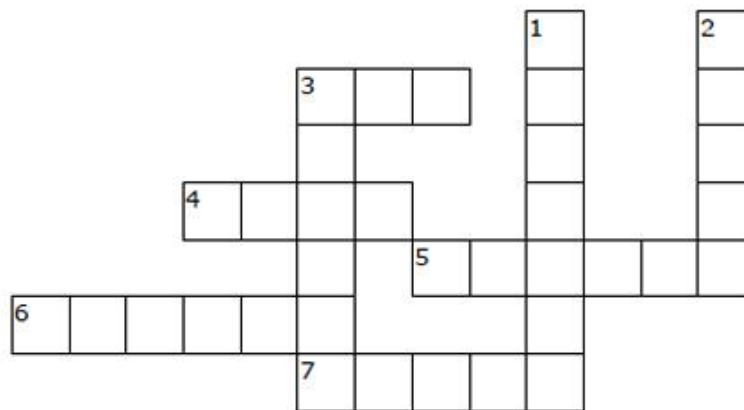
SERVANT	SUFFER	THRONE	RULER	HONOR
FAVOR	SLAVE	GREAT	GLORY	LEADER
FIRST	SIT	RIGHT	LEFT	PLACE

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LEFT	LEADER	SERVANT	FAVOR
RIGHT	SIT	SUFFER	THRONE

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- 7-15-4-12-18 _____
- 3-19-22-18 _____
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- 7-21-3-19-7 _____
- 11-25-7-3-6 _____
- 3-19-1-6-19-7 _____
- 17-19-7-9-1-23-18 _____
- 7-1-23-17-25-13 _____

LEADER	RIGHT	LEFT	FAVOR	WORLD
RANSOM	SERVANT	SUFFER	THRONE	RULER

Activity #9: Break the Code

The Greatest Among You

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
14	4	24	17	19	3	16	12	20	1	2	6	23

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
25	5	26	15	22	21	9	7	18	13	11	8	10

13 12 5 19 18 19 22 13 5 7 6 17

4 19 3 20 22 21 9 14 23 5 25 16

8 5 7 23 7 21 9 4 19

21 12 14 6 6 23 14 2 19

12 20 23 21 19 6 3 21 6 14 18 19

5 3 14 6 6 .

Activity #10: Colour the picture.

