

Dear Parents,

The year 2020 has not been like any of us expected! Back in the Fall, we planned the theme for Kids Week. We wanted our kids to **learn how to have 2020 vision to see, serve, and love their neighbor**. We can't think of a better concept to learn about with the crazy climate we find the world in this year!

Spend some time discussing with your child what Jesus commands us to do in Matthew 22. We are to love God with all of our **heart, soul and mind**. We are also commanded to **love our neighbors as ourselves**. Talk to your child about who exactly their neighbor is. There is an attached document that older children can fill in with names of people that are their neighbors in each category of their life. For younger children, you can help them name people that fall in each category.

So how do we love our neighbor? First, we need to see them! This is why we need God to give us 20/20 vision with the Holy Spirit! How can we love them once we see them? We can serve them! This is where our Kids Week serving opportunities come in.

These are the organizations in our city that we are serving this week. As a family, you can help love these neighbors in our city by coming and serving together. We also have a way that you can support and serve these organizations from home if you are unable to or uncomfortable with serving in person.

Cook Elementary, H.O.P.E. of Winston Salem, Hope and Love Foundation, Kingswood, City Lights, and Rise Church

OPENING ACTIVITY

Play "I Spy"

Play a game of I spy with your children. You can play the traditional way first with colors or attributes. "I spy with my little eye, something that is blue." Then have children guess. Take turns. Then say, "I spy with my little eye a neighbor I should love." Then have children name all of their neighbors that they should love.

Say: Who do you think your neighbors are? Are they just the people that live in our neighborhood? We are going to learn today about how God commands us to love our neighbor. One way that we can love our neighbor is by serving them.

WORSHIP

These songs are what we suggest for today's lesson. You can use these links or access them from the TCC Kids youtube playlist. As always, do what works best for your family and use whatever songs you'd like to worship together!

- (New Song) "You Shall Love", <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hIvRafBo7Rc>
- (Elementary) "Love Come Down", <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WpUiK-Ml9xo>
- (Preschool) "Ready, Set, Go", <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oq7HorFMz48>

BIBLE STORY

Bible Passage: Matthew 22:37-39

Main Point: God can give us 2020 vision to see, love, and serve our neighbor.

Big Picture Question: What does Jesus command us to do? Love God and love our neighbors.

Christ Connection: *Jesus is our example for how to live. He showed us perfectly how to see the people around Him while He was here on earth. He loved God with everything He had, and He loved us so much that He laid down His life for us. He served us by taking our place on the cross.*

PRAYER TIME

Spend some time as a family in prayer. Pray for your kids and pray out loud with your kids! Encourage them to pray and share with God what is on their hearts.

CRAFT/ACTIVITY

Make 2020 Vision Glasses

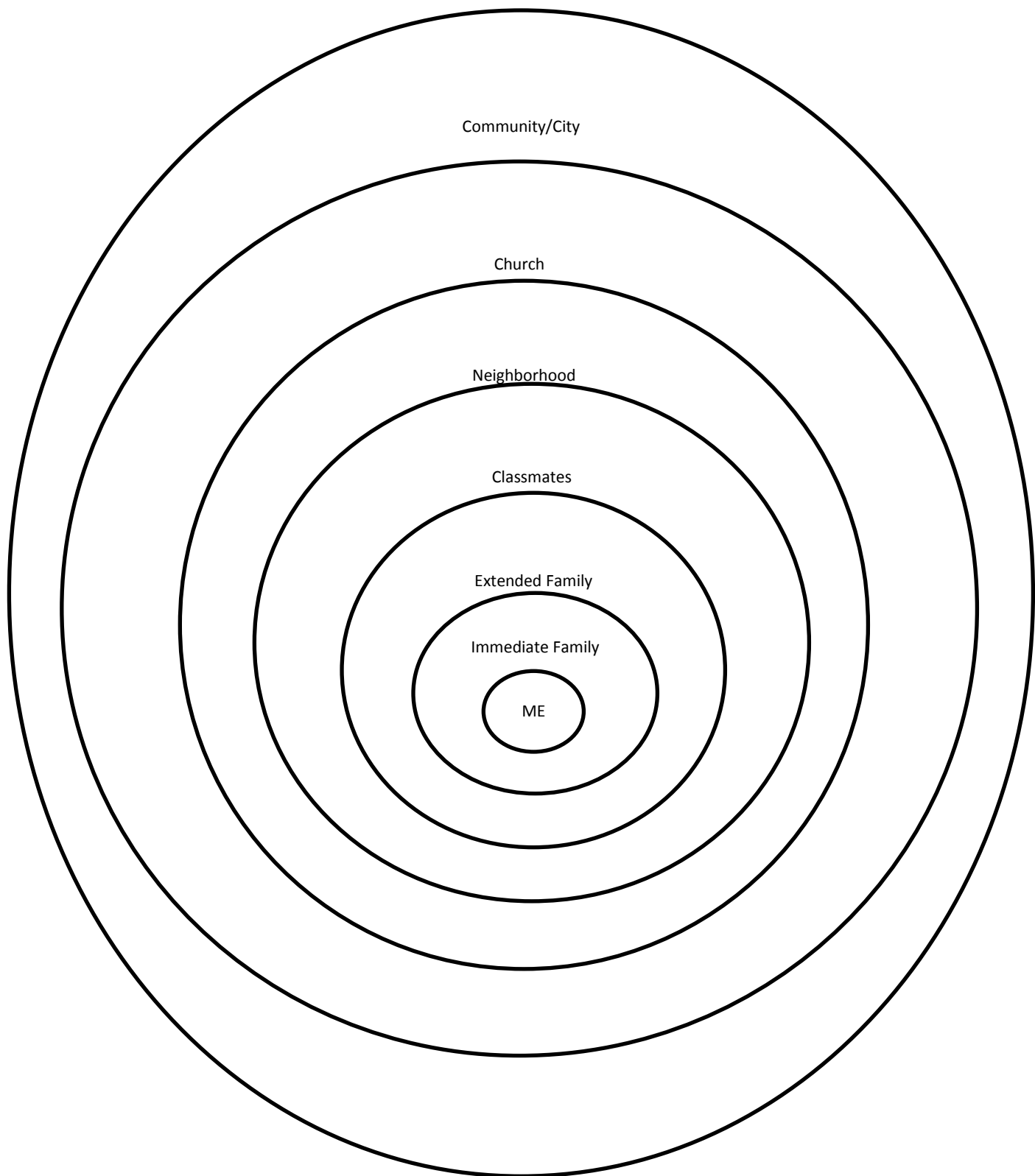
Print out the 2020 glasses pattern printable. Have your child decorate the glasses in any way they would like! Cut out the glasses and attach the sides so that children can actually wear them.

Say: *What does it mean to have 2020 vision? It means that you can see clearly and perfectly! When we ask God to give us 2020 vision, He can help us to see our neighbors and see what they need. We can love and serve our neighbors if we can truly see them and what they need. The Holy Spirit can help us see when people are in need and help us know what to do to help them.*

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Do You Love Your Neighbor?

“You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ~Matthew 22:39



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