



GALATIANS 6

DOING GOOD TO ALL

Scripture: Galatians 6:1-10

Open: Greet, Praises, Requests, Pray

Supplies: Bingo Cards, Bingo chips or place holder, 100 paper cups, cardboard

Ask:

Who remembers what we talked about last week? (The tug-of-war between the flesh and the Spirit.)

Today, we are going to finish our letter to the Galatians. Typically, when Paul finishes a letter, he summarizes or quickly hits the last, important points he wants to make. Let's see what his points are for the Galatians.

Read: Galatians 6:1-6

Explain:

This seems a bit like he says we should bear one another's burdens, but then in the end, that we should bear our own burden. So what does it mean? Well, in the beginning of the passage, Paul is talking about restoring brothers and sisters who have fallen into sin. He wants us to speak gently to them, bearing their burdens and helping them to return to the correct way. In bearing the burdens of others, we can live for Christ. But we have to be careful. We can fall into sin a couple of ways in this. We can get caught in their sin, or we can get caught in the sin of pride by comparing ourselves to others. We might start to think that we're a "better" Christian than they are, or that we are more important because we don't struggle in the same way they do. That is when Paul states that we each must bear our own burden. In that, he means that we have responsibility for the way we live. The comparison game never works out because guess what? You can always find someone who is more mature in their faith. You can also always find someone less mature. We tend to focus on the less mature to feel better about ourselves, but the standard is God and his holiness, which none of us attain. When we keep that in mind, we can live in humility and gentleness when we help restore others.

Experiment:

Have the kids divide into groups of two or three. Then give the kids a paper cup and piece of cardboard and ask them to stand on the cup without breaking it.

The kids will notice this is impossible. In Galatians, Paul talks about how we need to bear one another's burdens. See, we were never meant to live for Jesus alone. He made us for community, to work together, to grow together, and to bear one another's burdens- helping each other through our struggles.

Now give the kids lots of cups and tell them that the other cups can now share one another's burdens. See if they can figure out that if they line the cups up and stand on the cardboard, it will distribute their weight so the cups can hold them.

Read: Galatians 6:7-10

Explain:

If you plant tomato seeds, what will you grow? (tomatoes). If you plant corn seeds, what will you grow? What about carrots? Beans? Peas? See, we realize that when we sow or plant something, the seed will grow into a plant that produces that food. Paul is using this analogy in the way we live. If we plant all those evil sins we talked about last week, we reap destruction. But if we sow to please the Spirit, we reap eternal life.

Play a Game:

Play Bingo with the cards at the end of the lesson. Each card has different fruits and vegetables. The caller will draw out a seed and say the seed. If they have the fruit/vegetable from that seed, they can place a marker on their bingo card. Four in a row wins.

Explain:

Gardening is hard work. Soul gardening is even harder work. But Paul reminds us not to become weary. There will be days when you want to sow in the flesh. There will be days when you don't want to do the right thing. But Paul challenges us to not become weary in doing good because we will reap a harvest if we don't give up. Our lives will bear such fruit, that others will see the work of Jesus in us. And it is so worth the toil in the soil that we must do here, because then others come to the saving knowledge of Jesus!

Memorize: Galatians 6:9

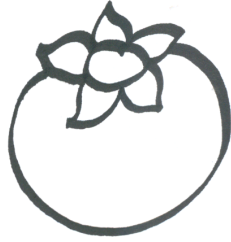
Close in Prayer



Harvest Bingo



Eggplant



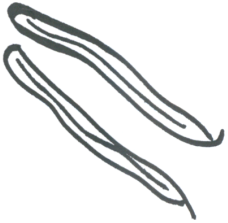
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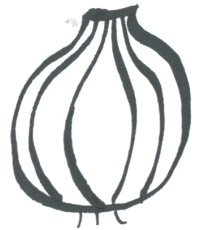


Beans



Apple

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Onion



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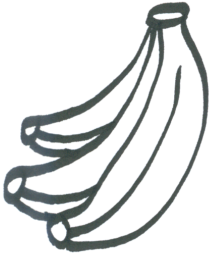


Broccoli



Pepper

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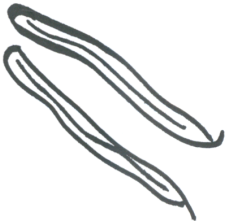


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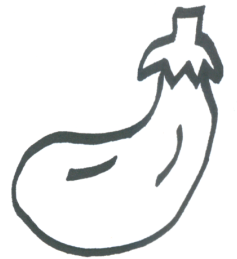
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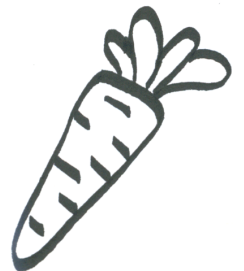
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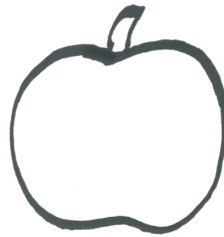
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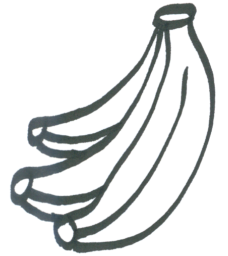
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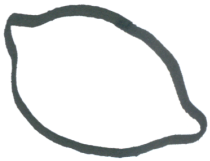
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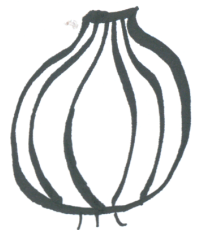


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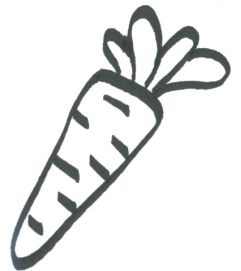
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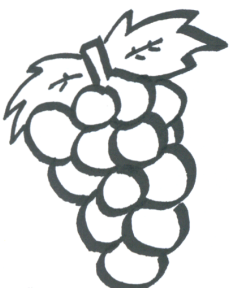
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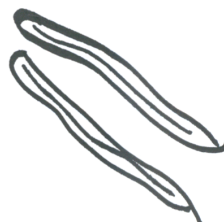
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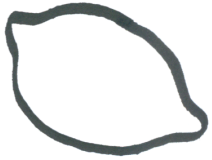


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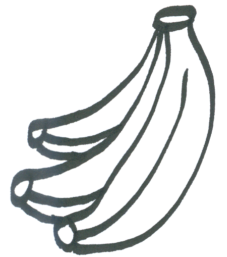


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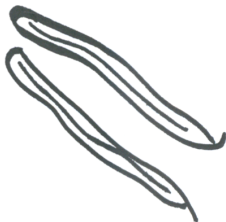
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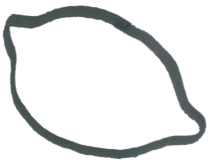
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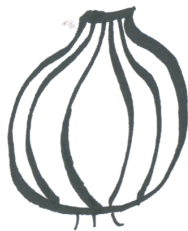
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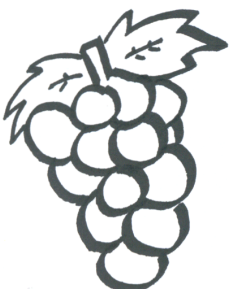
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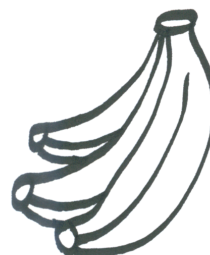


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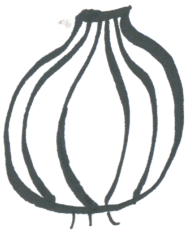
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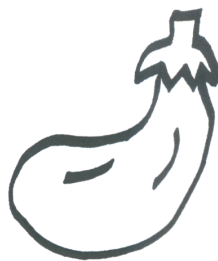
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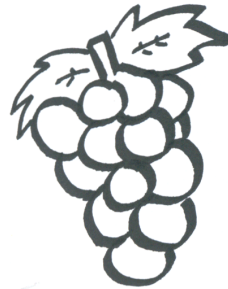
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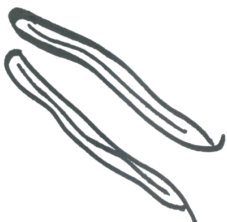
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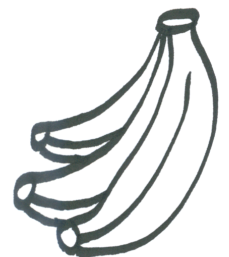
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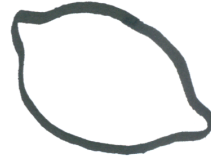
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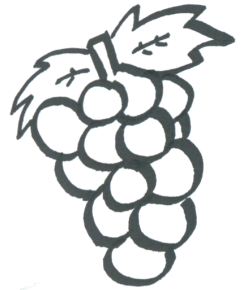
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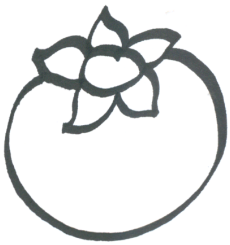
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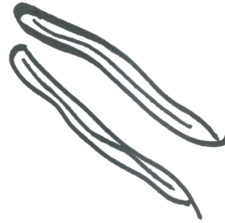
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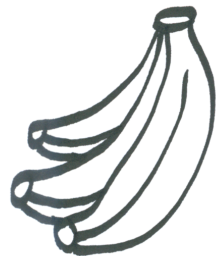
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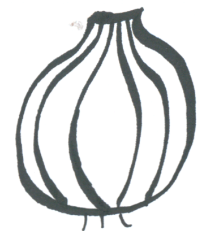


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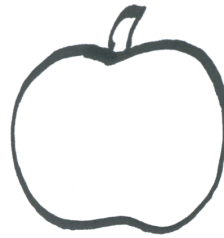
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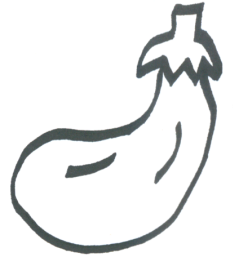
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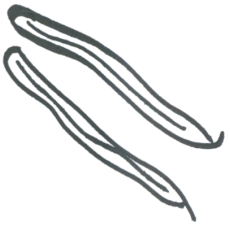
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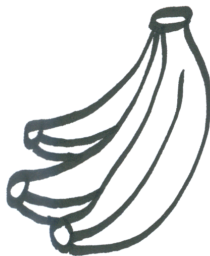
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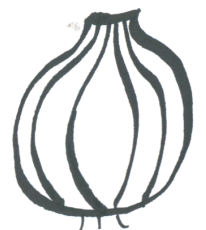


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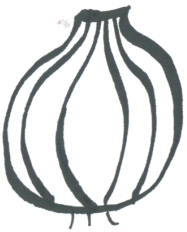
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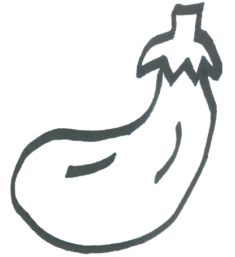
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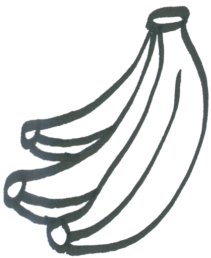
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Harvest Bingo Calling Cards

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Carrot Seeds

Grapevine Cuttings

Pepper Seeds

Lemon Seeds

Eggplant Seeds

Banana Tree Seed

Pineapple Crown

Blueberry Cuttings

Apple Seeds

Broccoli Seeds

Onion Seeds

Strawberry Runners

Watermelon Seeds

Peas

String Bean Seeds

Corn Kernels