

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR // NEHEMIAH 8: 8– 12

1. Worship Together -

Every Step – Nick and Becky Drake

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nZBhKp5_HwE

2. Bible Time - 1 Thessalonians 2:17 – 20 & 3: 6-10

(see extract overleaf from the International Children's Bible)

Paul was born about 5 years after Jesus and although he never met Jesus in person, he knew all about Jesus and he really didn't like people who were followers of Jesus. But then Jesus spoke to Paul from heaven and Paul's whole life changed. He wanted to tell everyone about Jesus so he started travelling to lots of different places and if he couldn't go and see people, he would write them a letter.

3. Story Time -

God's Story- Paul

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R0p0W_Zbt1s

4. Chat Time -

Chat about the Bible reading; here are some questions to get you started!

- How do you think Paul felt when he couldn't go and see his friends in Thessalonica?
- Why was writing them a letter a really good idea?
- How do you think his friends felt when they received Paul's letter?
- How do you think Paul felt when Timothy came back with good news?
- Why is it good to be in touch with people when we can't see them?

5. Idea for the Week –

Why not write a letter or send an email to someone who you can't see at the moment because of the lockdown. Tell them some of the things you've been doing and tell them that you miss them!

6. Pray Together -

Father God, you are amazing, thank you that you love us so much. Jesus, thank you that you are always with us. Holy Spirit, please help us to love each other and care for each other. Amen

MEMORY VERSE – Let us think about each other and help each other to show love and do good deeds. *Hebrews 10: 24 (ICB)*



1 Thessalonians 2:17 – 20 & 3: 6-10 (International Children's Bible)

Brothers, we were separated from you for a short time, but our thoughts were still with you. We wanted very much to see you, and tried very hard to do so. ¹⁸ I, Paul, tried to come many times, but Satan stopped us. ¹⁹ For you are our hope, our joy, and the crown we will be proud of when our Lord Jesus Christ comes. ²⁰ Truly you are our glory and our joy.

But Timothy now has come back to us from you and has brought us good news about your faith and love. He told us that you always remember us in a good way. He told us that you want to see us just as much as we want to see you. ⁷ So, brothers, we are comforted about you, because of your faith. We have much trouble and suffering, but still we are comforted. ⁸ For our life is really full if you stand strong in the Lord. ⁹ We have so much joy before our God because of you, and we thank him for you. But we cannot thank him enough for all the joy we feel. ¹⁰ And we continue praying with all our heart for you night and day. We pray that we can see you again and give you all the things you need to make your faith strong.

