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We're Part of a Team That Matters

Memory Verse: *You are the body of Christ. Each one of you is a part of it.* 1 Corinthians 12:27

When we choose to follow Jesus, we join a group of ALL the other people who have chosen to follow Jesus too! And just like on a regular team, different people have different strengths that they bring. For a team to work well, each person has to use his or her talents to make the team the best it can be.

There was a team of Jesus' followers who worked together and used their unique strengths to have a HUGE impact on the world. This team was called the early church. And when we say "church" we don't just mean the building they met in, it means the team of people following Jesus, depending on each other and serving others!

Watch: [The Early Church](#)

Discuss: ● What was it like being part of the early church? ● How did the early church (team of Jesus-followers) work together as a team? ● Is it better for everyone to have the same talents on a team, or different talents? Why? ● What's a special talent that YOU have, that you can bring to Jesus' team?

So what's the big deal about being part of a team with other people who follow Jesus? It matters because following Jesus is the most important thing we can share with other people! He wants people to know him, follow him, and love him. And He doesn't need people to be perfect. The great thing is: God is the leader of this team and he helps us follow him.

Do: One way we show unity as a team is by encouraging each other. Think of some people who are with you on "God's Team" and send them an encouraging note or picture this week!

Pray: Jesus, thank you for wanting us on your team. Help us to find people this week to invite to be part of your team. We're so glad that you love us enough to want us on your team. Amen!