

Life today

Do you ever have a disagreement with someone in your family or a friend? How do you make up and become close again?



Did you know?

If you were a craft worker, you lived and worked among other people who made things to earn money. Sometimes, you needed to ask other people to help you. Perhaps someone had to make a lot of pots very quickly, so other local workers would help. Or someone needed to move something very heavy and it could only be done by people lifting it together.

Imagine

Paul was a craft worker. He used canvas to make tents and awnings. He lived among other craft workers and they helped each other out when they needed to. When he wrote a letter to the people he'd gathered into a church community in Galatia, he knew that they were arguing with each other. They weren't living in the way that he had taught them to.



He tells them to help other people, starting with the people they know best, the ones they're not getting on with. He says we need to work together as a community and help each other in little ways and big ways. The Holy Spirit will give us the energy to do this and help us not to give up. We shouldn't just help people we know, but reach out to others as well.



Paul's letter to the Galatians

A nugget to explore with children:
Chapter 6, verses 9 and 10

*Don't get tired of helping others.
You will be rewarded when the
time is right, if you don't give up.
We should help people whenever
we can, especially if they are
followers of the Lord.*