

KIDS AT HOME

SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2020

Right now we are doing church in different ways and different places, and for some of you that might mean doing church together as a family at home. If that's you, here are some suggestions for activities you might like to do together. These ideas are similar to those we will be doing at our in person children's church gathering this week so you can join in at home and know that we are still 'church together' despite being in different places. There is no right or wrong way to do church at home - choose what you think will work best for your family and just give it a go!

GET THINKING

Today we are thinking about the nature of God when we are going through times of change. You might like to choose one of these activity ideas to start exploring this together.

Use playdough or colouring pens to make or draw objects that represent things that are new or changing at the moment.

Use lego/duplo or junk materials to build something strong -perhaps a house, tower or bridge.

Print off the template attached and use pens, paint or stickers to add appropriate colours to the trees on the seasons of change picture.

Use food colouring and water or some paints and paper to experiment with changing colours by mixing them together.

CHAT TOGETHER

- > What kind of changes and new things are you facing at the moment?
- > How do they make you feel?

Look up the parable of the wise and foolish builder (Matthew 7:24-27) and chat about it together. Discuss how times of change can sometimes make us feel wobbly and unstable, but we can remember that if we build our lives with God in them we know we will be strong and safe like the house on the rock. God promises that whatever changes in the world, He will never change. His love and faithfulness always stay the same. You might like to watch the following video (maybe without the sound) as a good illustration of this.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=75yRkpOkBn0>

REFLECT

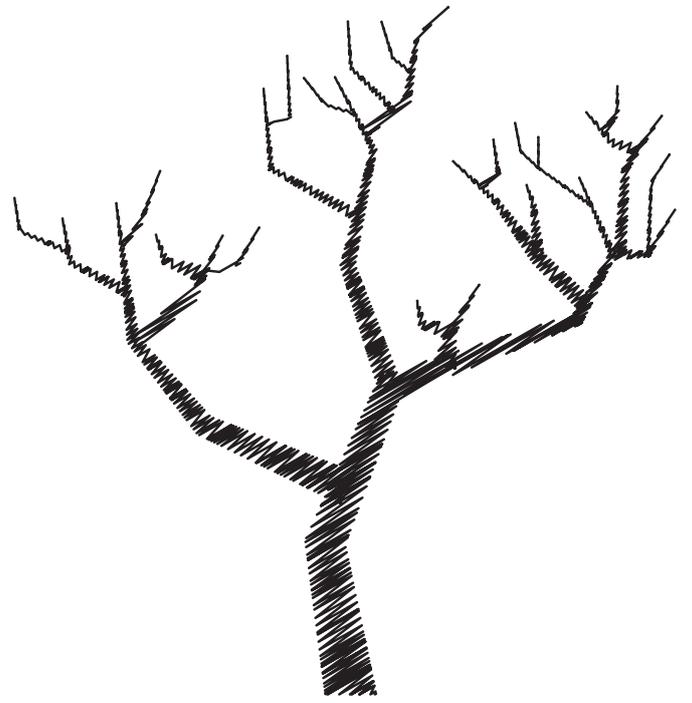
You might like to use any of the ideas below to reflect further on how God will never change and will be your rock when you feel wobbly or unsteady.

Listen to some worship music, get comfy and pray for yourself and your children that God would comfort you through any changes you face.

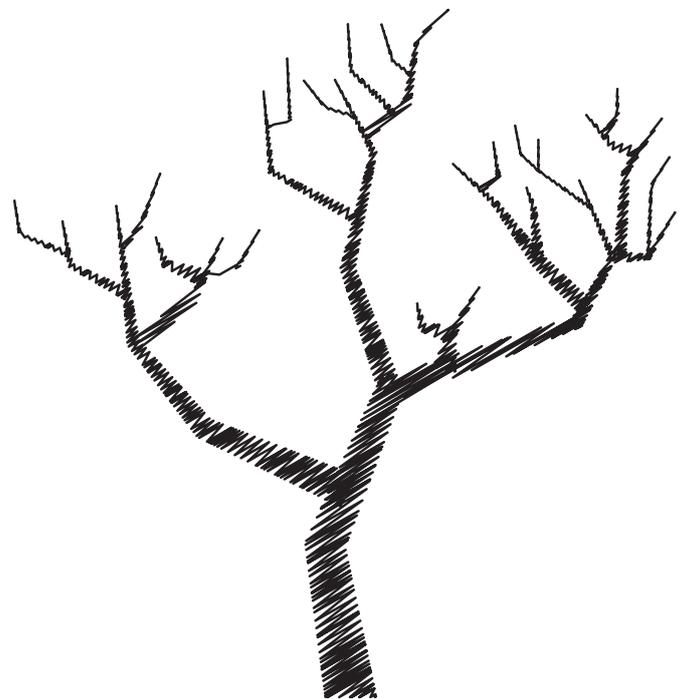
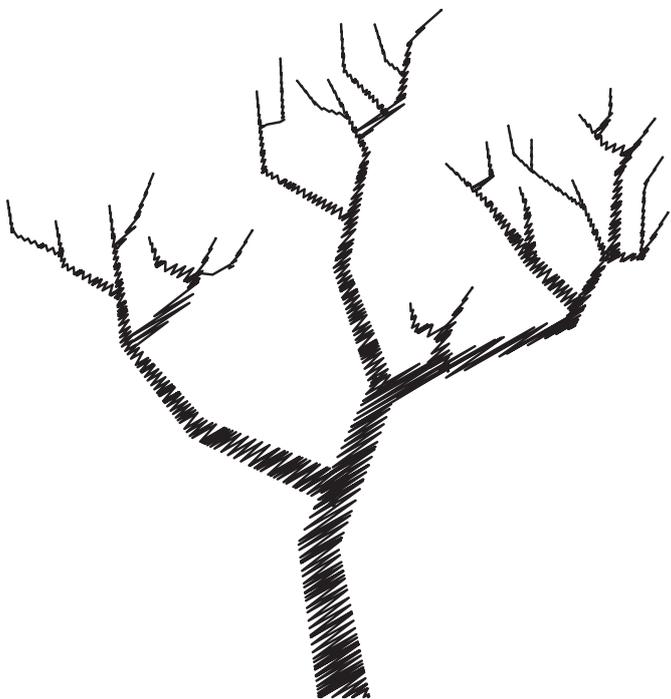
Colour in the poster about Jesus being our firm foundation through change. Write or draw on the rock words that you would use to describe God.

Go for a walk or into the garden to find some stones/rocks. Choose one to put somewhere as a reminder that God is always our solid rock.

Spend some time reflecting on the following Bible verses:
Malachi 3:6
Hebrews 13:8
Psalm 102:24-27
1 Peter 1:24-25



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