St Mary's Wollaton Park Online kids' church, Sunday 21st June 2020

Today we talked about wisdom and making good choices. We discovered that being wise and making the best choices means living in God's world, God's Way. And our passage in James 3:13-18 showed us we can do that by being friendly, kind and helping other people, just like Jesus did for us.

Good choices

Debs had a selection of choices to make. Should she drink water or drink tomato ketchup? Which was the good choice?

Bible time

We looked at a verse in the Bible from James 3:17-18 (ICB Version)

But the wisdom that comes from God is like this; first it is pure. Then it is also peaceful, gentle and easy to please. This wisdom is always ready to help those who are troubled and to do good for others. This wisdom is always fair and honest."

We saw that being wise is the same as living in God's world, God's way.

We can do this by being gentle, friendly, helpful, honest and caring for other people. This is the best way to live because this is the way Jesus lived. He is helpful, gentle and friendly. He cared for other people by making the sick better and by helping people find out more about God. And he helped us in the best way by dying on the cross so we can be forgiven for all the times we don't live in God's world, God's way.

We thought about how what Jesus did for us might make us want to be wise and live in God's world God's way just like Jesus did.

Compass

When people are trying to find the right way when they are going for a walk or a run, they often look at a compass to help them find the right way to go.

Debs showed us a different compass — this compass was a reminder that living God's way is the wise way and has the Bible verse written on it to help us remember that. It's available on our website to download and colour in.

Things to do at home

- Colour in your compass
- What ways can you be friendly, kind and helpful this week? Write down the name of someone you might want to be kind to and a way you can be kind. See if you can do that this week!
- Or, you could talk about it with your parents. Some ideas include:
 - Smile at a stranger on your daily walk
 - o Write someone in a letter or card
 - Help mummy and daddy tidy up after dinner time

Songs

We sang Our Help about how the Holy Spirit helps us to live God's way. Can you remember the actions?

At home you could listen to some songs about living God's way:

- Our Help by Sovereign Grace Kids https://youtu.be/h2FOZ98610
- One Way by Hillsong Kids https://youtu.be/MNe4HCO4SuQ
- Practice Being Godly by Colin Buchanan https://youtu.be/7gl 5jLTfUE
- Because You First Loved Me by Sovereign Grace Kids https://youtu.be/cFc2PFug0fk

All of these are on a playlist at

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLdU24OqkUmI5cfVjAgWesMXhY5_ela2DT