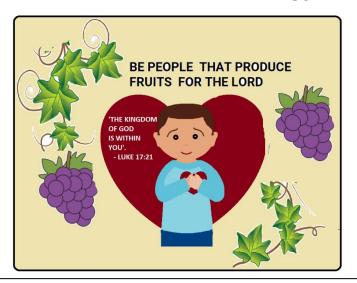
## 'BEAR FRUITS THAT THE LORD DESIRES'

Children's liturgy activity October 4th, 2020





Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

In today's gospel Jesus tells a parable to chief priests and elders about 'THE WICKED TENANTS OF THE VINEYARD'. A landowner planted a vineyard. He put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. He gave it in lease to tenants and went on a journey. When it was harvest time, he sent his servants in batches to collect the produce. But the tenants treated all the servants very badly by stoning them and killing them. Finally, he sent his own son thinking that they will show respect to him. But they killed him too as they realized that he is the heir. Jesus then asked them, what will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes? "They answered him, "He will put those wicked men to a bad death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times." Jesus said to them that, the one rejected and killed was the cornerstone- the son. In the same way the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."

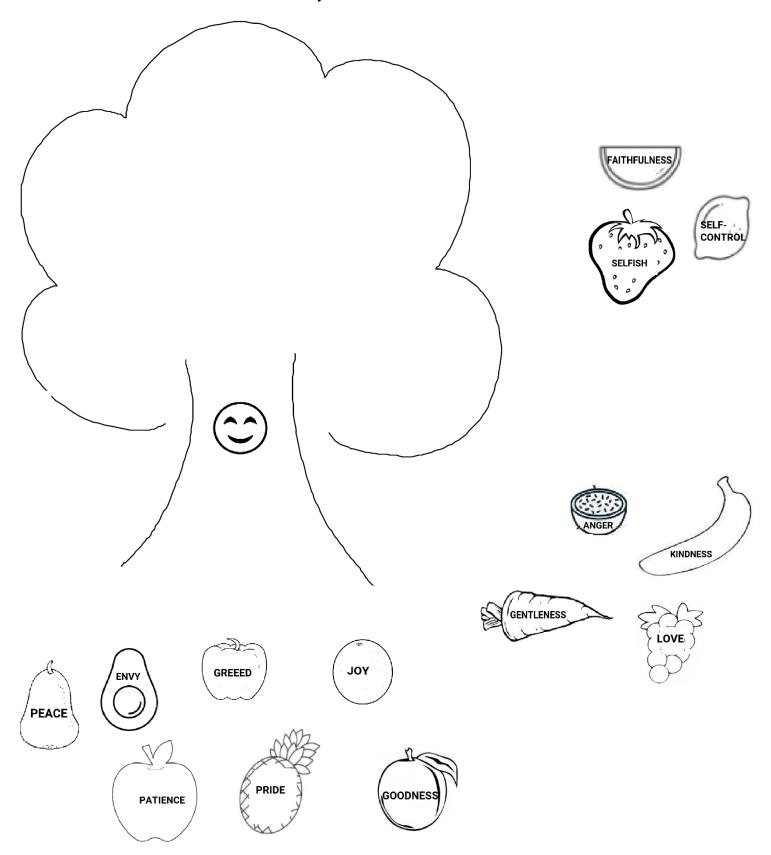
We can see that, in the old testament lord sent many prophets to warn people not to disobey God. But they did not believe. Finally, he sent his son, Jesus. Many believed but many did not. Those who did not believe in Him, crucified Him. For those who believes in Jesus, is eternal life and forgiveness of sins. The Lord has seeded the Kingdom of heaven in us through Holy Spirit. Holy Spirit is our helper who molds us like Jesus and leads us to reach eternity by helping us to bear fruits that the lord desires. Through this parable Jesus is asking us, 'WILL THE LORD FIND IN US THE FRUITS THAT HE DESIRES WHEN HE COMES? OR ARE WE LIKE THE WICKED TENANTS? What will be our response? HOW CAN WE BEAR FRUITS FOR THE LORD? Jesus asks us to abide in him to bear fruits that is everlasting- the fruits of the spirit. Let us pray to the lord for His grace.

# Can you complete the vineyard? Cut and paste the right things on the given template by the reading Matthew 21:33?



# BEAR FRUITS FOR THE LORD

CHOOSE FROM BELOW, THE FRUITS THAT THE LORD DESIRES TO SEE IN US. COLOUR, CUT AND PASTE IT ON THE TREE.



#### Watch-tower craft

- 1. Take an empty toilet tissue roll
- 2. Draw a door shape and draw patterns as shown in the picture
- 3. Cut out the template given and stick on top of the tissue roll.
- 4. Colour it and decorate it.





I WILL STAND AT MY WATCHPOST.AND STATION MYSELF ON THE RAMPART;
I WILL KEEP WATCH TO SEE WHAT HE WILL SAY TO ME. - HABAKKUK 2:1

## UNSCRAMBLE THE GIVEN VERSES

I am the branches; you are the vine. Those apart and I in them from me bear nothing, because you who abide in me can do much fruit. -JOHN 15:5



Dear lord Jesus, 'thank you for choosing us to the kingdom of God to bear fruits for you. Give us your grace to abide in you always. Prune us to bear fruits that you desire. So that when you visit us, we are seen molded like you in love. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.