





# Together

How do I help my group to come together and get started with the theme?

## Gathering prayer

### Jesus, our friend

(use alternate index fingers to point and tap the middle of opposite palms)

### Be with us today

(two hands, palms up in front of you, move up and down twice)

### As we share together,

(two hands, palms up in front of you, move one forward and one back and alternate twice)

### Pray together,

(hands together, palm against palm, as though praying)

### Play together,

(hands to each side, palms up, make two small circles outwards)

### And get to know you better,

(point up with one hand)

### As children together in your family

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children of three different heights)

**AMEN**



Sometimes we get ourselves in a knot and forget that Jesus is still here, and nothing can separate us from his love, not even the tangles we get ourselves in.

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## Online game





A set of play people to act out the story or random shapes/bits you can move around to make pictures from the story as you tell it (e.g. stones, felt, twigs etc). A set of play people to act out the story or random shapes/bits you can move around to make pictures from the story as you tell it (eg stones, felt, twigs etc)

## Express

Praying together: how can you involve the children actively in prayer?

### Woven cross prayers

You will need:

pinboard or cork mat

Push pins or drawing pins,

Wool (three colours)

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Make a cross shape on the board with the pins and cut some lengths of wool in three different colours. Think about something that you would like to bring to God: a sorry, thank you, or please prayer. Using the different colours of wool to represent your prayers, tie the wool around a pin and weave your prayer into the cross shape. As you weave the wool, think about bringing your prayer to Jesus and putting it on the cross

### Spoken prayer

Say the words in bold together while doing the actions which are written in italics.

**Nothing, nothing, nothing**



## Hunger cloth collage

Before you start the activity follow this link for inspiration:

<https://www.resourcescentreonline.co.uk/the-miseroer-hunger-cloth-from-haiti-image/>

### You will need:

A3 piece of paper/ card if doing one as a group or an A4 for each person if making their own (Could use the side of a cardboard box)

Scissors

Glue

Magazines/ newspapers

Coloured pens and pencils





Jesus our friend,

Join us today

as we share together

Right middle finger touches centre of other palm, repeat

Alternate hands





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