



## NOT STOPPING TO CONGREGATE

**MAIN OBJECTIVE:** To help the children understand that getting together is a manifestation that we are true Christians

### DEVELOPMENT OF THE CLASS

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#### Initial Prayer

Make a short prayer with your child / children, related to today's topic. Remember to use a simple language, easy to understand.

**Sample of prayer:** Lord Jesus, we thank you for this day and for giving us the opportunity to learn from your Word, we ask you that every day we can understand that you are the creator of this whole world and that everything you do is good and perfect; that we always remember what we learn from you and we can practice it in our life always doing your will. Amen.

## 2

### Praise

Go to this link and praise the Lord with your kids <https://youtu.be/PyZBmgrp6yc>

## 3

### Introduction Activity

Ask your children if they still remember their teachers and friends from Children's Ministry, if they still remember their names and the activities they use to do, now make a list of the 5 things they miss the most when not being able to attend church.

**For this activity you can print ANNEX 1 or do it on a blank paper sheet.**

# 4

## Bible teaching



To develop the class, watch with your children the teacher's video [https://youtu.be/iVBtbiW\\_Duc](https://youtu.be/iVBtbiW_Duc)

Below, you will find the information you should know about today's class:

Key verse: **Hebrews 10:24.25** “<sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup> not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”

LOOK WITH YOUR CHILDREN FOR THIS VERSE IN THE BIBLE, READ IT SEVERAL TIMES, AND IF POSSIBLE, MEMORIZE IT.

Next, you will find the information you should know about today's class:

### TODAY'S THEOLOGICAL TERM:

**REDEMPTION** is the salvation that the children of God obtained through the death of Jesus on the cross.

It has been six months since we last met as a church, and there is still a little more time before we meet physically in Children's Ministry. Regardless of the time that has passed because of the pandemic, we must not forget how important it is to come together. In the passage from Hebrews 10: 24-25, the author of the book begins to encourage a church that, through persecution and suffering, was being tempted in different ways; one of them was to regress in their faith and hope.

Out of fear of the surrounding circumstances, some had stopped congregating. So the author of Hebrews encourages them by telling them that because of what Christ is and has done, they should not lose their faith, reminding them that Jesus Christ is coming soon for his church.

From that we will learn this day:

**I. WE DO NOT STOP CONGREGATING OURSELVES BECAUSE WE MUST STIMULATE OURSELVES TO LOVE AND GOOD WORKS.**

[Hebrews 10:24](#) Let us care for one another to stimulate each other to love and good works (NIV)

It is in our local church that we show the world of the love that we have for God and our brothers through good works: works of worship towards God that show our love for Him, but also works of edification to the brothers that show our love for them, which show others that we are disciples of Jesus.

So we also have the duty to congregate, not to stop meeting is a commandment. God commands us to come together so that we serve Him, so that we worship Him, so that we can demonstrate together what we believe.

**Application:** When we physically reunite as a church, you must show your love for God, in what way? Genuinely worshipping God in times of praise. And how should you love others when we meet again? Showing your love to your classmates, praying for them; and how to love your teachers? Being obedient and paying attention.

## II. LET'S NOT STOP CONGREGATING BECAUSE JESUS CHRIST WILL RETURN

Hebrews 10:25: not ceasing to gather together, as some have by habit, but exhorting one another, and much more when we see that the day is approaching.

We come together knowing that Christ will fulfill his promise and return. That day we will also have to give an account to God. But it will also be a day of joy, the day when our redemption will be perfect and we will reap the reward of our faith and patience.

Each time we gather together we are temporarily enjoying what we will enjoy eternally after the coming of Christ, when we will be gathered together before the throne, worshiping and enjoying the presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**Application:** Do you get excited every time you go to your church? Well, you should do it, because it is a small preview of what we will be doing in heaven, when Christ comes the second time. We will be gathered as brothers celebrating and worshiping Jesus Christ. Some children are lazy when Sunday arrives and it is time to go to church but a reflection that we are children of God is our emotion and desire to be together as brothers, worshiping God and waiting for the second coming of our Lord.

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## Check if your child has learned

**Ask the following questions orally or in writing:**

1. What did you learn today?
2. Why do you think it is important to congregate / attend church?
3. How do we show the world the love we have for God and for our brothers and sisters?

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## Aplication

Ask your child if all this pandemic time they have wanted to congregate / attend church, if their answer is NO, encourage them to want to do so and talk about how this is necessary in their lives. If his answer is YES, tell him that even though he cannot attend his Sunday classes yet, he must not lose that desire and love of God. Also ask him what he thinks he will feel the day he can attend the Children's Ministry again and how then he will show his love to God, to his classmates and teachers.

## 7 Final Prayer

Make a short prayer with your children to end the class, thanking God for what they have learned and asking him that we can practice this every day.

ANNEX 1

**DRAW YOUR TEACHERS AND FRIENDS FROM CHILDREN MINISTRY**

**THINGS I MISS MOST  
ABOUT NOT GOING TO  
CHURCH ARE:**

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