

Puzzle

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- 10-7-4-18-23 _____
- 19-18-23-23 _____
- 26-12-12-17 _____
- 26-21-14-23 _____
- 13-7-21-2-17-18-23-3 _____
- 20-12-12-17 _____
- 20-18-1-21-19 _____
- 13-12-4-19-10 _____

CHILDREN	COATS	GIVE	FRUIT
FOOD	TREE	SHARE	GOOD

Mission for the Week

LET'S US NOT JUDGE OTHERS BY WHAT THEY LOOK LIKE BUT WHAT IS IN THEIR HEARTS!

Holy Family Catholic Church Victoria, Texas
December 13, 2015



All the money you donate from now until December will benefit children in the hospital, and children in need in our community. The last 2 weeks you donated \$415.60.

Some of the donations will be used to buy little gifts to brighten the day of children that are in the hospital at MD Anderson and Texas Children Hospital in Houston. Many of the children are very sick and need our prayers, love and support.

In addition, donations will be used to help children in the community in need.

Jesus said, "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me.....Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me "
Matthew 25:35-36



Prove by the way you live that you have repented of your sins and turned to God. Don't just say to each other, 'We're safe, for we are descendants of Abraham.' That means nothing, for I tell you, God can create children of Abraham from these very stones. Luke 3:8

Father, we confess that we don't always live the way we should. Help us to live in such a way that others will see that we have the love of Jesus inside. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.





**WHAT WE LOOK
LIKE DOES NOT
MATTER, IT IS
HOW WE LIVE
AND WHAT IS IN
OUR HEARTS!!!**

Have you ever gone to the grocery store with your mom? Sure you have. As you walk up and down the aisles, there are hundreds of cans with food in them. How do you know what is on the inside? On the outside of the can, there is a label with a picture that shows you what is on the inside. If you pick up a can that has a picture of apples on the label, you would surely expect to find apples inside the can, wouldn't you? Of course you would. If you pick up a can with a picture of peaches on the outside, you have every reason to expect that there are peaches in the can. If you were making an apple pie and opened a can with a picture of apples on the outside, but had tomatoes inside, it wouldn't make a very good apple pie, would it?

We sometimes wear labels that tell the world that we are followers of Jesus. Some people wear a cross around their neck or a t-shirt that says, "Jesus, He's the Real Thing" Some people may have a "Honk if you love Jesus" bumper sticker on their car. When people see us displaying these Christian labels, they have every reason to expect us to be "the real thing." They expect us to live in such a way that it is plain to see that we really do have the love of Jesus in our heart. When John was preaching and baptizing, many people were coming to be baptized because it was the popular thing to do. That made John very unhappy. "You are a bunch of snakes" he said. "Do you think that a little water will make you OK in God's eyes? The way you live should show that you have repented of your sins and turned to God." "What should we do then?" they asked John. "If you have two coats, give one to the poor" he answered. "If you have food, share it with those who are hungry. "Some of those coming to be baptized were tax collectors who were famous for cheating people by collecting more taxes than they owed.

To them, John said, "If you are a tax collector, collect no more than the government requires." Others in the crowd were soldiers. John said to them, "Don't try to get money from people by threatening them or making false accusations against them. Be satisfied with your pay." John wanted people to know that labels were not important if they were not a true picture of what was on the inside. That is just as true today as it was when John was telling people of the coming Messiah. "What should we do then?" you ask." If God has blessed you, share it with those in need. If you have food, share it with those who are hungry. If you have two coats, give one to someone who is cold.

During this season of the year, a lot of people wear a button that says, "**Jesus Is the Reason for the Season.**" Do we really believe that? If so, people should see Jesus in the way we live.



Read the Gospel and Color



I can follow Jesus by sharing.