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NOW matters NOW!

WEEK 1

#### IT'S A PHASE!

In life, we have multiple different phases. We start out as a baby, then a toddler, then we go into preschool, then into kindergarten, middle school, high school and so on. And in each of those phases of life, God is using us AND preparing us for the next phase. Dive into this devo and find out why your NOW matters NOW!

### DID YOU KNOW?

The German Shepherd originated in Germany in 1899. They were developed originally for herding and guarding sheep.



# SCRIPTURE LOOK UP

For we are His

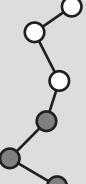
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EPHESIANS 2:10

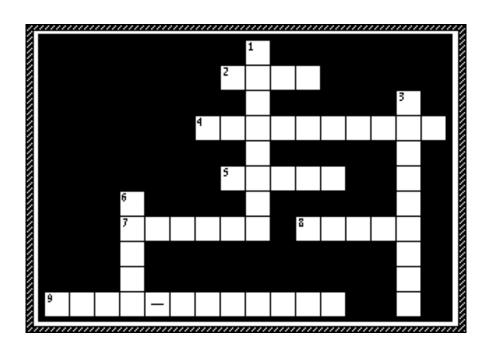
# YOUR NOW MATTERS NOW (WHY DO WE SAY THAT?)

As a kid, you may think you have to wait until you get older to do things for God. But even though God is preparing you for things later, He wants to use you NOW! Just think! You don't have to wait until you are older to be a friend to those who have none or to share with someone or to invite them to church. Try to think of all the ways God can use you now while getting you ready for more things in the future!

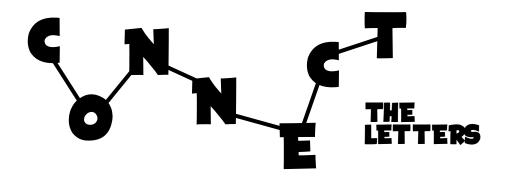


## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

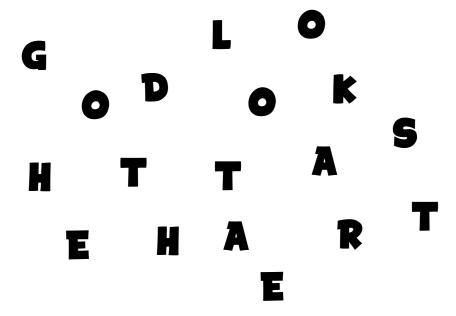
Open your Bibles to 1 Samuel 16 and complete the puzzle below.

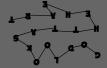


8	ACROSS	"Now the LORD said to Samuel, 'How long will you mourn for Saul, seeing I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go, I am sending you to the Bethlehemite.' " 1 SAMUEL 16:1
3	DOWN	"So Samuel did what the LORD said, and went to" 1 SAMUEL 16:4
4	ACROSS	"Then he Jesse and his sons, and invited them to the sacrifice." 1 SAMUEL 16:5
5	ACROSS	"For the LORD does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the" 1 SAMUEL 16:7
2	ACROSS	"Thus Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, 'The has not chosen one of these.' " <b>1 SAMUEL 16:10</b>
1	DOWN	"And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all the young men here?' Then he said, 'There remains yet the, and there he is, keeping the sheep.' " 1 SAMUEL 16:11
9	ACROSS	"So he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, with bright eyes, and" 1 SAMUEL 16:12
7	ACROSS	"And the LORD said, 'Arise, him, for this is the one!' " 1 SAMUEL 16:12
6	DOWN	"Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers; and the Spirit of the LORD came upon from that day forward." <b>1 SAMUEL</b> 16:13



When David was chosen as king, everyone else was confused about why God would pass up his tall and strong brothers for a small boy like David. Connect the letters below to find out God's reason for choosing him to be king. The answer is below if you get stuck





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