

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 3:4–9

⁴ Some of you say you follow me, and others claim to follow Apollos. Isn't this how ordinary people behave?

⁵ Apollos and I are merely servants who helped you to have faith. It was the Lord who made it all happen.

⁶ I planted the seeds, Apollos watered them, but God made them sprout and grow. ⁷ What matters isn't those who planted or watered, but God who made the plants grow. ⁸ The one who plants is just as important as the one who waters. And each one will be paid for what they do. ⁹ Apollos and I work together for God, and you are God's garden and God's building.

Memory
Verse
Challenge

Memorize the highlighted verses. *Who will be first to commit these verses to memory?*

Together We Produce, Together We Grow Activity

As a family, carve a pumpkin together. Assign a family member to each of the steps: scooping it out, designing, carving, placing your tealight inside (maybe you can share the cleanup). As you do, reflect on how each step is important and contributed to the finished product. When your pumpkin is finished and glowing, take a moment to thank God for the way he uses your family to reflect his light and love.

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MISSION MANUAL

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FALL MISSION
Harvesting Together

Activity Instructions

Step 1: As a family, read this quarter's Scripture (back) and "God Makes Things Grow" (below).

Step 2: Discuss the Scripture using the Family Discussion Questions (right) to learn how to apply it to your lives.

Step 3: Take the Memory Verse Challenge and complete the *Together We Producee, Together We Grow* activity to grow together as a family this fall.

God Makes Things Grow

As a military family, teamwork isn't optional—it's a way of life. Whether you're navigating deployments, frequent moves, or new schools and communities, everyone in the family has a role.

In 1 Corinthians 3, Paul reminds us that while we each have different roles—some planting, others watering—it's ultimately God who causes the growth. Every job is important, because we are all working for God, together in his field.

When we carve a pumpkin, think about how every step matters: designing, scooping, carving, lighting (and cleaning up afterward!). It wouldn't be the same if someone skipped their part.

In the same way, God has placed each of us where we are for a purpose—whether we're serving at home, on base, or abroad. And as we do our work, God transforms hearts, builds unity, and brings light through us. Just like the candle that shines through the pumpkin's face, God's Spirit shines through each of us, especially when we trust him with the growth.

Let's pray and thank God that even when our circumstances change, his work in and through us never stops.

Ask him to help your family serve faithfully wherever you are planted—and trust him to grow something beautiful.

Family Discussion Questions

Eagle Squad

- Can we make things grow all by ourselves?
- Why is working together important?

JV Squad

- Paul said that one person plants and another waters, but God makes it grow. What does that mean in your own life? Can you think of a time you helped someone grow in faith or kindness?
- What's one way you can "plant" or "water" in someone's life this season?

Varsity Squad

- Paul and Apollos had different roles, but both were needed. Paul also had to move on to other places to share the Gospel, where Apollos seems to have stayed in Corinth. Have you ever compared yourself to others spiritually or felt like your role didn't matter? What might God be saying to you through this passage?
- What's something in your life right now that you need to stop trying to control and instead trust God to grow?



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