

The Heart of a Servant– Lesson 1 – Taking Care of Each Other

The Christmas Season & Beyond Series

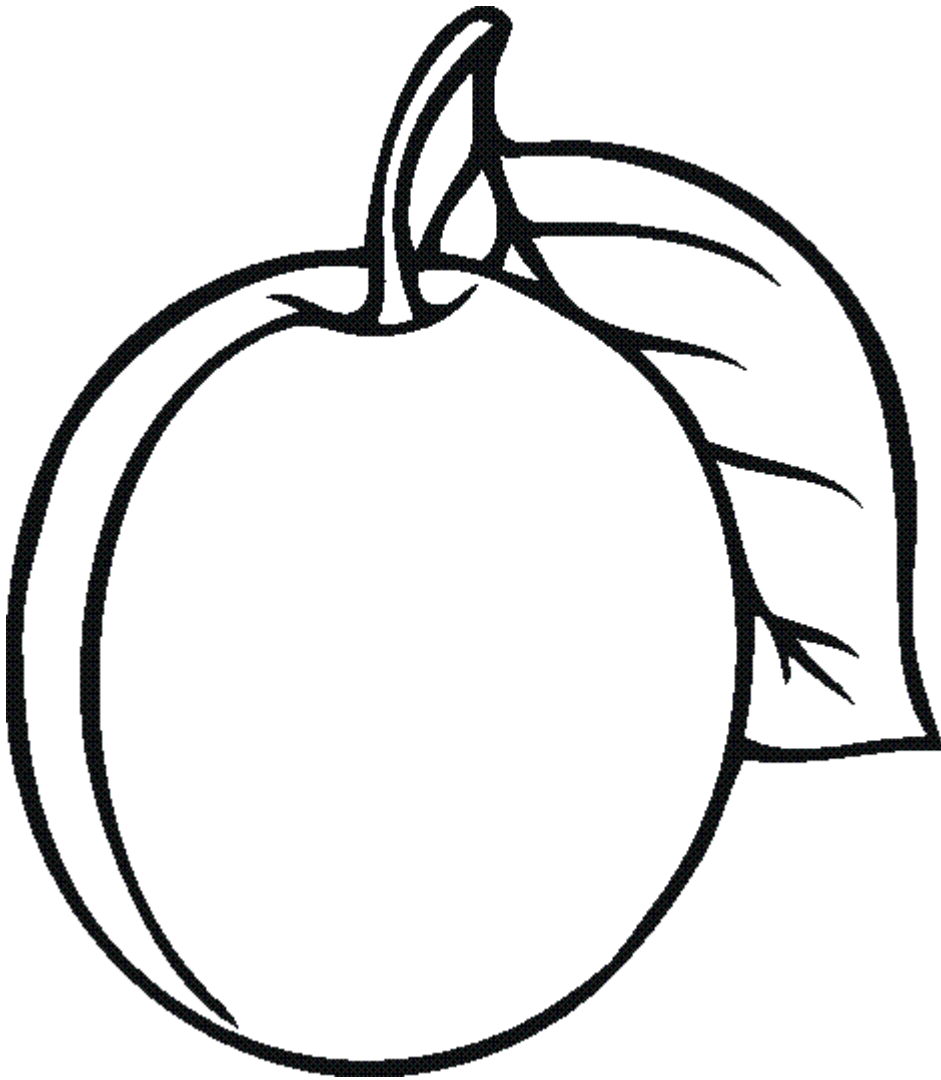
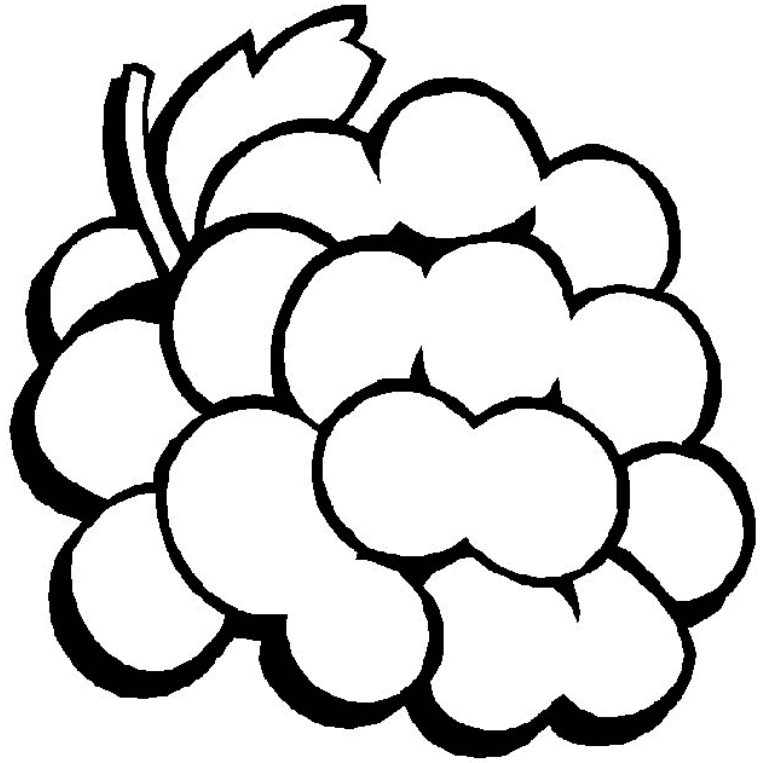
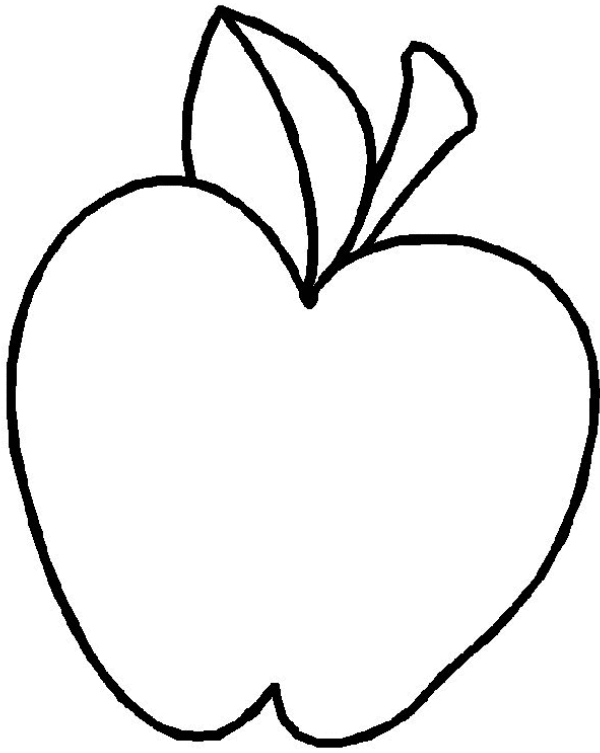
Read: When we serve each other we are serving Christ: Read Matthew 25:34-40 (“..inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.”)

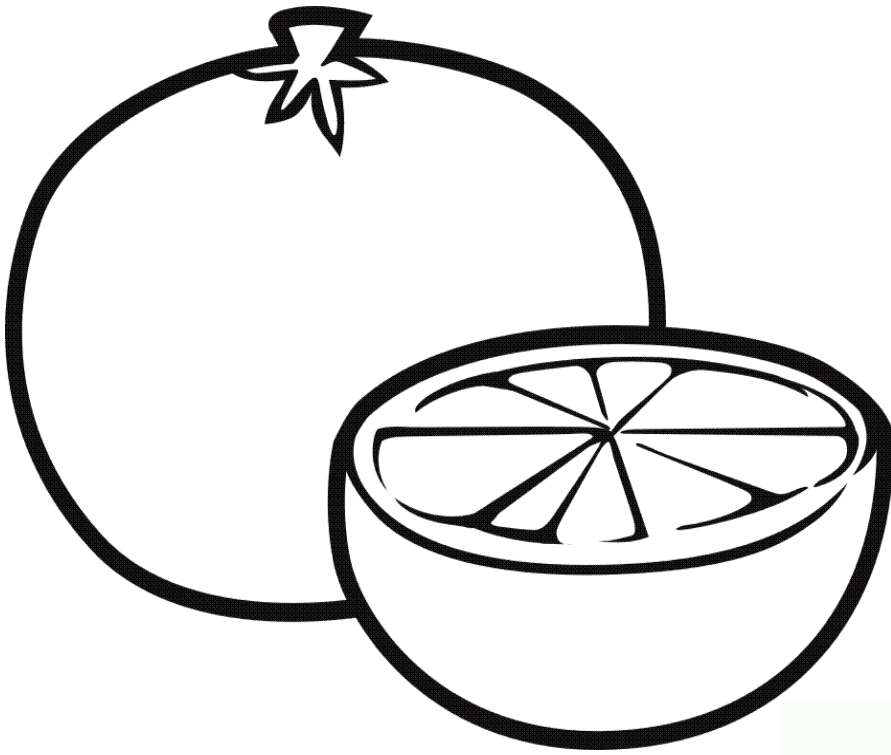
Discuss: Jesus didn't come for others to serve Him, but for Him to serve others. How are we serving Jesus by serving others? We are trying to be more like Him, and we serve others out of love for Him. One way of serving is taking care of other people's physical needs, as in the verse we read. When we take care of other people, we are taking care of Him, because we love Jesus and that is what He wants us to do. His greatest commandment was to love your neighbor more than yourself. He wants us to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and help people who are sick. It makes Him very happy when we do those things.

Activity: Feed the Hungry!

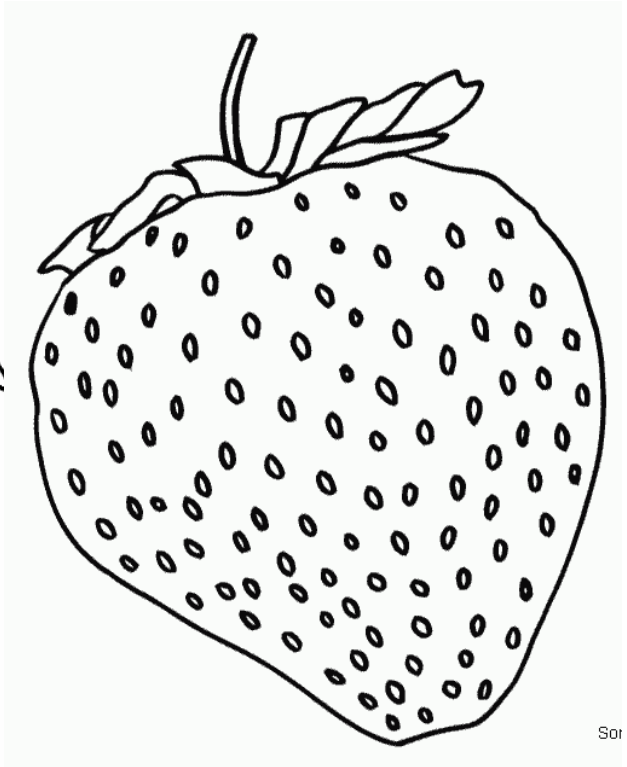
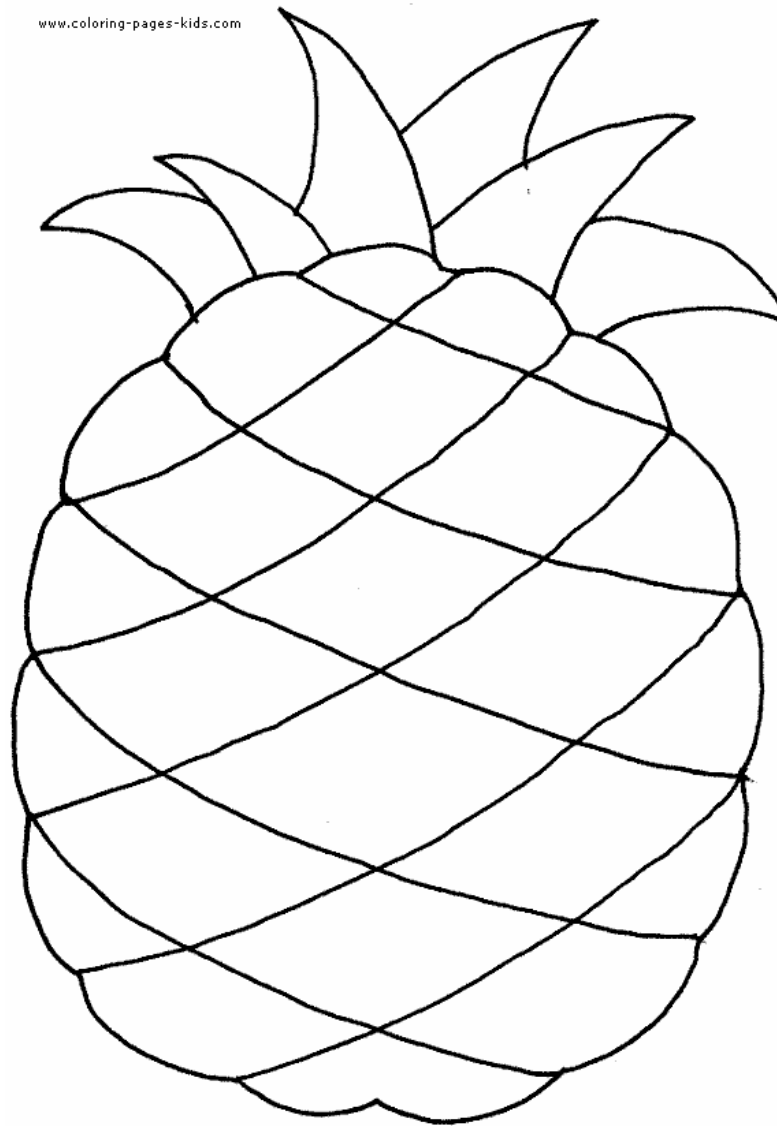
Materials: Brown grocery bags (at least enough for each family in the congregation), markers, scissors, glue sticks, fruit coloring sheets (attached)

1. Kids color each of the fruits of the spirit, and write one fruit of the spirit per piece of fruit. (Remember, the fruits of the spirit are: Love, joy, peace, faithfulness, goodness, gentleness, patience, kindness, self-control).
2. Cut out the fruits.
3. Glue them onto the bags.
4. After Sunday school, bring the kids to the front and the kids can take turns reading the verses 35-40 from Matthew 25. Explain to the congregation that you are doing a lesson on serving others, and the kids decorated bags. Each family is welcome to take a bag home, and fill it with groceries. They can donate it to a family they know is in need, or bring it back to church. If any church members are in need, they are welcome to take it for their family.





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