

Christian Living

Based on: Reading: Romans 12: 9-21 Date: 31st August 2008
And can be used during the weeks following on...

Keys for Christian Living

You will need:

Traditional keys on key-ring:

- several outlines of individual keys photo-copied onto coloured card-board
- thin ribbon – any colour
- scissors, hole punch
- felt pens

Alternate: Computer keyboard

- computer keys photocopied onto cardboard
- rectangular piece of card for the computer keyboard
- PVA glue
- scissors
- felt pens



What to do:

Traditional keys:

- Talk with the children about the ways we can behave to show we are followers of Jesus. Make a list of words and phrases as you talk.
- Children can write one word or phrase on each of the keys with felt pen.
- Punch a hole on the top (rounded) end of each key.
- Thread a length of ribbon through the holes in each key, then tie in a knot or bow.
- They now have a set of keys to remind them of the way God wants them to behave in their daily lives.

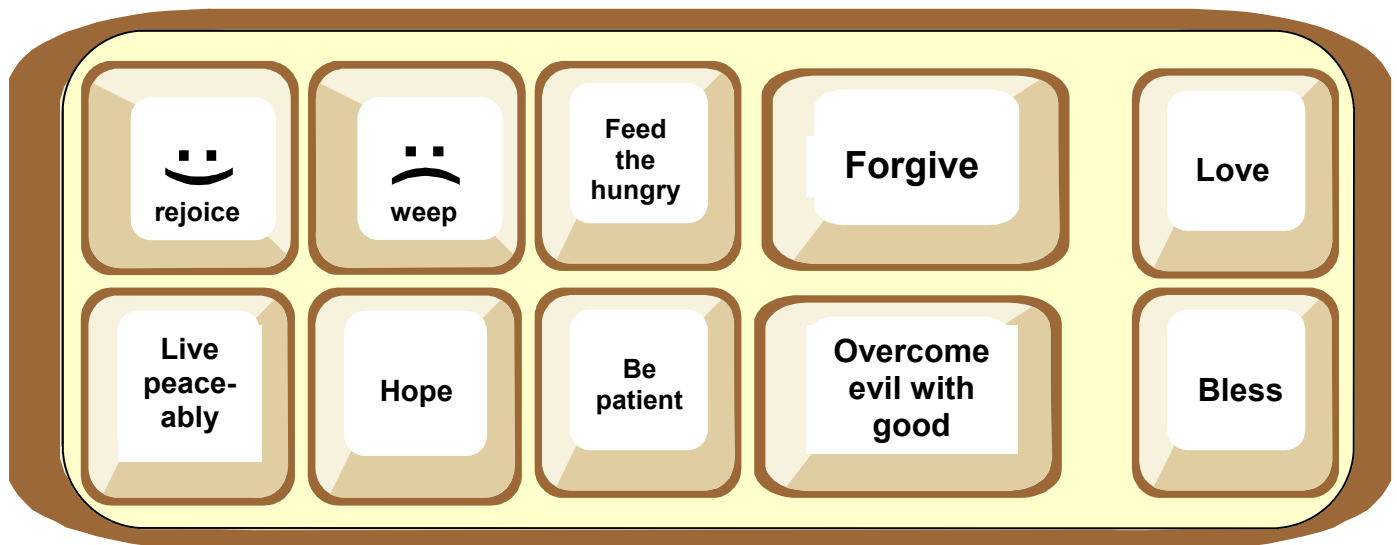
Alternate: Computer keyboard:

- Instead of writing on the keys for a key ring, write the words and phrases on computer keys.
- Photocopy a set of blank computer keypads for each child.
- Cut a rectangular piece of card for the computer keyboard. Children can shape it and give it a border if they wish.
- Arrange the key pads on the keyboard and glue in place.
- You can make the keyboard as big or small as you like, and add as many keys as will fit or that the children can find words for.

You could use these over a period of weeks, adding more keys each week, as you hear the stories in these readings:

- Romans 13: 8-14: love
- Matthew 18: 15-20: respect
- Matthew 18: 21-32: forgive

You can return to the Romans 12 reading in the following weeks to remember Paul's advice.



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For computer keyboard, photocopy 6-8 small keys and 2-3 larger ones. Children can design their own keyboard on a sheet of cardboard, of a colour of their choice.



Children can put 5-6 keys on their key ring.

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