



The puzzle

AT A GLANCE



Bible

1 Corinthians 12:12–22



Topic

Everyone is needed



Takeaway

Without you a piece of the whole is missing



8 minutes



Object: a simple jigsaw puzzle with one piece removed and hidden beforehand



Preparation: 5 min



indoors or outdoors



Make it personal: In two sentences, share something you have experienced yourself on the topic "Everyone is needed". Real stories stick best.



How the devotion works

1 min

Opening

Put the puzzle together as a group. At the end one piece is missing. Ask: How does a puzzle with a hole feel?

2 min

Bible text

Paul compares the church to a body: "The body is not made up of one part but of many. If the foot should say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,' it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I don't need you!'" And then: "Those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable."

3 min

Thought

Every puzzle piece has a different shape. None is better than another – but each fits only in its own place. It is the same in a group: the loud and the quiet, the sporty and the creative, the new and the long-standing – all belong. Whoever is missing leaves a gap. Now fetch the hidden piece and complete the picture.

2 min

Conversation

What "shape" are you – and where do you fit in especially well?



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Prayer to read aloud

God, thank you that I am needed, just as you made me. Help me to see the others as important pieces too. Amen.



To think further

- When have you felt like a spare piece?
- Who in the group would we miss without ever having told them?



For leaders

- Never put young people on the spot: ask open questions, nobody has to answer.
- Let one of the young people read the Bible text aloud.
- Encourage them to say the prayer themselves – the written prayer gives confidence.



Section: Object lessons. You will find matching group meetings and more devotions at scouts-cloud.com.