

God Different ways of praying 2– Maggie Marshall

Based on Ideas for Multi- Sensory Prayer by Scripture Union and teaching in a Church School.

Jigsaws

Do you like doing jigsaws? I know a number of people who have been doing these during the lockdown. Some are doing actual jigsaws on a table and then passing them onto friends, others (thank you Jill) are doing them on line and keep needing to recharge the iPad.

How about doing jigsaws and thinking about the talents and gifts we have and how they are related to other's gifts. You could do this on your own or as a family. Think carefully about the size of your jigsaw - there are some good ones on the links Jill has provided of the church garden etc. If on line you can decide how many pieces you want for the picture of your choice.

Look at your jigsaw piece. We have each been given special gifts and talents which we can use to help others. Ask God about the talents you have. Thank him for them. (You may like to jot them down)

Now think about where this jigsaw piece fits into the bigger picture. Ask God to show you the best ways to use your talents. Thank God for the talents of anyone else in your family and pray for them.

Do some more pieces of your jigsaw. We can see that pieces are missing from the jigsaw. So let's pray for people we know who are ill or in difficult situations, who are busy or stressed, people we haven't seen because of the Coronavirus.

Do finish your jigsaw. Are there other things that you could do so you could spend time praying? Knitting? Crochet? Reading the newspaper?