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## How can I serve others?

A vaccine for isolated days!

Help your family be fit and healthy, stay connected, and grow in character.







How to make fitness an important part of your family's life:

#### Make it fun

- Be active together
- Play games
- Involve everyone in the household
- Go inside or outside
- Be creative and improvise with what you have

Do exercise a few times a week.

Find a time that will work for everyone.





# Challenge each other

 Allow different levels of challenge according to ability, size and age

Respect each other

- Listen actively
- Share family.fit!
   It's free.
- Don't do exercises that cause pain or make any existing pain worse.

Set personal goals.

Compare improvements with your personal best.

 Don't exercise if you are sick. Wash hands before and after family.fit.

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# This Week

# Theme: Serving others

#### How this works

As a family, do some **physical exercise** 3 days a week (though even once is helpful!). If you can do it more often, then do other types of exercise too – walking, jogging, riding, skating, or swimming.

Each week of **family.fit** has a **theme**. The focus this week is serving others. Each step below helps you explore the theme together.

Each session is an adventure made up of 7 steps.

There are **3 options** for each step, giving **3 days** of exercise programming.

Remember anyone in the household can take the phone and lead a different step in the adventure.

Have fun together!

# 7 Steps of family.fit 1. Warm-up 2. Talk 3. Move 4. Challenge 5. Explore 6. Pray 7. Play



#### Step 1 | Warm-up

Start moving the whole body 5 min

Do the following whole body warm-ups.



#### Warm-up to music

Do the following (then repeat):

- 20 jumping jacks
- 20 ski jumps
- 10 push-ups against a wall/fence
- 10 high jumps

See the Warm-up video.

DAY 2

#### Follow the leader

Go for a short jog around the house or yard while everyone follows a chosen leader. Try to go to every room or space.

The leader can change movements, eg. side steps or high knees. Swap leaders.



#### Warm-up to music

Do the following (then repeat):

- Running on the spot
- Ski jumps
- Sit-ups
- High knees running



#### **Step 2** | Talk together

Rest and start a conversation 5 min

Sit down together and start a conversation. Here are some questions to get you started.



#### **Discuss**

What does it mean to 'serve' someone?

What are some examples of how you have served someone in your family this week?

Has someone in your family served you this week?

DAY 2

#### **Discuss**

What are some examples of how you have served someone at school, at your work, or in your community this week?

Talk about how someone outside your home has served you.

DAY 3

#### **Discuss**

Describe some of your feelings when you were able to serve someone.

When someone served you?

Which made you feel better?



#### Step 3 | Move

#### Move and do squats 5 min

Learn and practice squats to help your leg and core muscles.

DAY 1

## Practice the squat

Watch **Squats video.** 

Practice this movement in pairs. Start slowly and carefully.

DAY 2

## Bend low and collect objects

Do the following race: Scatter 15 random objects on the floor. Take turns to run and bend low to collect all the objects. Place them in a bucket in the middle of the room. Who can collect them all in less than 30 seconds? See if you can get a personal best.

DAY 3

#### Try other types of squats

See **Squats Development video.** 

Practice them together.

- Do jumping squats.
- Do back to back squats.



# **Step 4 | Challenge**

Move in a family challenge 10 min

Challenging each other helps give you energy.



## Family challenge

Watch video Family Challenge.

Stand in a circle facing each other. Do 50 squats as a family. One person starts to do squat repetitions. Tap out to the next person when you need a break.

After 50 squats, run as a family to a marker and back. Run to pace of slowest runner. Then start squats again. Do three rounds of 50.

DAY 2

#### **Tabata**

Listen to the Tabata music. Everyone runs on the spot for 20 seconds then rests for 10 seconds. Everyone squats for 20 seconds then rests for 10 seconds. Repeat 4 times.

See **Tabata Video.** 



## Family challenge

Repeat the squat activity from Day 1.



#### Step 5 | Explore

#### Explore the Bible together 5 min

Explore the Life Question - "How can I serve others?" Read the story from **John 13** (next page).

DAY 1

## Read and discuss together

Read today's story together.

Washing the feet of a visitor was a custom during the time of Jesus. Why did it happen? What did it reveal about the owner of the home?

Describe your feelings if you were there and someone washed your feet.

DAY 2

## Reread and discuss together

Choose roles and act out the story.

Jesus said, "I've laid down a pattern for you. What I've done, you do". What did this mean for His disciples?

Memorize these words and encourage each other to remember and live them.

DAY 3

#### Reread the Bible verse

Washing someone's feet was a normal thing when this story took place. Talk about some of the ways that you can 'wash the feet of others' today and in the days ahead.

Describe your feelings as you washed others and had your feet washed?
What can you do together as a family to serve others?

# A story about serving

The following is a story of Jesus from chapter 13 of the Book of John in the Bible. If you want to read the whole story look in a Bible or visit <u>BibleGateway</u> (or download the **Bible App**).

Jesus got up from the meal table, set aside his robe, and put on an apron. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the feet of the disciples, drying them with his apron.

Then he said, "Do you understand what I have done to you? You address me as 'Teacher' and 'Master,' and rightly so. That is what I am. So if I, the Master and Teacher, washed your feet, you must now wash each other's feet. I've laid down a pattern for you. What I've done, you do. I'm only pointing out the obvious. A servant is not ranked above his master; an employee doesn't give orders to the employer. If you understand what I'm telling you, act like it—and live a blessed life.

(John 13:4-5,12-17 MSG)



#### Step 6 | Pray

#### Pray and cool down 5 min

Take time to look outwards and pray for others.



## Stretching prayers

Look at the <u>video on stretching</u> and complete some of the body stretches. Pray for each other as you stretch.

DAY 2

## Pray for friends or neighbors

Think of family friends or neighbors. Imagine what their needs might be.

Pray for them. Then call or send a message to encourage them.

DAY 3

#### **Cooking and Nutrition**

Choose a vegetable or fruit that your family enjoys (e.g. a banana or carrot). Eat it together after the workout.

Pray and give thanks for this fruit or vegetable and the happiness it brings.

Make a poster of what you love about this fruit or vegetable. Find out why it is good for the body.

Look for recipes with it and cook some meals or snacks. Enjoy eating them and share with your neighbors.



# **Step 7** | Play together

Play games as a family 5 min

Play together in active challenges (involving agility, speed and cardio) and quiet games.



#### Squat and run

One person is the **runner** while another does **squats**. The runner moves objects from one bucket to another about 5m apart. The other person does squats until the runner is finished. Then the runner calls someone new, and the person squatting becomes the runner.

See Game video.



## Play a quiet game

Play a board game familiar to the family. Have fun!



## Ninja course

Set up a simple course to follow. Use the space you have inside or outside (e.g. run to the tree/chair, leap over the path/rug, etc.) Be creative!

Take turns to get through the Ninja course as quickly as possible. Use a stopwatch to time each person.

Watch Ninja Video.



# **Terminology**

A warm-up is a simple action that gets muscles warm, breathing deeper, and blood pumping.
 Play fun, up-tempo music for your warm-up activities. Do a range of movements for 3-5 minutes.

 Workout movements can be seen on the videos so you can learn the new exercise and practice it well. Starting slowly with a focus on

technique will enable you to go faster and

stronger later.

Stretches are
less likely to
cause injury
when done
AFTER warm-ups.
Use a slower piece of

music to do stretches. Stretch gently – and hold for 5 seconds.

- Rest and recover after energetic movement.
   Conversation is great here.
- Tap out is a way to pass the exercise on to the next person. You can choose different ways to "tap out" e.g. hand clap, whistle, finger guns, wink etc. You make it up!



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