



Snoopy - Belonging



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We are children of God, when we say the Lord's prayer, we say 'Our Father'. God wants us to know Him and talk to Him just like we talk to our family. We are a part of a big wide family who are all loved by God.

Sally has created a song that 'will change the world', Snoopy and Woodstock are already a part of the gang ready to play the song. Charlie Brown asks to join in, and Sally agrees. Charlie sets off to fetch his instrument but by the time he gets back – the gang have played the song and left.

'See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!'

1 John 3:1



This is not how God works, God wants everyone to feel they fully belong, are known and loved. God wouldn't start without you.

Things to think and talk about and do:

- What does it feel like for you, to know that you are loved and belong to God?
- Where else do you belong? (e.g. family, school, clubs, activities)
- When do you feel loved?
- What does it feel like when you are not wanted, left out [or not chosen for the team?]

Prayer

Dear God, thank you that I belong to you. Help me to remember that I belong to you when things are going well and when life is tricky. Amen.



Jesus wants everyone to know they belong to God. In the Bible, (Matthew 19:14) Jesus wants all the children to be included as well as the adults. You can watch the retelling of this Bible passage: <https://youtu.be/AbYM-YaeNUM>

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