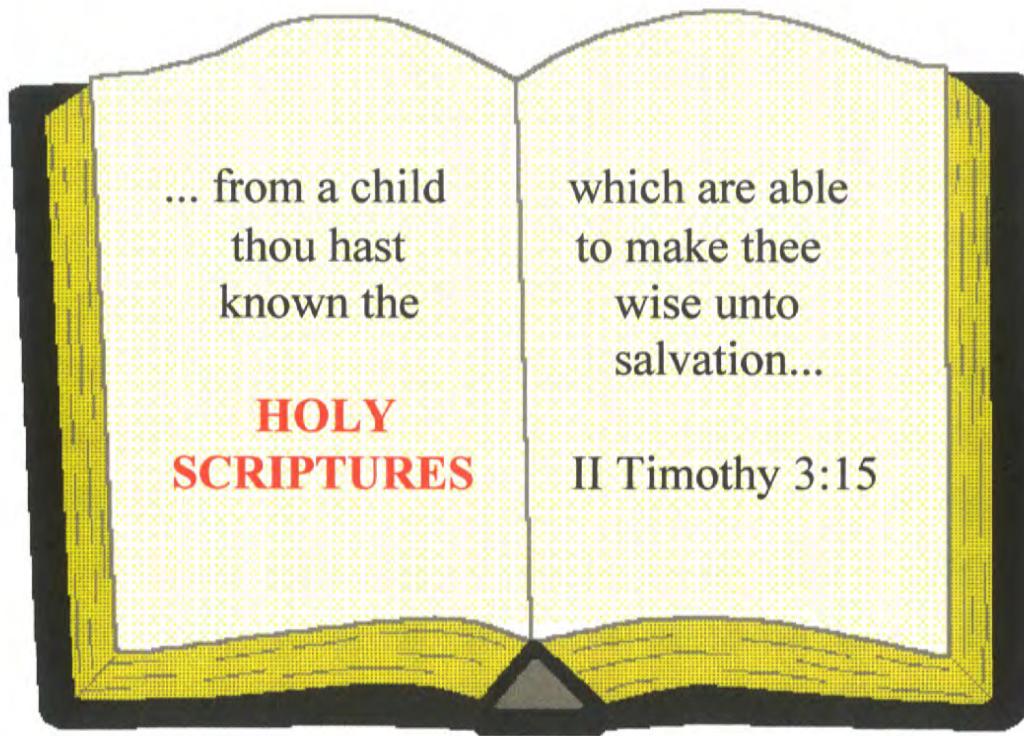


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*"Thy Word is a LAMP unto  
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Psalms 119:105

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## To the Teacher:

*“And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people. And His fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto Him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and He healed them. And there followed Him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and from Decapolis, and from Jerusalem, and from Judea, and from beyond Jordan.”*  
Matthew 4:23-25

The lessons in the previous volume (Volume III) take us from Jerusalem where Jesus attended the Feast of the Passover, covering some events in Judea, to Galilee where He spent most of His preaching and teaching ministry. The Pharisees in Jerusalem did not accept Him as the Son of God, and sought to destroy Him, so He stayed away from this area except for the feasts which He attended, and related events.

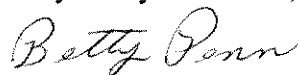
When Jesus was traveling from Judea to Galilee, He went to Nazareth and preached in the synagogue. The people there knew Him as the son of Mary and Joseph, the carpenter. They accepted Him as a great prophet, but not as the Son of God. (They claimed Him to be the son of Joseph.) He took the scrolls and read to them from the prophets. When He revealed to them that He was the Promised One of whom the prophets wrote, they accused Him of blasphemy and took Him outside the city to throw Him from a high cliff, thus killing Him. He slipped away from them and went to Capernaum. He adopted the city of Capernaum as ‘His city’ and came and went from there for the remainder of His ministry.

The lessons in Volume IV begin in Galilee. Except for the return to Jerusalem for the second Feast of the Passover when Jesus healed the man by the pool of Bethesda, most of the events happened in and around Capernaum.

I express my appreciation to Cheryl Harris and Cody Harris for contributing art work. Copy as many worksheet or pattern pages as you need for classroom use. Since it is all black and white, vary the worksheets by using colored copy paper.

You may find there is more material than you can present in one lesson. If so, divide the lessons, or use worksheets as a review for the next lesson. Study the available material thoroughly so you can present the lessons on the comprehension level of your students. May God bless your efforts.

Prayerfully submitted,



Betty Penn

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## **JESUS HEALED A LEPER**

**Matthew 8:2-4      Mark 1:40-45      Luke 5:12-16**

**Leviticus chapters 13 & 14 tell of the laws concerning leprosy.**

Jesus had been preaching throughout Galilee, working miracles, and healing many people. Great crowds of people followed him, many to see his miracles, and many to be healed of different types of diseases. Jesus went up on a mountain and sat down to teach the people. His disciples came to him, and he taught them. Many other people followed Jesus up on the mountain and gathered to hear what he would say. After he preached the 'sermon on the mount' he came down from the mountain, and a great crowd continued to follow him. In this crowd of people was a man who was a leper. A leper was a person who had a very bad disease called leprosy. Leprosy was a disease that the people dreaded very much, because many times it resulted in death. It was hard to treat, and many times the person could not be made well. Leprosy caused much pain, and they would suffer for a long, long time as the disease got worse until they finally died.

When God gave the laws to Moses for the Jewish people to live by, He gave laws concerning every aspect of their lives. He gave religious laws concerning how they were to worship, and civil laws telling them how to punish criminals. There were laws about how to treat their neighbors, and how to treat those for whom they worked, or those who worked for them. God also gave them health laws. There were laws concerning cleanliness, in order to avoid illness. There were laws regarding medication to cure illnesses. There were specific laws concerning leprosy, one of the most common diseases of the Jewish people.

Leprosy was a disease of the skin. It caused painful sores that were hard to heal. A person with leprosy might have sores on his head, or his face. Many times he would have sores on his hands and arms, or on his feet and legs. It was a very painful disease, and it was contagious. It was something the people feared. God gave strict laws in order to prevent a leper from spreading the disease to others.

Under the law, when a person contacted leprosy, he had to go to the priest and show him the sores that had come upon his body. If the priest determined that it was leprosy, he would keep him separate from all the other people for seven days. Then he would check him again. If the leprosy had spread, he was isolated from the people. There were areas outside the camp, or the town, where the lepers had to live. They could not stay among the healthy people. If the leprosy healed, the leper would go again and show himself to the priest. If the priest determined that he was well, there were certain sacrifices that he had to make before he could go back and live at his home, among the people. Leviticus 14:8-9, *"And he that is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes, and shave off all his hair, and wash himself in water, that he*

*may be clean: and after that he shall come into the camp, and shall tarry abroad out of his tent seven days. But it shall be on the seventh day, that he shall shave all his hair off his head and his beard and his eyebrows, even all his hair he shall shave off: and he shall wash his clothes, also he shall wash his flesh in water, and he shall be clean.*” Then on the eighth day he was to offer other sacrifices.

When the people came in and occupied the land of Canaan, there were laws regarding their home if they contacted leprosy. There were places outside the cities where the lepers all had to go to live in a leper colony. Their families could bring them food, but could not get close to them. They dressed in a way that identified them as having leprosy. Leviticus 13: 45-46, *“And the leper in whom the plague is, his clothes shall be rent, and his head bare, and he shall put a covering upon his upper lip, and shall cry, Unclean, unclean. All the days wherein the plague shall be in him he shall be defiled; he is unclean” he shall dwell alone; without the camp shall his habitation be.*” When people brought food for the leper they must leave it by the roadside and go away before the leper came to get it. The leper must keep his head uncovered, and wrap a cloth around the lower part of his face to cover his mouth. He must cry out, “unclean, unclean” so that the people traveling the road would know to stay away from him so they would not be exposed to his leprosy.

When Jesus came down from the mountain and went into the nearby city, a man that the Bible says was “full of leprosy” saw him. He knew who Jesus was. He knew he had done many other miracles, and he had faith that Jesus could make him well. He had the full blown disease, and he came to Jesus. Instead of staying in the specified place and covering his mouth and crying out, “unclean, unclean”, he came to Jesus and fell down at his feet and worshiped him. He said, “Lord, if you will, you can make me clean.” Jesus had compassion on the man when he saw what faith he had, and said, *“I will; be thou clean.”* The man said if Jesus would he could make him clean. Jesus said, *“I will”* and reached out and touched the man. Others would not touch him, but Jesus did. He spoke and the leprosy went away. He said, *“Be thou clean”* and immediately the leprosy left him. He did not have to go through the healing process. He did not have to wait seven days to see if the disease had gone away or if it had spread. It was gone immediately.

Jesus said, “Don’t say anything to anyone, but go straight to the priest and show him that your leprosy is gone; then make the sacrifices for your cleansing that Moses commanded.” Jesus did not tell him to go home, he was well. He told him not to go tell anyone, not to go show all of his family and friends, but to obey the law. The law required sacrifices and rituals to be observed to show that he was clean before he could go back and live among the other people. Jesus knew he was clean, but he told him to obey the law; go to the priest, make the necessary sacrifices, wait the required number of days, and then he could go home. The man was so excited that he didn’t do that. He was so thrilled about being well, that he told everybody he saw that Jesus had made him well.

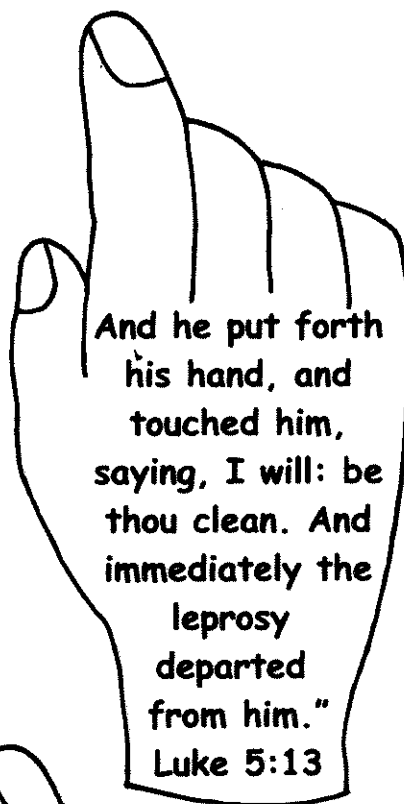
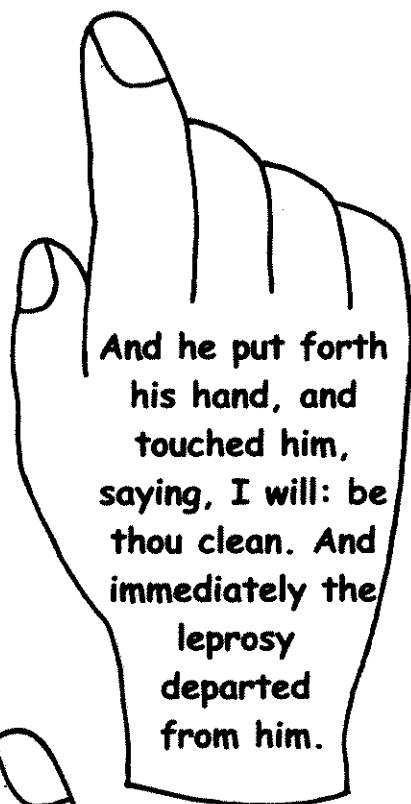
Mark 2:45 tells us, *“But he went out, and began to publish it much, and to blaze abroad the matter, insomuch that Jesus could no more openly enter into the city, but was without in desert places: and they came to him from every quarter.”* The man was so excited and so thankful to be healed that he had to tell everyone he saw. The news spread fast. The popularity of Jesus increased. Everyone that heard it told someone else, and soon there was such a great crowd of people that Jesus had to go away into the wilderness area. Luke 5:15, *“But so much the more went there a fame abroad of him: and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities. And he withdrew himself into wilderness, and prayed.”*

So many people came to hear Jesus and be healed that he could not go into the city. He left the crowds. He went away into the wilderness area to be alone, and pray.

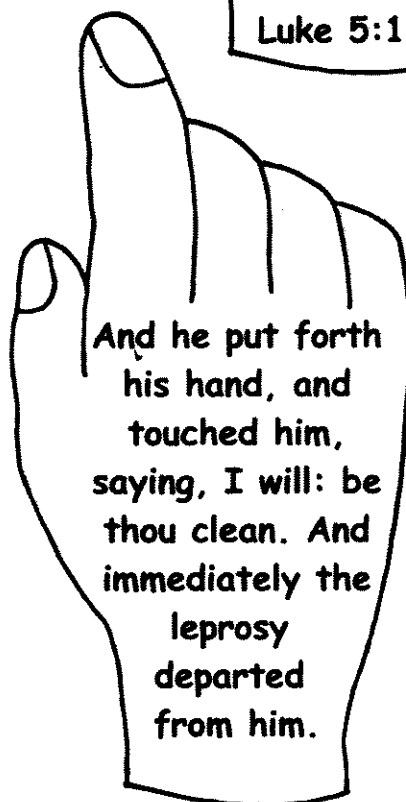
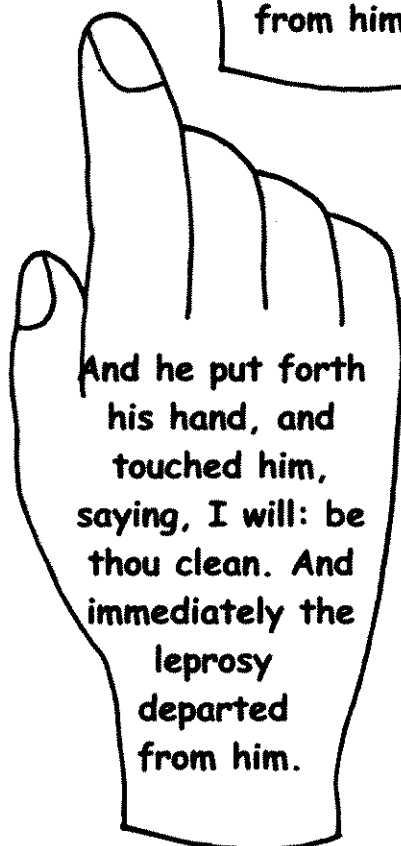
**MEMORY VERSE” Luke 5:13**

“And he put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will: be thou clean. And immediately the leprosy departed from him.”





Luke 5:13



## JESUS HEALED A LEPER



The man with leprosy said to Jesus,  
"If you will, you can make me clean."

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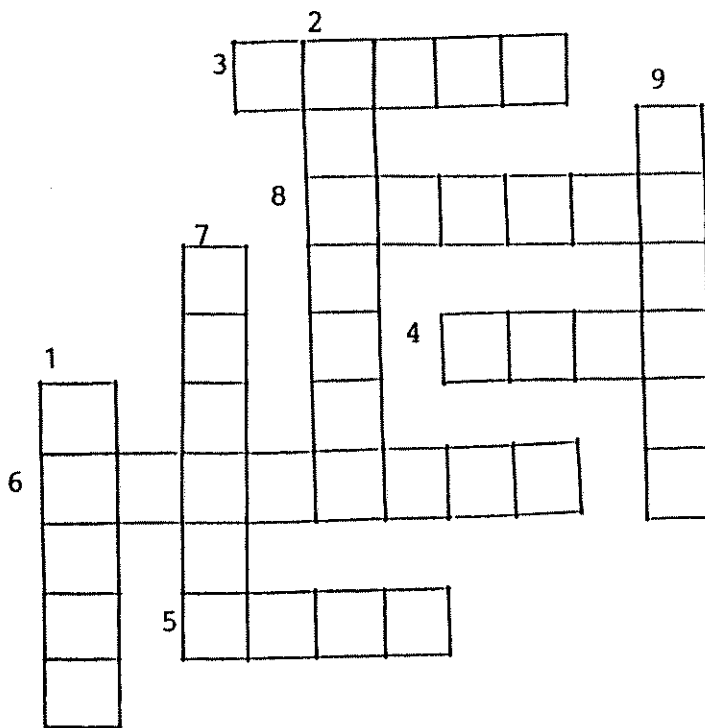
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8. Many \_\_\_\_\_ came looking for Jesus.

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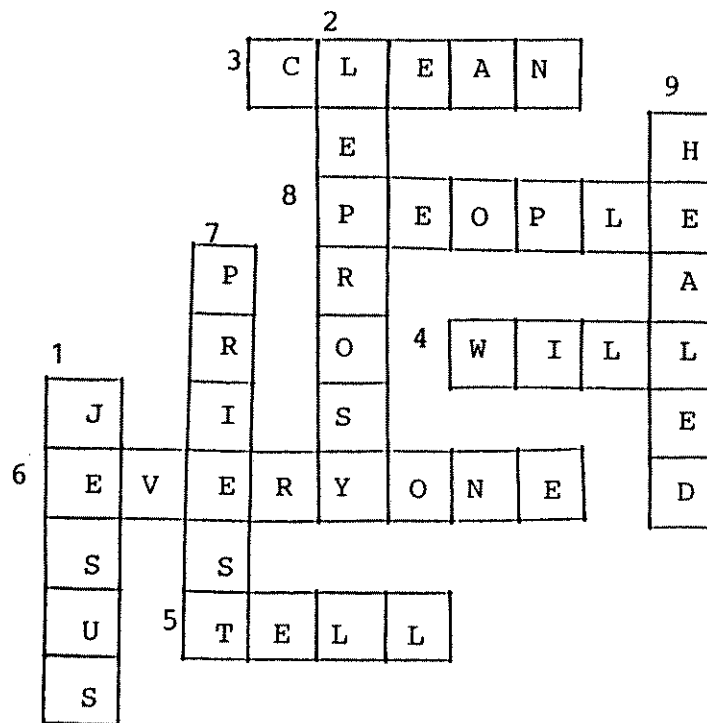
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## JESUS HEALED A LEPER

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4. How did Jesus heal him? He touched him.
5. What happened to the man? Immediately the leprosy was gone.
6. How long did it take for him to get well? It happened immediately.
7. What did Jesus tell him not to do? tell anyone
8. What did Jesus tell him to do? Go show the priest and offer the  
necessary sacrifices.
9. What did the man do? told everyone he saw
10. What did Jesus have to do then? go away into the desert
11. Why did Jesus have to go away? The crowds of people were so great  
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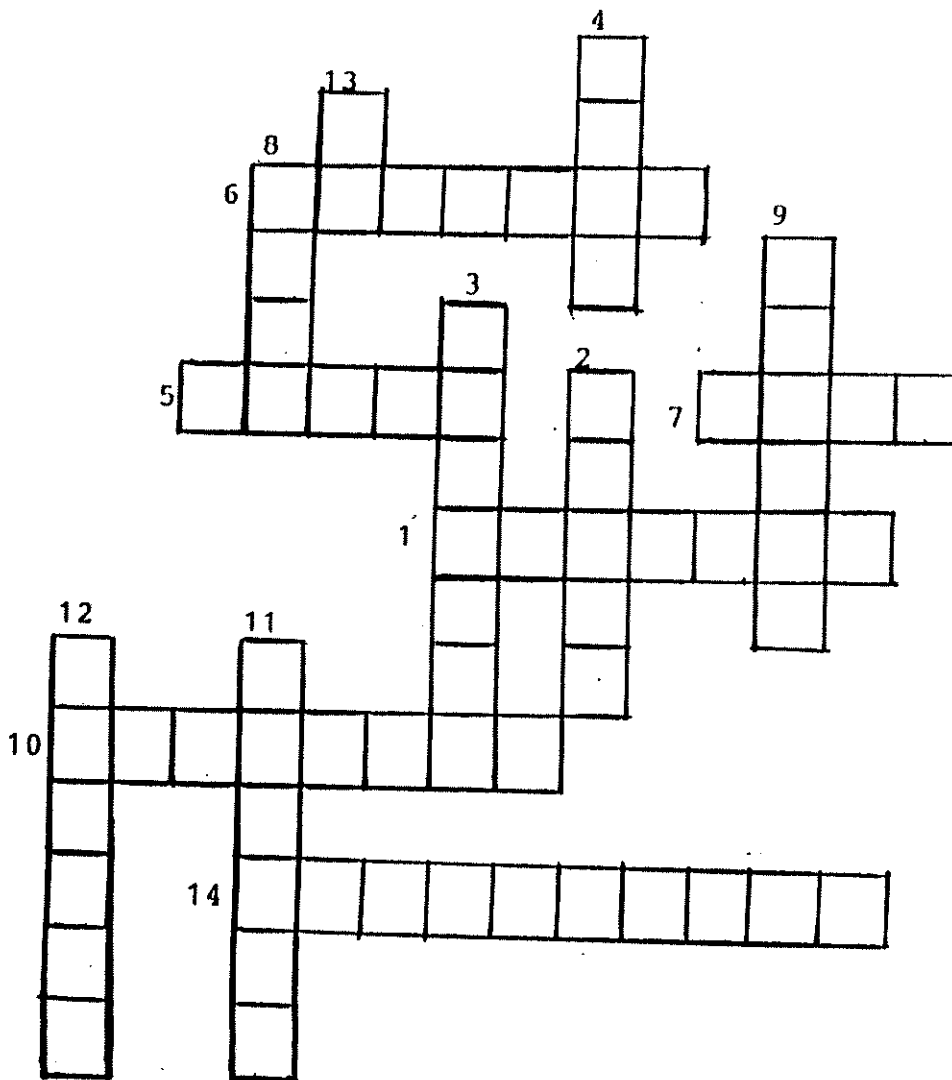
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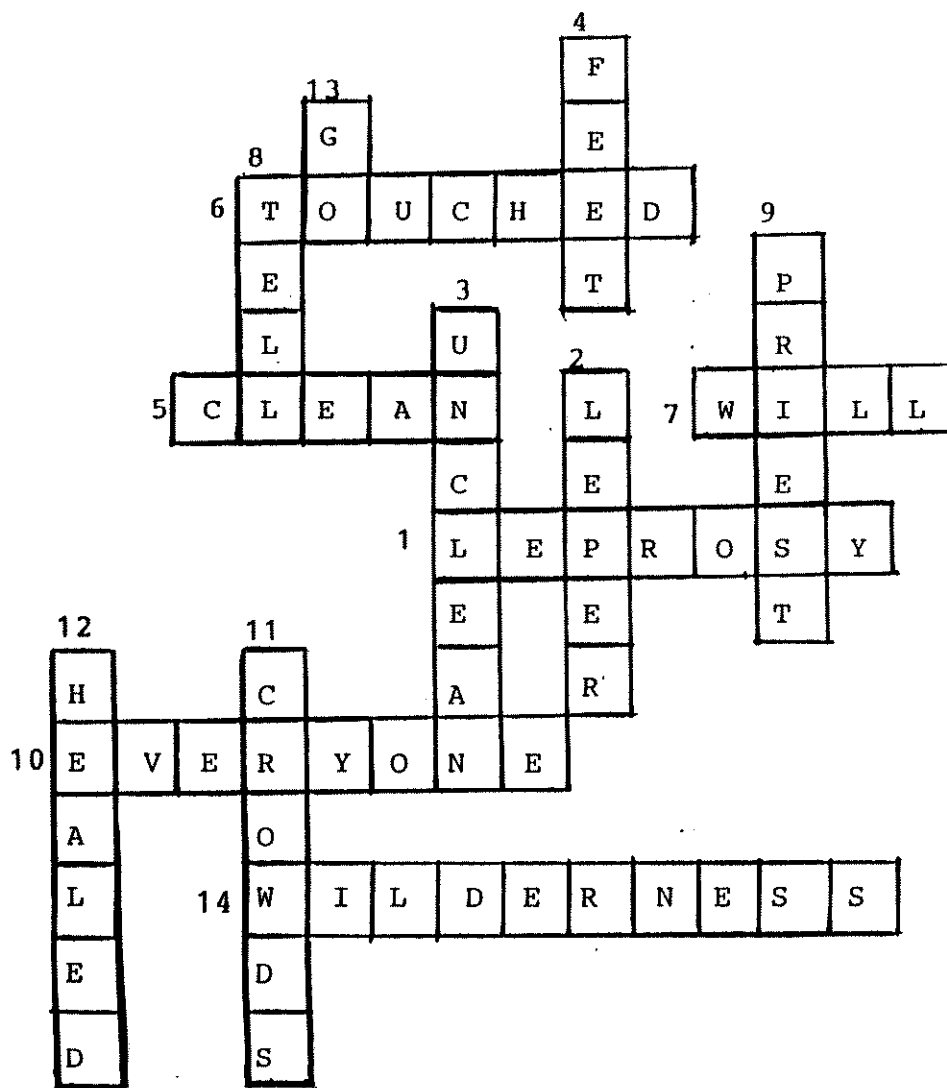
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## **FOUR MEN BRING A SICK FRIEND TO JESUS**

**Matthew 9:1-8**

**Mark 2:1-12**

**Luke 5:16-26**

As the popularity of Jesus grew, more and more people followed him everywhere he went. On many occasions he had to go away into the wilderness area to be alone. Sometimes he would get into a boat and go across to the other side of the sea to escape the crowds. When he healed a man of leprosy on one occasion, he told the man not to tell anyone, but to go to the priest and show him that he was well. Then Jesus said for him to make the necessary sacrifices according to the law, and he could return to his home to live. The man was so excited that he told everyone he saw on the way to the priest. As a result, the crowds were so great that Jesus had to go away into the wilderness for several days. After some time he was able to return to Capernaum.

As Jesus returned to Capernaum and went into the house where he was staying, word spread that he was there. Soon crowds began to gather at the house, and Jesus preached the word of God to them, and the power of the Lord was present to heal many who were sick. So many people came that they could not all get in the house. Many stood outside around the door listening to what Jesus had to say. They were not all local neighbors who had gathered. Luke tells us that many Pharisees, scribes and lawyers were there who had come from every town in Galilee, and even from Judea, and as far away as Jerusalem. They had heard of Jesus. They came to see this man who had done such great things, and hear what he taught the people. They had come to Capernaum looking for him, and when they heard he was in a certain house, they came to see what he did and hear him teach.

There was a man in Capernaum who had palsy. This was a very serious and dreaded illness. It was a disease of the brain, or spinal cord, or certain nerves, that prohibited voluntary movement. It caused paralysis. The person would be unable to move his arms or legs, to sit up, or to walk. Many illnesses were included as palsy. The brain would not send signals to the body to function as it should. Four friends of the sick man heard that Jesus was in Capernaum and decided to bring their friend to Jesus so that he could be healed. They had faith that Jesus could make him well if they could get him to where Jesus was.

The four men prepared a bed, or a mat, on which to carry the man. They walked and carried him until they came to the house where Jesus was preaching. They were so enthusiastic about their friend being well, but were disappointed when they arrived. There was such a great crowd of people at the house that it was impossible to get in. They tried to get in the door, but the people who were already there wanted to hear every word Jesus said and would not make way for them to bring him into the room. They would not be discouraged and leave. They must find a way to get their friend in to the room where Jesus was. If they could only get him in the presence of Jesus they were sure Jesus could make him well.

The houses were built with a flat roof which was used as a part of the home. There were steps leading up to the roof, and a parapet or wall about three feet high surrounding it. Many times another room would be built on the roof. The roof was sometimes used for drying foods or flax, etc. The roof could be used in the evening for a cool resting place or even for sleeping. This house apparently had a roof made of clay tiles (material used for pottery), which were supported by heavy beams laid crosswise .

As Jesus continued to preach, the four men climbed the steps to the roof, carrying their friend on his bed. They removed the tiling that covered the roof, making an opening large enough for the bed to go through. They tied ropes on the four corners of the bed and let the man down into the room in the presence of Jesus. When Jesus saw the faith that they had and their determination to get the sick man to him, he said to the man, “ *Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee.* ” Jesus’ purpose in coming was to forgive sin. He healed people to prove that he did have the power of God over sin and sickness. When he said “*thy sins be forgiven thee*” it surprised the scribes and Pharisees. They thought within themselves, Mark 2:7 “*Why doth this man thus speak blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God only?*” Blaspheme means irreverence toward God. To blaspheme God was to attribute something to man that belonged only to God. God only can forgive sins. Jesus was God’s Son and had the power of God to forgive sins. The Pharisees did not accept Jesus as God’s Son, and therefore they thought he had blasphemed God when he said, “*thy sins be forgiven thee.* ”

Jesus knew what the Pharisees were thinking within themselves without them even speaking. He asked them, “Why do you think this evil in your hearts? Is it easier to say, your sins are forgiven, or to say, get up and walk?” He told them that he said, “*thy sins be forgiven thee*” in order for them to know that he had the power of God on earth to forgive sins. Then he said to the man who had palsy, “*Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house.* ” “Get up, pickup your bed, and go home.” The man immediately got up, picked up the mat on which he had been lying, and walked out of the house to go to his own home. The Bible says he glorified God. He was thankful to God for making him well.

The man had probably had palsy for a long time. He had been carried in by his friends and let down through the roof into the presence of Jesus because he could not walk by himself. But when Jesus healed him he not only could walk, he picked up his bed and carried it. The people who were there were all amazed, they were filled with fear, and gave God the glory. They said, “*We have seen strange things today*” and, “We have never seen anything like this before.” However, the Pharisees still would not accept that Jesus was the Son of God. They continued to watch him everywhere he went, trying to find some fault with him.

#### **MEMORY VERSE: Mark 2:11**

“I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house.”

## FOUR MEN BRING A SICK FRIEND TO JESUS

## MEMORY VERSE PATTERN PAGE

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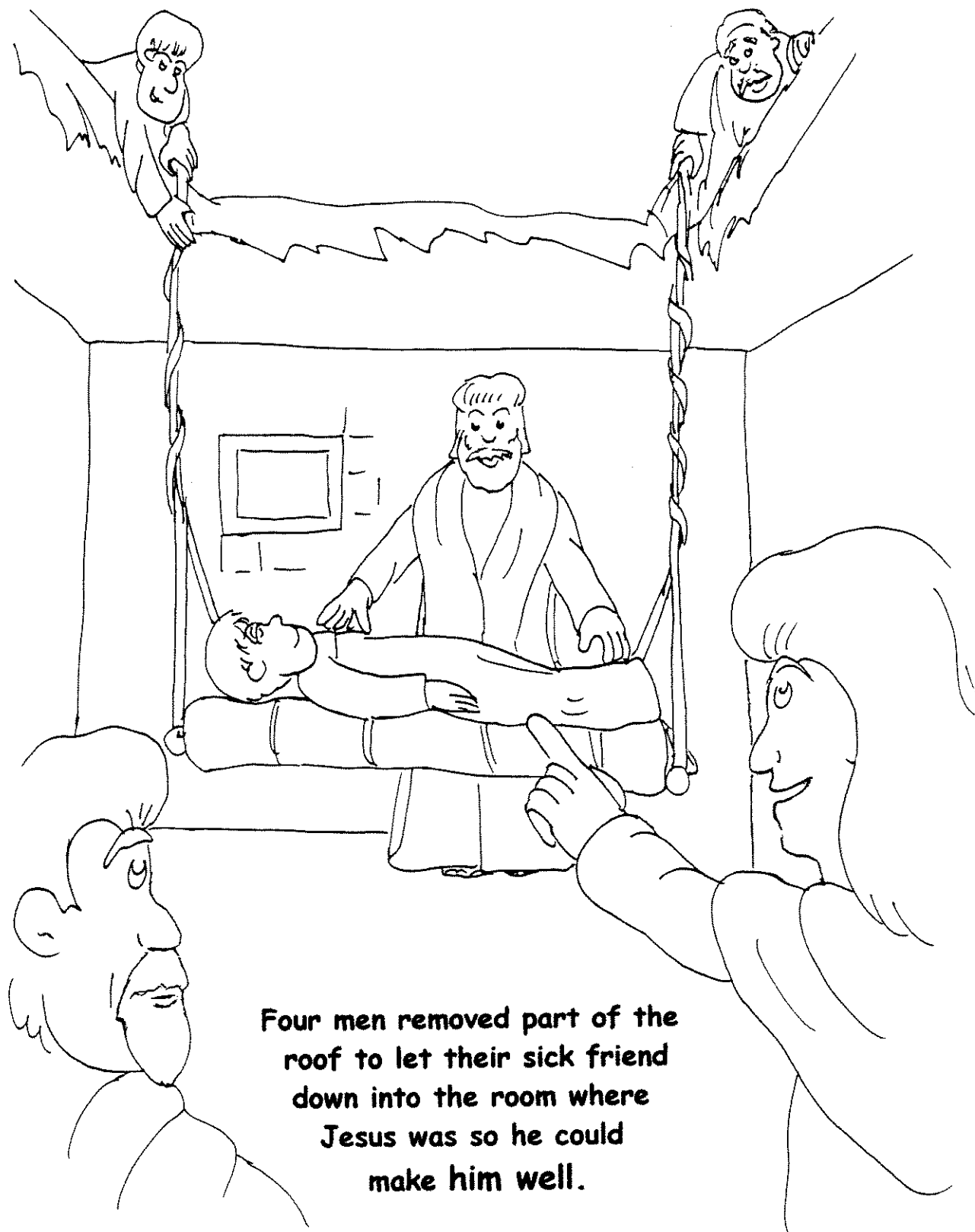
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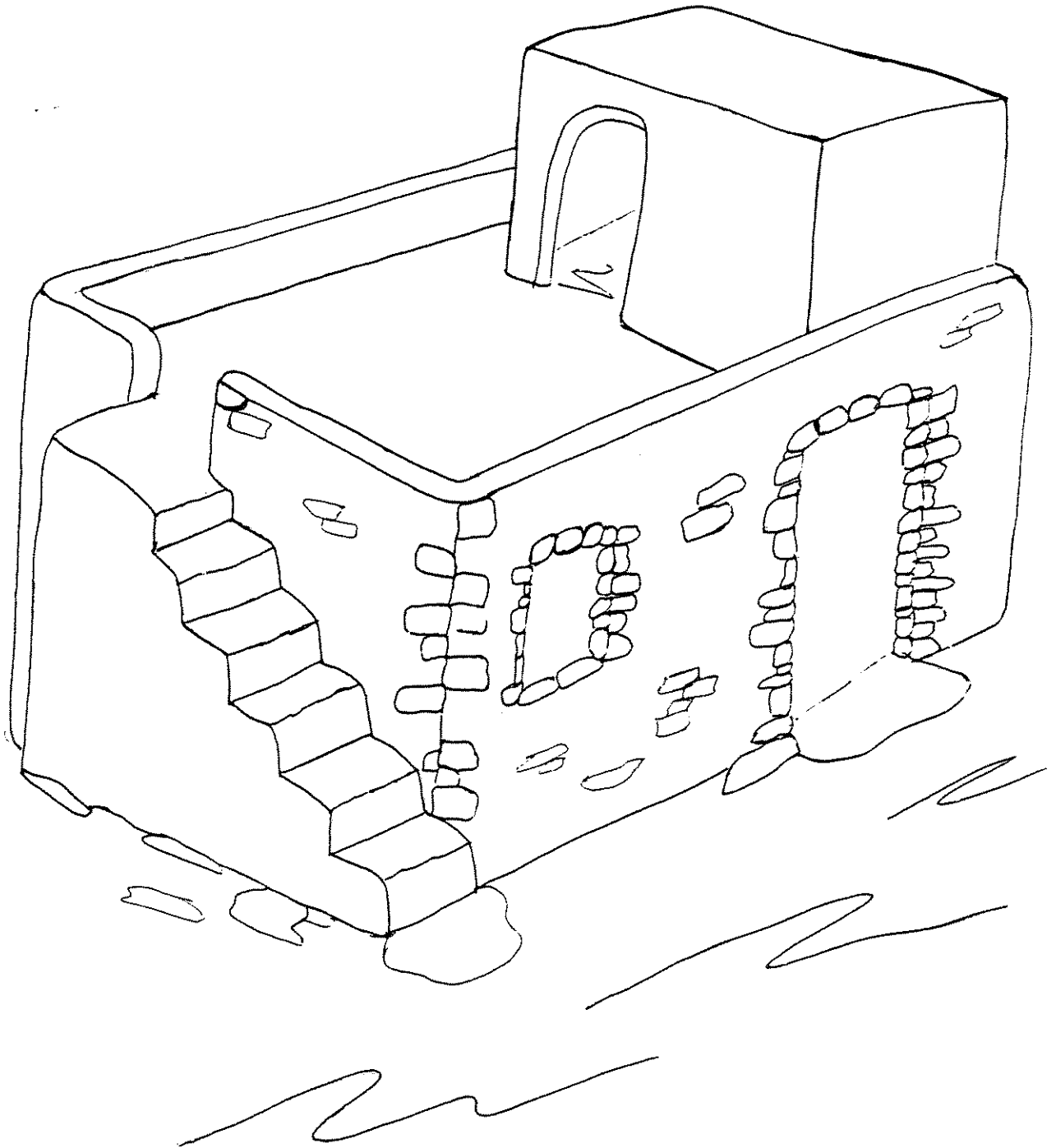
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**Four men removed part of the  
roof to let their sick friend  
down into the room where  
Jesus was so he could  
make him well.**



## FOUR MEN BRING A SICK FRIEND TO JESUS

BEGINNER

### Fill in the blanks

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p to a large crowd of p. Some P  
were there. F men brought a m who was sick with p.  
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### WORD SEARCH

BED  
CAPERNAUM  
FORGIVEN  
HEALED  
HOUSE  
JESUS  
MAN  
PALSY  
PHARISEES  
ROOF  
SCRIBES  
SICK

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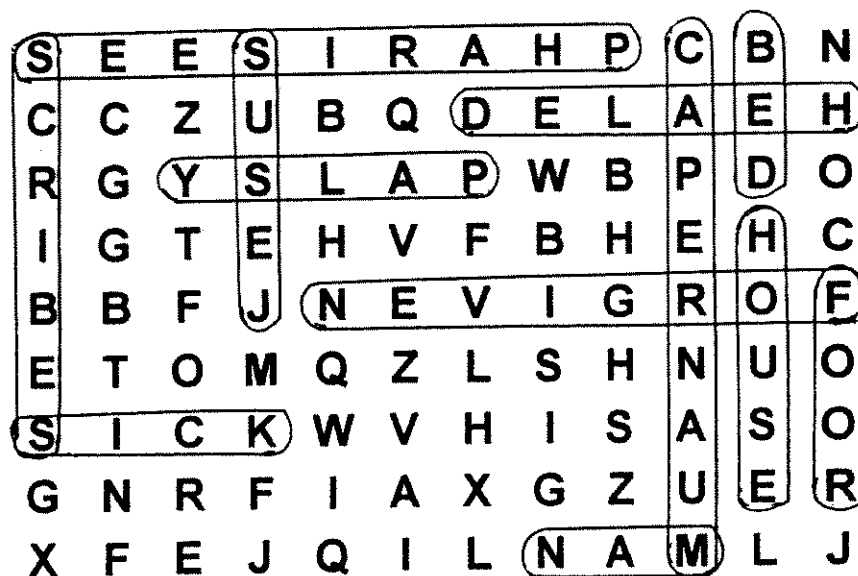
## BEGINNER ANSWER PAGE

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Jesus was in a house in the city of Capernaum. He was preaching to a large crowd of people. Some Pharisees were there. Four men brought a man who was sick with palsy. They had to make a hole in the roof to let the man down to where Jesus was. Jesus said, "Your sins are forgiven." Then he said, "Take up your bed and go home."

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# FOUR MEN BRING A SICK FRIEND TO JESUS

PRIMARY / JUNIOR

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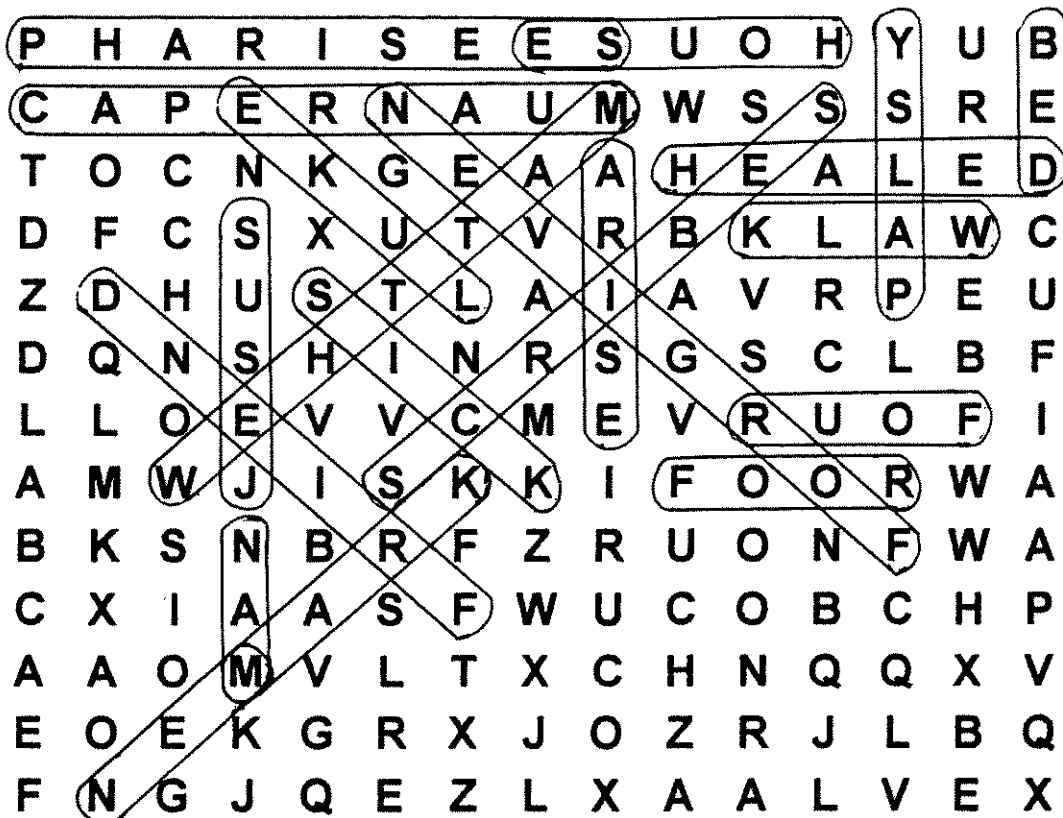
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# FOUR MEN BRING A SICK FRIEND TO JESUS

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## WORD SEARCH



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Four men climbed the steps up to the roof of the house. They made a hole in the roof. They tied ropes on the man's bed. They lowered him down into the room where Jesus was preaching.

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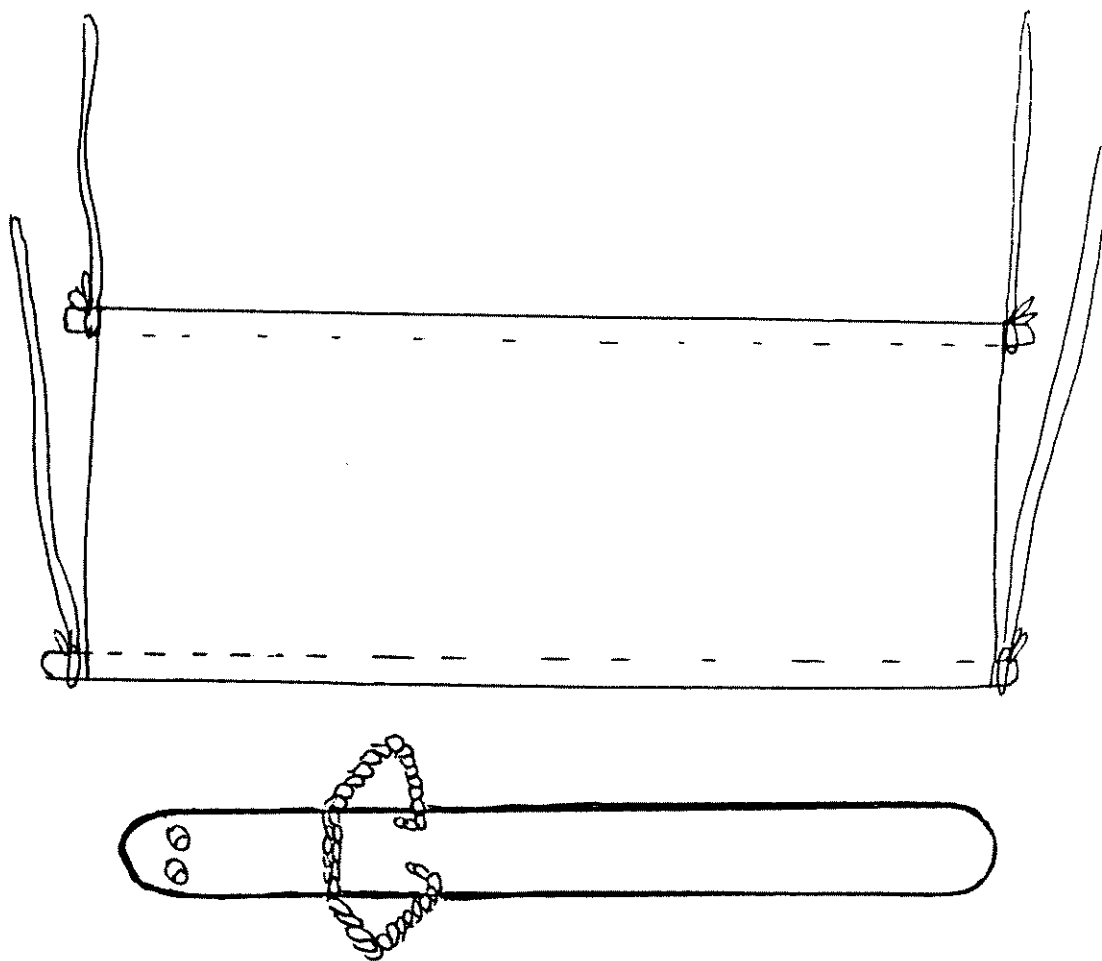
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### Craft Suggestion

Cut a piece of felt 3 ½ inches by 4 inches and glue the long sides around paper straws to make stretcher like bed.

Tie 6 inch pieces of yarn on ends of straws for ropes. (Cut straws to desired length.)

Use popsicle sticks (or flat wooden ice cream spoons) to make men. Add chenille wire arms and let pupils glue scraps of felt on for clothing. Draw faces or glue on eyes. (If supplies are not available, use chenille wire men.)



## HEALING AT THE POOL OF BETHESDA

### John 5:1-18

Jesus spent much of his time on earth in Galilee, on the Sea of Galilee and in the area round about the sea. He seemed to avoid Jerusalem because the chief priests were constantly looking for something they could accuse him of doing that was against the Jewish laws, and have him put to death. However there were three feasts each year that all the Jewish men were required to attend. It is unlikely that Jesus would fail to attend any of these feasts. So we can safely assume that he went to Jerusalem at least three times each year. An account of his going to each one is not given, as well as many other things that Jesus did that are not recorded. John says in chapter 20, verse 30, *"And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book."* John 21:25, *"And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written."*

It was the time of year for a feast of the Jews, and Jesus had gone to Jerusalem. Each time he went there he attracted attention. The Jewish leaders did not like his presence in Jerusalem. The Jewish religion was based on keeping laws and rules. They had many rules that had been taught to them for generations. Many of them were traditions of men, not the laws that God gave. Jesus paid no attention to rules or traditions. He obeyed the commands of God, not the rules of man.

John 5:1, *"After this there was a feast of the Jews; and Jesus went up to Jerusalem."* Jerusalem is where the temple was located. There was a wall around the city of Jerusalem to protect them from their enemies. In this wall were gates to gain entrance to the city. One of these gates was near the temple, by the sheep market, and was called the "sheep gate". This was the gate through which the sheep were brought that were used for the temple worship. Sheep were used for the daily sacrifices, as well as for the special feasts at different times of the year. Near the sheep gate was a pool of water called the pool of Bethesda. Around this pool there were five porches, or covered places where people could sit or lie down to rest. It was a large pool, and these five porches could accommodate many people. From each of these porches the people had access to the water.

Besides those who lived in Jerusalem, many people came to the city at the time of the feasts. When Jesus was in Jerusalem he mingled among the crowds of people. He came to the pool of Bethesda. Bethesda means "house of mercy". It was called this because it was believed to contain water that had healing abilities. It may have been like many of the springs across our nation that bubble up with warm or hot water, or contain minerals or chemicals that are known to be therapeutic (give relief from physical problems). This pool was apparently spring-fed, and at certain times the water would rush in with such force it would agitate or stir the water in the pool. In all these porches around the pool lay many sick or crippled people. They suffered from different diseases or maybe birth defects. Many were blind. Some had crippled

legs, and could not walk. Some had no strength in their arms and legs and had to be carried about by others.

Many of the people who lay near the pool of Bethesda spent all of their time on a mat which was their bed. They would come to this pool hoping to be healed of their illness. At a certain time of year, something strange would happen in the pool. There would be an unusual movement in the water, a bubbling, or stirring of the water. The people believed that an angel went down into the pool at a certain time of the year and stirred the water. This gave it some kind of magical power. They believed that the one who first, or immediately, stepped into the water after it was troubled, or began this strange movement, would be healed of whatever disease they had. It probably does not mean that only one person would be healed, but that the one who could get into the water the first thing after it began stirring would receive the massaging effect of the water. After a period of time the water stopped moving and the massaging action was no longer there, and those who got in late would not be affected by it. Because the water would soon stop moving, they believed that because someone had gotten in, they had been healed and caused the movement to stop, and no others would benefit from it. Many of the people had been coming there for a long time, hoping to be the one who would be healed when the waters were troubled.

There was a certain man by the pool who had not been able to walk for 38 years. Whatever his illness was, it had kept him helpless for 38 years. He had to depend on someone else to move him everywhere he went. He lay by the pool hoping that he might be healed. When Jesus saw him, he knew how long he had been sick. He knew it had been many years that he could not walk. Jesus asked the man, "Would you like to be made well?" The man answered, "*Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me.*" He could not walk, and by the time he could roll, or scoot, or drag himself, someone else got into the water ahead of him. They believed that only the first person into the water was healed, so the man had no hope. Jesus simply spoke to the man, "*Rise, take up thy bed, and walk.*" Immediately the man was made well. Immediately he had a strange feeling throughout his body. His legs were straight. His muscles were strong. He was well. For the first time in 38 years he stood up. He picked up his bed (the mat on which he had been lying), and he walked. Jesus disappeared in the crowd.

This happened on the Sabbath day. The Jews had rules that said that no one could do any work on the Sabbath day. They could not carry anything on the Sabbath day. So this man was breaking the Jewish rules by carrying his bed, since it was the Sabbath. As he started toward his home, the Jews told him, "*It is the sabbath day: it is not lawful for thee to carry thy bed.*" "You are breaking the law by carrying your bed on the Sabbath." He told the Jews that the man who made him well told him to pick up his bed and walk. They asked him, "Who is this man that told you to pick up your bed and walk?" Who would dare to tell him to break the laws, to carry his bed on the Sabbath? They were not concerned that the man had been healed, they were only concerned that he was breaking the law. The man could not answer the Jews. He did not know who it was that had healed him. He only knew he could now walk. He

was so happy that he could walk, that he did not think to find out who Jesus was. There was a large crowd of people there, and Jesus had just disappeared into another place.

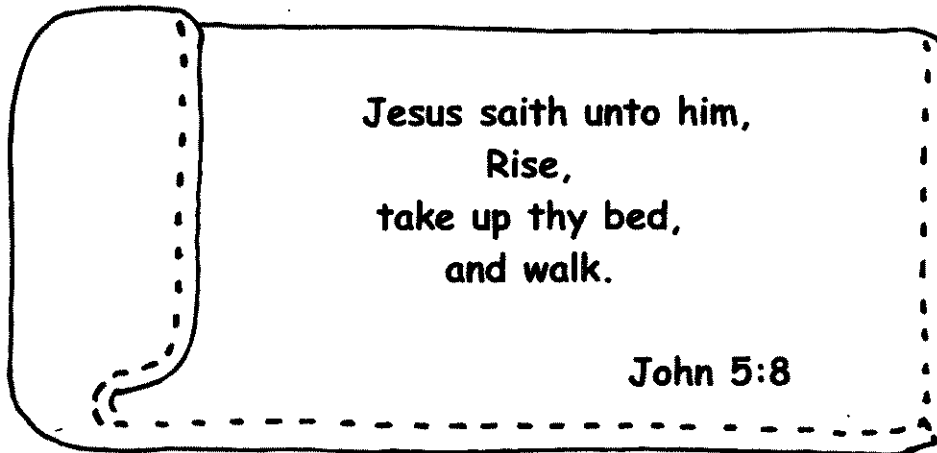
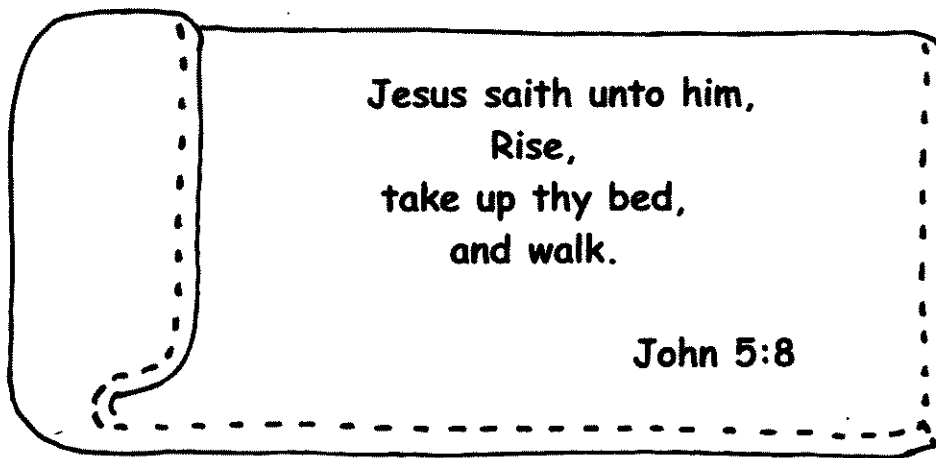
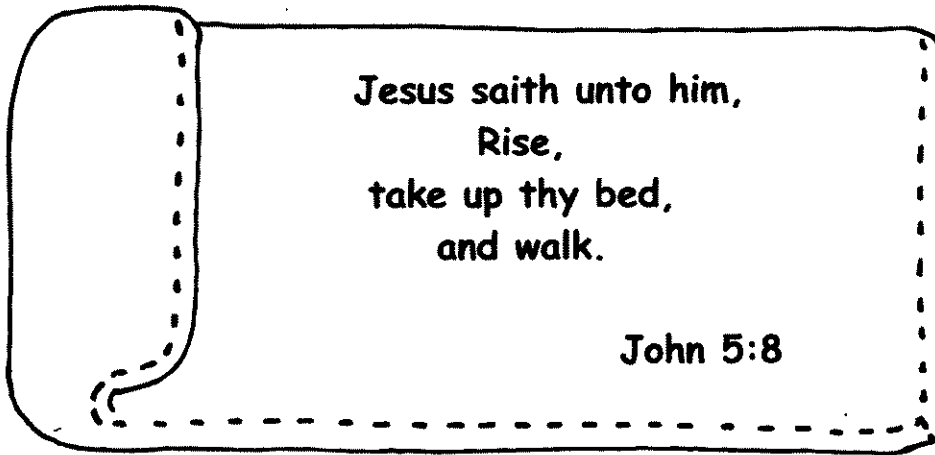
Later that day Jesus saw the man at the temple. He said to him, "Now you are well; sin no more, or something worse may happen to you." The man immediately recognized Jesus as the man who made him well. He was so excited he went straight to the Jews and told them it was Jesus who had healed him. The Jews were furious. Not only had the man carried his bed on the Sabbath, but Jesus had healed him on the Sabbath. They sought to persecute Jesus and have him killed because he healed on the Sabbath. It was more important to the Jews to keep the laws of the Sabbath than for the man to be made well. When they condemned Jesus for healing on the Sabbath, he said, "My Father works anytime, all the time, and I work in obedience to Him." This made the Jews even angrier. Not only had Jesus broken their rules for the Sabbath, but he also claimed to be the Son of God, which made him equal with God. They were more determined to have him killed, because they said he had blasphemed by claiming that God was his Father.

The remainder of chapter 5 tells us the answer that Jesus gave to the Pharisees. He said he could not do anything unless God gave him the power. He said God loved him and used him to do great things, and they would marvel when they saw him do greater things. He said all men should honor God's Son even as they honored God, and if they did not honor Jesus, that meant that they did not honor God, because God sent him. John 5:24, "*Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth me word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.*" Jesus said the time would come when the dead would hear his voice, and live. God had the power to give life, and He gave that power to Jesus. Jesus told the Jews that someday all those in the graves would hear his voice and live to be judged according to what they believed. Jesus went on to tell them that he did not bear witness of himself. He did not come to do his own will, but he came to do the will of God. He said John the Baptist came to bear witness of him, and what John said was true, but there would be a greater witness that would prove he was God's Son. God sent Jesus to be crucified to pay the price of sin. His crucifixion and resurrection would prove that he was the Son of God.

Jesus told them to search the scriptures. They thought that by keeping the law they would be saved, but the law only testified of Jesus. If they really tried to understand what the law taught, they would know that he was the Son of God. From this time on the Jews watched for every opportunity to condemn Jesus for something that he did or said, so that they could have him put to death.

#### **MEMORY VERSE: John 5:8**

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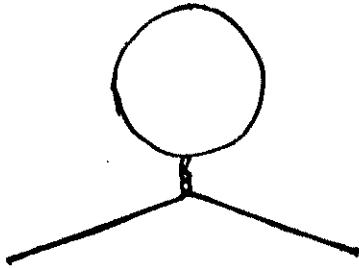


## HEALING AT THE POOL OF BETHESDA

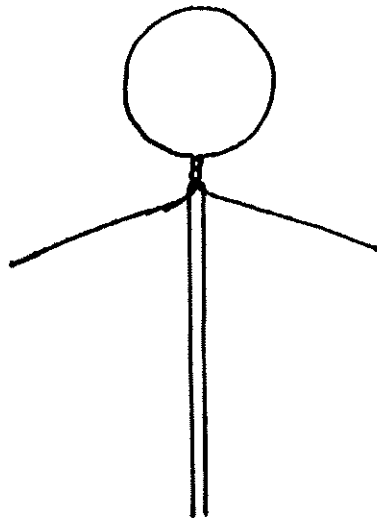
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**Materials needed:** 2 chenille wires, felt or other fabric

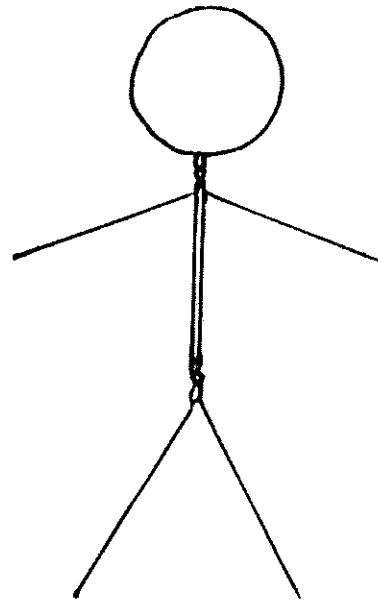
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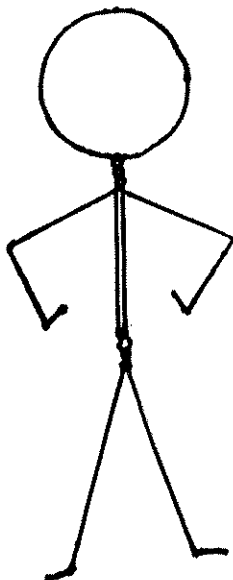
Add second chenille wire at neck to form body and legs.



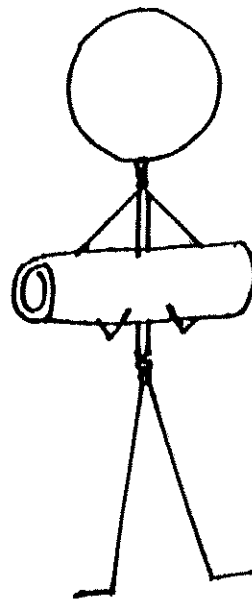
Twist body section to form legs.



Bend arms to form elbows and head.  
Bend legs to form feet.



Cut small piece of felt, or other fabric, to make bed.  
Roll felt and place in arms.



## HEALING AT THE POOL OF BETHESDA

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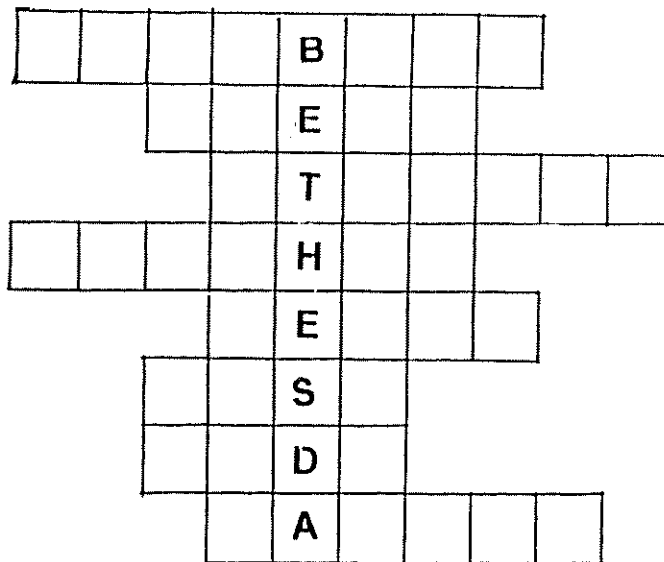
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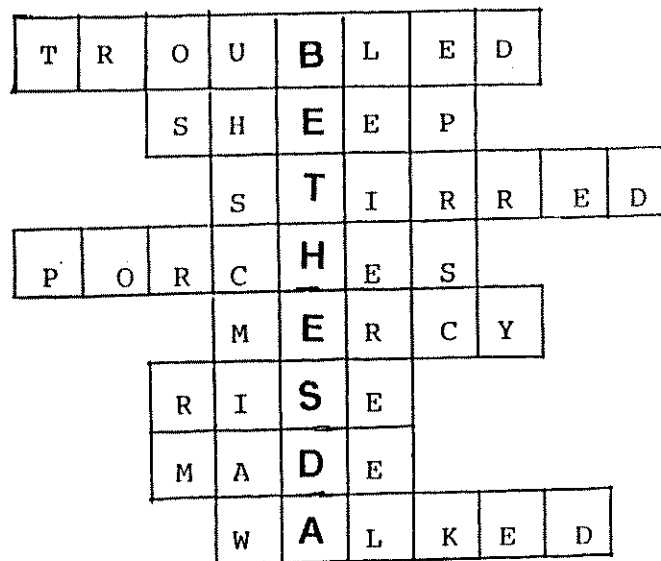
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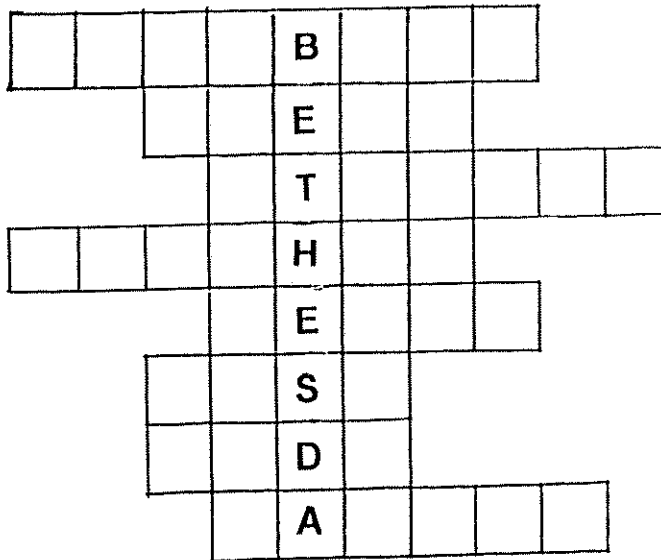
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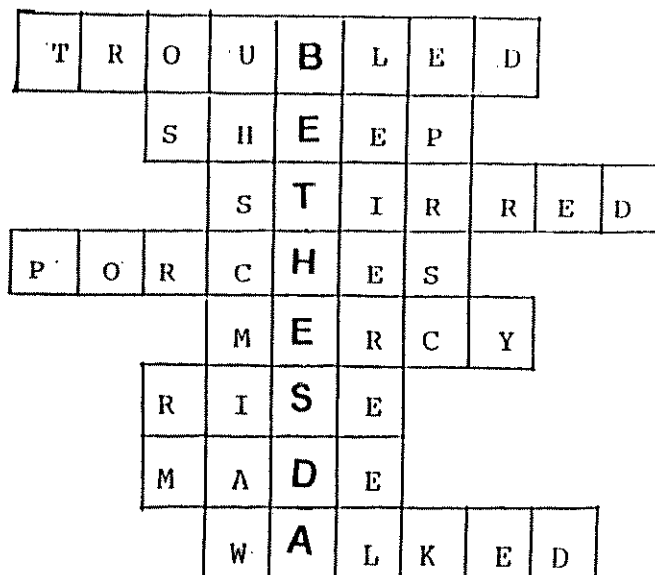
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Look up the scriptures and fill in the blanks.

**John 5:1**

"After \_\_\_\_\_ there was a \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_: and \_\_\_\_\_ went up to \_\_\_\_\_."

**John 5:2**

"Now there is at \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_ market a \_\_\_\_\_, which is called in the Hebrew tongue \_\_\_\_\_, having \_\_\_\_\_ porches."

**John 5:4**

"For an \_\_\_\_\_ went down at a certain \_\_\_\_\_ into the \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_: whosoever then \_\_\_\_\_ after the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ stepped in was made \_\_\_\_\_ of whatsoever \_\_\_\_\_ he had."

**John 5:7**

"The impotent \_\_\_\_\_ answered him, \_\_\_\_\_ I have no \_\_\_\_\_, when the \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_, to put me into the \_\_\_\_\_: but while I am \_\_\_\_\_, another steppeth \_\_\_\_\_ before me."

**John 5:8**

"Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ unto him, \_\_\_\_\_, take up thy \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_."

**John 5:11**

"He \_\_\_\_\_ them, He that \_\_\_\_\_ me \_\_\_\_\_, the same said unto me, \_\_\_\_\_ up thy \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_."

**John 5:24**

"Verily, \_\_\_\_\_, I say \_\_\_\_\_ you, He that \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_ me, hath \_\_\_\_\_ life, and shall \_\_\_\_\_ come into condemnation; but is \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ unto \_\_\_\_\_."

## PICKING GRAIN ON THE SABBATH

**Matthew 12:1-8**

**Mark 2:23-28**

**Luke 6:1-5**

The Jewish Sabbath was the seventh day of the week. Under the law of Moses, which God gave for the people to live by, the people were commanded to do their work on the first six days, and to rest on the Sabbath. This was their day of worship. When Jesus lived on the earth, he kept the laws of the Jewish people. Wherever Jesus was on the Sabbath, he went into the synagogue in that town and taught the people. The Pharisees did not like Jesus. They did not like for the people to follow him and listen to his teachings. They watched everything Jesus did and listened to everything he said, trying to find something that they could accuse him of that was wrong, particularly “breaking the Sabbath”.

When the Bible speaks of a “corn field” it includes many types of grain that the people used for food, or any edible seeds: barley, wheat, maybe even beans or lentils. When the people traveled, they walked or rode camels or donkeys. They did not have restaurants or even grocery stores to stop and get something to eat. They carried their food with them, and many times they ate what they found growing by the side of the road. If there was a field of grain that they passed by, and they were hungry, they were allowed to pick some of the grain to eat. They were not stealing it. This was allowed under the laws of the land.

On one occasion, Jesus and his disciples were walking by a field of grain, and they were hungry. As they walked through the field, they picked some of the grain, rubbed it between their hands to remove the shucks, or husks, and they ate the kernels as they continued on their journey. There was nothing wrong with this. It was not illegal. It was not against the Jewish law. This would not have been a problem if it had not been on the Sabbath day; and the Pharisees were watching.

Under the law of Moses, the people could not do any work on the Sabbath. They could not harvest their crops, or gather the grain that grew in their fields on the Sabbath. They could not build a fire to cook their food. They were to prepare their food on the day before the Sabbath so they would have something to eat on the Sabbath without cooking. The Pharisees bragged that they kept the laws exactly as they were written. They watched Jesus closely to try to catch him breaking the law so they could accuse him of doing something wrong and have him put to death.

When Jesus was walking through the corn field, his disciples were with him, and since they were hungry, they picked some of the grain and ate it. The Pharisees saw them. They did not complain about them eating the grain because they knew they were allowed by law to eat it, but they complained because they picked it on the Sabbath. They said, “*Thy disciples do that which is not lawful to do upon the Sabbath day.*” They spoke to Jesus and accused the disciples of doing wrong. They said, “They have done something that is against the law to do on the Sabbath” which was picking grain.



Jesus did not start making excuses for the disciples. He answered the Pharisees by asking them a question. He said, *"Have ye not read what David did, when he was an hungered, and they that were with him; how he entered into the house of God, and did eat the shewbread, which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him. but only for the priests?"* David had been chosen by God to be the next king of Israel. He later became a great king, and the people admired and respected him very much. David was running away from King Saul, 1 Samuel 21:1-6. He and the men who were with him came to the tabernacle for help. They were hungry, and the only food at the tabernacle was the shewbread. The priest gave them the shewbread to eat.

A certain family from the tribe of Levi (1 Chronicles 9:32) was responsible for baking twelve loaves of bread, called shewbread, each week, one to represent each tribe of Israel. It had to have certain ingredients, and be a certain size. It was to be baked during the night before and brought hot to the house of God on the Sabbath (1 Samuel 21:6). It was placed on a special table in the tabernacle (referred to as the table of shewbread). It was replaced each week with fresh bread. The old bread was then eaten by the priests in the tabernacle. It was not for the people to eat, only for the priests, and only as they went about their duties serving the Lord in the tabernacle. (Leviticus 24:5-9). David came to the tabernacle for protection, and he was hungry, and this was the only food, so the priest gave it to him and he ate it. The Jews did not condemn David for eating the shewbread, because he had been their king, and they respected him. But they criticized the disciples of Jesus for eating the grain on the Sabbath because they had to pick it, and they said this was against the law. They liked David and they did not like Jesus, so what David did was okay, but they said what Jesus did was wrong.

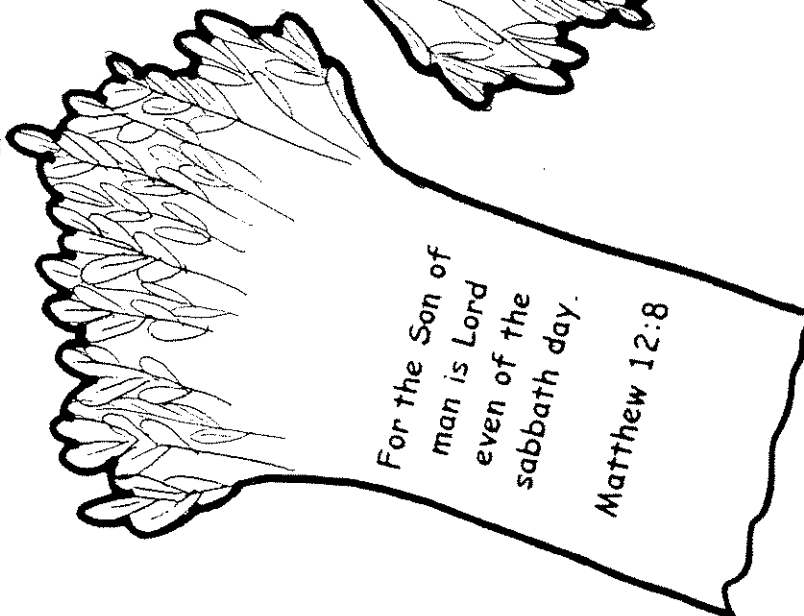
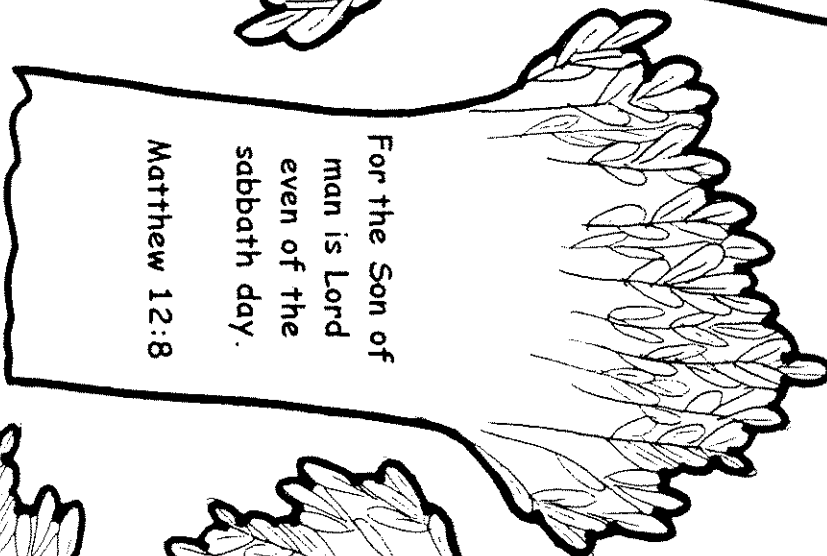
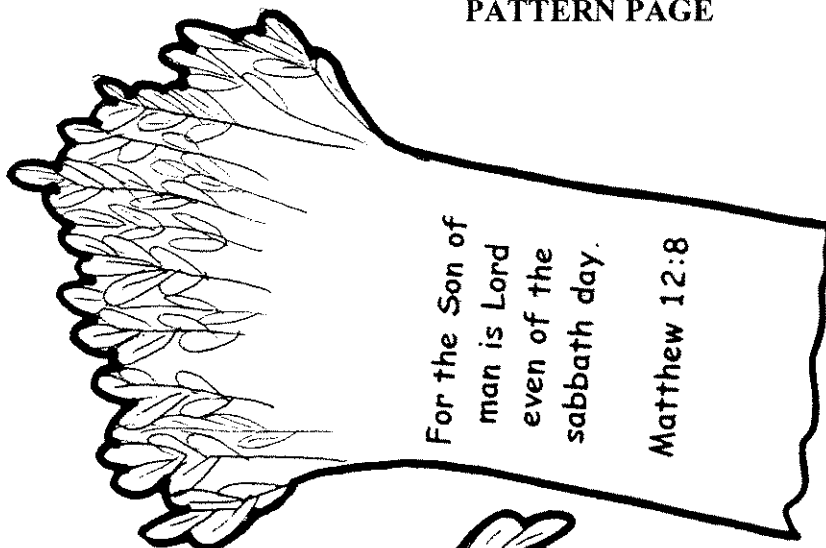
Jesus also asked them if they had not read in the law how the priests must offer two lambs on the Sabbath day. They had to build a fire in order to sacrifice these animals. God spoke to Moses, Numbers 28:1-8, and said to command the children of Israel to offer sacrifices daily, made with fire, for a sweet savour (a pleasant odor) unto God. They were to offer a lamb every morning and a lamb every evening, with bread made from a certain amount of flour and oil for a meat offering, and pour out wine for a drink offering. This was *"a sacrifice made by fire unto the Lord"*, verses 6 and 8. On the Sabbath they were to offer *"two lambs of the first year, without spot"*. Verse 10, *"This is the burnt offering of every Sabbath."* Jesus reminded the Pharisees that the priests were not condemned for building the fire and offering these as a sacrifice because this was a part of their worship on the Sabbath.

Jesus said, *"The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath."* God did not make the Sabbath day a day of rest and worship, and then make man for the day. He made man, then he made the day for them to honor. Jesus also said, *"For the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath day."* Jesus was "Lord" of the Sabbath. Jesus was greater than the tabernacle. Jesus was greater than the temple. Jesus was greater than the Sabbath. He was ruler of the Sabbath. God made the Sabbath, so Jesus controlled the Sabbath. He could do anything he wanted to do on the Sabbath and it was not against the law.

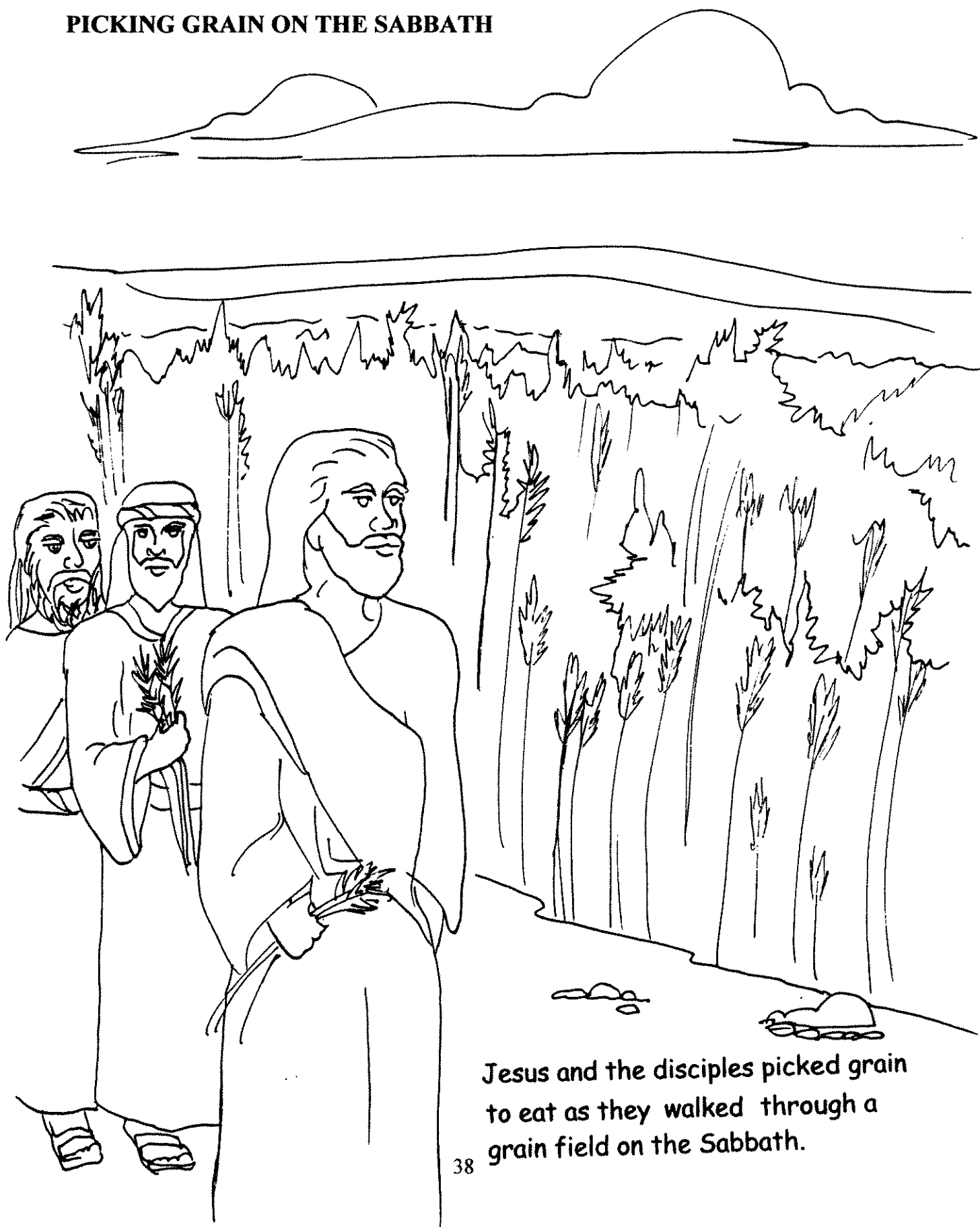
**MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 12:8** "For the Son of man is Lord even of the Sabbath day."

## PICKING GRAIN ON THE SABBATH

## MEMORY VERSE PATTERN PAGE



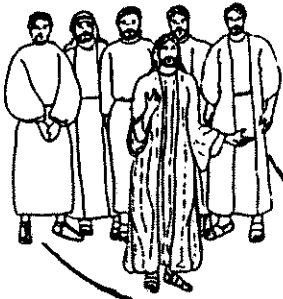
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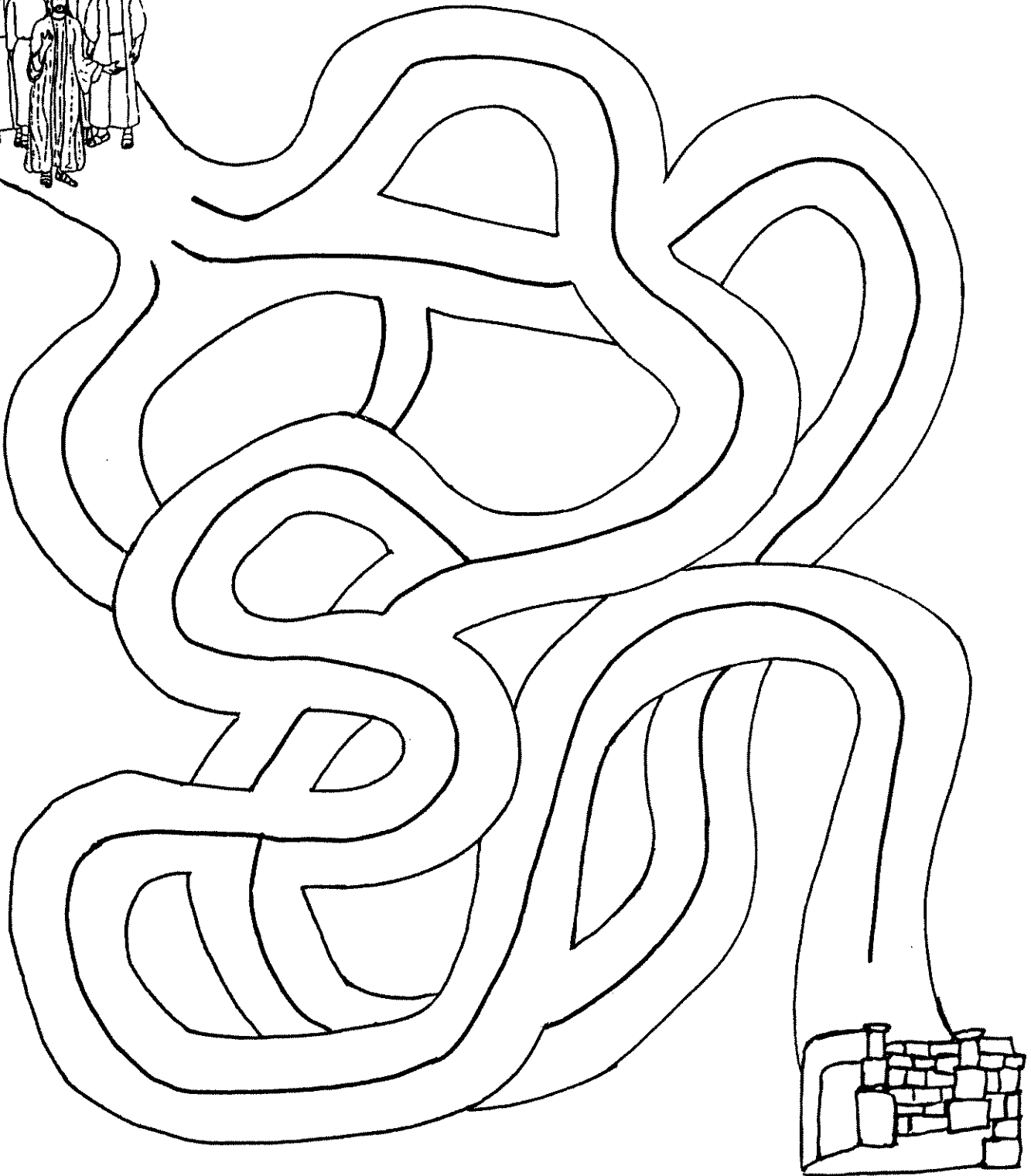
Jesus and the disciples picked grain to eat as they walked through a grain field on the Sabbath.

## PICKING GRAIN ON THE SABBATH

BEGINNER



Follow the path to take Jesus and the disciples through the grain field to the synagogue.



## PICKING GRAIN ON THE SABBATH

PRIMARY / JUNIOR

Cut out the bundles of grain and line them up in order as the events happened as Jesus and the disciples walked through the grain field.

Beginning at the bottom of the page, paste them in order of events on the following page to tell the story.

Jesus said the Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.

They walked through a grain field on the Sabbath.

The disciples were with Jesus and they were hungry.

For the Son of man is Lord even of the Sabbath day.

Jesus was on his way to Galilee to the synagogue.

The Pharisees accused Jesus of breaking the Sabbath.

They picked some grain and ate it.


# PICKING GRAIN ON THE SABBATH

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## JESUS HEALS A MAN ON THE SABBATH

**Matthew 12:9-16**

**Mark 3:1-6**

**Luke 6:6-16**

Many times Jesus was condemned by the Pharisees for healing a person on the Sabbath. The Pharisees were a group of self-righteous people who were leaders in the Jewish religion. "Self-righteous" meant they believed in their own righteousness. They believed that being "good" is what would get them to heaven when they died. They believed in keeping the laws that God gave to Moses for the Jewish nation. They did not believe they had to repent of any sins and be forgiven in order to become a child of God. They thought the only way they did wrong was if they broke a law. If they did not kill, they were not guilty. If they did not steal, they were not guilty. Many times they "twisted a law" to make it benefit them. They believed if they were "good" God would love them. Jesus taught repentance, so they did not like Jesus. They watched him closely trying to catch him breaking a law.

The Jewish Sabbath was the seventh day of the week. They were commanded to do their work on the first six days, and to rest on the Sabbath. There were strict laws concerning the Sabbath. This was their day of worship. They could not cook their food on the Sabbath. They were required to prepare it the day before so they would have something to eat on the Sabbath without working. This is why the Pharisees condemned Jesus and his disciples for picking grain on the Sabbath when they were traveling through the grain field. Jesus said, "*The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath.*" Jesus also said, "*For the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath day.*" Man was not made so he could keep the Sabbath, but the Sabbath was made for the benefit of man.

When Jesus lived on the earth, he kept the laws of the Jewish people. He went to the synagogues on the Sabbath and taught the meaning of the scriptures, and the prophecies. Everywhere Jesus went, he was followed by multitudes of people. In the crowds were many sick people who came so Jesus would heal them. This caused a problem. The Pharisees did not like Jesus. They did not like for the people to follow him and listen to his teachings. The Pharisees bragged that they kept the laws exactly as they were written. They watched everything Jesus did and listened to everything he said, trying to find something that they could accuse him of that was wrong so they could condemn him, thereby putting a stop to his teaching of repentance.

On one occasion Jesus entered into the synagogue on the Sabbath and taught the people. There was a man there who had a withered right hand. It was drawn, weak and limp, so that he could not use it for anything. The Pharisees wondered what Jesus was going to do. They watched Jesus to see if he would heal the man on the Sabbath. Jesus knew their thoughts, so he asked the man to stand in their midst. When the Pharisees asked if it was lawful to heal on the Sabbath day, Jesus said, "*I will ask you one thing, is it lawful on the Sabbath days to do good, or to do evil? to save life, or to destroy it?*" The Pharisees did not answer. Jesus used the law to show them that what he did was not wrong. He asked them, "Is there any one of you,



if you had a sheep and it fell into a pit on the Sabbath day, would you not go and get it out?" In Exodus 23: 4, God told Moses to instruct the people regarding their neighbor's animals. If a man saw his neighbor's donkey or cow that had wandered away, he was obligated to go and return it to him. Deuteronomy 22:4, if he saw his neighbor's donkey or cow (ox) fall into a ditch or a pit, he was obligated to help him get it out. If it was on the Sabbath day, they would rescue an animal rather than let it lie hurt until the next day. They did not consider this as breaking the Sabbath.

The Pharisees were more concerned about their animals than they were about people. Jesus asked them, "*How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the Sabbath days.*" If it is okay to rescue a hurt animal on the Sabbath, it is okay to heal a sick person on the Sabbath. Jesus taught that it was always lawful to do good, any day of the week, even on the Sabbath. Even though Jesus was Lord of the Sabbath, and could do with it as he chose, their own law allowed them to do good on the Sabbath. The Pharisees did not answer Jesus.

Mark 3:5 tells us Jesus looked around at the Pharisees with anger. He was grieved in his heart because of their unconcern for a person who had a physical problem that could be helped, but they didn't want him helped on the Sabbath. They would rather he suffer until the next day than to be helped on the Sabbath. Jesus told the man to stretch out his hand. "*He saith unto the man, stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it out: and his hand was restored whole as the other.*" The man held out his crippled hand. It was made whole, just like his other hand. He was immediately made well when he did what Jesus told him to do. This made the Pharisees angry. They would rather have seen the man still with a crippled hand, than for Jesus to have healed him on the Sabbath.

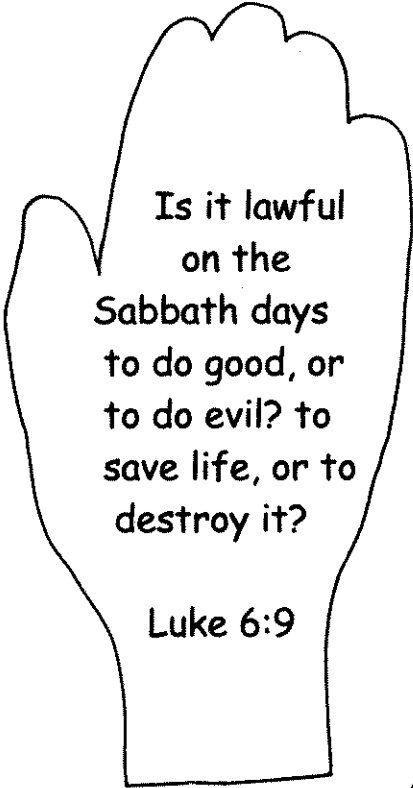
They went out and met together to try to find a way to destroy Jesus. They discussed with one another what they might do. Jesus knew their thoughts, he knew their intentions, so he and his disciples went away to the sea. But still the crowds followed him from Galilee and Judea, from Jerusalem, Idumaea, the other side of the Jordan River and even from Tyre and Sidon. He healed all who came to him that were sick, but he told them not to make his identity known because he had more work to do before it was time for the Pharisees to condemn him to death.

#### **MEMORY VERSE: Luke 6:9**

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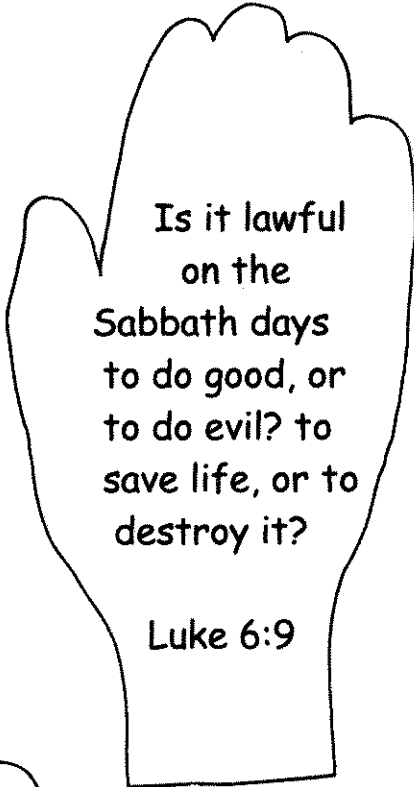
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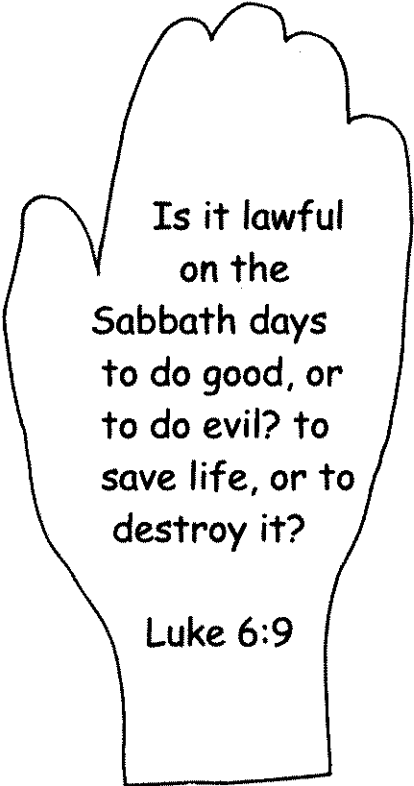
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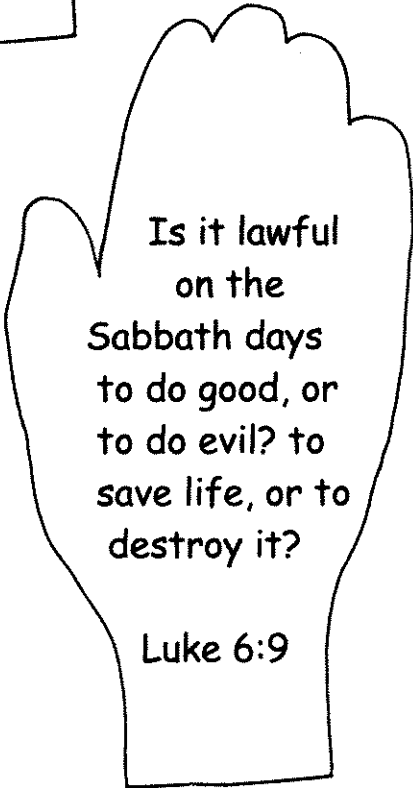
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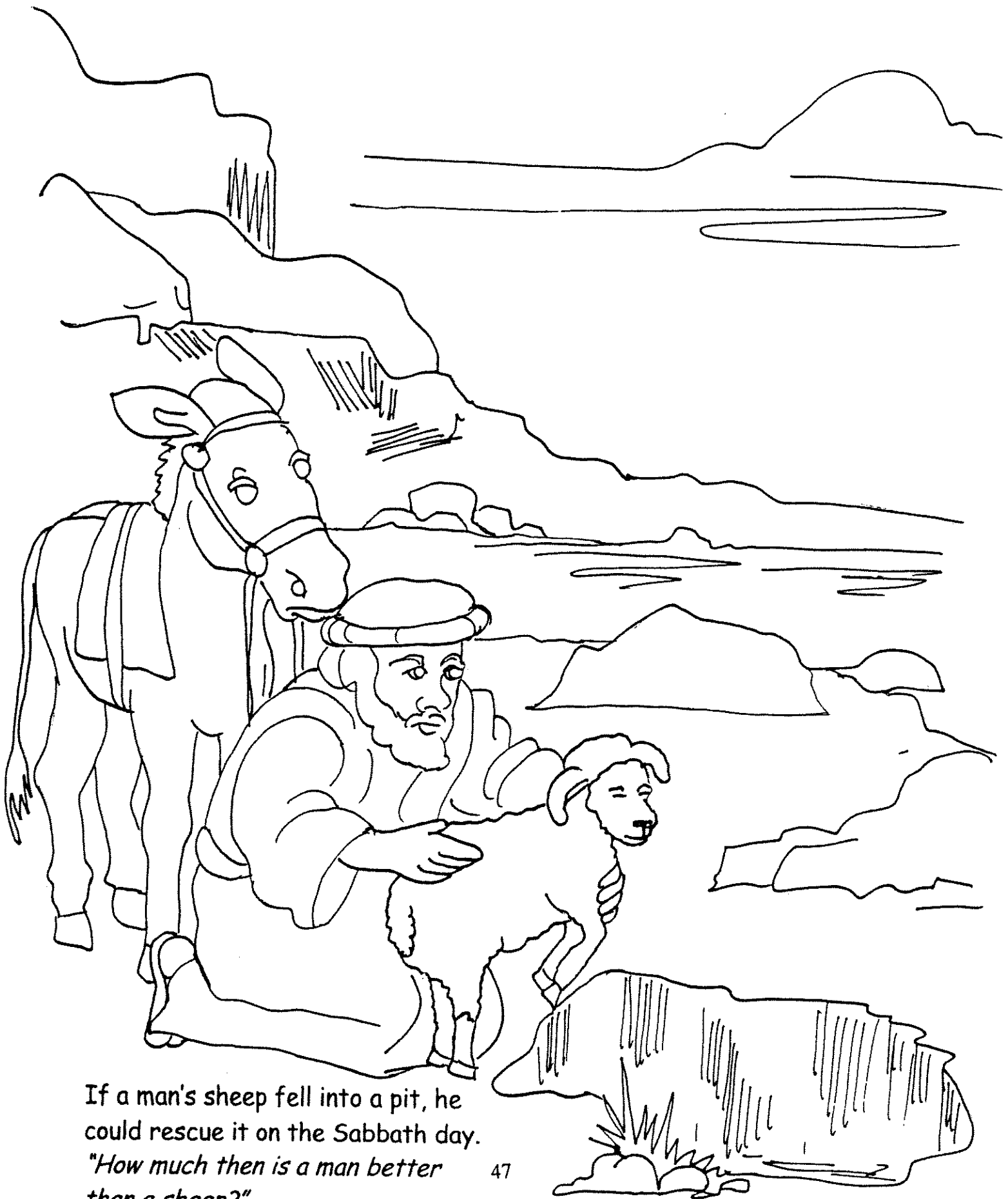


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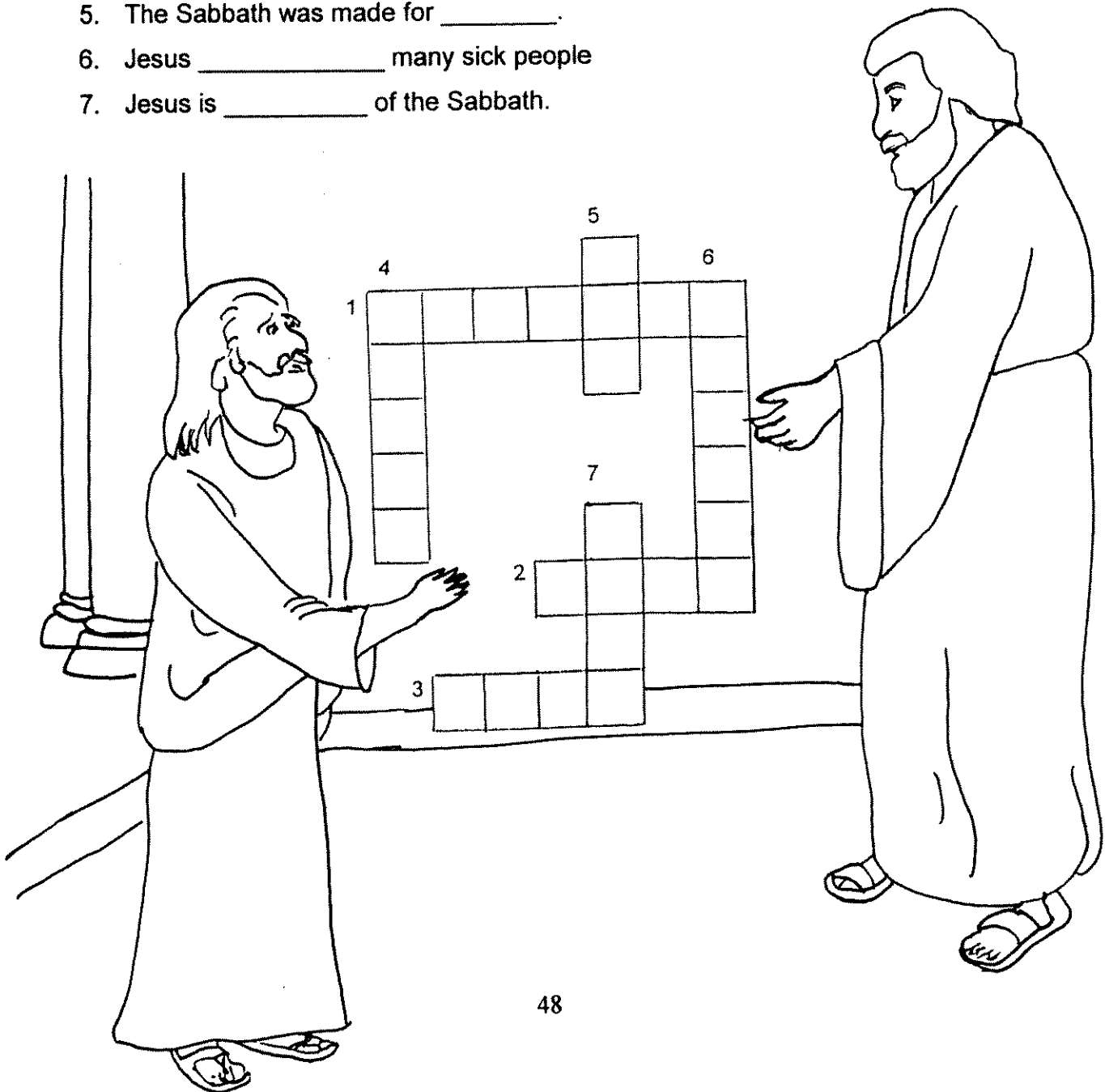
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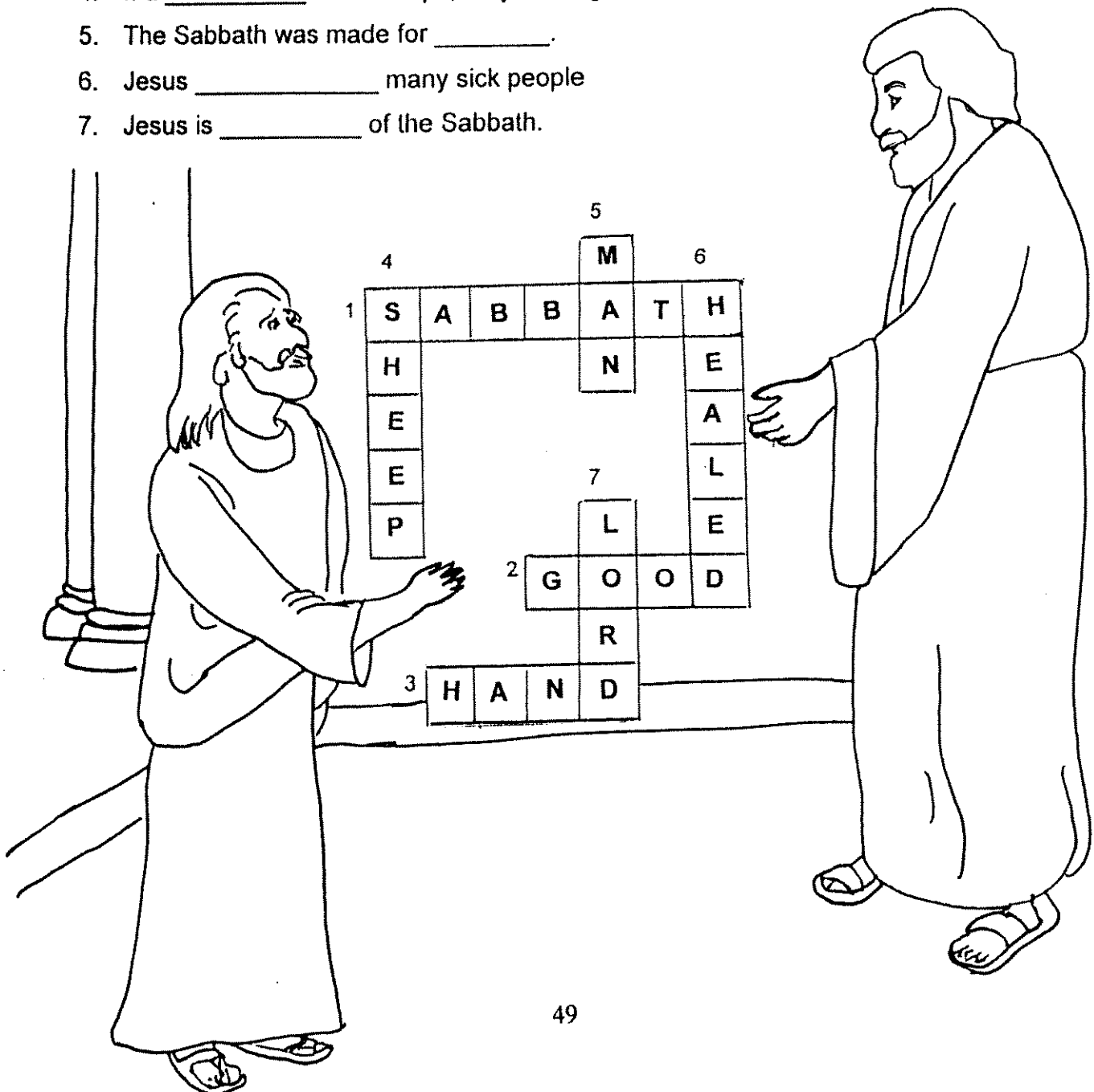
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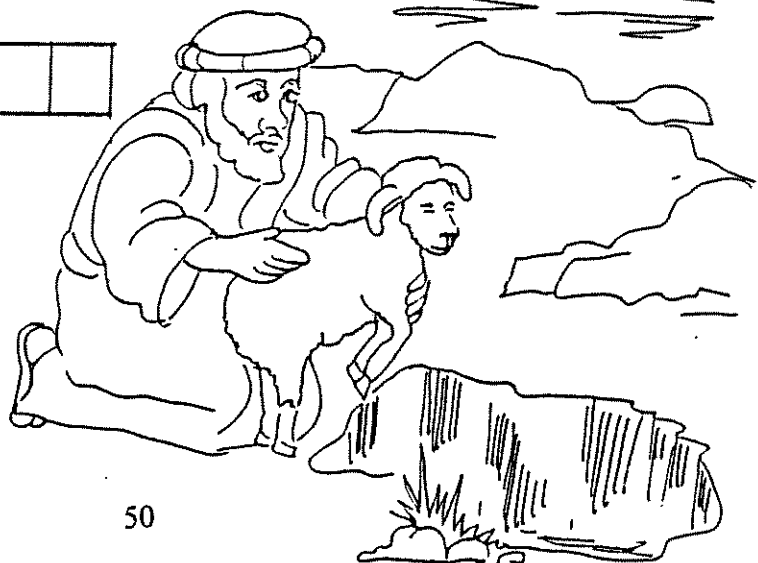
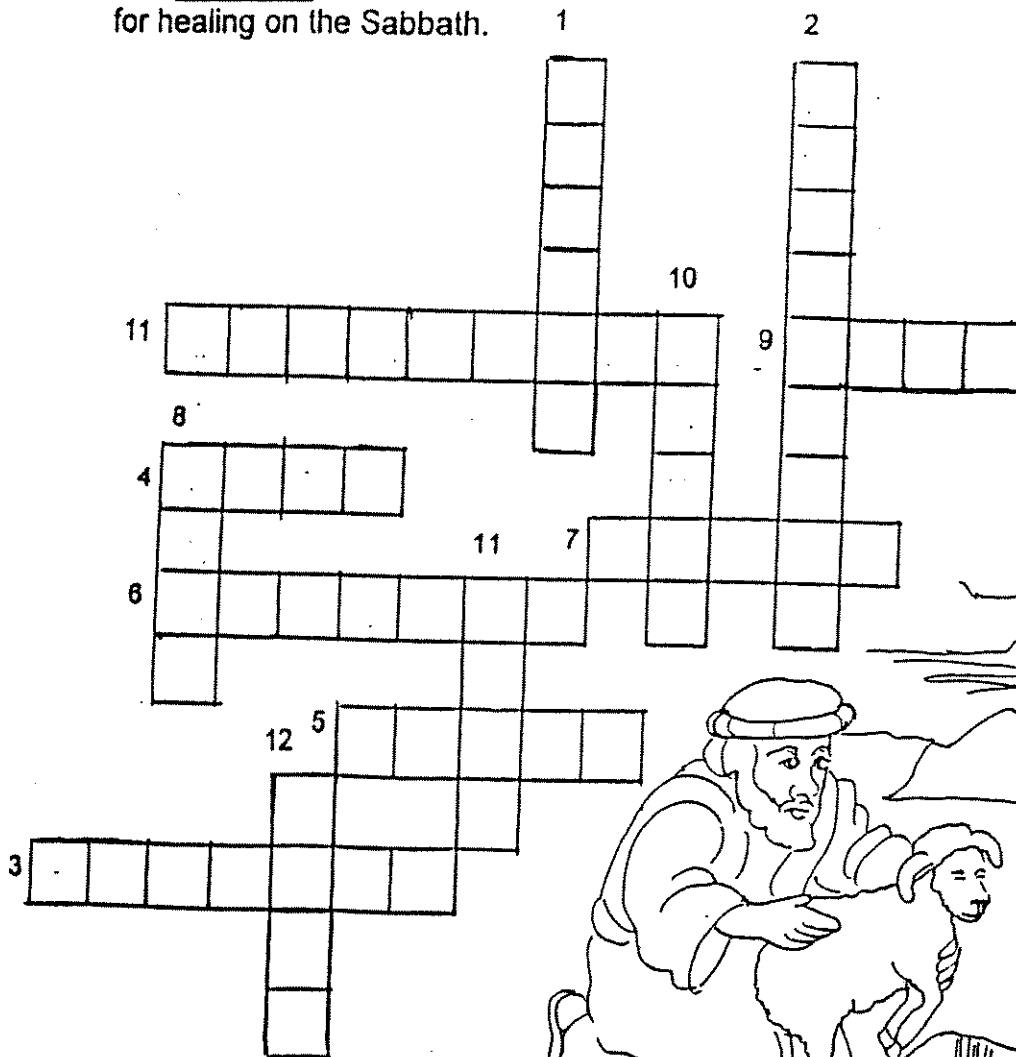


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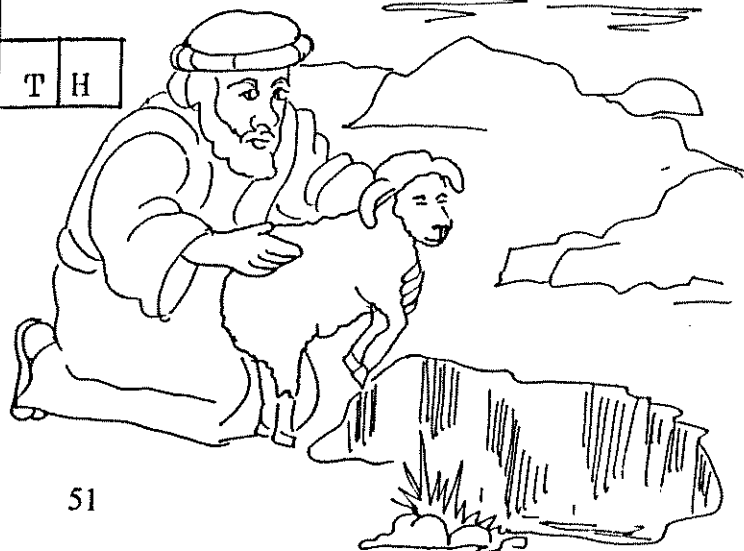
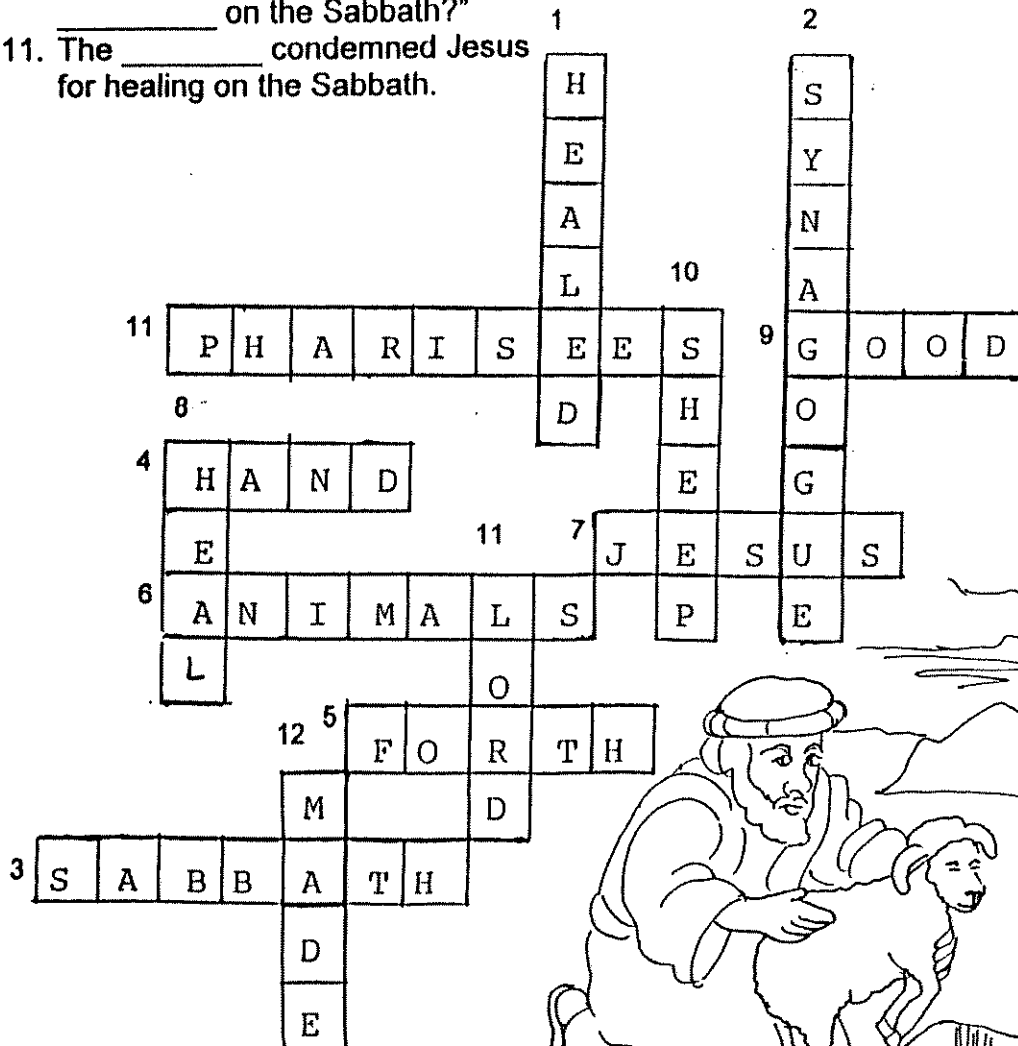
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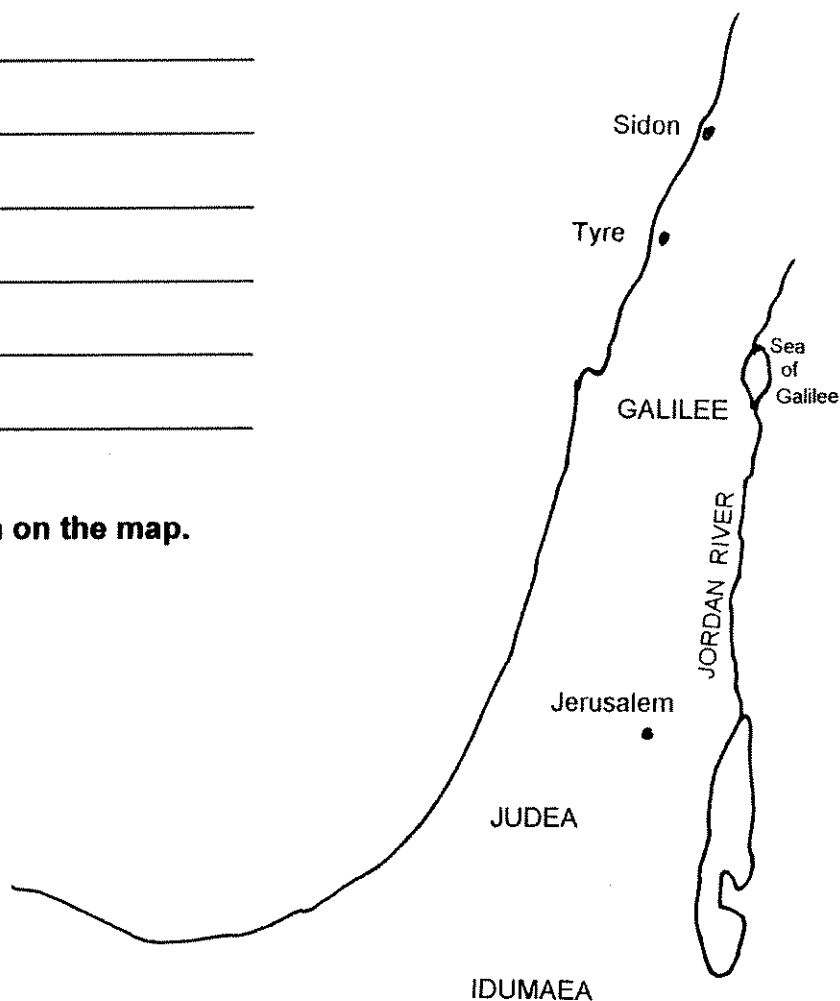


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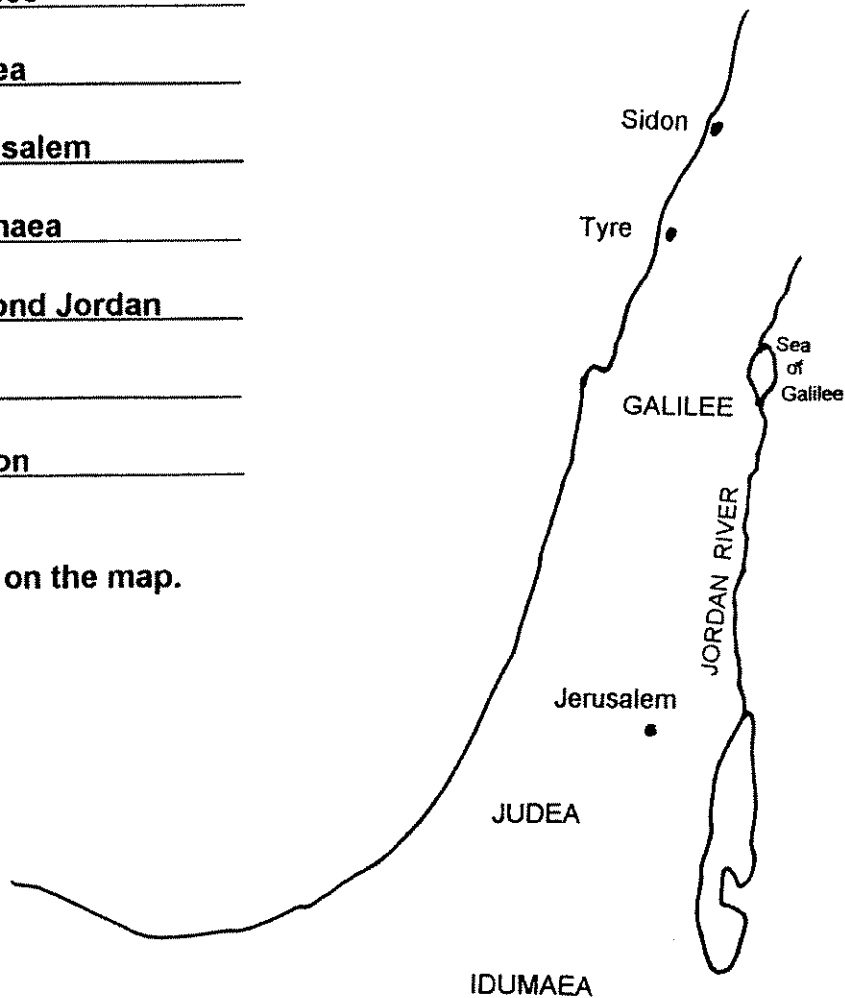
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## THE BEATITUDES

Matthew 5:1-12

Luke 6:20-26

When Jesus traveled about the area of Galilee he taught the people in their synagogues. He preached and did miracles wherever he was. He gained a great following. When he saw the large number of people that followed him, he went up into a mountain and sat down. His disciples came to him and he taught them how they should live their lives on this earth. He taught them how to act during this life in order to show others that they were Christians. We can learn from these lessons how to live our lives. We can learn how to act so that others will know that we are Christians. It is easy to love someone who loves us, but Jesus said, "*Love your enemies.*" He said to pray for those who do bad things to you, and do good to those who hate you. This is not as easy to do as loving those who love us. Jesus taught the disciples what we call the "Beatitudes". Jesus pronounced blessing upon those who were treated badly in this life because they tried to do what was right.

*"Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."* Those humble enough to realize they have a spiritual need are blessed, because they will have a part in the kingdom of God. The proud Pharisee would never feel a need of God's love. He felt he was spiritually superior to the other Jews, and especially the Gentiles. The Pharisee could never enjoy the blessings of God, because he did not humble himself before God to receive God's blessings. Jesus taught that those who sought to be first, would be last, and those who felt themselves unimportant and were the least in this life would be the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 20:30, "*But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first.*"

*"Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted."* There is no joy like the joy of being in Jesus Christ. Those who are sad and troubled receive a strength and comfort from God that far surpasses the comfort of man. God's grace is sufficient for whatever sorrow we might endure, and whatever heartache we might suffer.

*"Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth."* The person will be happy who is kind, gentle, and patient, and doesn't expect much out of this life. He will be satisfied physically by the things of this earth. If a person expects too much, they will be miserable. But a person who can be happy whether he has a little or a lot has an inner peace that comes only from God.

*"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled."* Jesus is the *bread of life* and the *water of life*. The person who hungers and thirsts after righteousness will receive the *bread of life* and the *living water* which is Jesus. Their spiritual hunger and thirst will be satisfied. The scribes and Pharisees thought by keeping the laws of God they became righteous. They did not hunger or thirst after spiritual things, but depended on their physical actions to bring them eternal life. The humble, not the proud, will submit to the will of God.

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*"Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy."* Those who are compassionate, and show mercy and kindness to others will receive mercy from God.

*"Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God"* The only way to have a pure heart is to have it cleansed by the blood of Jesus. Only those who have had their sins forgiven have had their hearts cleansed by Jesus' blood. When they receive a 'pure heart' they become children of God and will someday see God, but without a 'pure heart' they will not enjoy eternity in the presence of God.

*"Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God."* When a person has the peace of God in his heart it shows in his actions. A happy person wants peace, and makes peace with others. He will be recognized by his actions as a child of God. If he tries to make peace and keep peace with others, they will see the love of God in his life, and will know he is a child of God.

*"Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."* Jesus was persecuted while he lived on the earth. He knew that his children would be persecuted after he was gone. The true church has suffered persecution for the 2,000 years it has been in existence. The church was started by Jesus while he was on the earth. The leaders in the Jewish religion persecuted the Christians (those who followed Christ) in the very first church. Those who did not worship God, but worshiped idols, persecuted the followers of Jesus in the early years of the church. Many times the apostles were put in prison for preaching the truth. They were put to death because they preached the truth. Error began to creep into the teachings of the true church, and after Jesus was gone, and after the apostles were gone, false teachings became greater and greater. After a few hundred years other denominations began to come into existence. That is why there are so many different churches, or denominations, today. At first they decided that you could not be saved if you were not baptized. They believed and taught that instead of repenting of your sins and being born again, if you came to the church and were baptized, you became a child of God. Then if that was true, babies should be baptized to make sure that they went to heaven if they died as an infant. The true church taught that an infant was covered by the blood of Jesus until he became old enough to make a decision for himself.

The church began to divide, and there were two groups. Now there was the Baptist Church and the Catholic Church. It was several hundred years later before there were other denominations. This is when 'christians' began to persecute 'christians'. The 'heretics' that our history books teach us about were Baptist people. They believed and practiced what we believe and practice today. The Catholic Church became the state church of Rome, so they had the authority of the government to force people to come to their church and have their babies

baptized by their priests. When the true church stood for what Jesus taught and would not have their babies baptized, they were put in prison, and even killed. Those who killed them in the name of religion believed that not baptizing a baby condemned it to hell, so it was better to kill the parents and stop this religion than to condemn the children to hell. This was Satan's way of trying to get rid of the true church. You are taught in your history books that people came to America and started a new country because they wanted religious liberty. When the constitution was written it did not guarantee that a person could believe like he thought the Bible taught. It was Baptist people who were responsible for the first amendment to the constitution that says a person can believe like he wants to, and attend the church he wants to, or not attend any church if he doesn't want to. The laws of America cannot make you attend a certain church against your will. We are free to read the Bible and decide what is right. We are not killed today because of what we believe.


The time may come when the laws may forbid us to worship as we please. Jesus knew that people would be persecuted for standing for the truth. You may be left out of things because of what you believe, or where you go to church. People may make fun of you because of what you believe or where you go to church. Always remember that it is better to please God than to please men. Jesus said you will be blessed and rewarded for pleasing God even when you are persecuted for doing it, because these people who believe and stand for the truth are the ones who will be in the kingdom of heaven.

*"Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you (make fun of you), and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake."* They made fun of Jesus. They spoke evil of Jesus. They even accused him of doing miracles by the power of Satan. They spoke all manner of evil against Jesus falsely, and even put him to death because he spoke the truth about God. Jesus said blessed are those people who are treated the same way because they believe what he taught.


Jesus said, *"Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you."* Since the beginning of time, Satan has attempted to stamp out the truth. Kings and Queens have put to death the prophets of God. The laws of the land have persecuted those who preached the truth. Other religions have put to death those who stood for the truth. But Jesus said that the gates of hell would not prevail against the church. Jesus promised us that if we are faithful in what we believe and what we practice, we will be rewarded greatly in heaven.

**MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 5:8**


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## **THE BEATITUDES**

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## THE BEATITUDES

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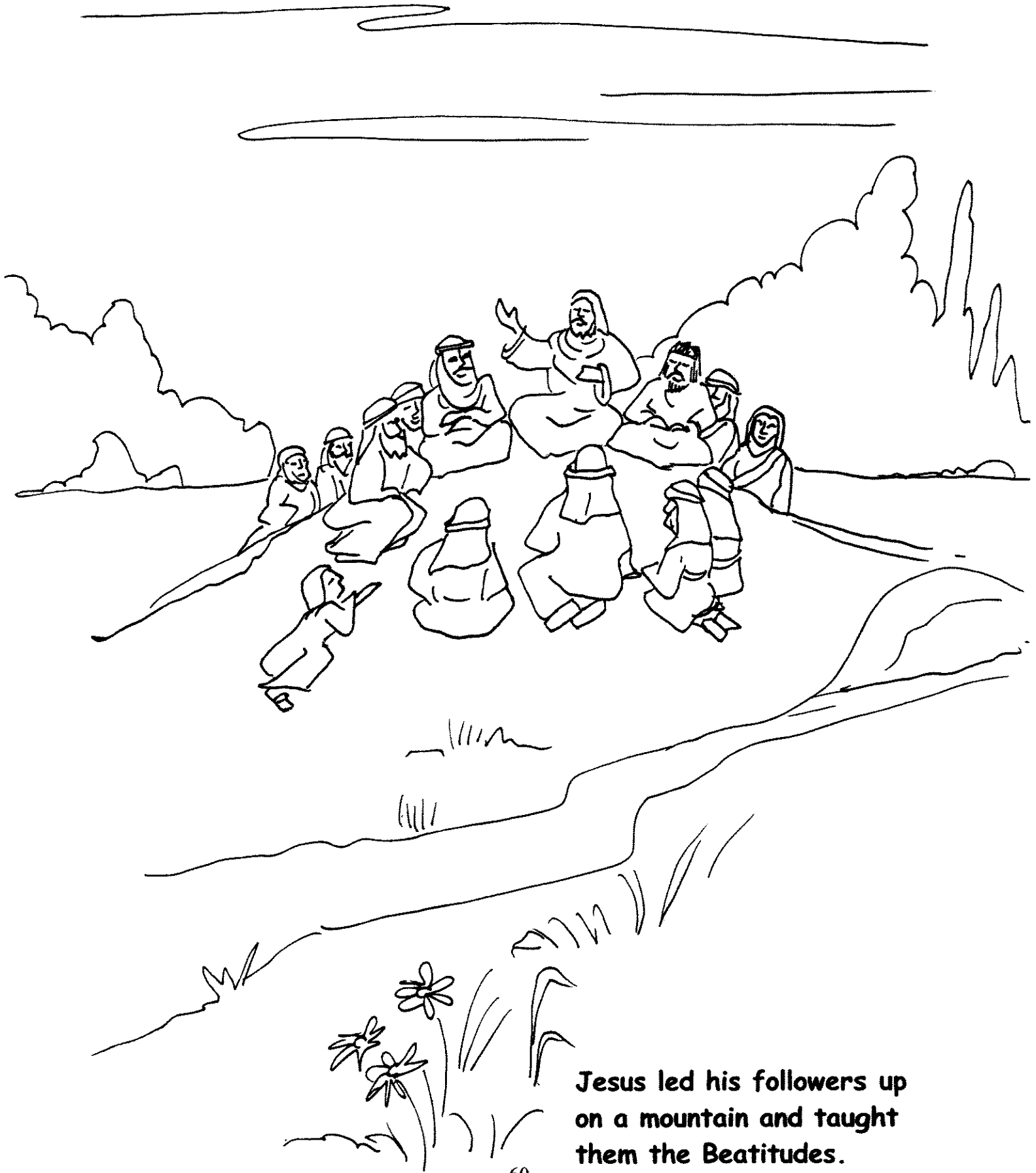
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Matthew 5:3-12





**Jesus led his followers up  
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## THE BEATITUDES

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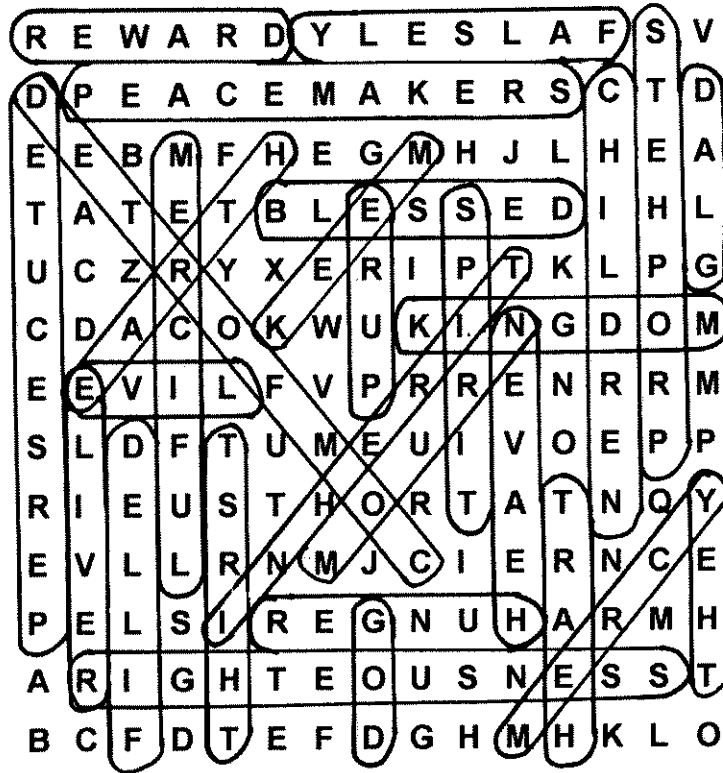
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## THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

### Matthew chapter 5

Jesus traveled throughout the area of Galilee teaching in the synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, and healing the people of all kinds of sickness and diseases. His fame spread into Syria, and they brought sick and crippled people to him to be healed. People came from all over Galilee, Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and the other side of the Jordan River to be healed by Jesus. One day Jesus looked around and saw the great crowd of people who had followed him. He went up on a mountain near Capernaum and sat down. It seems the crowd of people followed him to hear what else he would say and teach. The disciples came to him, and he taught them. The word *disciple* means *learner*. A disciple was a *follower*. Jesus' disciples were those who followed him, who stayed in his body presence, to hear what he taught, and live their lives according to what they learned.

Jesus preached a great sermon. What is a *sermon*? According to Webster's Dictionary a sermon is "A discourse (orderly communication of thought) delivered in public, usually by a clergyman (preacher), for the purpose of religious instruction." When a preacher stands in the pulpit and preaches to us, we call it a *sermon*. When a teacher teaches a lesson in a classroom, she or he does not preach a sermon; they *teach*. Matthew 5:1-2, "*And seeing the multitude, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him: And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,*" Jesus **communicated his thoughts** for the purpose of instructing the people, so we call it a **sermon**. We call it the "Sermon on the Mount" because he sat on the mountain and spoke so all could hear. The mountain made a stage so he was higher than the people and he could be seen. As his voice traveled down the mountainside, he could be heard by a great crowd. He taught them the Beatitudes, and he also taught them many more things about how they should live their lives from day to day, and how they should influence those around them.

Jesus used some comparisons that the people were familiar with. Verse 13, he said, "*Ye are the salt of the earth.*" Salt is essential to our bodies in order for us to be healthy. Jesus asked, "If the salt has lost its saltiness, how can it become salty again?" It can't. It is worthless. It is not good for anything except to be thrown out in the yard and be walked on. The church is the *salt* of the earth. If we do not preach the truth, we lose our **saltiness**, or our effectiveness in the world, and are good for nothing. If salt is not salty, we do not get the benefit of it in our food. If the church does not maintain the truth, the world does not get the benefit from its teachings that it needs to learn about God.

Jesus said, verse 14, "*Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid.*" In John 8:12, Jesus said, "*I am the light of the world.*" Jesus came as the spiritual light to a world dark in sin. When Jesus was on the earth he started his church. When he went back into heaven, he left his church as the **light of the world**. We as his people are the light of the world. There is no other way for the world to see Jesus except in us. The lights of a city

that is built on a hill cannot be hidden. They can be seen in the darkness from many miles away. If people see Jesus in our lives, we are lights that cannot be hidden. Verse 15, *"Neither do men light a candle and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house."* We do not light a candle, and then put something over it so the light cannot be seen. We put it out where the light will illuminate the entire room; then we can see in the darkness. Proverbs 4:18-19, *"But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day. The way of the wicked is as darkness: they know not at what they stumble."* We are the light of the world to help people avoid stumbling in the darkness of sin. Verse 16, *"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."* Why should we let our lights shine? Not so we can brag about how good we are! We let our lights shine so others will see our good works and glorify God. Our lives should bring honor and glory to God.

Jesus explained the difference in **'law righteousness'** and **'God's righteousness'**. Many times the pharisees accused Jesus of breaking the law because he healed people on the Sabbath, or he allowed his disciples to pick and eat grain when they walked through a corn field on the Sabbath and were hungry. Jesus tried to explain the purpose of the law. Jesus said, *"I didn't come to destroy the law or the prophets, but to fulfill them."* The law does not make something wrong, it just shows that it is wrong. The scribes and the Pharisees thought that they were righteous because they did not break the law. Jesus said our righteousness should be greater than the righteousness of the Pharisees. In verse 20 Jesus said, *"except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven."* Jesus wanted them to understand that the Pharisees thought they were righteous because they kept the law, but the only way to be righteous in the sight of God is to admit we are sinful and ask forgiveness. The Pharisees denied that they did anything wrong. We must admit that we do wrong, and ask God to forgive us. The law says, *"Thou shalt not kill."* If you kill someone you will be judged and found guilty. The Pharisee said, "I have not killed, therefore I am righteous," but Jesus said not to even hate someone. If you hate another person badly enough to want to kill them, or wish they were dead, you are guilty. The Pharisee says, "I did not do the act, so I am not guilty." Jesus said our thoughts make us guilty before God.

Jesus also taught what our attitude should be when we come to church. Verse 23, *"Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath aught against thee; Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift."* If we come to worship and remember that we are angry with someone in the church, we should first go to that person and get our problems straightened out, then we can come and worship God. You cannot worship God if you are thinking angry thoughts. God forgives, we must forgive.

Jesus put the same interpretation on all of the ten commandments. Jesus taught to always tell the truth, even if we suffer for it. Verse 37, *"But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil."* Never tell a lie, or twist the truth around to make it sound like something it is not, just to make us look better. Always be

perfectly honest. Anything less than honesty is evil. Jesus said, “*do not bear false witness*” or tell a lie about someone else. But if we know others believe something about someone else that is not true, we do wrong if we do not tell them the truth. If we let someone believe a lie, we are as guilty as if we told the lie.

Then Jesus talked about other things in the law besides the ten commandments. Under the law, if someone hit another and blinded them, or knocked out a tooth, or disfigured them in any way (a bad scar on their face, a broken arm, etc.), that person had a right to do the same thing to them as their punishment. Jesus said we should be forgiving, not use the law as an excuse to do evil to someone else by saying it is their punishment, and getting by with it. It is better to walk away from minor issues than to fight. It is better to avoid a fight. It is always better to make peace if possible. Jesus said if someone hits you on the right cheek, turn to him the other cheek. The law said if someone hit you on the cheek, he was to be hit on his cheek as his punishment. But Jesus said, “*turn your other cheek*”, or “*take his punishment for him*”. If he deserved to be hit on his cheek, and you turn your other cheek, you are offering to take his punishment for him. That is what Jesus did for us. We deserved to die because of our sins, but Jesus took our punishment for us. He did not have to die, but he died in our place.

Do your part freely and willingly as a Christian. If a person brings a lawsuit against you to take away your shirt, go ahead and let him have your coat also. If a person asks for your help, help him. If he asks to borrow something, and you have it to lend, let him have it. Under the Roman law, if a soldier was traveling from one military post to another and had a heavy backpack to carry, he could command someone on the road to carry it for him for one mile. The person asked was obligated to carry the load; but he only had to carry it one mile. Then he could put it down and he would have fulfilled his obligation. Jesus said if someone compels you to go with him one mile, go with him two. If by law you must go one mile, out of the goodness of your heart, in order to be helpful, go two miles. Do more than is expected of you.

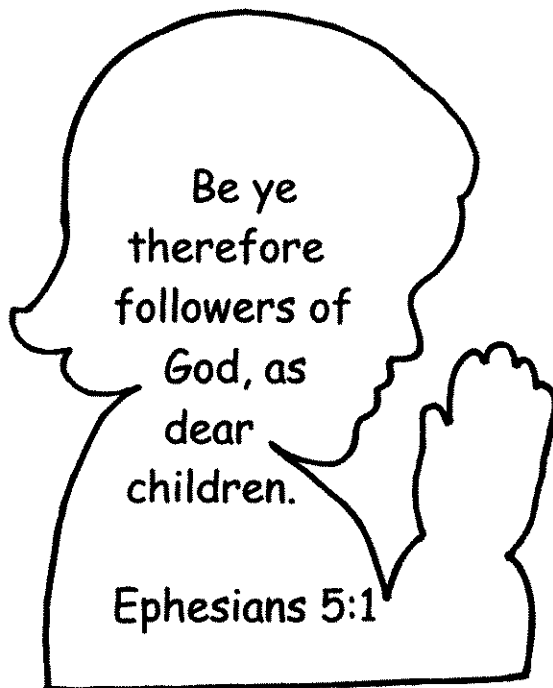
Jesus also taught the disciples about love. He said, “You have heard that you should love your neighbor, but it is okay to hate your enemy.” But Jesus told them to love their enemies also. He said, “*But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you.*” Why should we do this? So that others will see that we are children of God, and have the love of God in our hearts. Does God love those who love Him, and hate those who are evil? Does the sun shine only on good people? Does the rain fall only on good people, or does it fall on bad people too? Jesus said, “*God makes the sun to shine on the evil and on the good; He makes the rain to fall on the just and on the unjust.*” Jesus asked them, “If you love them who love you, what reward do you have? Even the publicans (sinners) do that. If you are kind to your friends, what have you done that others have not done? Even the publicans (sinners) are kind to their friends.”

#### **MEMORY VERSE: Ephesians 5:1**

“Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children.”









**The disciples followed Jesus to a mountain where he preached to them.**

# THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

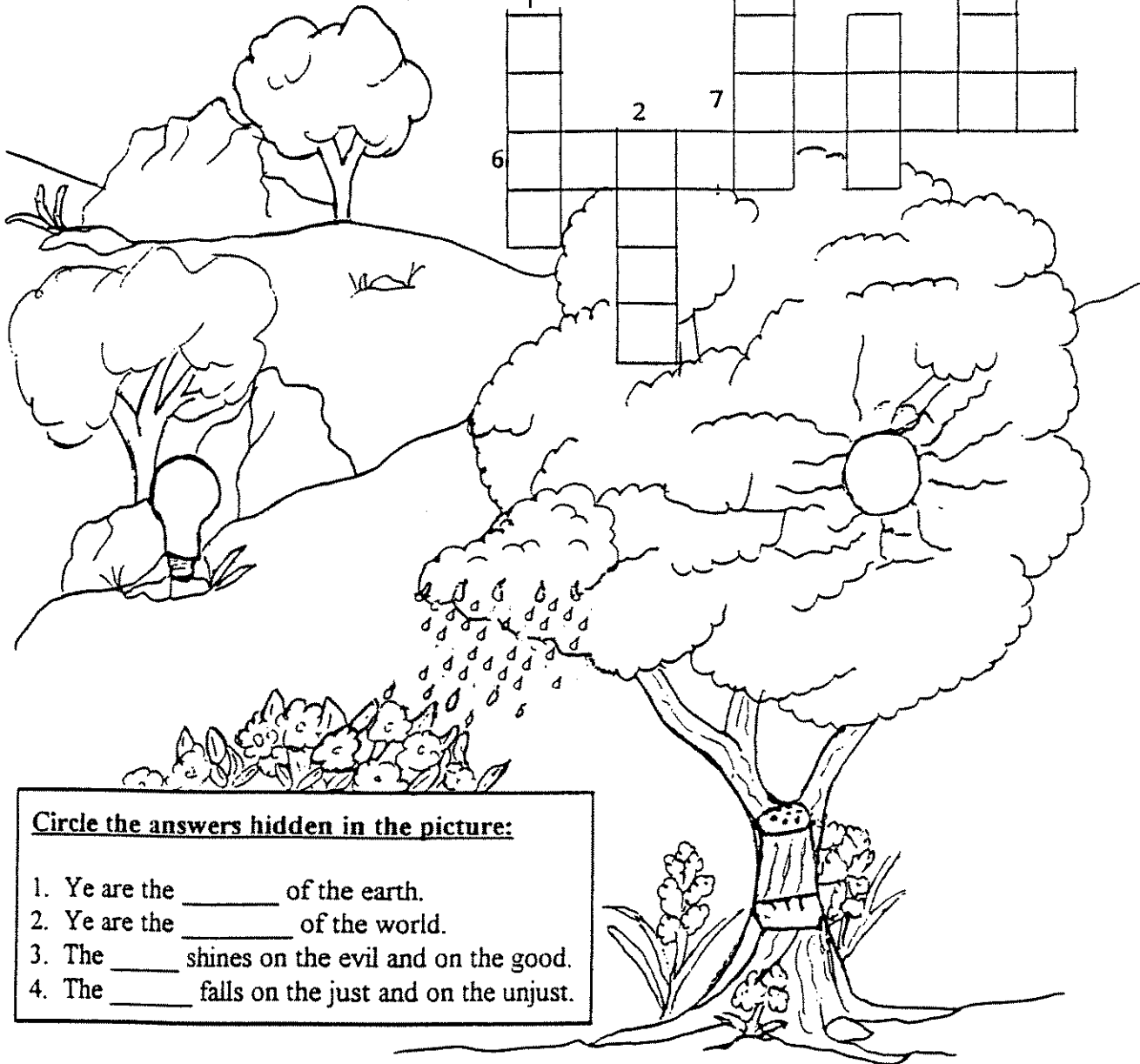
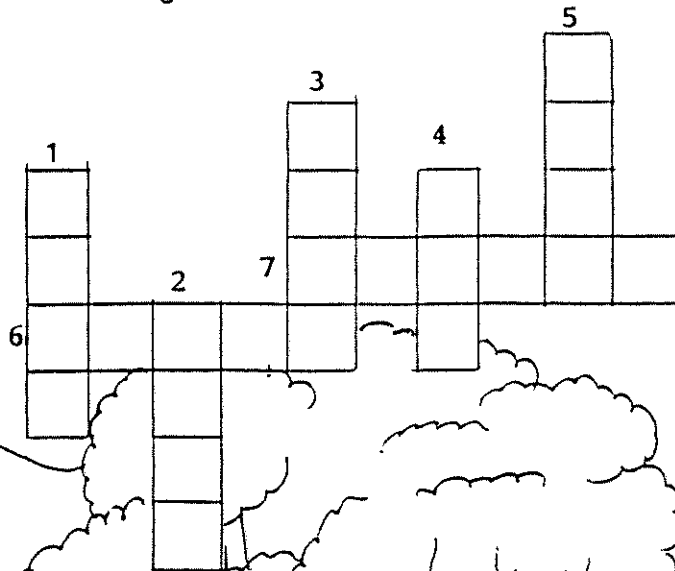
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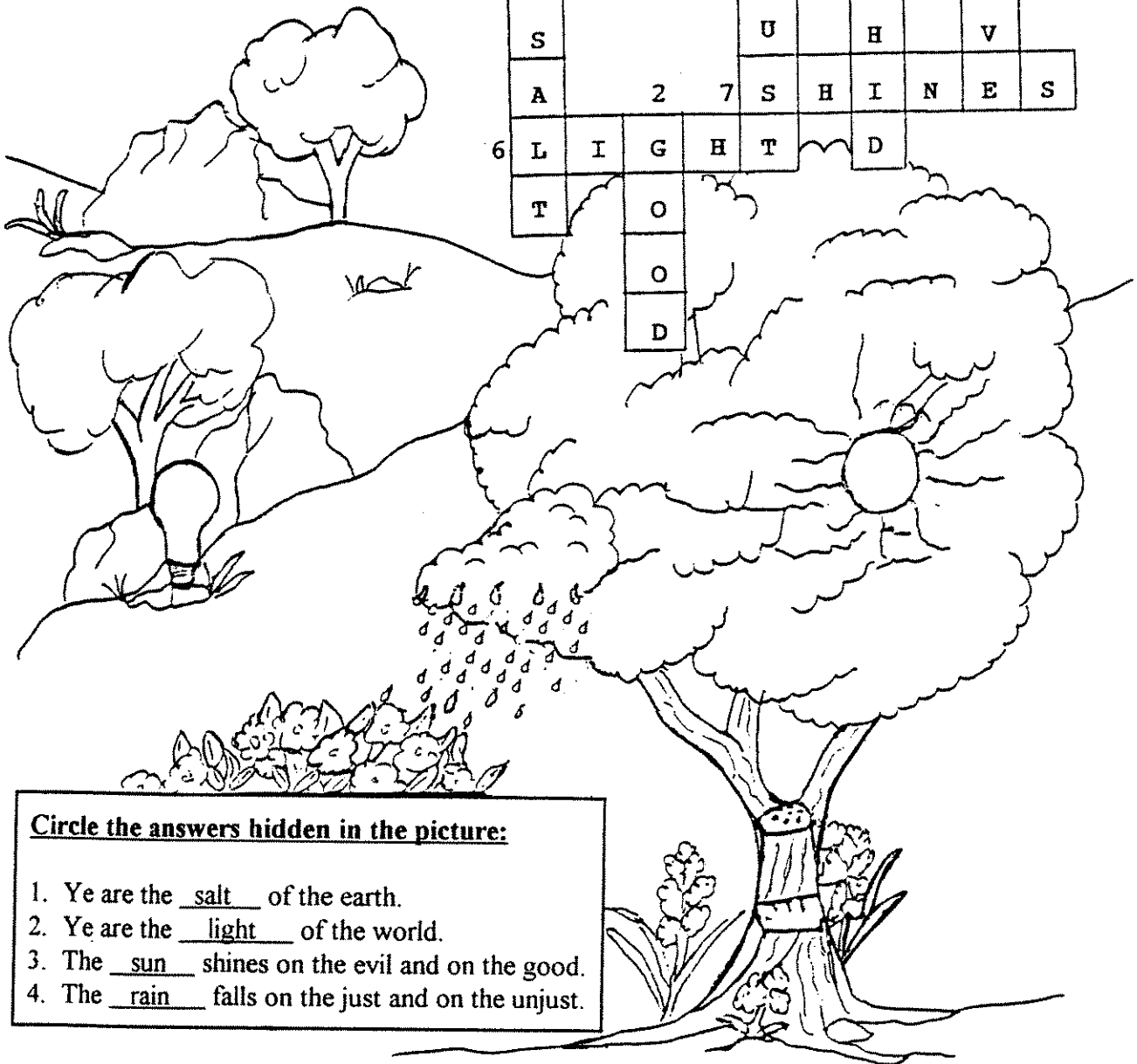
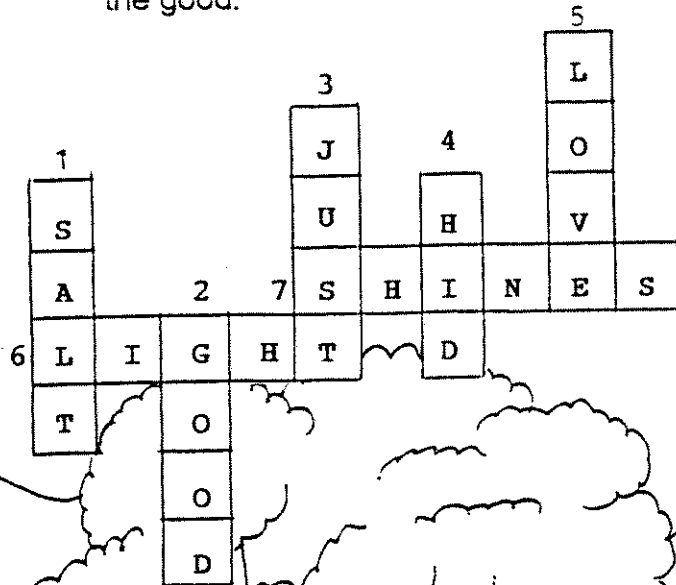
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## THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

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3. Jesus said, "Ye are the \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth."
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## MORE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

### Matthew chapter 6

In Matthew chapter 5 Jesus taught the Beatitudes. He taught the disciples that the church would be left to carry on his teachings when he went back into heaven. The church would be the salt of the earth, and the light of the world. He taught them the difference in God's righteousness and law righteousness. He taught them it was more important to live godly lives than to uphold each requirement of the law. In chapter 6 Jesus taught them about giving to the poor, about prayer, and about seeking earthly riches.

Jesus taught his disciples how they should go about giving to the poor. They were required by law to give money to the support of the temple. Every man over the age of twenty was required to give a half shekel each year when he came to the temple to worship. Then they were taught to give of their money to help those who did not have any money; the sick or crippled who could not work, the hungry, and the poor. This was called alms giving. The tribute money was given to the temple, and their alms was extra money given to the poor. Matthew 6:1, *"Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven."* If we give so others will see what we have done and brag on us, God will not reward us. Jesus said not to be like the hypocrites. The hypocrites would sound a trumpet in the synagogue or on the streets and draw a crowd so that other people would see what they gave to some poor person. Then others would know how rich they were and how generous they had been. Jesus said they did this to have "glory of men". They wanted other people to think highly of them. Jesus said, *"They have their reward."* This was all the reward they got. God did not reward them. Jesus said when we do alms (give to the poor), do it secretly. Jesus said, *"But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly."* To not even let one hand know what the other hand gives, would be very secret. Don't hold up your money and wave it around so that others will see what you are giving. Give quietly, and secretly. God who sees in secret will reward us openly for our good deeds. We will not have to call attention to ourselves.

Jesus taught the disciples about prayer. Prayer is when we talk to God, so our prayers should be between us and God. Jesus condemned the Pharisees and called them hypocrites because of the way they prayed. He said the hypocrites love to pray standing in the synagogue or on the street corner so everyone will hear them. He said, *"They have their reward."* Jesus said, *"But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly."* When we pray, we should pray in secret. This doesn't mean that we have to go into our bedrooms and go into our closets and literally shut the door before we can pray. We can pray at anytime, and anywhere we are; but we must shut out everything around us. We must shut out everyone else and everything else from our hearts and minds, and talk to God. We should not call attention to ourselves. We should not tell other people, "Be quiet now, because

I am going to pray.” Just pray within your own heart, and your own mind. Others do not need to know. Find time to go away somewhere away from other people and pray. God who sees in secret, will reward us openly. The hypocrite had his reward when others heard him.

Jesus also said, “*When ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.*” Jesus told the disciples not to beg God over and over again as the heathens, or idol worshipers did. The heathens think if they ask God enough, or beg God enough, God will finally give it to them to get them to hush. Jesus said God knows what we need even before we ask. Maybe we are asking something of God that is not for our good. Maybe we are asking for something that we really do not need. God knows and God will answer our prayers in the way that is best for us.

Jesus taught us to pray our personal prayers privately, then he gave an example of praying publically. **Matthew 6:1-13.** Jesus said to pray after this manner: “*Our Father which is in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.*” *Hallowed* means *holy*. We pray to God who is our Father and is in heaven, respectfully and with reverence. Our first desire is for Jesus to come back and rule as our king, so that the will of God will be done on earth as it is being done in heaven. Then we ask for things we need; not abundance, but only our day to day needs in order to survive. We should not ask for an abundance of food, but only enough for each day. Jesus explained forgiveness. When we ask for forgiveness, we should not ask God to forgive us if we have not forgiven others who may have wronged us. Jesus said that if we forgive others, God will forgive us, but if we do not forgive others, God will not forgive us.

Then Jesus taught the disciples about another religious tradition of their day, fasting. To fast meant to go without eating for a certain period of time. There was some confusion by the disciples of John because they and the Pharisees fasted, while the disciples of Jesus did not fast. When they asked Jesus why his disciples did not fast, he told them there was no need to fast as long as he was with them. When Jesus was gone back into heaven, then his disciples could fast. Moses fasted for forty days when he was on Mt. Sinai. God gave him the strength he needed to survive while he was on the mountain receiving the law. When Elijah killed the false prophets of Baal and had to run away from the evil Queen Jezebel, an angel prepared food for him to eat two times and told him it must last him for forty days while he was traveling to Mount Horeb. When Jesus was tempted in the wilderness he fasted for forty days, and afterward the angels fed him. Some churches today practice forty days of a form of fasting before Easter every year. They think this makes them pure or good in the eyes of God. They do not do without food completely as Moses and Elijah, or as Jesus in the wilderness, but they deny themselves certain things during this time. It is a self-imposed form of punishment or sacrifice. There are no requirements made for Christians today to fast. The only true form of fasting is when you are so involved in doing the work of God that you do not take the time to stop and eat. If you put more importance upon serving God than eating, this is fasting, and only you and God should know about it. If you are so busy serving God that you do not have time to eat, don’t tell anyone. God knows. If you are so busy helping others that you do not have time to eat, don’t tell anyone. God knows. If you are so busy studying the word of God that



you do not stop to eat, don't tell anyone. God knows. When the Pharisees practiced fasting twice a week, they put on a sad face and let everyone know what a burden they had to endure in order to fast. Jesus condemned them for this. He called them hypocrites. Jesus said, "*Be not as the hypocrites.*" Jesus said when they tell someone they are fasting they have their reward. God will not bless them. Jesus said if you do fast, to wash your face, comb your hair, and put on clean clothes. Don't appear to be suffering. God sees in secret and will reward you openly. If you tell people you are fasting, you have your reward. God will not reward us for doing something just so we will look good in the eyes of other people.

In this sermon that Jesus preached, he also taught them about money. Jesus said not to be concerned with earning money just to be rich. The men who sought riches would put their money in bags made of woolen material, and the moths would eat holes in them and the money would fall out and be lost. They would invest their money in material possessions that rust would destroy, and make it worthless. They would hide their money, or buy jewelry, and thieves would break into their houses and steal it from them. Moths eat up fine woolen clothing. Rust destroys things of value. Thieves break in and steal money and jewelry. Jesus said to spend your time serving God, therefore you are laying up treasures in heaven where moths and rust do not destroy and thieves do not break in and steal. Jesus said, "Don't be greedy." You can serve the God in heaven, or you can make money your god, but you can't serve both.

Jesus taught them a lesson from nature. Don't be overly concerned with having a lot of food to eat. The birds do not plant seeds, harvest crops and store food in barns. God provides for them, and you are more important to God than the birds. Spend your time serving God and he will bless you with the things you need. The wild flowers of the fields do not spin thread and weave cloth to make beautiful garments for others to admire. Yet they are more beautifully clothed than King Solomon with all of his riches. The wild flowers grow up and bloom, then they are mowed down and gone. There is nothing left. They are not eternal as man is. Man is more important to God than the things of nature. God provides for the birds, and He makes the beautiful flowers to bloom, but man is more important than all these. Will God not do even more for us? Don't worry about tomorrow, what you will eat or wear. Unsaved people seek for security in things they can obtain. Unsaved people strive to earn a lot of money and buy a lot of things to make them feel important. Unsaved people spend all of their time getting earthly riches. Verse 33, "*But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.*" This is not an excuse to be lazy. This is not an excuse for a man to not look for a job to support his family. We should not sit down and expect God to give us everything. Neither should we spend all our time working just to earn more money so we can buy more things. God knows what you need. Spend your time serving God and He will provide you with what you need to survive in this life. Put God first, and He will take care of the rest.

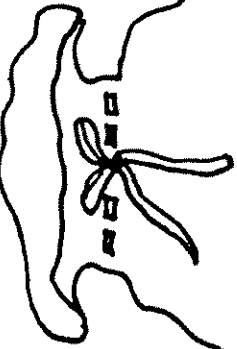
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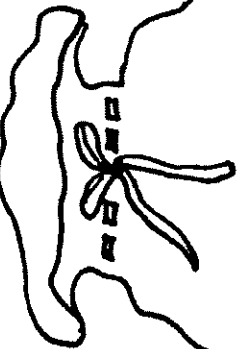
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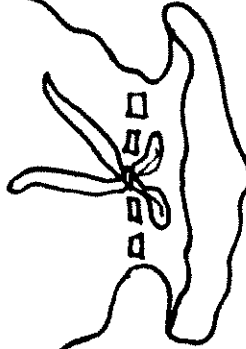


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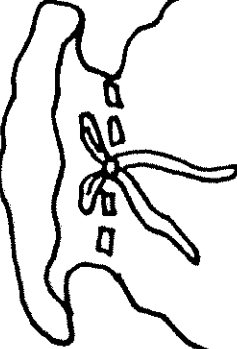
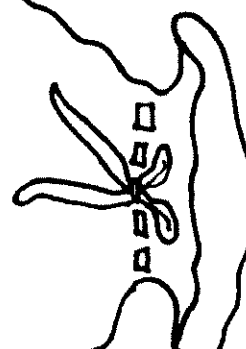
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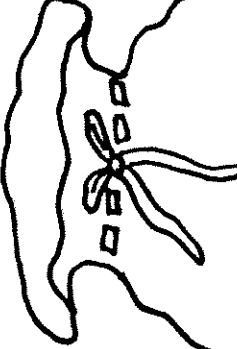
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## **MORE SERMON ON THE MOUNT**



**Jesus taught the disciples about prayer.**

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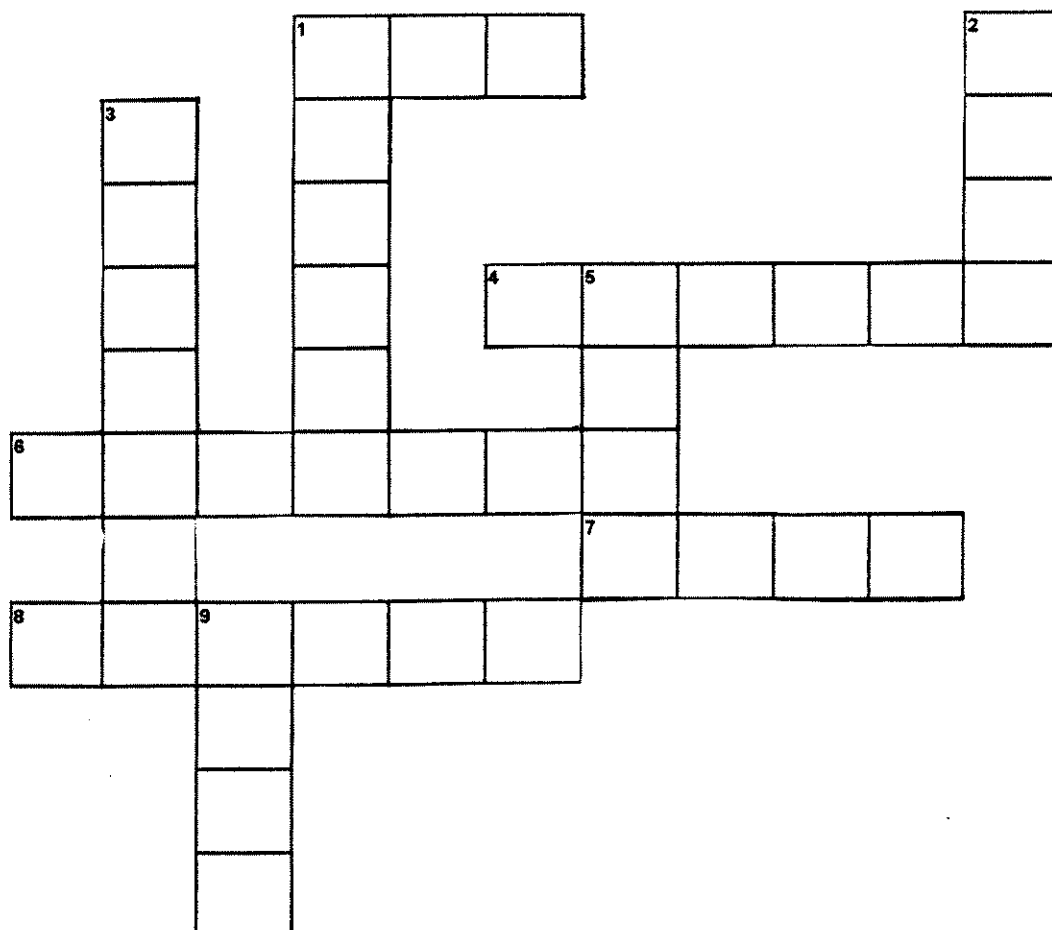
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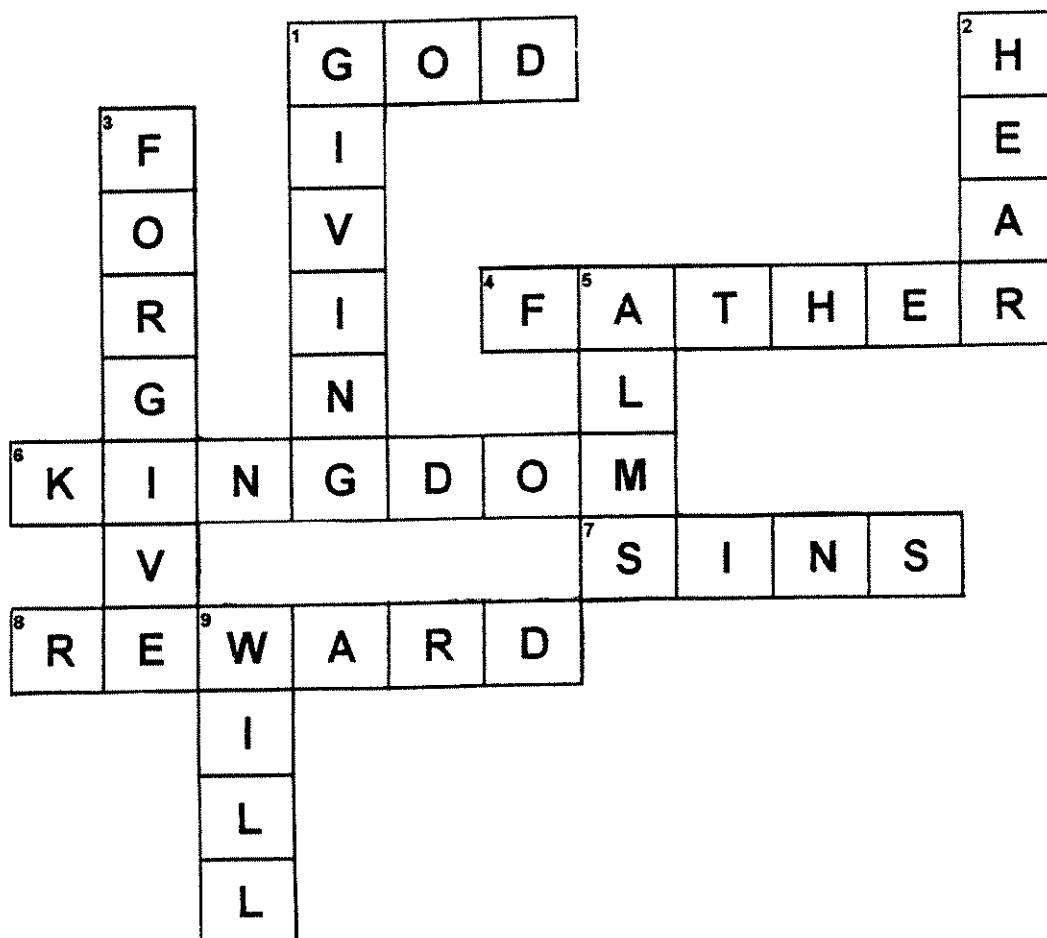
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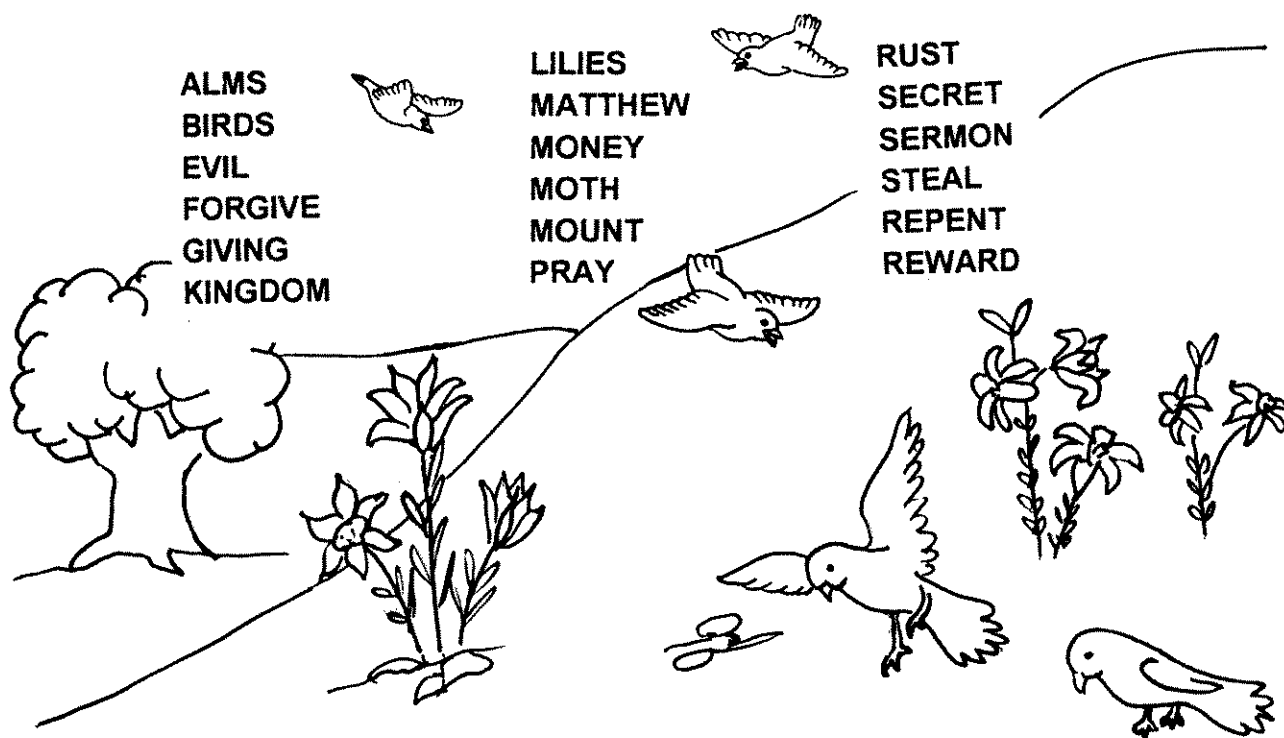
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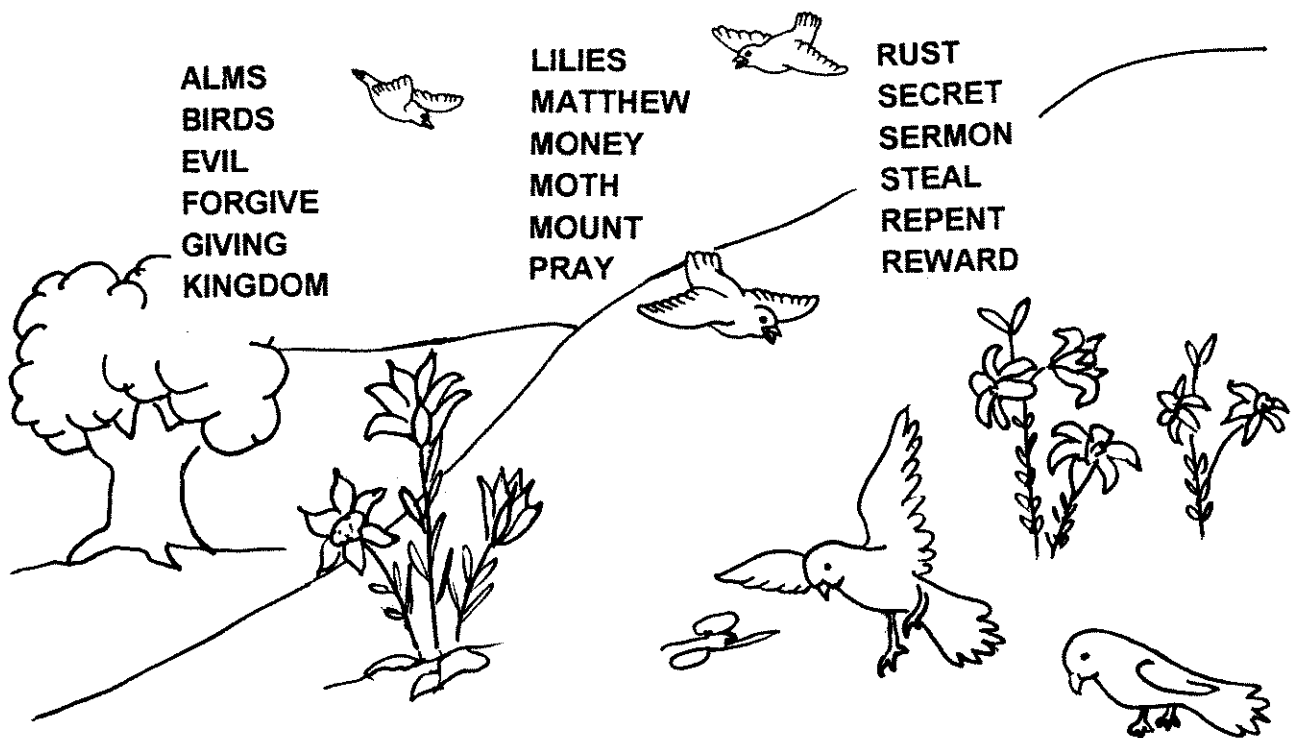
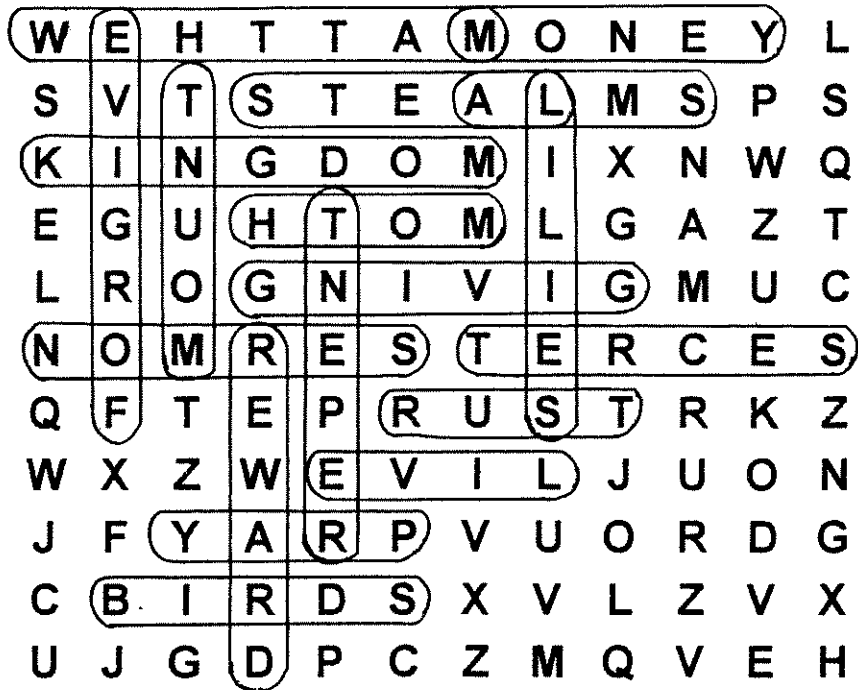


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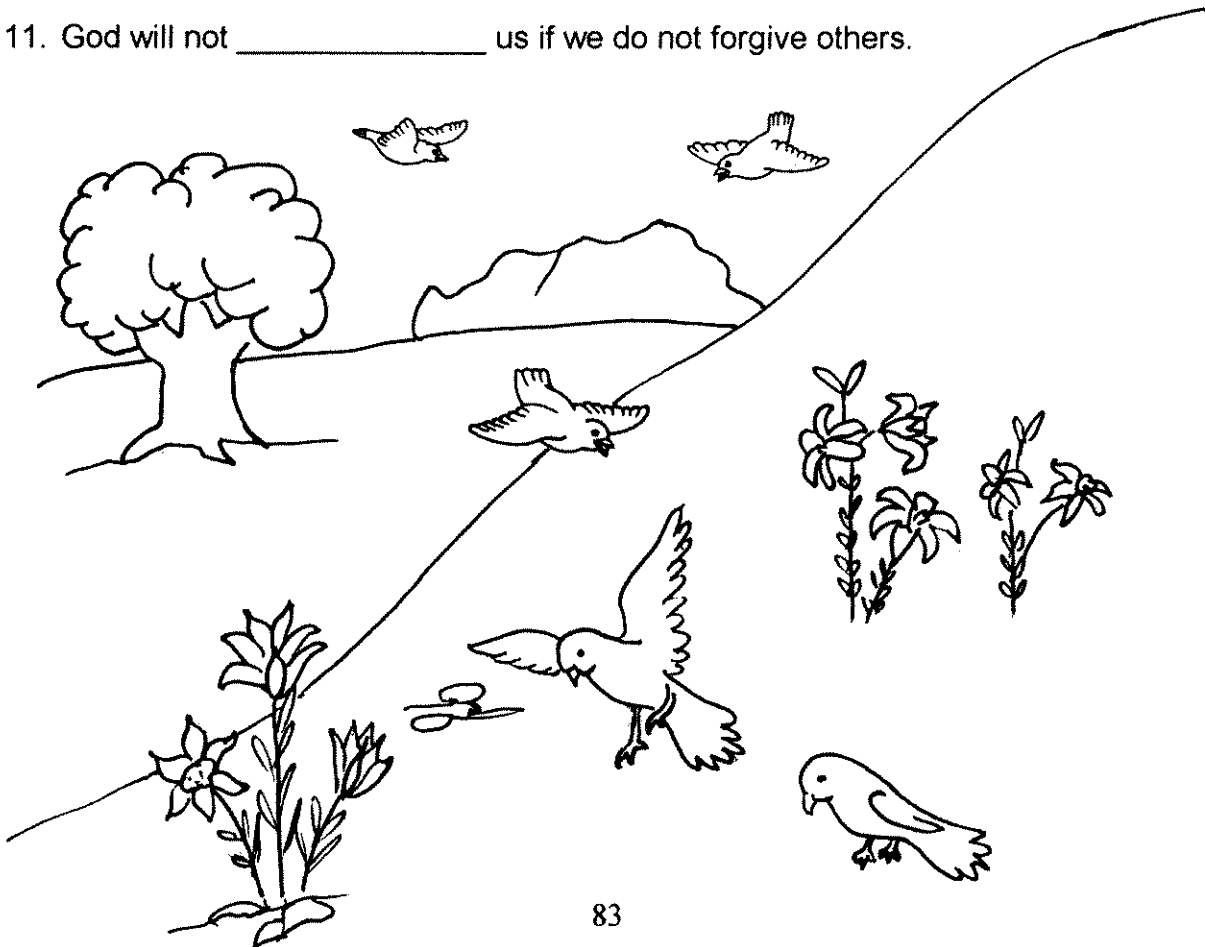
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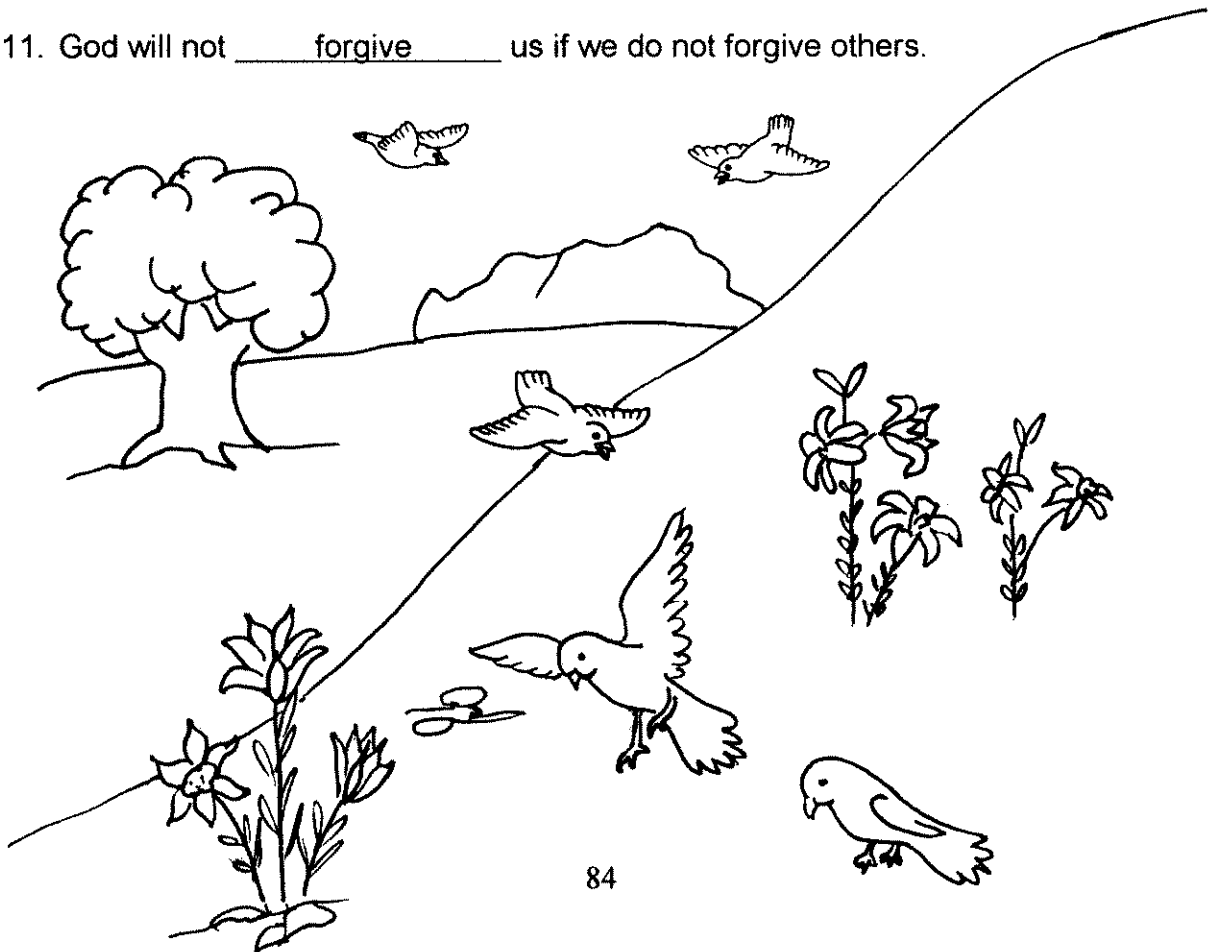




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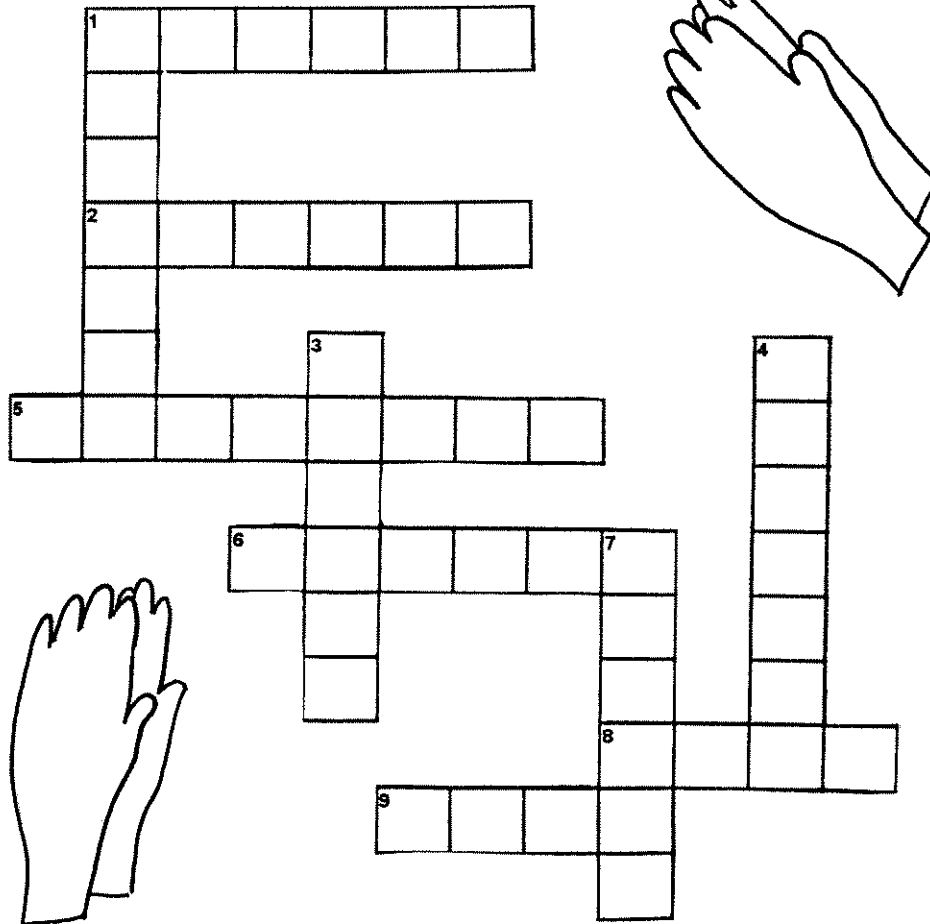
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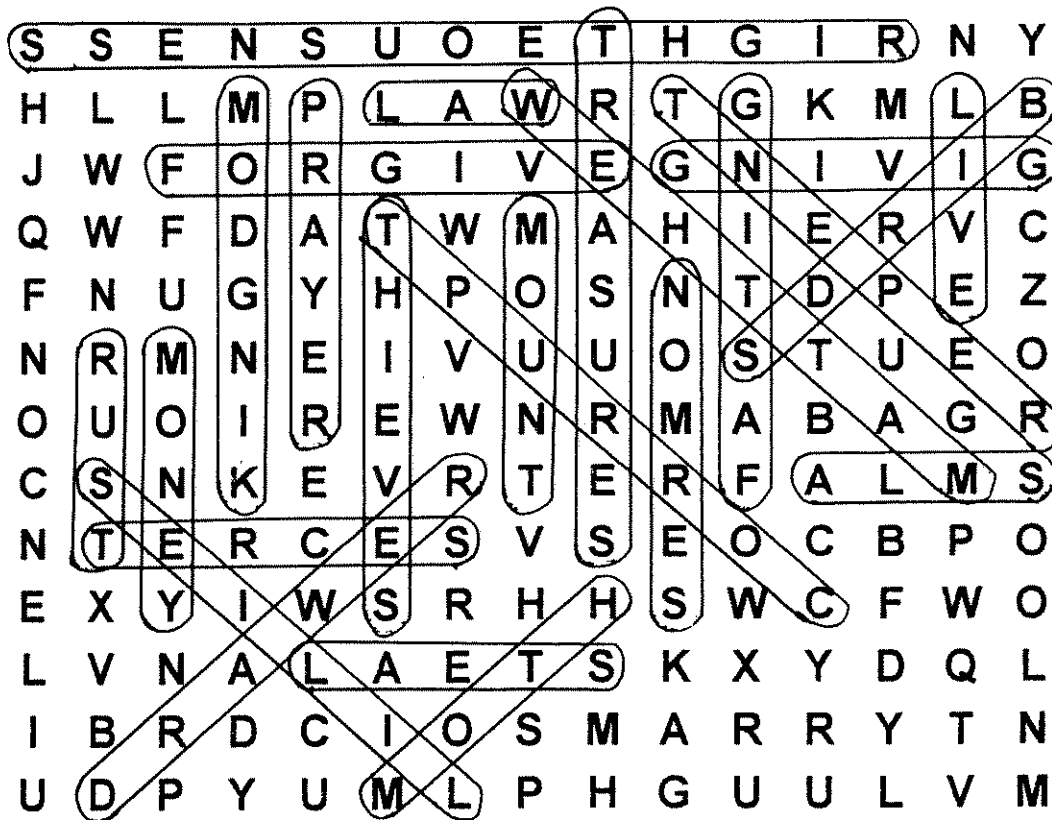
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## WOLVES IN SHEEP'S CLOTHING

**Matthew 7:13-23**

**Luke 6:43-46**

**John 10:12**

Jesus taught to walk in the straight and narrow path that leads to God's righteousness rather than enter the wide gate and the broad road that leads to destruction. Evil ways are more attractive to the flesh than the godly ways. Jesus warned the people about following the crowd and doing what is popular. We cannot follow what is popular in the religious world. We cannot believe what is popular among other denominations. We must seek the will of God and obey His teachings. He said there is a wide gate and a broad road and many people travel it; but it leads to destruction. The way of truth is a small gate, and a narrow road, and only a few find it. The majority of the world believes a false religion. Only a few compared to the number of people in the world believe or even want to know the truth.

Even when Jesus was on the earth, he warned the people to beware of false prophets, people who preach things that are not true. They come in sheep's clothing, appearing to be harmless, but inside they are as deadly as hungry wolves. If a flock of sheep saw a wolf coming into their midst, they would be afraid. The wolf by nature would devour the sheep. The sheep know this. They would sense danger, and run for shelter and protection. But if a wolf took the skin of a sheep and placed it upon himself so that he smelled like a sheep, his skin looked like a sheep, his face looked like a sheep, he could walk about among the sheep and they would not be afraid of him. Unless the sheep were very observant they would not know he was a wolf in sheep's clothing. If they were very aware of what a sheep looked like, and what a wolf looked like, they would know something was wrong. Maybe they would notice that his eyes didn't look right. Or maybe they would notice he did not have the feet of a sheep. If the wolf did a thorough job of dressing as a sheep, it would be very hard to detect that he was not a sheep.

Jesus said, "*Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.*" Jesus said to beware (to watch out for) false prophets. False prophets are men or women who teach things that are not like Jesus taught. They teach things that are not taught in the Bible. When the Pharisees came into the church and taught law righteousness, being saved by keeping the law, they were false prophets. There are false prophets in the world today, men who teach things that are not according to the teachings of Jesus. There are preachers who preach things that are not true. They come into the church in sheep's clothing, appearing to be harmless, but inside they are as deadly as hungry wolves.

The only way we can know false prophets is by what they teach. We must be very aware of what the Bible teaches, or we may not notice that something is wrong. Sometimes it may seem so small as to be unimportant, but it can grow into something bigger. Early in the life of the church men began to teach that repenting of their sins and having faith in Jesus as their Savior was not enough; they must also be baptized. They were false prophets. The Bible

does not teach that you have to be baptized in order to be saved, but you are baptized after you have been saved. Then they began to teach that if you must be baptized to be saved, then babies should be baptized as soon as they were born, believing that if they died as an infant they would not be saved unless they had been baptized. They were false prophets. A baby is covered by the blood of Jesus until they are old enough to be accountable for their own sins. Then some false prophets decided it was not good to immerse babies under the water, or to immerse elderly people, or sick people, so they substituted just pouring water over their heads, or sprinkling water on them for baptism. This does not show the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus. Baptism, when a person is placed under the water and brought back up out of the water, is a picture of Jesus being buried and rising again. When someone teaches differently, they are false prophets. Unless we study the Bible and know what it teaches, we may not know when someone is a false prophet. They can come into the church and slowly begin to change what we believe and practice, until we will become a false church.

Jesus said that not everyone who claims to be a child of God is a child of God. We know by the way they act. They teach things that look good. They preach things that sound good; but they are the things that lead down the wide road that leads to destruction. The narrow road adds nothing except what Jesus taught, and leads to life everlasting. Jesus said, *"Ye shall know them by their fruits."* Jesus asked the people a question, "Do you gather grapes from a thorn patch? Do you go to a weed patch to look for figs?" Of course not. We go to a grape vine to pick grapes, and to a fig tree to look for figs. We know by the fruit it bears what kind of a tree or bush it is. A good tree bring forth good fruit, and a poisonous plant does not bring forth fruit that is good to eat. Luke 6:45.

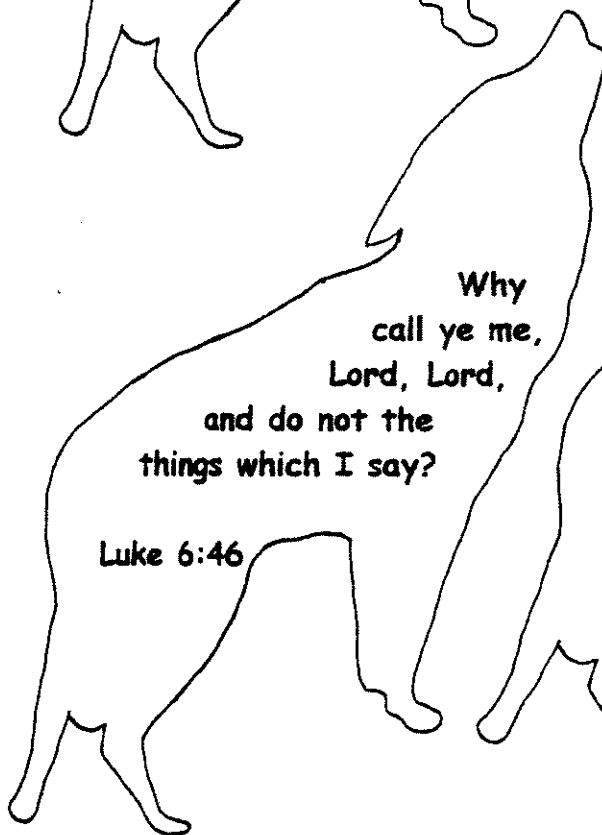
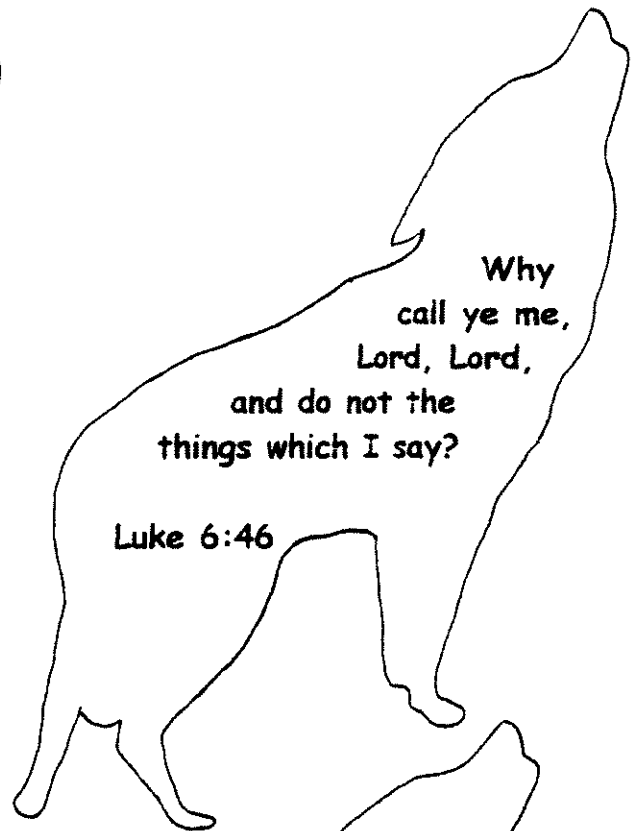
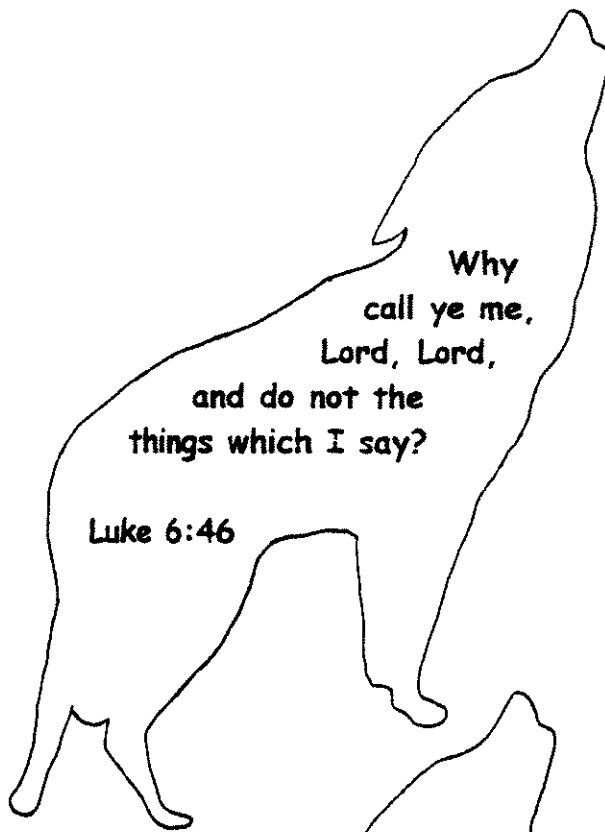
Jesus said that not every person who calls him Lord will enter into the kingdom of heaven; only those who do the will of God. Matthew 7:22-23, *"Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? And then I will profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity."* In the day of judgement many preachers will ask, "Have I not preached in your name? Have I not cast out devils in your name? Have I not done many spectacular miracles in your name?" Preachers today claim to cast out devils in the name of Jesus. They claim to heal people in the name of Jesus. But what they preach and teach is not according to the word of God. They are false prophets, and someday Jesus will tell them they did not preach and teach the truth. He will say, "Depart from me. I never knew you. You worked iniquity. You did sinful acts. You taught error in order to deceive people and keep them from knowing the truth." How do we know the truth? How do we know what is right? Jesus said it is by hearing what he said and doing the things he taught. We should not follow the teachings of men. We should follow the teachings of Jesus as it is written in the Bible. The teachings of men lead people down the wide road that leads to destruction.

**MEMORY VERSE: Luke 6:46**

"And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?"

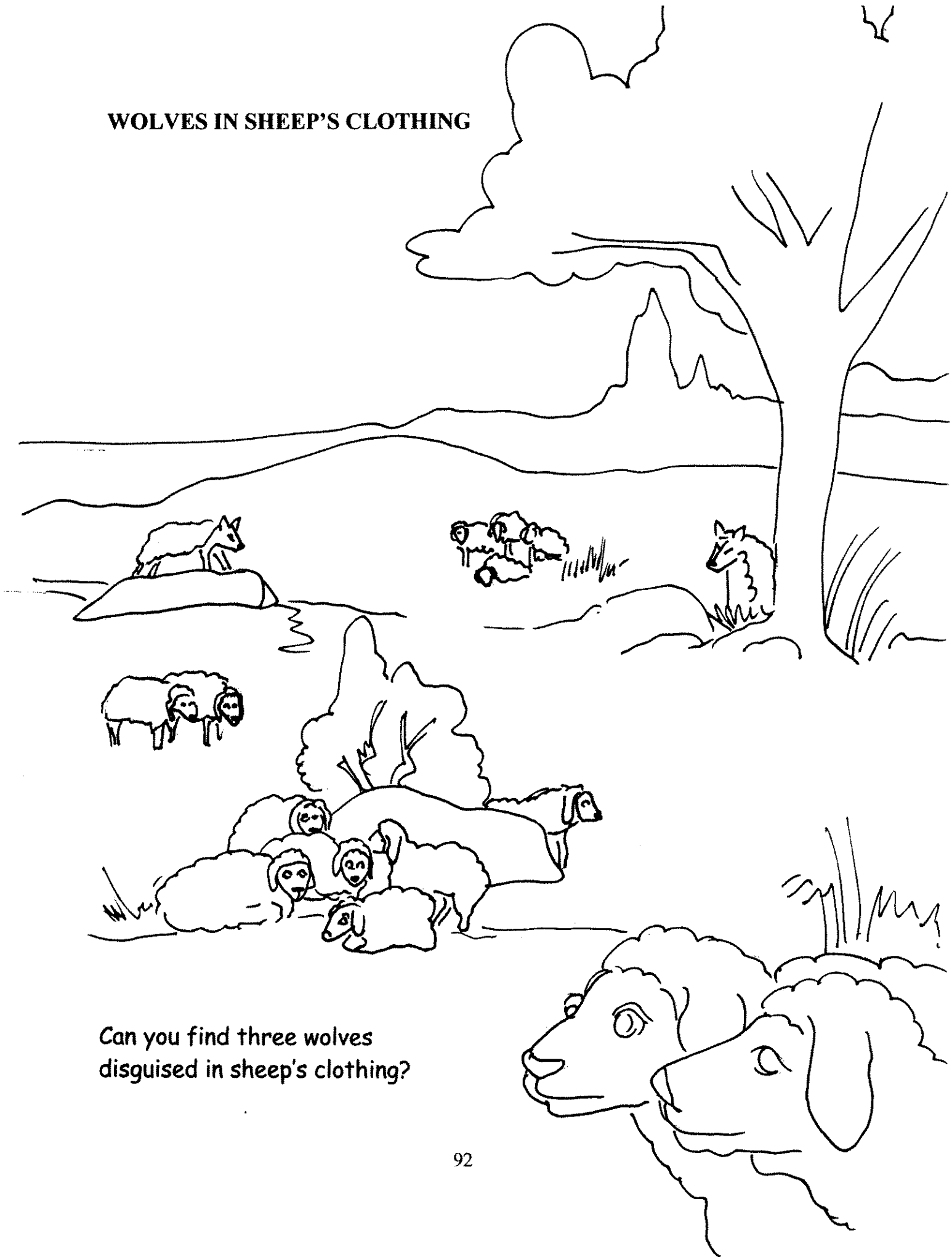
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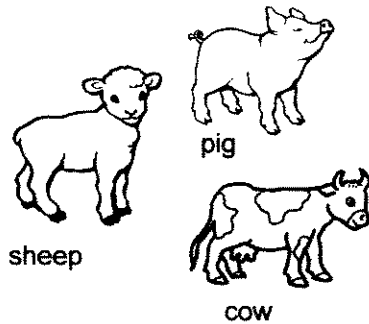


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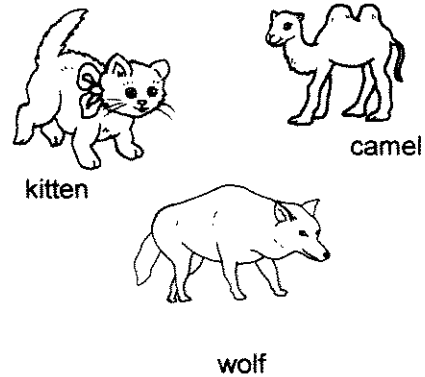
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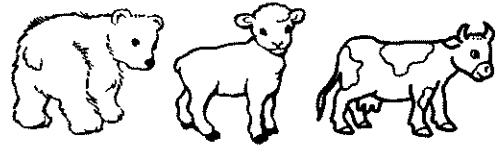


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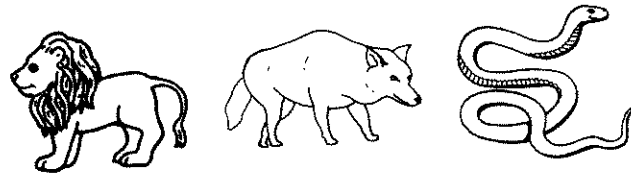


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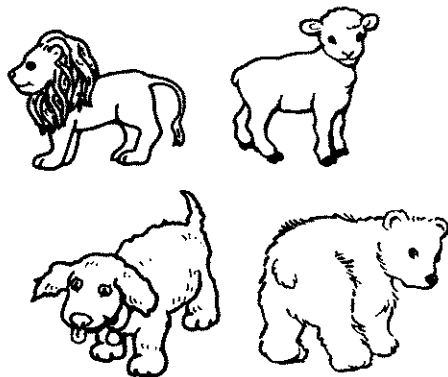
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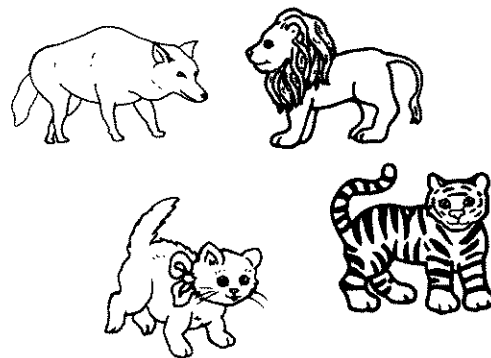
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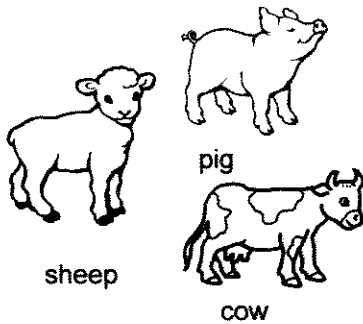
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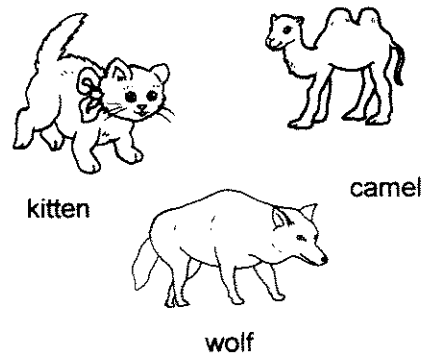
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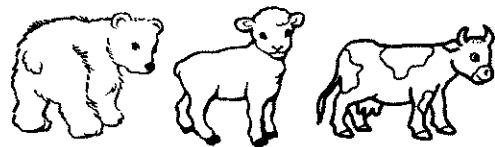


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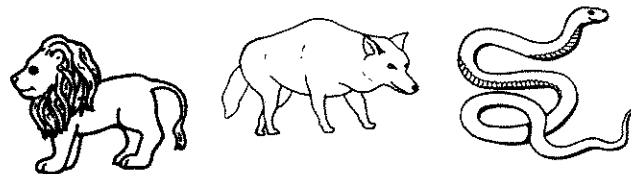


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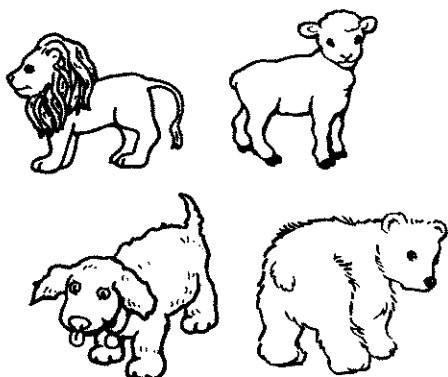
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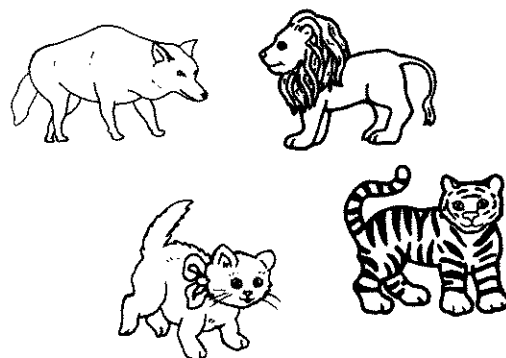
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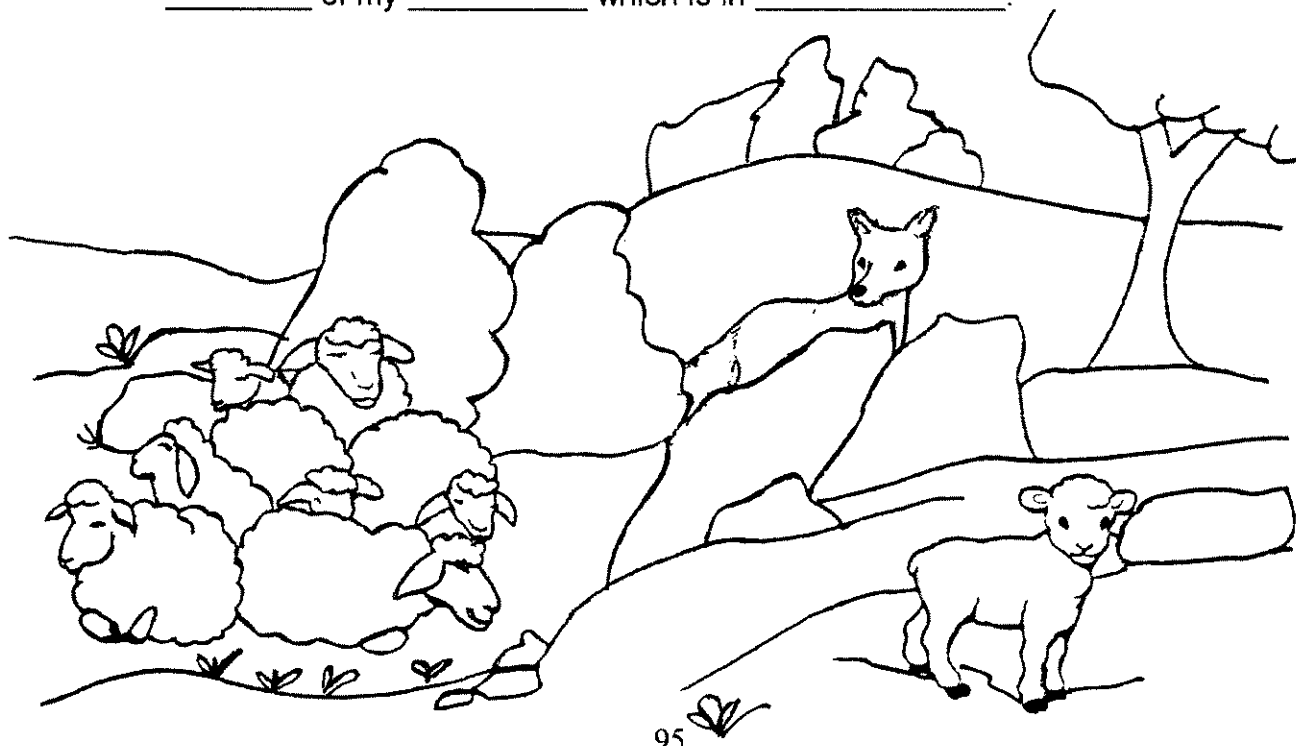
**John 10:12** "But he that is an hireling, and not the \_\_\_\_\_, whose own the \_\_\_\_\_ are not, seeth the \_\_\_\_\_ coming, and leaveth the \_\_\_\_\_, and fleeth: and the \_\_\_\_\_ catcheth them, and scattereth the \_\_\_\_\_."

**Luke 6:46** "And why call ye me, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and do not the \_\_\_\_\_ which I \_\_\_\_\_?"

**Matthew 7:13** "Enter ye in at the strait \_\_\_\_\_: for \_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_, that leadeth to \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ there be which go \_\_\_\_\_ thereat."

**Matthew 7:15** "Beware of \_\_\_\_\_ prophets, which come to you in \_\_\_\_\_ clothing, but \_\_\_\_\_ they are ravening \_\_\_\_\_."

**Matthew 7:21** "Not every one that saith unto me, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, shall \_\_\_\_\_ into the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_; But he that doeth the \_\_\_\_\_ of my \_\_\_\_\_ which is in \_\_\_\_\_."



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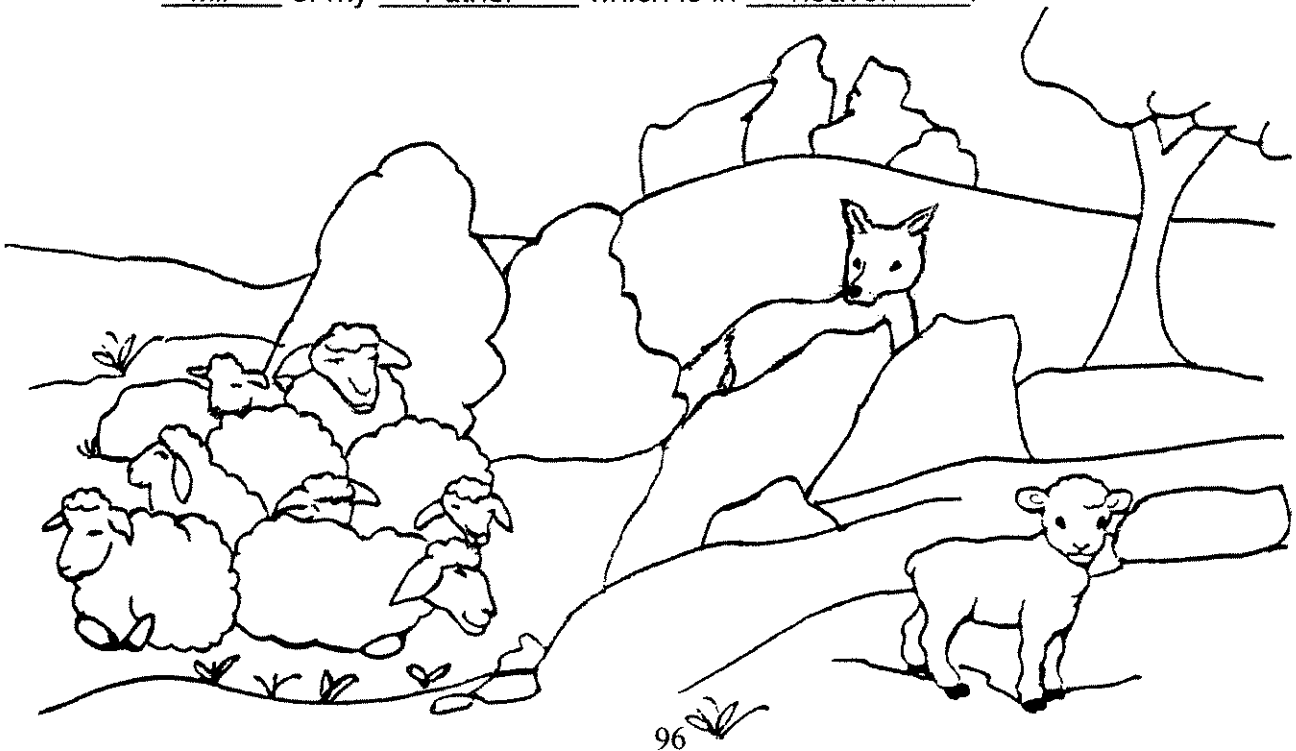
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## THE WISE MAN AND THE FOOLISH MAN

### Matthew chapter 7 (7:24-29; Luke 6:46-49)

Many, many people followed Jesus up on a mountain to see his miracles and hear his teachings. As he spoke what we call the sermon on the mount, Jesus spoke the beatitudes and then taught the people concerning truth and righteousness. He taught them the church is the salt of the earth, and must remain true or it will lose its effectiveness. The church is the light of the world, to illuminate the area with truth in order for others to see spiritual things properly. Keeping the law was not enough. The righteousness of the Pharisees was not acceptable in the eyes of God because they did not repent of their sins. Jesus rebuked self-righteousness and taught they must repent. He taught them about love. We should show love to others, even those who do not love us. We should not do evil to others just because they would do evil to us. God sends His love on all, the sun shines on the good and the bad; the rain falls on the good and the bad. Jesus taught to show mercy and forgiveness to others. He taught to give to the poor and help those who need our help if we are able to give it, and not expect something in return. He taught about prayer, and about living their daily lives in a way that was acceptable to God.

In chapter 7 Jesus taught about judging others. We should not be critical of others who do wrong unless we acknowledge our sins also. How we judge other people is how they have a right to judge us. We should not be critical of their wrongdoing unless we first are sure we do not have the same sins, or greater, in our lives. *"And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye."* Jesus said if we tell others they should get rid of a certain sin in their lives, and we have a greater sin in our own lives, we are hypocrites. If a person has a large chip of wood in his eye, he cannot see clearly to get an eyelash out of someone else's eye. He must first get rid of the large object that is blocking his own vision. We must first get rid of the sin in our own lives, then we can help others to get rid of sin in their lives, and to live a godly life.

We should seek the will of God. God knows what we need and He will do what is best for us. Verses 9-10: *"What man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? Or is he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?"* Jesus compared them and their children to our heavenly Father and us. If a man's son asked him for some bread to eat, would the father give him a rock? If he asked for a fish, would he give him a snake? Luke 11:12 says, *"If he asks for an egg, will he give him a scorpion?"* Then Jesus said in Luke 11:13, *"If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children; how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask hm?"* If we who are sinful people know how to do good things for our children, how much more so will God do for us. We are evil by nature, but we do not do bad things for our children. This does not mean we can ask God for

anything we want and He is obligated to give it to us. God knows what we need in order to serve Him. God will direct us by His Spirit if we ask. He will lead us by His Spirit if we seek His guidance. He will give us the strength we need to serve Him if we ask.

Do unto others as you would have others do unto you. This principle is taught in verse 12: *"Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."* Whatever we would like for people to do for us, that is what we should do for them. However we would like for people to treat us, that is how we should treat them.

Jesus said to avoid the wide path of evil and temptations that leads to destruction, but seek the narrow way of truth that leads to life everlasting. He said to beware of men who teach a false doctrine, even though they may be in the church. If they do not teach what Jesus taught they are false prophets. Jesus said to listen to his teachings and live our lives accordingly.

Jesus said, "If you come to me and listen to what I teach, and do what I say, I will show you who you are like." He said they were like a man who decided to build a house. He was a wise man, because he dug down deep into the ground and laid the foundation for the house on a rock. Then he built his house. When the storms came, and the wind blew hard, it did not shake his house. When the rains fell and the floods rose up around the house, it did not shake the house from its foundation, and it did not wash the foundation out from under it. The winds could not blow it away, and the floods could not wash the rock on which it was built out from under the house. Jesus said he was a wise man for having built his house on a solid rock.

Then Jesus said, "If you hear what I say and do not do what I have taught, you are like a foolish man who decided to build a house." It was too much work and would take too long to dig down and lay a foundation on a rock. It wouldn't matter anyway in how the house looked. He had a level sandy place, and that would be easier to just build his house on the sand. So he did. The storms came. The rain fell, and the floods washed up around the house. It washed the sand out from under it, and there was nothing for it to stand on. The winds blew down the walls, and the house was completely destroyed. The man had nothing to show for his labor. It may have looked just like the other house. It may have appeared to be as strong as the other house. But it didn't have the right foundation, so it could not withstand the storms and the floods that washed against it.

If we build our life on the firm foundation, the rock of Jesus Christ, we will be able to withstand the storms of life that come. But if we do not have a firm foundation, the storms of sin will completely destroy us, and we will have nothing to show for our life. When Jesus taught the "sermon on the mount" he taught the people how to build their lives on a firm foundation. He said to hear what he said and do it, do like he taught them. Jesus was not talking about salvation. He had already taught that the way of salvation was repentance of sins and being born again a child of God. After we are born again, we must build our lives on the solid rock, Jesus Christ, on the truth, in order to have anything that will stand the storms and temptations that Satan throws our way.

Jesus said not to commit wicked, sinful acts; but to live clean godly lives. Love your neighbor as you do yourself. Also love your enemies, and go good to those who do evil to you. Don't do things to be seen of others; do your good deeds secretly, and God will reward you openly. Forgive others for their wrongdoing. Help those who are in need. Give to those who ask for your help. Pray regularly to God.

*"Lay not up for yourselves treasures on earth."*

*"But seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness."*

*"Enter in at the straight gate."*

*"Beware of false prophets."*

*"Whoever hears what I teach, and does it, is like a wise man who built his house on a rock."*

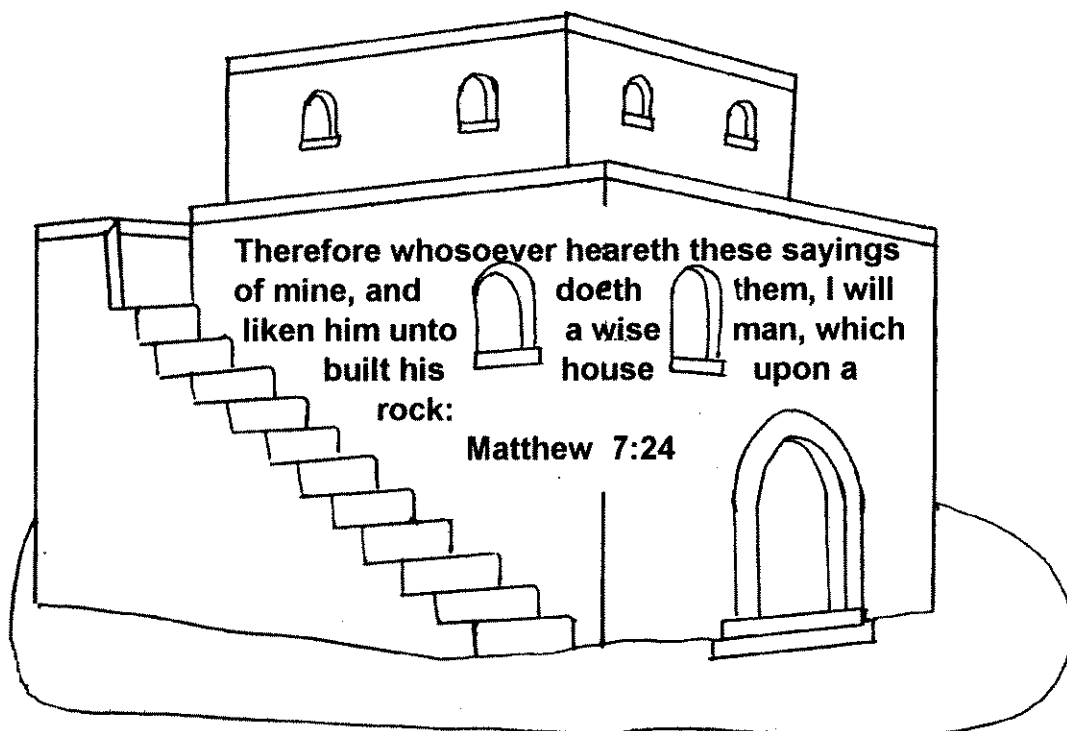
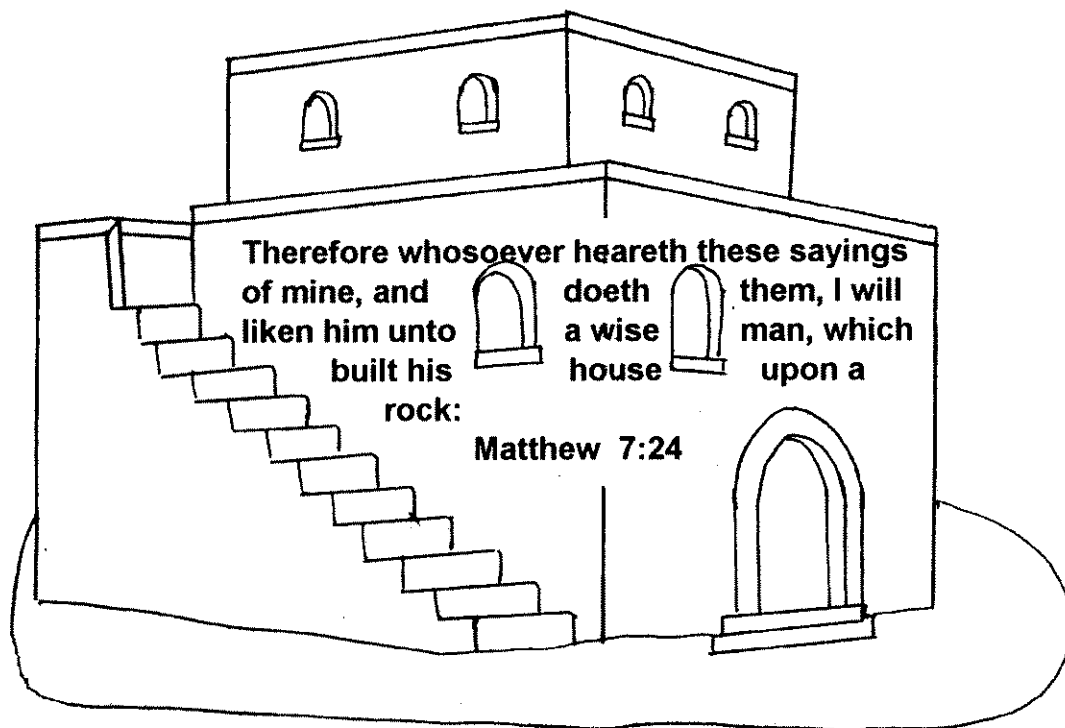
**MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 7:24**

"Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:"



# THE WISE MAN AND THE FOOLISH MAN

## MEMORY VERSE PATTERN PAGE



## THE WISE MAN AND THE FOOLISH MAN



**Jesus said the man who built his house on a solid rock foundation  
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**Matthew 7:24**

## THE WISE MAN AND THE FOOLISH MAN



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













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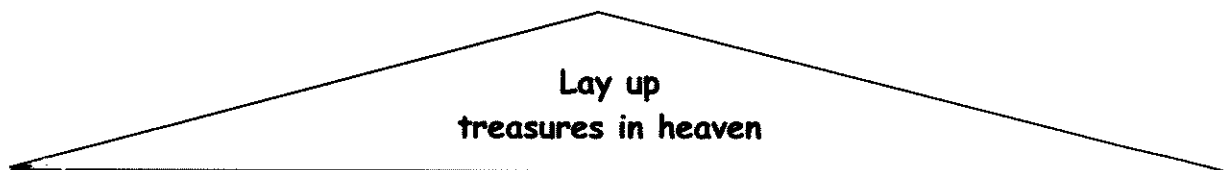
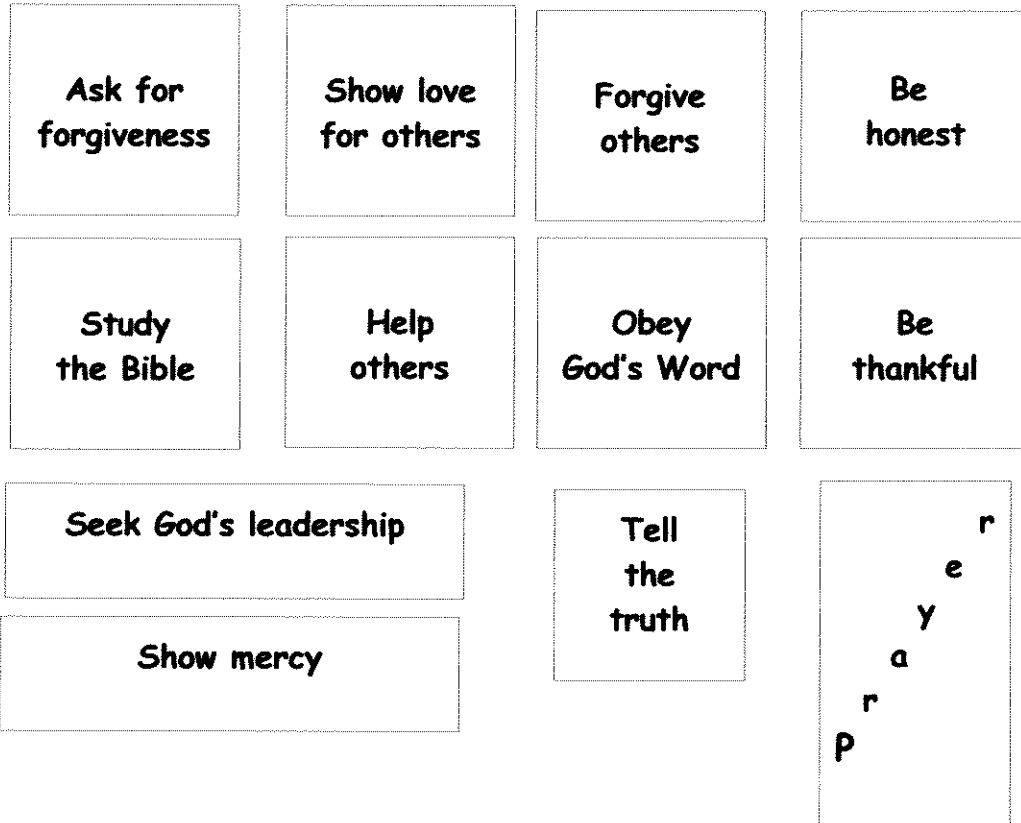
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## THE WISE MAN AND THE FOOLISH MAN

Copy one set of building stones for each pupil to cut out.

Glue them on the following page to build a house.





## **THE WISE MAN AND THE FOOLISH MAN**

**Make one 'solid rock' (foundation stone) for each child.  
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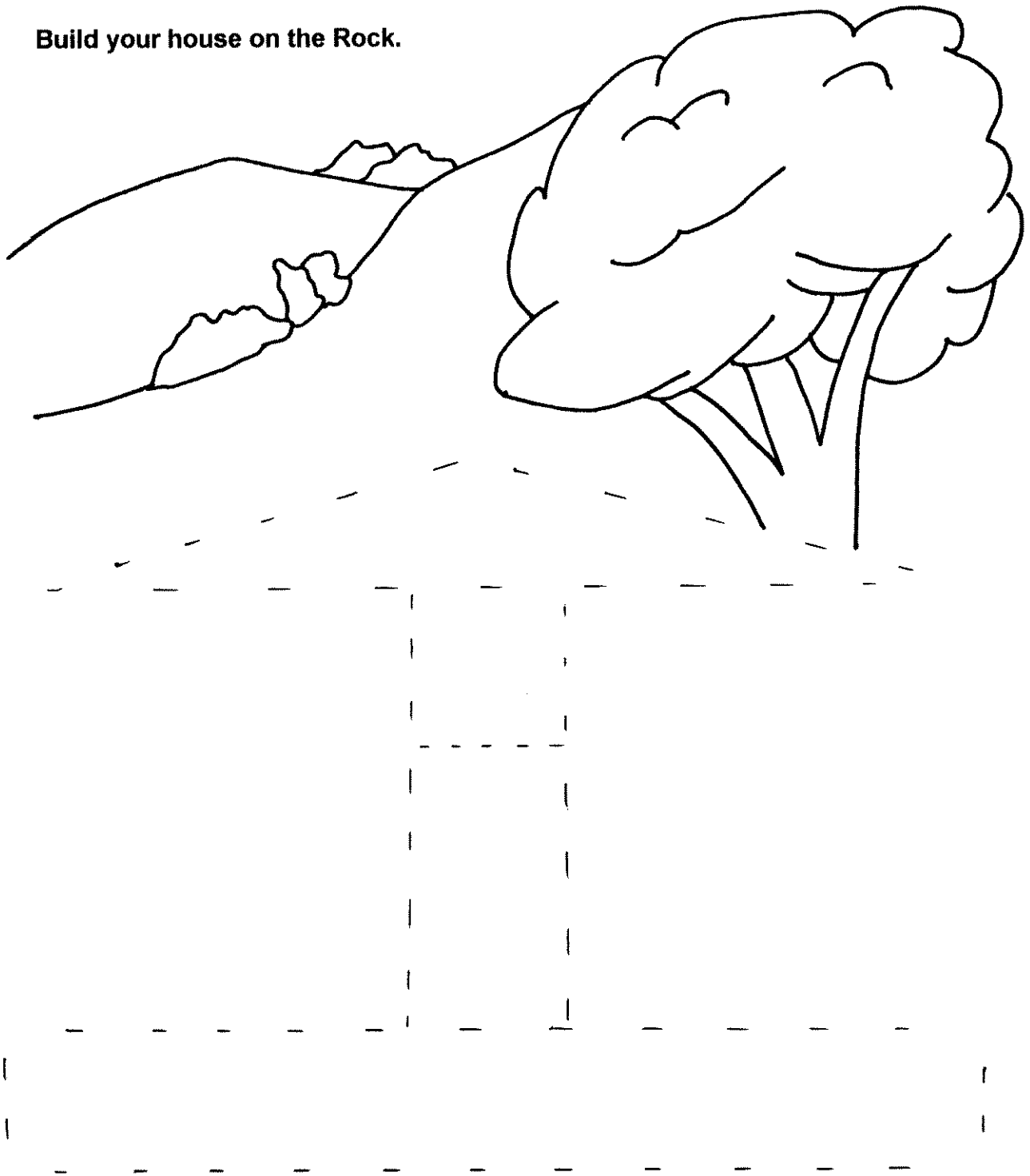
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# THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT REVIEW

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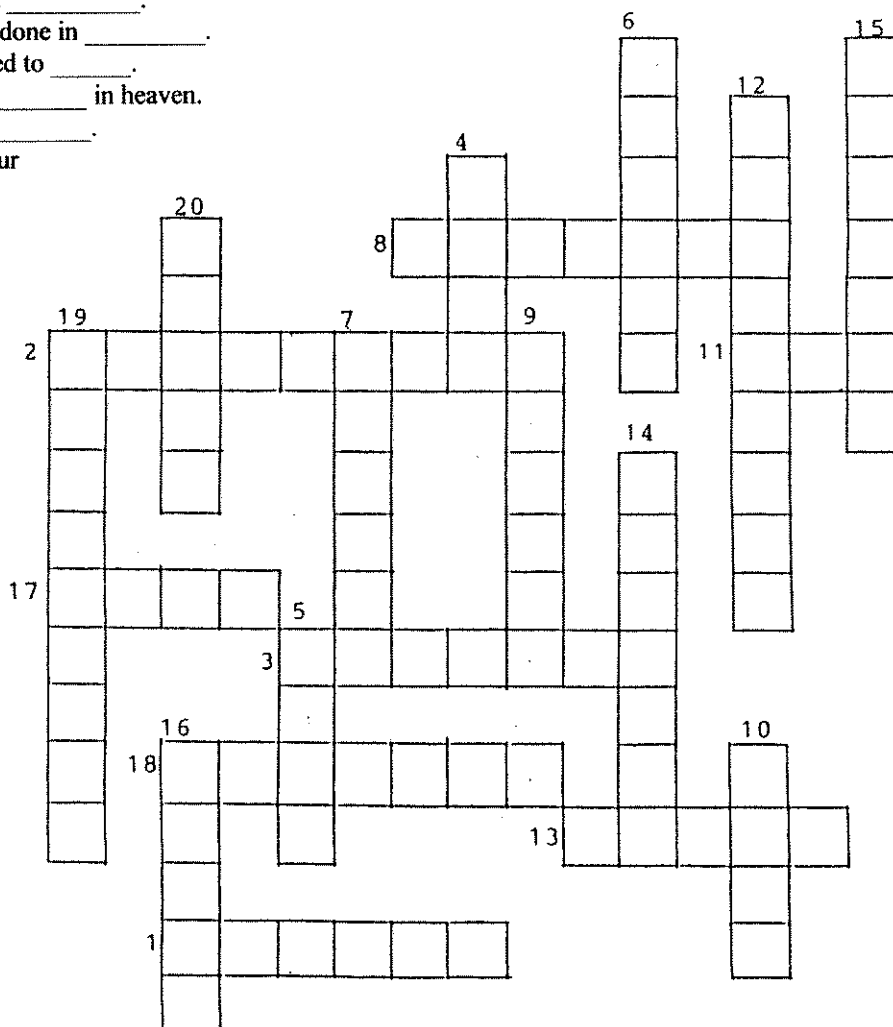
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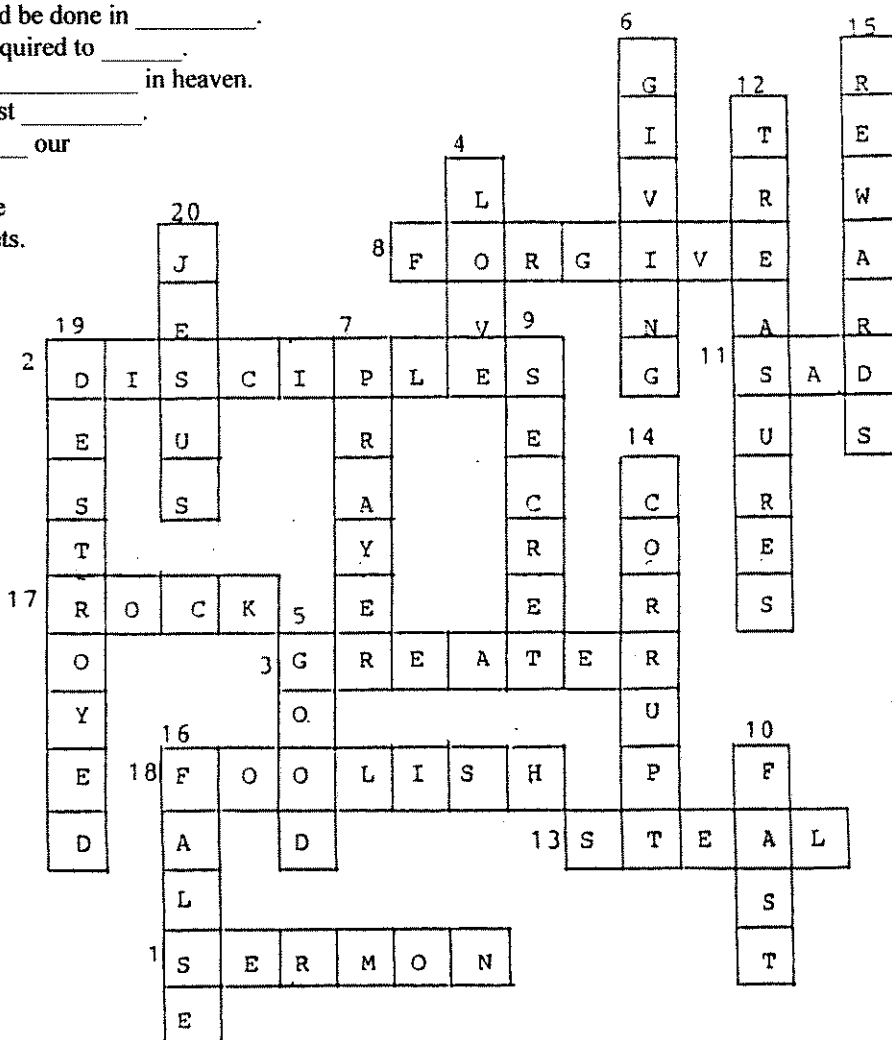
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## **JESUS HEALS THE CENTURION'S SERVANT**

**Luke 7:1-10**

**Matthew 8:5-13**

Jesus came down from the mountain where He had taught the “Sermon on the Mount”, and He healed a man who had leprosy. The man was so excited that he told everyone he saw that Jesus had healed him. The crowds grew larger, with people bringing sick friends and family to Jesus so He could heal them also. There was such a great crowd that Jesus could no longer stay in the city. He went into the wilderness area to be alone and pray.

Jesus returned to the city of Capernaum, on the coast of the Sea of Galilee. In Capernaum there was a Roman garrison, a military post. The Roman Empire had conquered Israel many years before. Israel still had their own king, but his power was limited by the Roman Emperor. The Jews obeyed the Romans. They lived by the Roman laws, and paid taxes to the Roman government. Military posts were scattered throughout Israel. The Roman soldiers stationed at the garrison kept order among the people. Many Jews were resentful of the Romans ruling over them, and they disliked the Roman soldiers. A centurion was a man who was captain over one hundred soldiers in the Roman army. He was a powerful man with a great deal of authority.

The centurion in Capernaum was probably a Roman. He was not a Jew, but he respected the Jewish people. He had authority over them, but he was respectful of them, especially their religion. The Jews had great respect for the centurion, because he was a friend to them. He even helped them build a synagogue, perhaps the one in which Jesus taught when He was in Capernaum. He was a friend of the elders at the synagogue. He allowed the Jewish people to come to the synagogue and worship freely. The Romans worshiped many gods. The centurion knew that the Jews worshiped a God in heaven, and that the Jews believed this God had promised to send His Son to live on the earth among people. Jesus had been in Capernaum before, and the centurion had heard about Him. He had heard of the great miracles that Jesus did that no other man could do. He knew that Jesus claimed to be the Son of God, and that He did miracles in the name of God.

The centurion had a servant whom he cared for very much. The Bible says he was “dear unto him”. The servant was also probably a Roman. Something had happened to the soldier that caused him to be paralyzed. The Bible says he “was sick of the palsy” which is paralysis. He became very, very sick. He was in great pain. In fact, he became so sick he was ready to die. This made the centurion unhappy, because he cared for his servant, and did not want him to die. The centurion heard of the many people that Jesus had healed, and he heard that He had again come into Capernaum. He believed in his heart that if he could get word to Jesus, He could heal his servant.

The centurion did not feel worthy to come to Jesus himself, so he sent word to the elders of the Jews that his servant was very sick. He asked them to go find Jesus and have him

come and heal his servant. He sent word to Jesus, saying, *“Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented.”* When the elders brought the message to Jesus they immediately asked him to come. They told him the centurion was worthy for Jesus to come and do this for him. *“And when they came to Jesus, they besought him instantly, saying, That he was worthy for whom he should do this: For he loveth our nation, and hath built us a synagogue.”* They told Jesus how good the man had been to them as Jewish people and how he had built a synagogue for them so they would have a place to worship. Now they could do something for him in return for his kindness. They could ask Jesus to come and heal his servant. Jesus knew the heart of the centurion and he knew the faith he had, so he said, *“I will come and heal him.”*

The centurion was a very humble man. He did not feel worthy to go and ask Jesus himself. When he heard Jesus was near his home, he sent his friends out to tell him, *“Lord, trouble not yourself: for I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof.”* He did not think he was worthy to ask Jesus for any favor. That’s why he did not come himself, but sent his friends to tell Jesus, *“Lord, don’t bother to come all the way to my home, for I am not worthy for you to enter into my house.”* He also told Jesus he did not think he was worthy to come to Jesus himself and ask him to do this for him, so he sent Jesus’ own people, the Jewish elders, to make the request for him. He said, *“If you will only say so, my servant will be healed.”* The centurion understood the authority that Jesus had over sin. He was also a man of authority. He explained how he had one hundred men under his command. *“I say unto one, go, and he goes; and to another, come, and he comes; and I can tell my servant to do something, and he does it.”* But even with his power and authority in the military, he felt unworthy in the presence of Jesus. He believed that Jesus had authority over evil, over sin and sickness. He believed that if Jesus just spoke the word, the sickness would go away.

*“When Jesus heard these thing, he marvelled at him, and turned him about, and said unto the people that followed him, I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.”* Jesus turned to the Jews who were following him, and said, *“I have not seen such great faith in all of Israel.”* He did not know of a person in this crowd who had this much faith in him. Most of the Jews rejected him. Yet this man, who was not even a Jew, believed if Jesus would only say so, his servant would be instantly healed, without Jesus even coming into his home. Jesus told the people there would be many from other nations (gentiles) who would sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, (Jewish fathers) in the kingdom of heaven, while many of the children of Israel would not take part in the kingdom, because of their lack of faith in him.

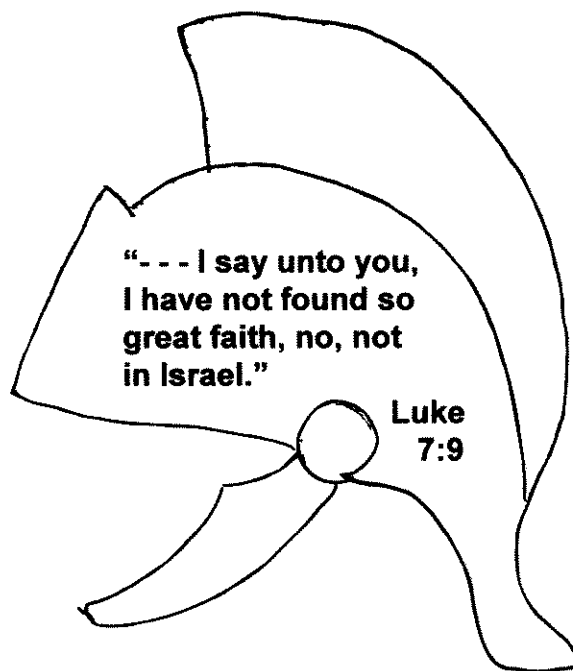
Matthew 8:13 tells us that Jesus healed the servant at that same hour. He told the centurion that as he had believed, so it would be done for him. As he had believed that Jesus could heal his servant, his servant would be well. As they returned to the centurion’s house they found the servant that had been sick, now well. Jesus spoke, and healed him.

**MEMORY VERSE: Luke 7:9**

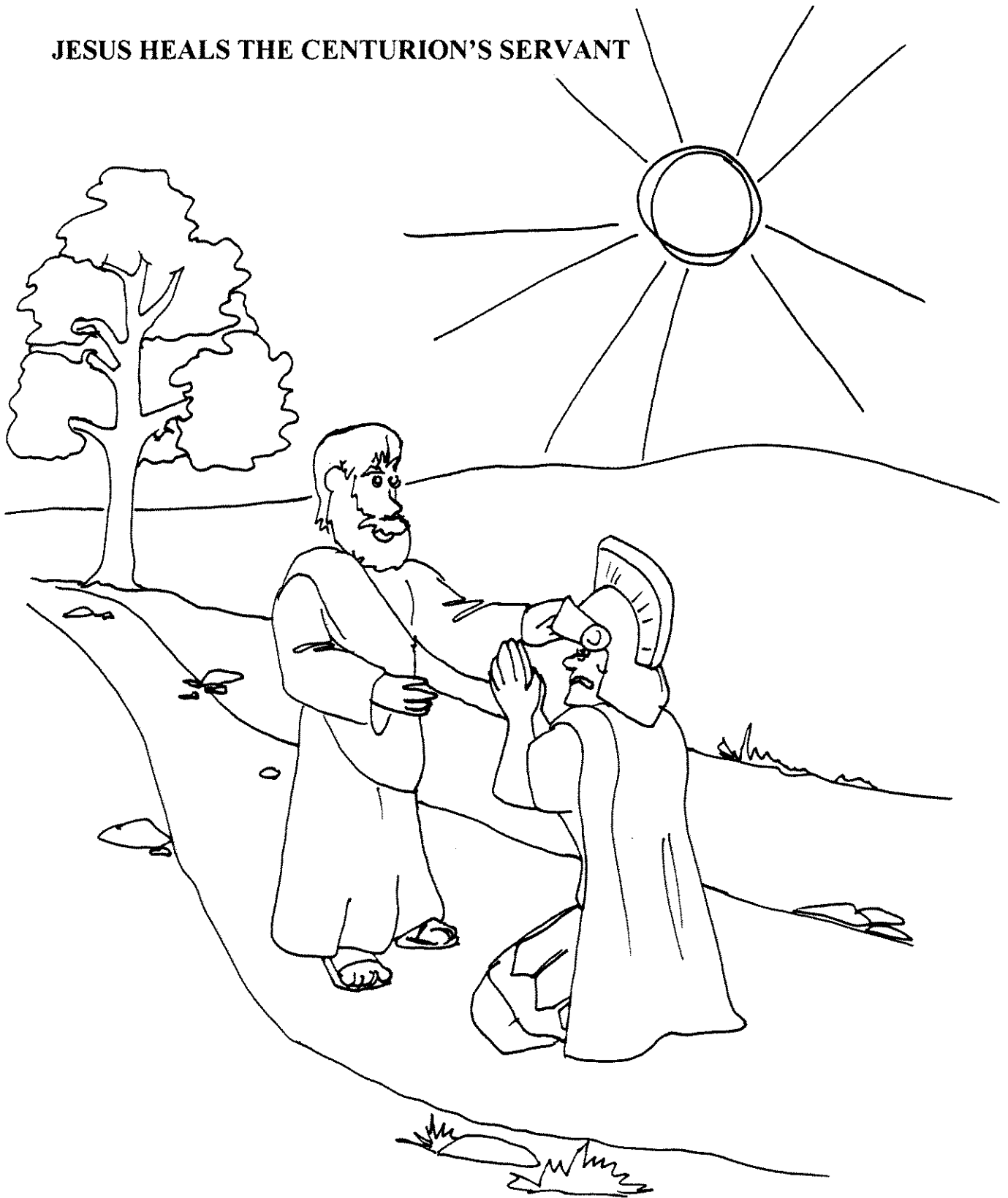
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## JESUS HEALS THE CENTURION'S SERVANT

## MEMORY VERSE PATTERN PAGE



## JESUS HEALS THE CENTURION'S SERVANT



**"And Jesus said unto him, I will come and heal him."**



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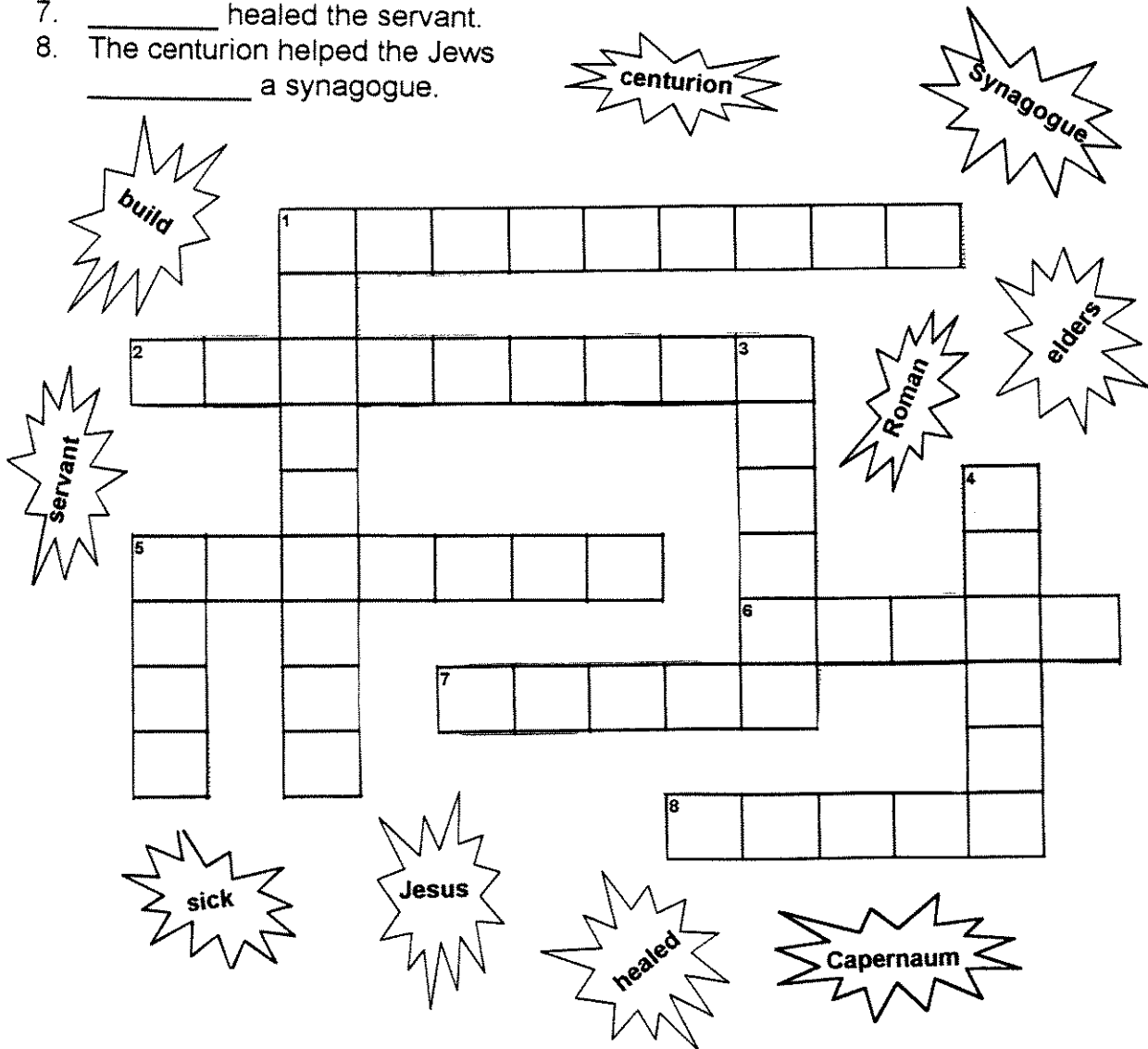
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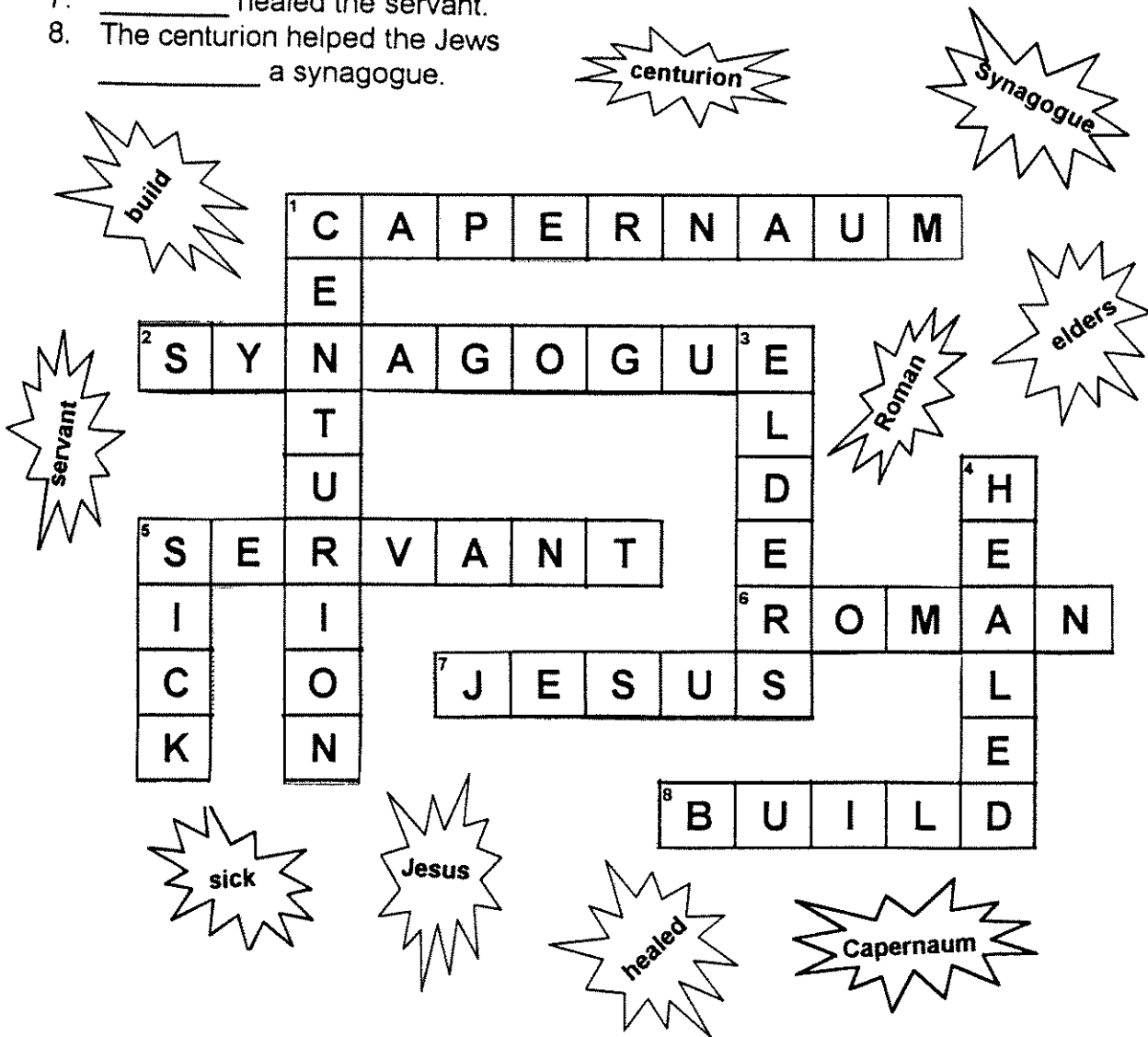
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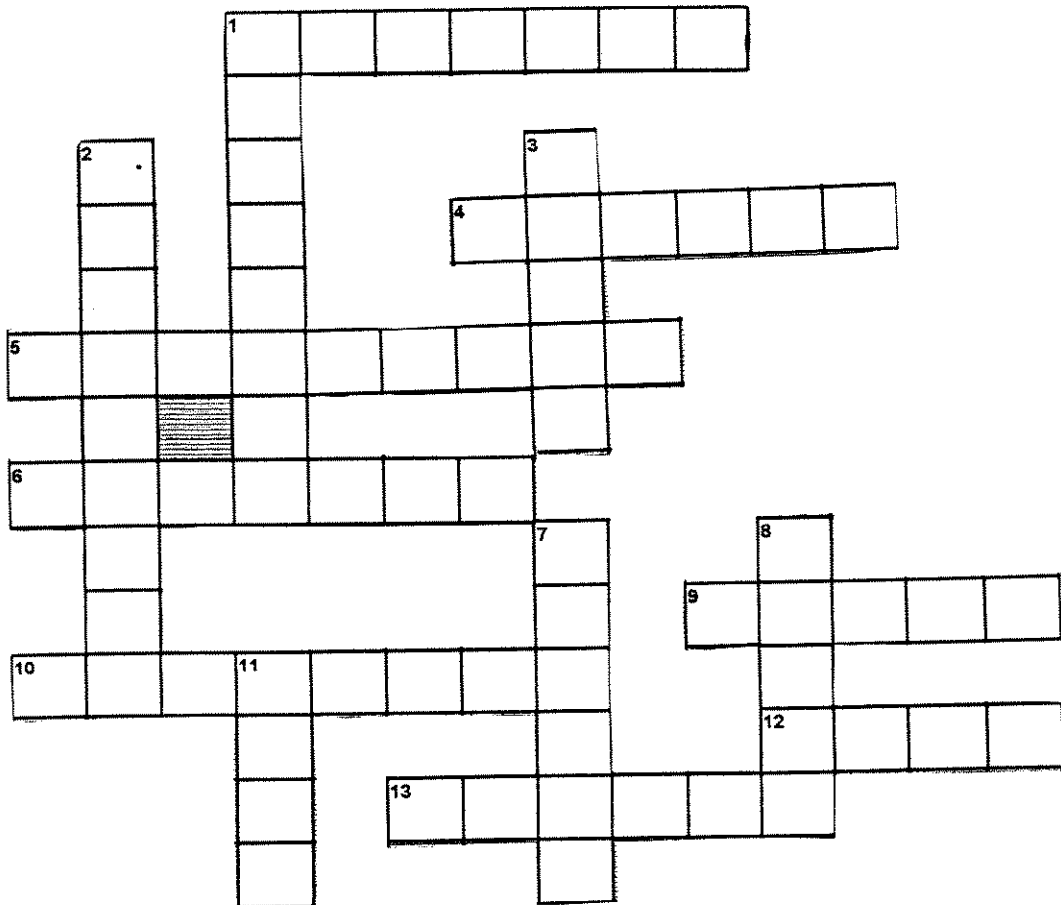
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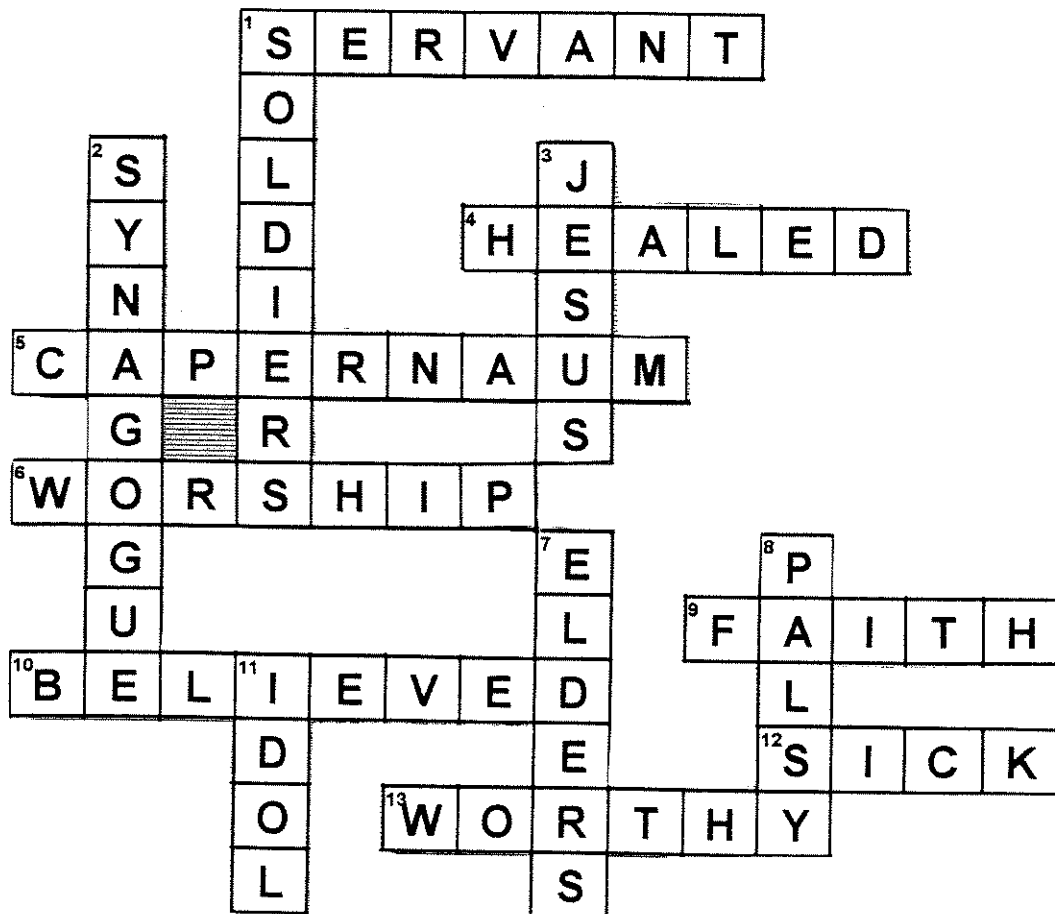
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## **STOPPING A FUNERAL PROCESSION**

### **Luke 7:11-17**

Not long after Jesus was baptized and began preaching and teaching that he was the Son of God who had come to redeem the world from sin, he went into the area of Galilee. He went to the city of Cana and performed his first miracle. He by-passed the laws of nature and caused water to immediately turn into wine, the fermented juice of the grape. The Jewish people had raised grapes for hundreds of years. They squeezed the juice from the ripe fruit, stored it in containers and allowed it to ferment. Through this process it was preserved for future use. Jesus proved his power over nature when he caused water to immediately turn into wine. Many people witnessed this miracle, which was done to prove he had the power of God.

He went from Cana to Capernaum, a distance of about 15 or 20 miles. After a few days he returned to Judea to attend the Feast of the Passover in Jerusalem. While there he did many miracles. People were there from all over Israel, witnessing his miracles. When they returned home they told of the spectacular things this man named Jesus, from Nazareth, did by the power of God. When he returned to Cana, his reputation also followed him, and even went before him. A man in Capernaum heard of the things he did in Jerusalem, and came looking for him to bring him to his home to heal his young son who was so sick he was about to die. Jesus healed him without even being where the child was.

Because of the unbelief of the people in Nazareth, Jesus refused to do miracles there. He was cast out of Nazareth and returned to Capernaum, which he claimed as his city from that time on. Many of the miracles he did in Galilee were in or around Capernaum or the Sea of Galilee. He healed the sick of whatever disease they had, made blind men see, deaf men hear, gave crippled people straight and strong arms and legs, and those with paralysis were made to walk. His fame filled the area. Even some who were not Jews came to Jesus to be healed. A Roman centurion, the captain over one hundred men, came to Jesus to heal his servant who was near death. Like many others, the man would have died if Jesus had not restored him to his health. Jesus healed mental illness as well as physical illness.

The next day after Jesus healed the centurion's servant, he and his disciples left Capernaum and traveled toward the city of Nain, a few miles southwest of Capernaum. As usual, the crowd grew larger as they traveled. When they came close to the city, they saw a funeral procession. It was their custom, when a person died, they washed and wrapped the body, preparing it for burial. They placed it on a bier, an open coffin used to carry the body to be buried. It was then carried by several men, followed by family and friends, out of the city to the place of burial. As Jesus came near the gate of the city, he saw the men carrying the body of a dead man. He was the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. Her husband had already died, and now her son was dead. Many of the people of the city were with her, trying to console her in this time of sorrow. When Jesus saw her so sad, he had compassion on her. This means he felt sorry for her and wanted to give her son back to her.



Jesus spoke to the woman, and said, “*weep not*”, or “don’t cry.” He touched the bier, and the men who were carrying it stopped and stood still. Jesus said to the dead man, “*Young man, I say unto thee, arise.*” The man had already died, there was no life in his body. But he could hear the voice of Jesus. “Arise” or get up. The man who was dead sat up and began to speak. When he was dead, he could not sit up, he could not talk, he could not breathe. There was no life in his body. He could not do anything at all. He was dead, and they were on their way to bury him. When Jesus spoke to him, he caused life to come back into his body. He was alive again. He could sit up, and he could speak. “*And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak.*” Jesus gave him back to his mother.

When the people saw this dead man get up and start talking, they were afraid. They had never seen anything like this before. They praised God for this great thing that had happened. They said that a great prophet had risen up among them, and that God had visited His people. Word of what happened spread quickly throughout all of the region.

Jesus had done many miracles in their presence, and they had heard of many more that he had done. All the miracles were wonderful happenings. The people were amazed when a blind man could see. They were amazed when a crippled man got up and began to walk by himself. They were amazed when a deaf person could hear voices, and speak words for the first time in his life. But never had they seen anything like this. Never had they seen a dead body have life restored to it. Never had they seen a dead body sit up and begin to speak.

The funeral ended. The dead man got up from the bier and took his mother home. The people praised God. They recognized that Jesus was a great prophet, someone great. They recognized he had the power of God. His fame spread even faster. Now people heard not only of how he healed the sick, but how he gave life to a person who had died.

#### **MEMORY VERSE: Luke 7:15**

“And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak.”

## STOPPING A FUNERAL PROCESSION

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## STOPPING A FUNERAL PROCESSION



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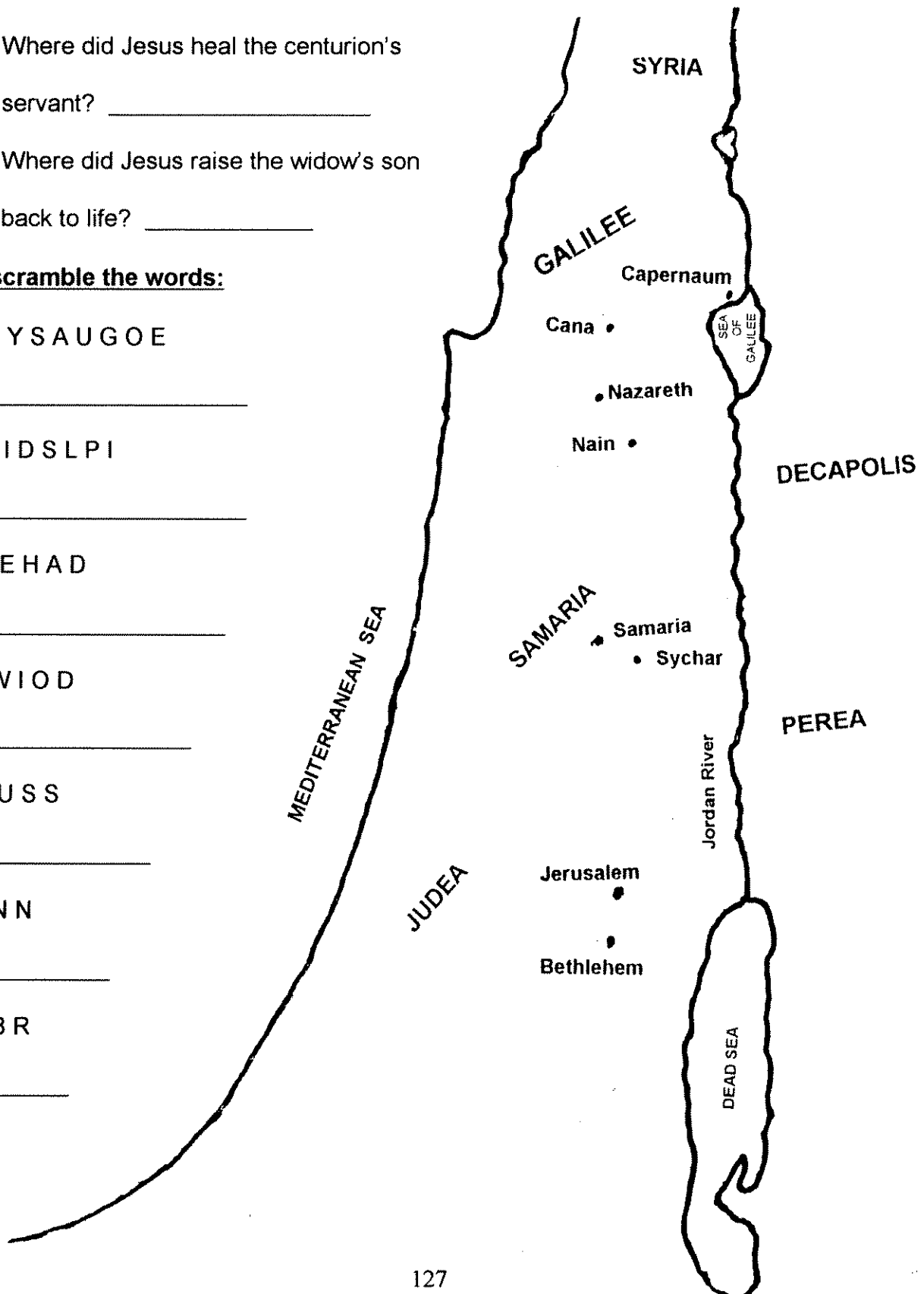
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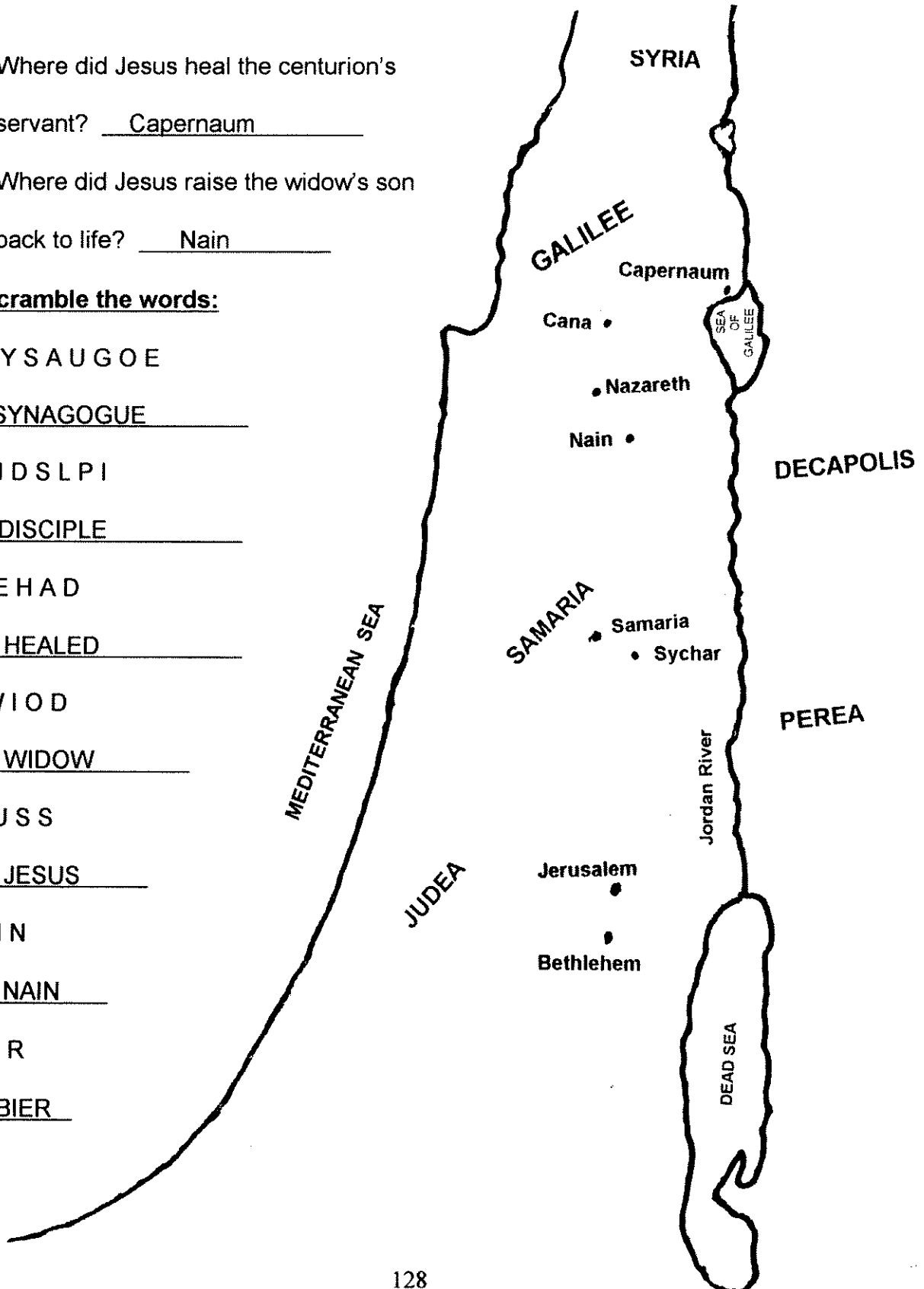
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## STOPPING A FUNERAL PROCESSION

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Nain	_____	platform on which they carry a dead person
widow	_____	Son of God
bier	_____	where Jesus met a funeral procession

### WORD SEARCH

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# STOPPING A FUNERAL PROCESSION

## BEGINNER ANSWER PAGE

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# STOPPING A FUNERAL PROCESSION

PRIMARY / JUNIOR

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Nain	_____	Son of God
widow	_____	where Jesus met a funeral procession
bier	_____	woman whose husband has died
dead person	_____	where Jesus healed the centurion's servant

## WORD SEARCH

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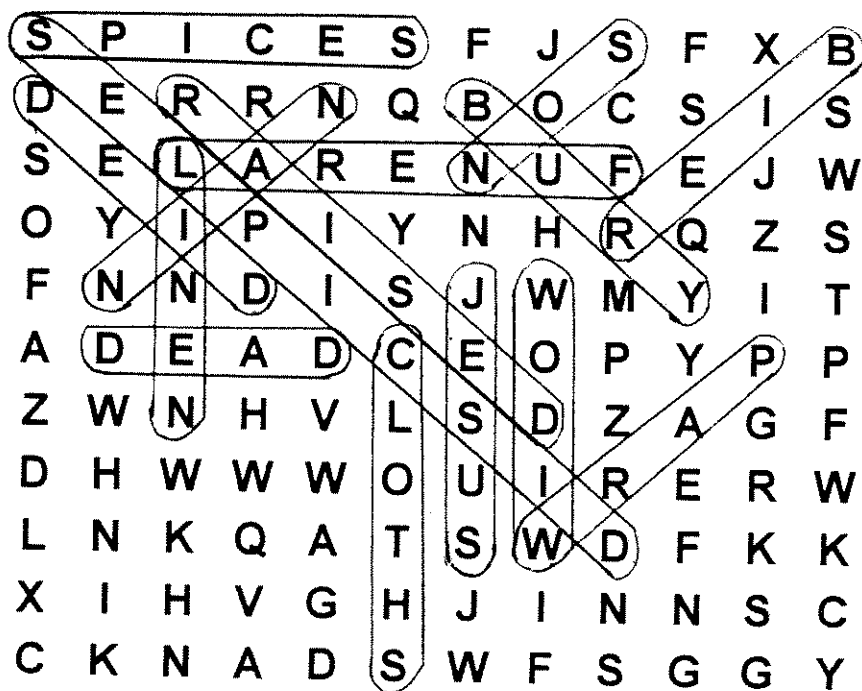
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bier	<u>widow</u>	woman whose husband has died
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## JOHN THE BAPTIST QUESTIONS JESUS

**Matthew 11:2-19**

**Luke 7:18-35**

After John the Baptist had baptized Jesus he continued to preach, "*Repent ye, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.*" He continued to tell the people that Jesus was the Son of God, the Messiah that had been promised. He taught the people that they must repent of their sins and trust in this man of Galilee, because he was the Son of God. He preached against sin to the Pharisees. He preached against sin to the publicans, and the common people. He also preached against sin and the wrongdoing of the king. This made him unpopular with King Herod. Because he had taken his brother's wife to be his wife, John had rebuked him. His wife, Herodias, wanted to have John killed, but Herod refused because he feared the reaction of the people. They accepted John as a prophet, and Herod did not want to kill a prophet of God, so he just put John in prison.

While John was in prison, Jesus continued to preach and his disciples baptized those who believed. Jesus traveled throughout the land of Israel, working miracles and teaching the people, and making disciples. His popularity grew, and word spread through all the land of the things he did. John heard in prison about the miracles that Jesus did. John's disciples, (those who believed his message, repented of their sins, and were baptized by him), came to John and told him that Jesus of Nazareth, whom John identified as the "Lamb of God", was preaching throughout the land, and gaining a great following. He was baptizing many people, and working all kinds of miracles. John sent two of his disciples to find Jesus and ask him a question. John asked, "*Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?*" "Are you really the Son of God, or should we continue to look for the coming of the Messiah?"

The two men came to Jesus and told him that John was in prison, but had heard of the things he was doing and wanted to know if he really was the Christ, or should they continue to look for another. After Jesus raised the son of the widow of Nain from the dead, his fame spread throughout all Judea and the area round about. People came from miles around to see Jesus and be healed. There was a large crowd following Jesus when the men came. Jesus did not answer their question immediately. He ignored the men and their question, and continued to heal the people who had come. Luke 7:21-23 tells us in the same hour he healed many of their illnesses and diseases. He cast out evil spirits, and caused many blind people to be able to see. After Jesus had done many miracles, he answered the men. Jesus said, "*Go back and tell John the things that you have seen.*" Jesus didn't immediately tell the men, "Go back and tell John, yes, I am the Christ." Instead he worked miracles in their presence. They saw for themselves what Jesus could do. Then he told them, "Go back and tell John about the miracles that you have seen me do. Tell him how you saw blind people made able to see. Tell him how you saw crippled people made able to walk. Tell him how you saw leprosy cleansed, and the people made well from this awful disease. Tell him how you saw deaf people made to hear, and dead people raised to life again. Assure him that the gospel is being preached to the poor, and blessed are those who do not hesitate to believe in me."

God had chosen John to come before Jesus and prepare the hearts of the people of Israel to receive him as the Messiah. God told John to baptize. God said the one on whom the spirit descended in the form of a dove when he was baptized would be the one who was His Son. John saw the spirit descend from heaven when he baptized Jesus. He heard the voice of God speak out from heaven and say, *"This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased."* John was convinced that Jesus was the Christ. He pointed him out to his followers, and said, *"This is the Lamb of God."* Yet when John was in prison, he began to wonder if he was confused, or if he had been mistaken in believing Jesus was the Christ. When he sent the men to ask, Jesus did not simply answer with a "yes". He performed miracles in the presence of those who came to question him. After he had done the miracles, he simply said, "Now, go back and tell John what you have seen." He knew the miracles would speak for themselves. He knew the miracles would convince the men that he was indeed the Son of God, and they need not look for another.

The men left to go back to John with the proof that they had seen with their own eyes. Jesus turned to the crowd that had followed him, and asked, "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? The wind blowing through the reeds that grow there? What did you go out to see? A man dressed in fine clothing? What did you go out to see? A prophet?" John came preaching in the wilderness. The Jews went out into the wilderness to see this strange man. They went out into the wilderness to hear this man who dressed in strange clothes, and ate strange food. He was a novelty. He attracted attention because he had a message of repentance that was totally different from the religion of the Jews. Jesus asked them, "What did you go out to see? What did you expect to find?" He asked, "Did you go out to see a man dressed in soft raiment, (fine clothes)?" He knew they didn't because he told them those who wear beautiful clothing and live delicate lives are in kings' houses. For a man to survive in the wilderness he must wear rugged clothing and eat whatever he can find. Then Jesus asked them, "What did you go out to see? a prophet?" Jesus said, "Yes, you did see a prophet, and more than a prophet."

John was not an ordinary prophet. Jesus commended John greater than any other man. He said of all the people who had ever been born into the world, there was no one greater than John the Baptist, except himself. Jesus was the greatest person who had ever been or will ever be born into the world. The next greatest is John the Baptist. Jesus said, *"For this is he of whom it is written, Behold I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee."* Jesus said John was the one sent from God to prepare the way for the coming of Jesus.

All of the people who heard Jesus, and had been baptized by John, were happy. They praised and glorified God. But what about the Pharisees? They had rejected the message of John, and had not been baptized by him. Jesus asked, "What shall I compare you to? What are you like?" Then he compared the Pharisees to children who came to the market with their parents. They played games while their parents shopped. They could never agree on what to play. They argued. One would say, "I played my pipes, and you did not dance." Then another

would say, "But I played a sad game of mourning (sorrowing), and you did not cry." John the Baptist came wearing rough clothing, and ate the food he could find in the wilderness. The Pharisees condemned him for being different. Jesus said, "*For John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine; and ye say, He hath a devil. The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and ye say, Behold a gluttonous man, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners.*" The Pharisees said John the Baptist was possessed of the devil, or was insane, because he did not eat the food of the common people, and drink the wine of the common people. Jesus came eating and drinking the food of the people, and they said he was a glutton and a drunkard, and a friend of undesirable people with whom they would not associate. A glutton is a person who eats too much, and a winebibber is a person who drinks too much. Jesus said, "You condemn John for not eating, and condemn me for eating."

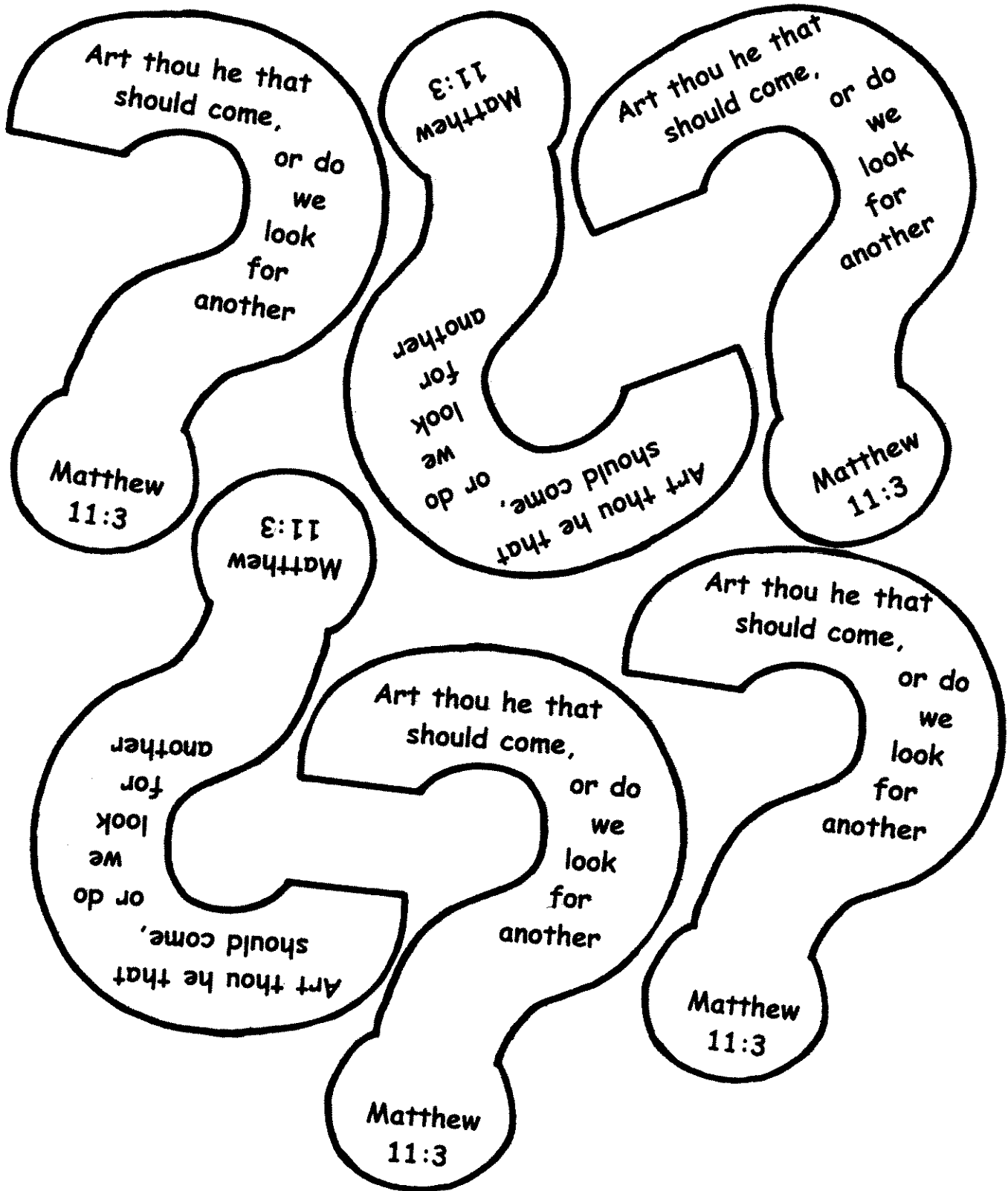
After Jesus had condemned the Pharisees, he condemned the cities in which he had done miracles. He said if the mighty works which were done in Chorazin and Bethsaida had been done in Tyre and Sidon, (cities who worshiped idols), they would have repented long ago. Jesus said the judgment of these cities would not be as great as those who had seen his miracles and refused to believe. Then he said Capernaum (the city he had adopted to be his home) would be punished greater than the wicked city of Sodom. If the people of Sodom had seen the miracles of Jesus, enough of them would have repented that the angels could have found enough righteous people to have spared the city. He said the people of Capernaum would be punished worse for their rejection of Jesus than the morally wicked people in Sodom would be punished for their sins.

Jesus thanked God that humble and simple people were able to understand who he was rather than the Pharisees who looked to their own righteousness for God's approval. Jesus told those listening, "*Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*"

**MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 11:3**

"Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?"

JOHN THE BAPTIST QUESTIONS JESUS MEMORY VERSE PATTERN PAGE





John the Baptist sent two messengers to ask Jesus,  
"Are you he that should come, or do we look for another?"

# JOHN THE BAPTIST QUESTIONS JESUS

BEGINNER

## WORD SEARCH

Find the words, forward, backward, or up and down:

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JOHN THE BAPTIST  
PRISON  
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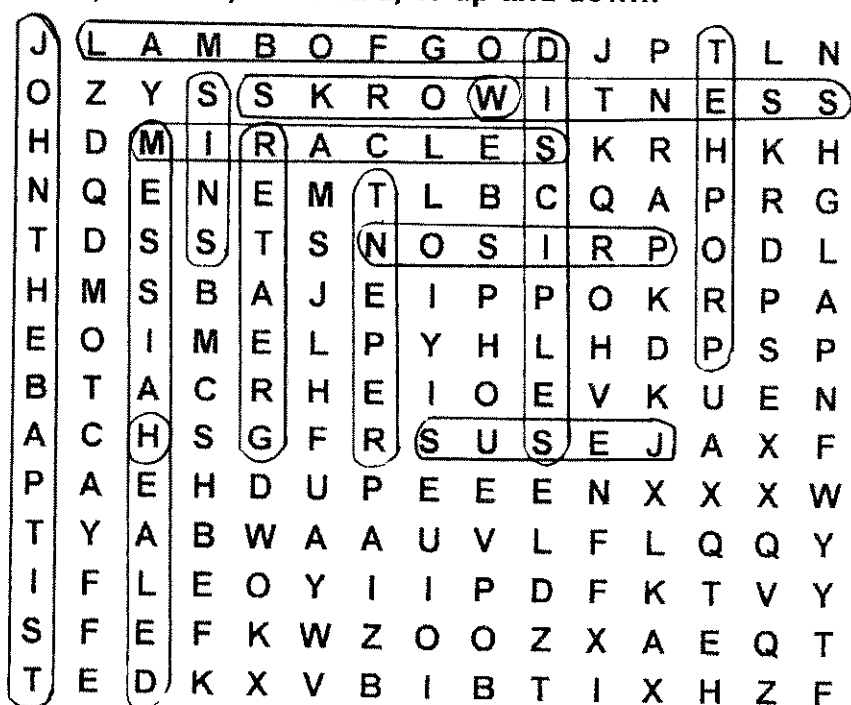
Luke 7:22 "Then \_\_\_\_\_ answering said unto \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
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lepers \_\_\_\_\_ cleansed, the deaf \_\_\_\_\_, the dead are \_\_\_\_\_,  
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# JOHN THE BAPTIST QUESTIONS JESUS

BEGINNER  
ANSWER PAGE

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to the poor the gospel is preached."



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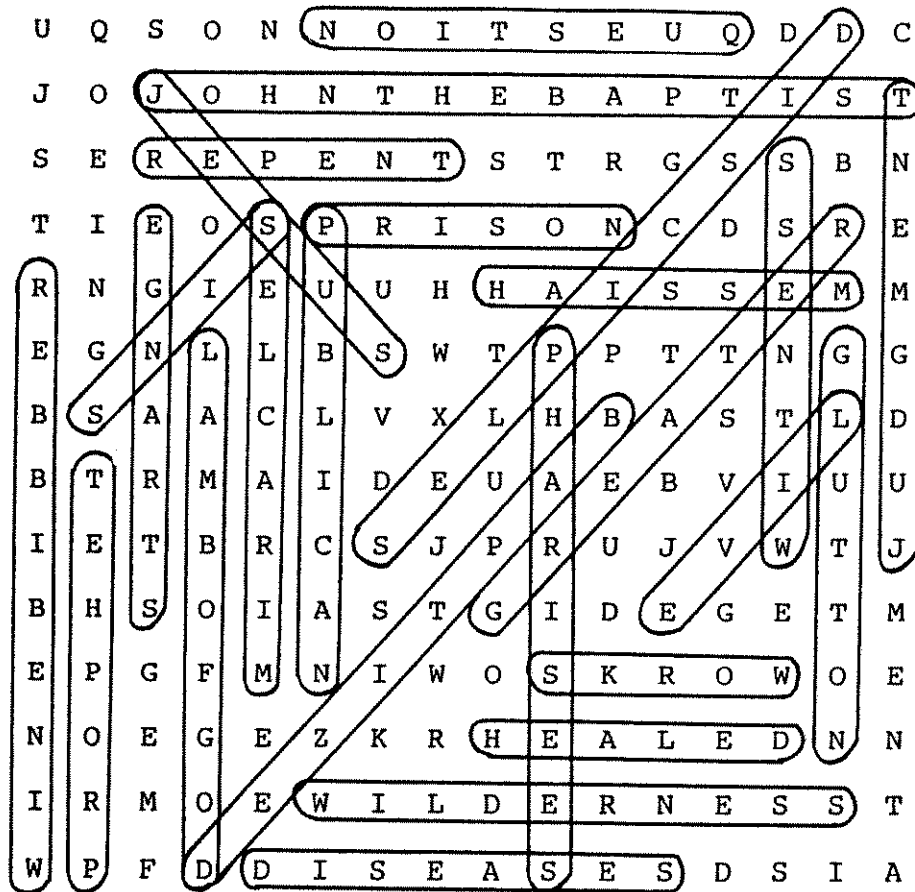
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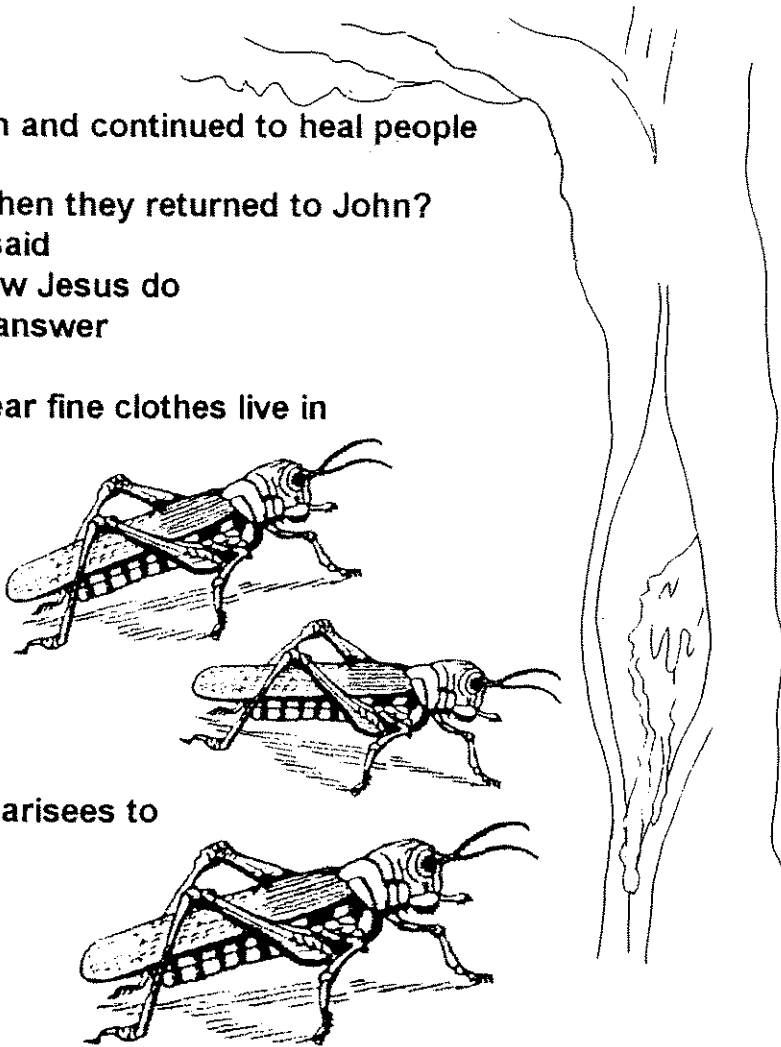
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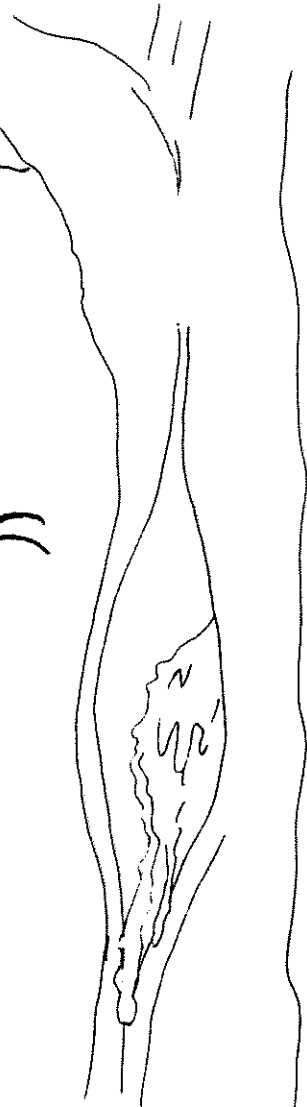
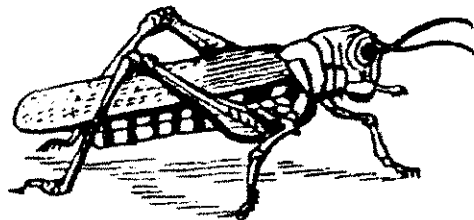
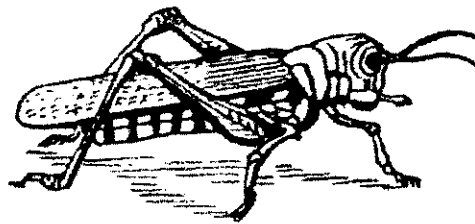
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JOHN THE BAPTIST

1. He was sent from God to baptize those who believed his message.
  - a. Peter
  - b. John the Baptist
  - c. Matthew
2. How many men did John send to Jesus to ask if he really was the Christ?
  - a. two
  - b. four
  - c. six
3. When the men asked Jesus if he really was the Christ, or should they look for another, he - - -
  - a. answered "yes"
  - b. answered "no"
  - c. ignored their question and continued to heal people
4. What did the men do when they returned to John?
  - a. told him what Jesus said
  - b. told him what they saw Jesus do
  - c. did not give John an answer
5. Jesus said men who wear fine clothes live in
  - a. the wilderness
  - b. a simple house
  - c. a palace
6. Jesus said John was
  - a. a good teacher
  - b. a great prophet
  - c. a bad carpenter
7. Jesus compared the Pharisees to
  - a. smart lawyers
  - b. mean animals
  - c. children who argue
8. John the Baptist ate
  - a. the king's food
  - b. milk and bread
  - c. locusts and wild honey



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## **A SINFUL WOMAN ANOINTS JESUS' FEET**

### **Luke 7:36-50**

When Jesus taught the people in Galilee, a large crowd of Pharisees had gathered among Jesus' disciples and the others who had followed Jesus to hear his teachings and be healed from many different kinds of sickness. John the Baptist was in prison, and he sent two of his disciples to ask Jesus if he really was the Son of God, or should they look for another. Jesus answered the men who questioned him by doing miracles in their presence. Then he told them to go back and tell John what they had seen and heard. After they left, he turned to the people who had gathered, and asked them what they went out in to the wilderness to see John the Baptist for. Jesus asked what they had expected to find. John was considered a strange man. He dressed differently from most of the people. He ate different food. He spoke a different message. The Pharisees had condemned him for his actions,. They accused him of being possessed with a devil. Jesus told them John was the greatest man who had ever been born besides himself. Jesus also told them they could not be satisfied. They condemned John because he did not eat and drink the food of the common people. Then they criticized Jesus because he did eat and drink with the common people. They condemned him for eating in the homes of the publicans whom the Pharisees considered sinners. Jesus rebuked them for their attitude and their actions. Then he went to the home of a Pharisee and ate with him.

One man who was in the crowd of people listening to Jesus was a Pharisee named Simon. (There are many Simons mentioned in the Bible.) Simon probably wanted to find fault with Jesus, and when he could not, he wanted to know more about him. He invited Jesus to come to his home and eat with him, probably with intentions of finding fault with him. Other people came too. Some were invited to come and eat, and many were probably there who were not invited to the feast, but they just came to see what was going on. When a rich man gave a feast many would come just because they wanted to know what was happening. As their custom was, they had a room for dining with a table for the food. The guests would recline on pillows or couches around the table to eat. The guests would take their appointed place around the table, and those not invited would stand back and watch what was happening. While Jesus was there, a woman who had not been invited came into the room. She heard that Jesus was at Simon's house, and she came to see him. She brought what was probably her most prized possession with her, an alabaster box of ointment.

Alabaster was a type of stone taken from the ground that could be cut or shaped into bowls, boxes, or vases. It made very expensive containers for their perfumes which were made from olive oil to which myrrh, cinnamon, or other spices were added. These spices had to be brought in from other countries, so they, too, were very expensive. Special ointments were used in the Jewish religious ceremonies. God told Moses to make a certain kind of ointment to anoint the high priest, and the tabernacle and its furnishings. There were ointments for medicinal purposes and cleansing the skin, as we would use bath oils or lotion. They also used perfumed olive oil to anoint the dead for burial. So this was a very precious possession.

Simon, the Pharisee, knew this woman. She lived in the city. She was well-known, because she had a bad reputation. The Bible doesn't tell us this woman's name, it just says she was a sinner. She lived an ungodly life. She did things that were wrong. The people did not want to associate with her because she was not a good person. As they ate, this woman entered the room. She knelt down behind Jesus at his feet, and began to cry. As she cried, her tears fell on his feet. She had love for Jesus in her heart, and was sorry for her sins. As she cried, she washed his feet with her tears, and dried them with her long hair. As she dried away the tears, she kissed his feet, then she anointed them with the ointment she had brought for that purpose.

Simon, the Pharisee, watched as this woman washed Jesus' feet with her tears, and dried them with her hair. He was surprised when she kissed his feet, and then anointed them with this expensive perfume. The Bible tells us Simon "*spake within himself, saying, This man, if he were a prophet would have known who and what manner of woman this is that toucheth him: for she is a sinner.*" Simon was more or less talking to himself, but Jesus knew what he said. Jesus knew what he thought. He invited Jesus to his home to eat with him because people proclaimed him to be a prophet, and Simon wanted to know just what kind of person Jesus really was. He said "*if this man were a prophet, (if Jesus really was a man of God and had power of God to know all things), he would know who this woman is. He would know what kind of person she is. He would not let her even touch him, because she is a sinner, an unclean person. Jesus knew what Simon was thinking. He also knew who this woman was, who she had been, and he knew her heart. Jesus looked at Simon, and said, "Simon, I have something to say unto thee."* Simon politely said, "*Master, say on.*" Tell me what it is you want to say. Simon recognized Jesus as a "teacher", and was ready to listen.

Jesus told him the following story: There was a certain creditor, (a man who loaned money to other people), who had two debtors, (people to whom he had loaned money.) One man owed him 500 pence. The other owed him 50 pence. A pence was a Roman penny, or coin, which weighed one-eighth of an ounce. Its value was a few dollars. One pence was considered a standard pay for one day's work. 500 pence would represent the amount of money a man would earn if he worked 500 days. (At five days a week this would represent two years' salary.) 50 pence would be the amount of money a man would earn if he worked 50 days, (about ten weeks). Neither man had the money to pay back their debt. When the time came to pay back the debt, each one came to the rich man and said, "I don't have the money to pay back what I owe." The rich man, out of the goodness of his heart, forgave them both of their debt. He said, "That's okay, you don't have to pay me. I will write it off the books. Your debt is free and clear." Then Jesus said to Simon, "*Tell me therefore, which of them will love him most?*" Which of the two men will love the man the most? Which will appreciate what he did for them the most? "*Simon answered and said, I suppose that he, to whom he forgave most. And he said unto him, Thou hast rightly judged.*" Simon said, "I suppose the man who owed the most money would appreciate not having to pay it back more than the man who did not owe as much." Jesus said he was right. The man who had been forgiven the debt of 50 pence would appreciate not having to pay his debt, but the man who had been forgiven the debt of 500 pence would appreciate it much more, and love the man more.

Jesus turned to the woman, and said to Simon, “Do you see this woman? I came into your house, and you did not give me water to wash my feet; but this woman has washed them with her tears and wiped them with the hairs of her head.” The people wore sandals, and when traveling on the dusty roads their feet became dirty. It was the custom of the people to show hospitality to a visitor in their home by offering a pan of water in which to wash their feet, and rest them, after their journey. Jesus said Simon did not show him that hospitality. It was also a sign of a welcome greeting to give the guest a kiss when they came into the home, as we would shake hands with someone who comes into our homes. Jesus said, “You gave me no kiss, but this woman, since the time I came in, has not ceased to kiss my feet.” Simon had not anointed Jesus’ head with oil, (which was also the custom) but this woman had anointed his feet with very expensive perfumed ointment. Jesus said, *“Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven: for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little.”* Jesus explained to Simon, “This woman is a sinful woman; she has many sins, and they have been forgiven. She loves me more, because she has been forgiven more. She has been forgiven so much that she loves me so much she is willing to give something as valuable as this ointment.” She would not have expressed her love so much if she had not been forgiven so much. She knew she was sinful, she was sorry, and she wanted to be forgiven.

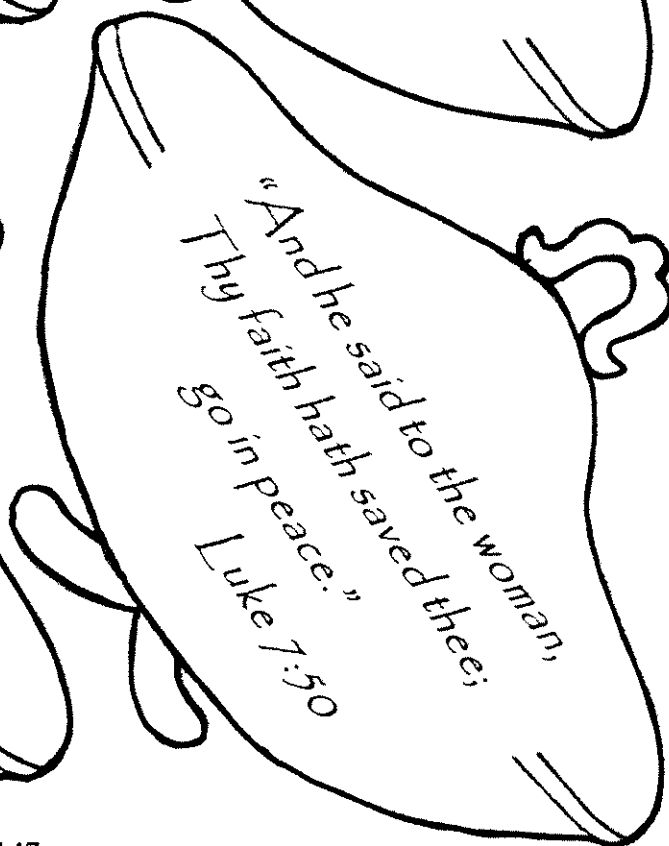
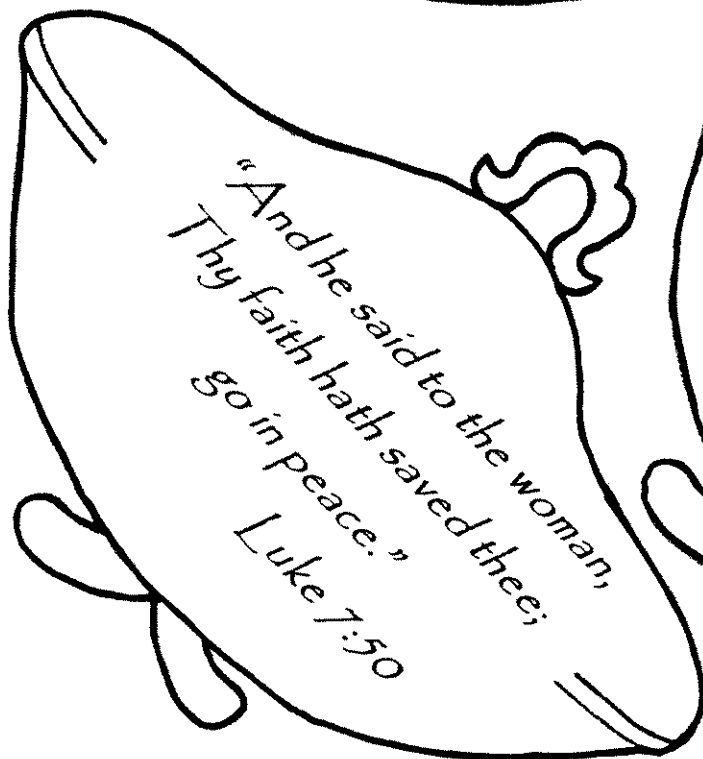
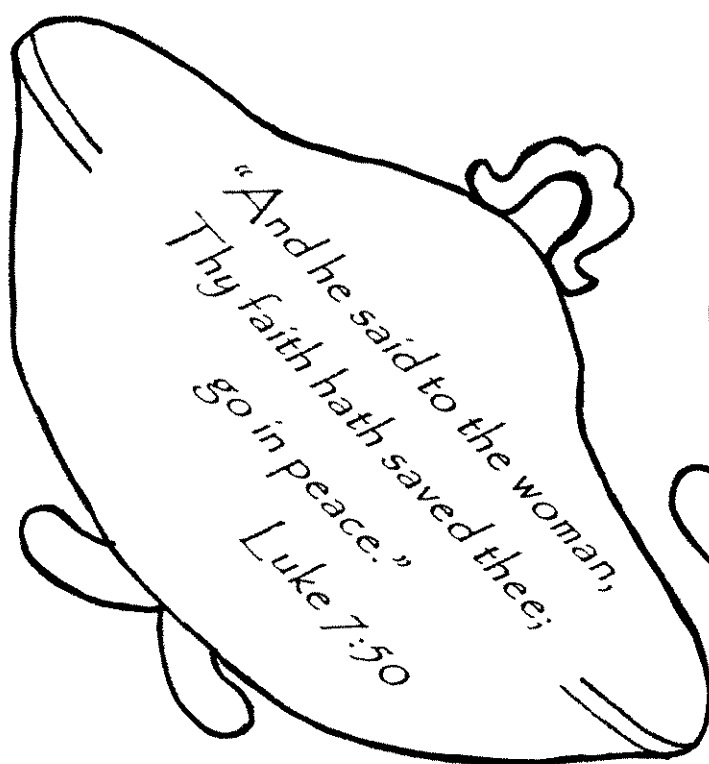
Jesus said to the woman, *“Thy sins are forgiven.”* The other people who had been invited to the feast began to wonder within themselves, *“Who is this that forgiveth sins also?”* They wondered, “Who is this man that also forgives sins.” They knew that God forgave sins, and they did not understand how Jesus could also forgive sins. He could and did because he was the Son of God, and had the power of God to forgive sins. He said to the woman, *“Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.”*

#### **MEMORY VERSE: Luke 7:50**

“And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.”

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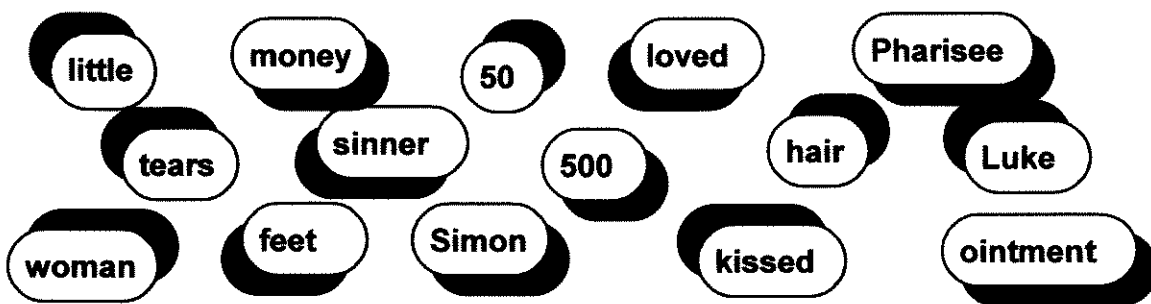


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BEGINNER

Fill in the blanks using the words below:

1. Our lesson is found in the book of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. A man who was a \_\_\_\_\_ asked Jesus to eat with him.
3. The man's name was \_\_\_\_\_.
4. A \_\_\_\_\_ also came to Simon's house.
5. The woman was a \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The woman washed the feet of Jesus with her \_\_\_\_\_.
7. She dried his feet with her \_\_\_\_\_.
8. She also \_\_\_\_\_ his feet, and anointed them with \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Jesus told a story about two men who owed \_\_\_\_\_.
10. One owed \_\_\_\_\_ pence.
11. The other owed \_\_\_\_\_ pence.
12. "To whom little is forgiven, the same loves \_\_\_\_\_.

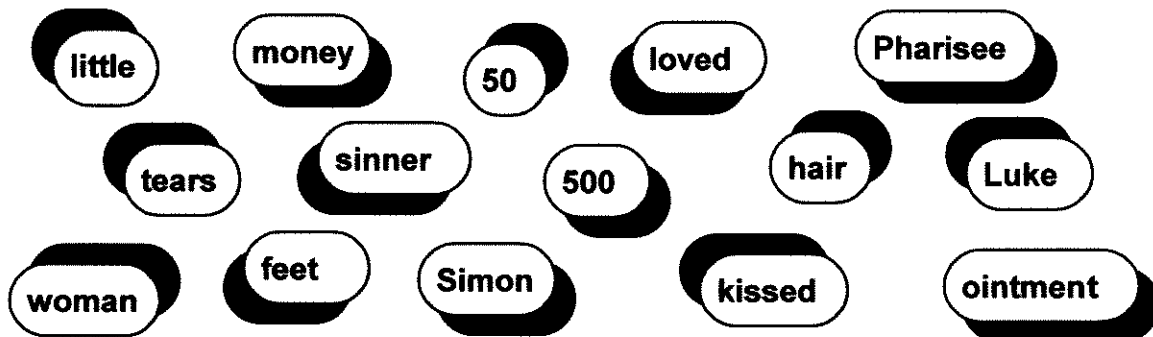


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## BEGINNER ANSWER PAGE

Fill in the blanks using the words below:

1. Our lesson is found in the book of Luke.
2. A man who was a Pharisee asked Jesus to eat with him.
3. The man's name was Simon.
4. A woman also came to Simon's house.
5. The woman was a sinner.
6. The woman washed the feet of Jesus with her tears.
7. She dried his feet with her hair.
8. She also kissed his feet, and anointed them with ointment.
9. Jesus told a story about two men who owed money.
10. One owed 500 pence.
11. The other owed 50 pence.
12. "To whom little is forgiven, the same loves little.



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PRIMARY / JUNIOR

1. In what book of the Bible is our lesson found? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Name the man who invited Jesus to his home. \_\_\_\_\_
3. What kind of a person was he? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Why did he invite Jesus to his home? \_\_\_\_\_
5. A woman came to Simon's house who was a \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Why did the woman come to Simon's house? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What did the woman bring with her? \_\_\_\_\_
8. List 4 things that the woman did: 1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
4. \_\_\_\_\_
9. What did Simon say to himself about the woman washing Jesus' feet with her tears? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Jesus told a story about a certain creditor who did what? \_\_\_\_\_
11. How many men owed money to the creditor? \_\_\_\_\_
12. How much did the first man owe? \_\_\_\_\_
13. How much did the second man owe? \_\_\_\_\_
14. How much is one pence? \_\_\_\_\_
15. To which one did the man forgive the greatest debt? \_\_\_\_\_
16. Who did Jesus say loves the most? \_\_\_\_\_

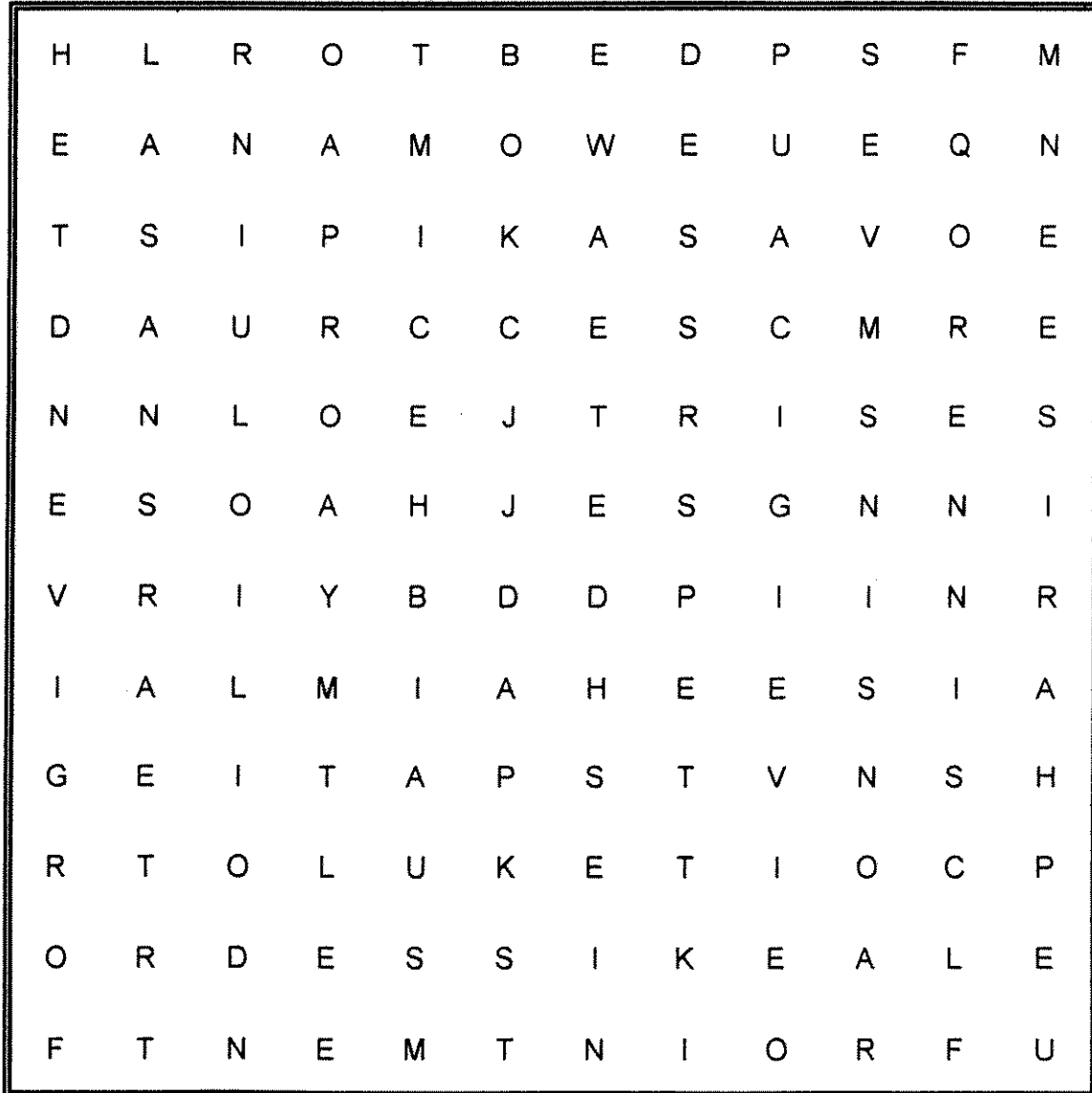
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## PRIMARY / JUNIOR ANSWER PAGE

1. In what book of the Bible is our lesson found? Luke
2. Name the man who invited Jesus to his home. Simon
3. What kind of a person was he? a Pharisee
4. Why did he invite Jesus to his home? to eat with him
5. A woman came to Simon's house who was a sinner.
6. Why did the woman come to Simon's house? to show her love for Jesus
7. What did the woman bring with her? an alabaster box of ointment (perfumed oil)
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2. dried his feet with her hair 3. kissed his feet  
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10. Jesus told a story about a certain creditor who did what? loaned money
11. How many men owed money to the creditor? two
12. How much did the first man owe? 500 pence
13. How much did the second man owe? 50 pence
14. How much is one pence? about one day's wages
15. To which one did the man forgive the greatest debt? the one who owed 500 pence
16. Who did Jesus say loves the most? the one who is forgiven the most

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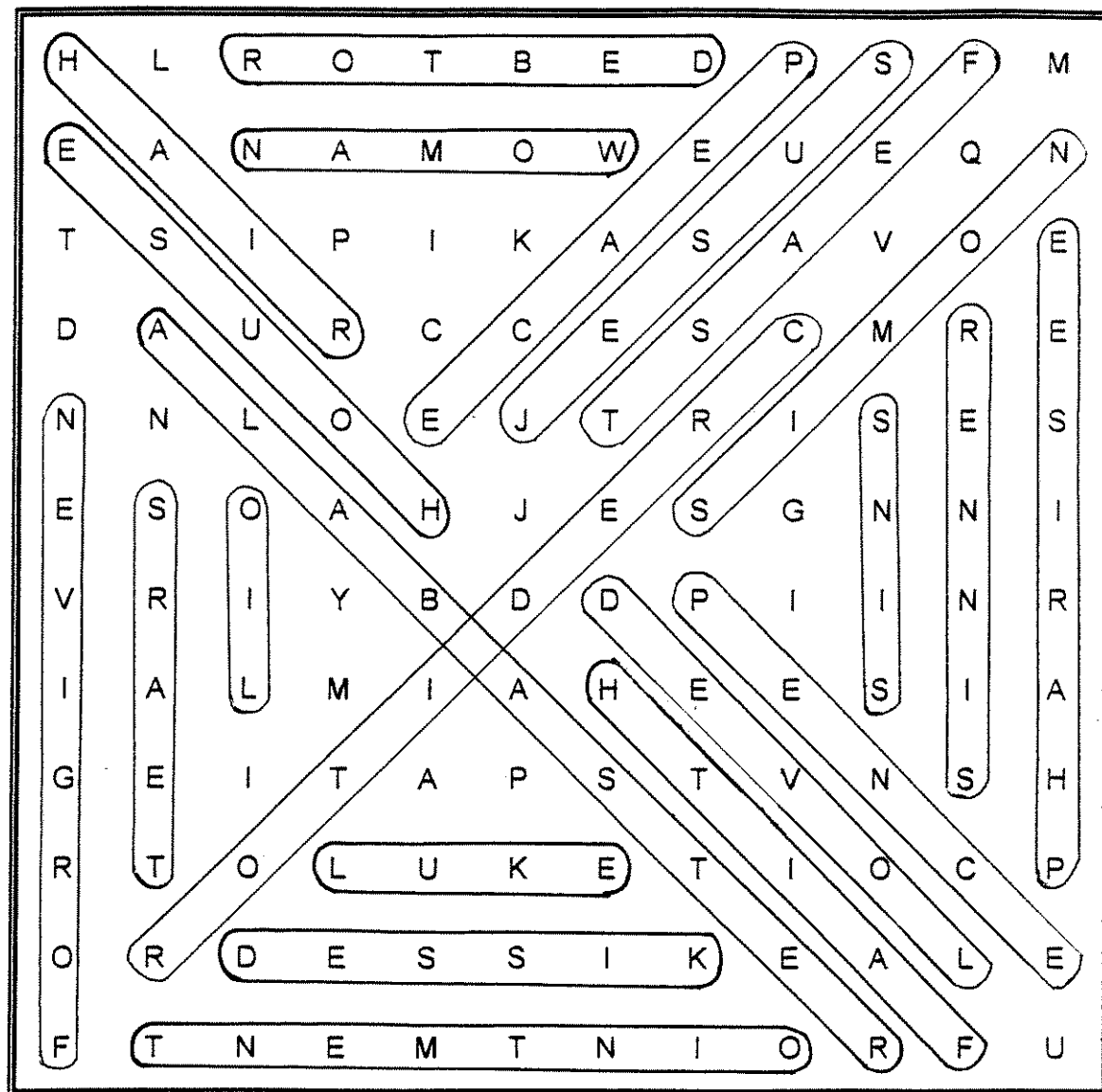


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