

# MATTHEW

## FOR KIDS

# STUDENT WORKBOOK



## **WHY STUDY THE BOOK OF MATTHEW?**

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The book of Matthew is important to study because it helps us clearly see who Jesus is and why He matters. Matthew shows us that Jesus is the Savior God promised long ago, and it tells the story about His miracles, His kindness to people, and the lessons He taught about how to live God's way.

It's a guidebook for following Jesus, reminding us to love others, forgive, and trust God. By reading Matthew, we get to know Jesus better and learn how to be more like Him in our everyday lives.

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## KEY TERMS

**BC (Before Christ)**

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**AD (Anno Domini)**

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**Gospel**

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**Canon**

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**Messiah**

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**Prophecy**

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**Genealogy**

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**Baptism**

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**Temptation**

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**Prideful**

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**Kingdom of God**

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**Miracle**

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**Compassion**

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**Disciple**

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**Apostle**

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**Doubt**

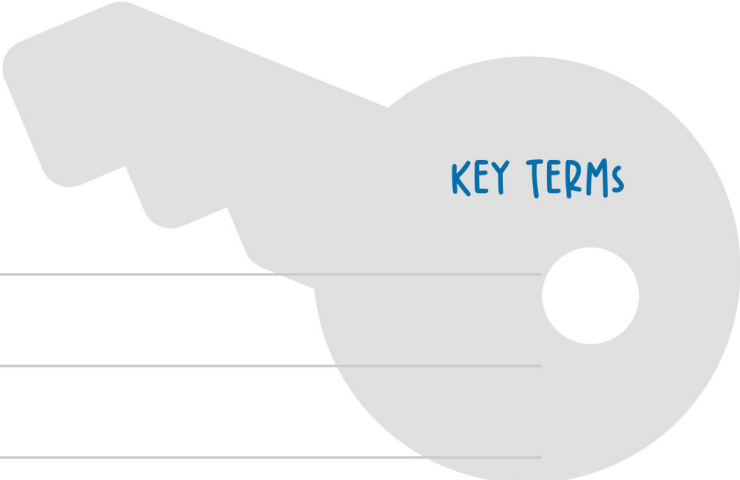
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**Faith**

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**Sabbath**

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**Pharisees**

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**Parable**

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**Synagogue**

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**Reject**

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**Transfigure**

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**Forgiveness**

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**Hosanna**

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**Grace**

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**Hypocrite**

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**Woe**

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**Lament**

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**Passover**

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**Communion**

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**Betrayal**

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**Disown**

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**Resurrection**

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**Great Commission**

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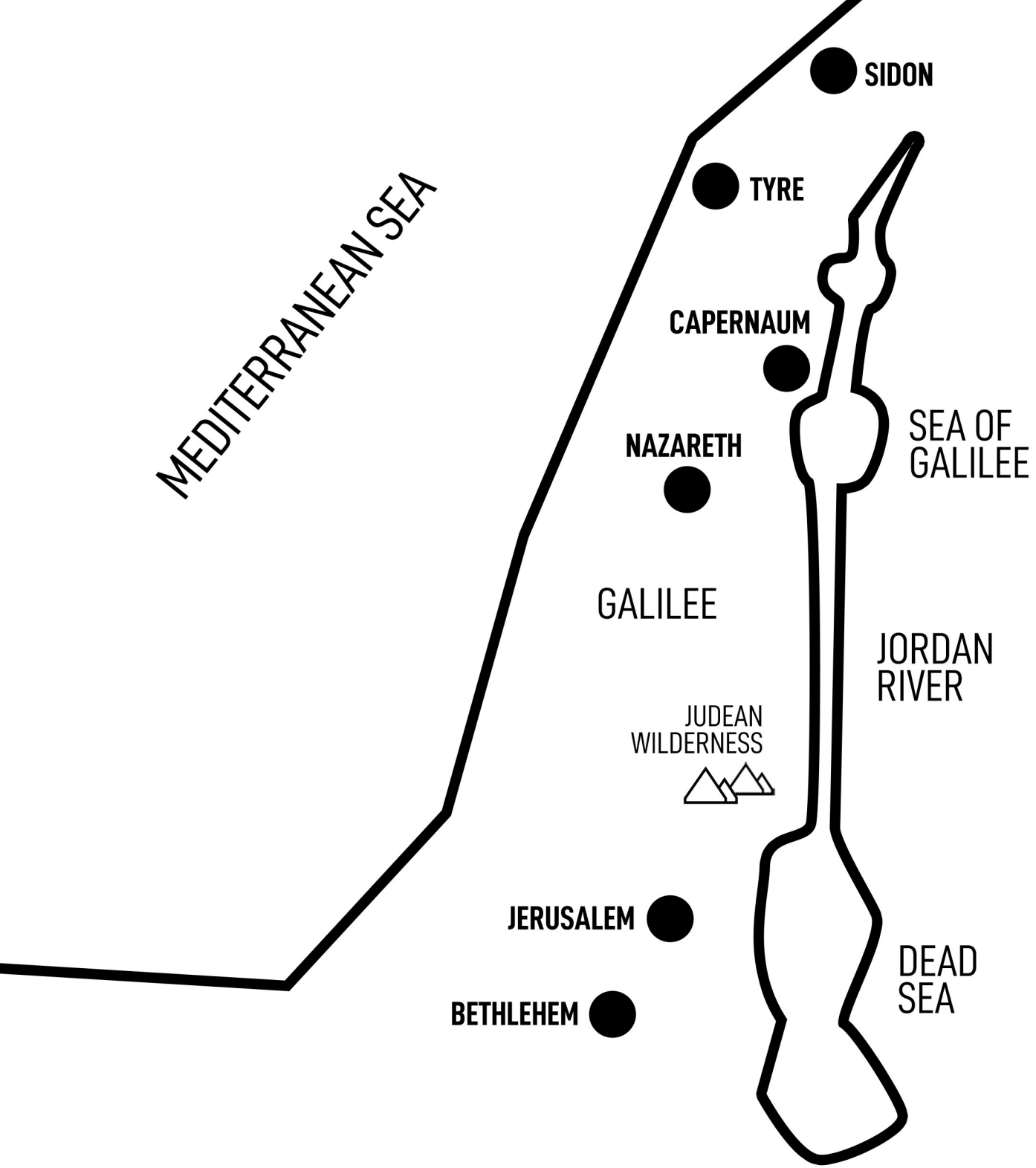
**Sacrifice**

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**Salvation**

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EGYPT

**ROMAN  
EMPIRE**







## MEMORY VERSE CHECKLIST

### MATTHEW 1:22-23

Now all this took place so that what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet would be fulfilled: “Behold, the virgin will conceive and give birth to a Son, and they shall name Him Immanuel,” which translated means, “God with us.”

### MATTHEW 11:28-29

“Come to Me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

### MATTHEW 28:19-20

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to follow all that I commanded you; and behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”







LESSON 1

## How Jesus sees Me



**DIRECTIONS:** COMPLETE PARTS 1-5.

Jesus sees us with love, kindness, and a purpose for our lives.

### PART 1: DRAW YOURSELF

In the space below, draw a picture of yourself showing a gift or talent God gave you that makes you special.

## PART 2: FILL IN THE BLANKS

God blessed me with the ability to \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus loves me even when I feel \_\_\_\_\_

I know Jesus loves me because \_\_\_\_\_

I can show others how Jesus loves them by \_\_\_\_\_

## PART 3: BIBLE VERSE REFLECTION

For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

– Psalm 139:14

What does this verse tell you about how Jesus sees you and how you should feel about it?

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## PART 4: JESUS' ENCOURAGING WORDS

Write three things you think Jesus would say to encourage you.

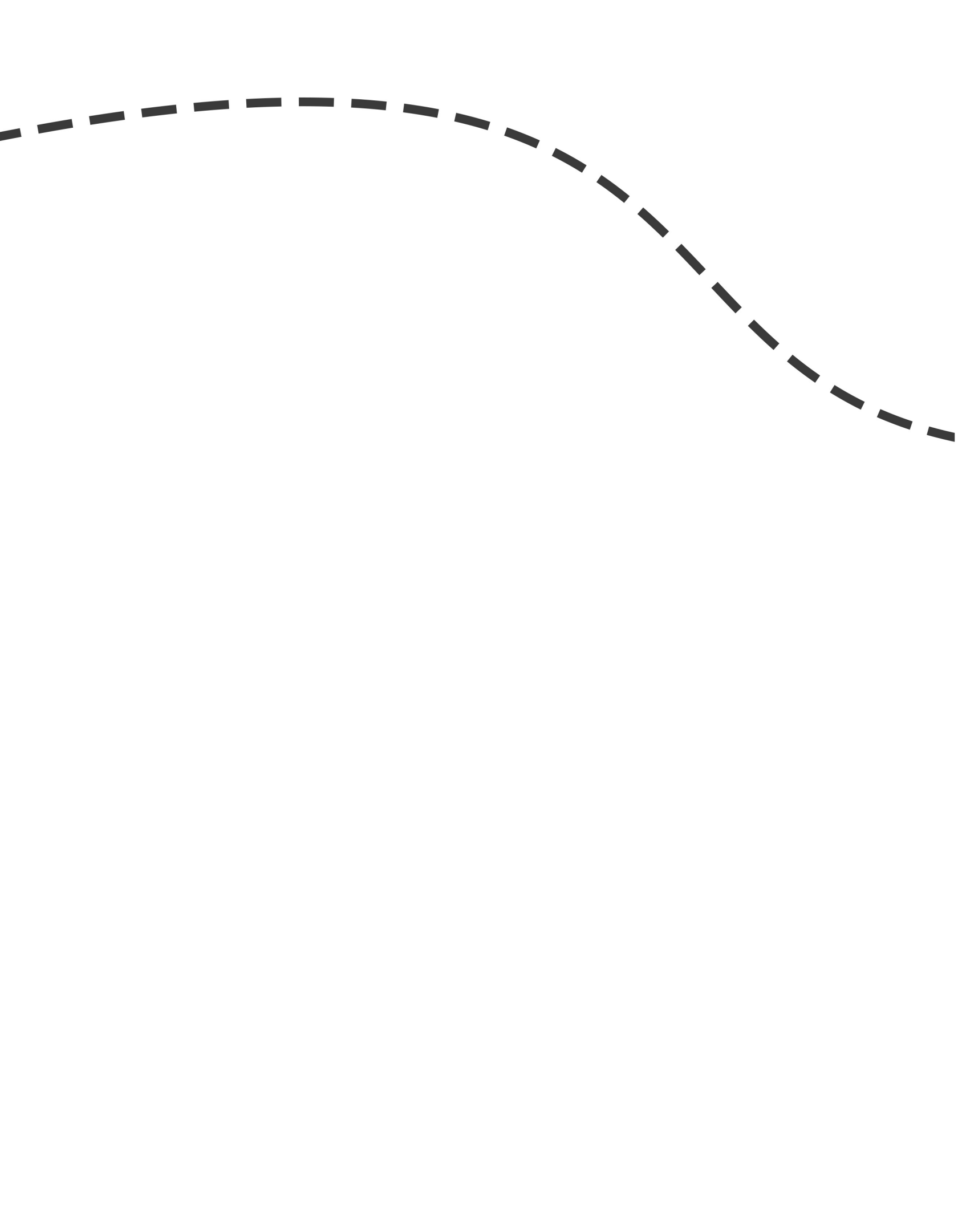
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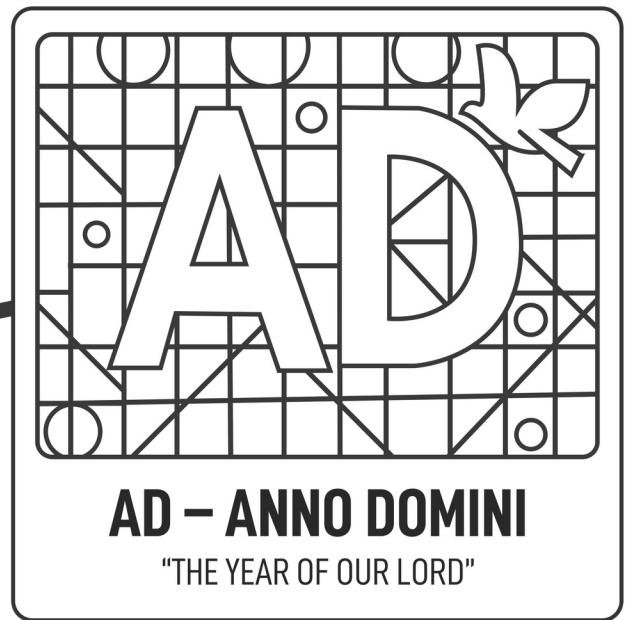
## PART 5: SHARE

Share one thing from this activity with your class or a family member. Celebrate that Jesus sees you as someone special and loved!



LESSON 1

COLOR THE TIMELINE





MEMORY VERSE

MATTHEW 1:22-23



Now all this took place to \_\_\_\_\_  
what was \_\_\_\_\_ by the Lord  
through the \_\_\_\_\_:  
“Behold, the virgin shall be with  
\_\_\_\_\_ and shall bear a \_\_\_\_\_,  
and they shall call His name  
\_\_\_\_\_, which translated  
means, “\_\_\_\_\_”

# FOUNDATIONS: BIBLE, THE GOSPELS, THE CHURCH AND MATTHEW

 **DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

## PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences below using the word bank:

1. The Bible is made up of \_\_\_\_\_ books divided into the Old and New Testaments.
2. The word \_\_\_\_\_ means “Good News.”
3. The Bible was written by men who were inspired by the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Matthew was a tax collector, a group often associated with \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Matthew wrote his Gospel to show that Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_, the Savior.
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Scripture refers to the collection of books accepted as God’s Word.
7. Matthew’s Gospel shows how Jesus fulfilled Old Testament \_\_\_\_\_.

WORD  
BANK



Sinners  
Gospel  
Canon  
Holy Spirit  
66  
Messiah  
Prophecies

## PART 2: BIBLE VERSE REFLECTION

All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness.

– 2 Timothy 3:16

What does this verse tell us about the Bible?

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### PART 3: MATCHING GAME

Draw a line to match the term with its meaning:

TERM	MEANING
Canon	Savior
Holy Spirit	The Helper who inspired the writers of the Bible
Prophecy	The collection of books in the Bible
Messiah	Good News
Gospel	A message from God

### PART 4: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Answer the questions below (written or discussed as a group):

1. How did Matthew know what to write in his Gospel?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Why did Matthew focus on showing that Jesus fulfilled Old Testament prophecies?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

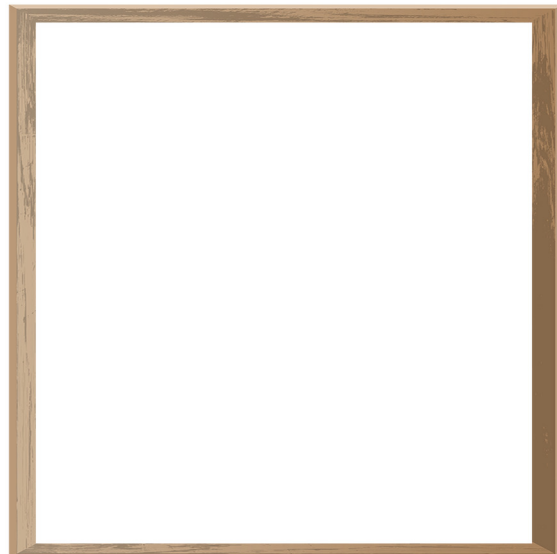
3. How does Matthew's story show us how Jesus sees people differently than others do?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 5: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Draw a picture of one of the following:

- Matthew leaving his job as a tax collector to follow Jesus
- Jesus sitting and eating with Matthew and other sinners
- Matthew writing his Gospel, inspired by the Holy Spirit



LESSON 2

# JESUS' EARLY LIFE MAZE



**DIRECTIONS:** COMPLETE THE MAZE BY GOING THROUGH ALL THE LOCATIONS IN CORRECT ORDER (1-5).

**START**

1. BETHLEHEM

2. EGYPT

3. NAZARETH

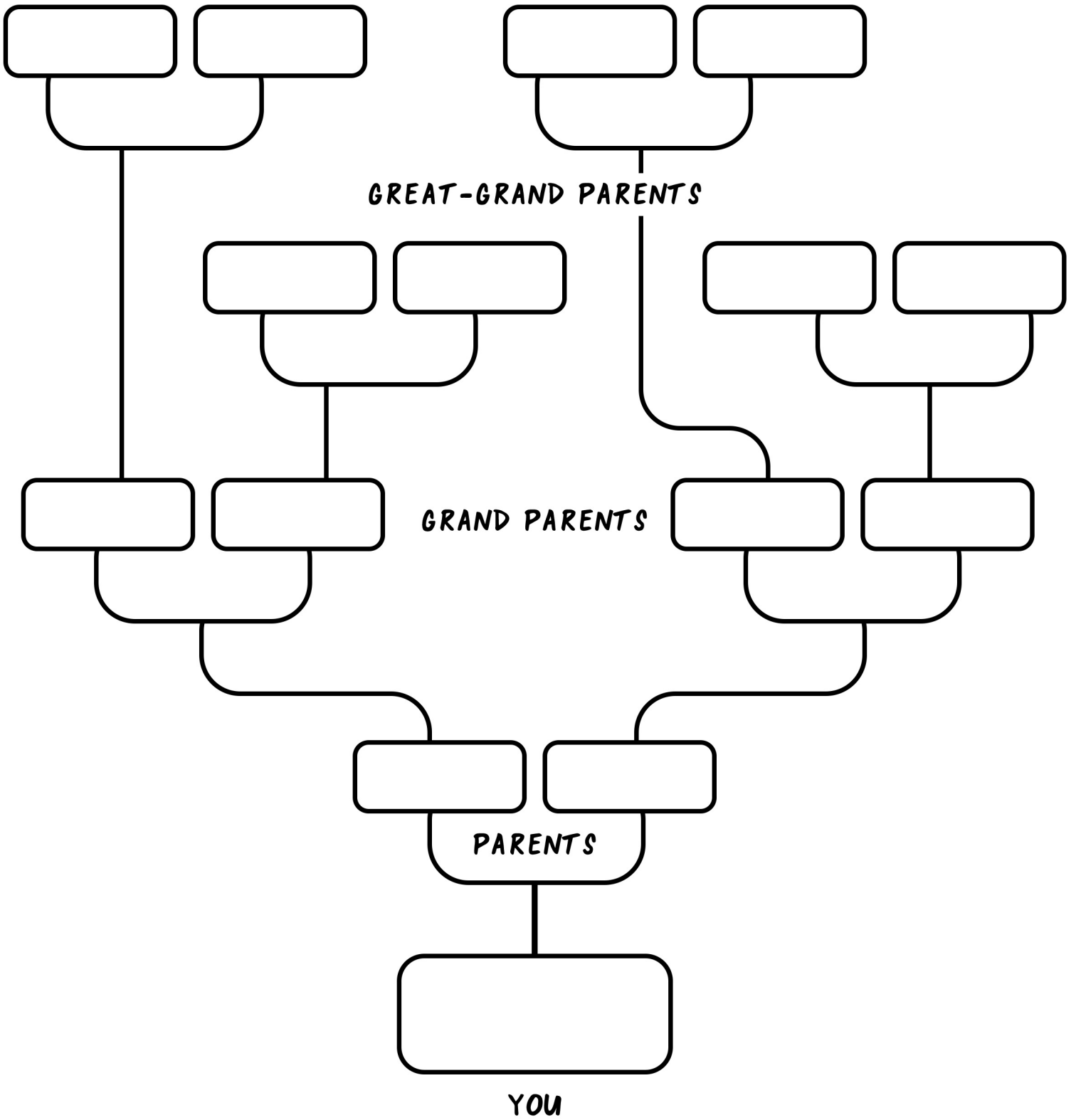
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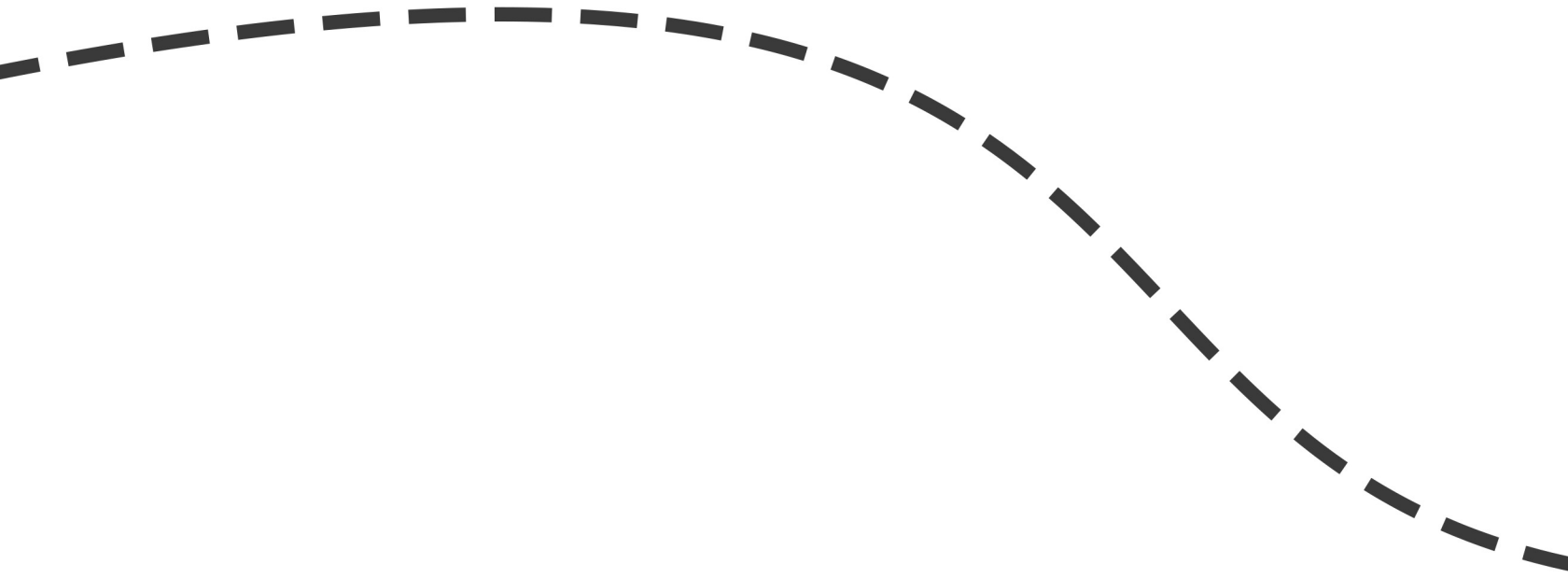
5. JUDEAN WILDERNESS / DESERT

**END**

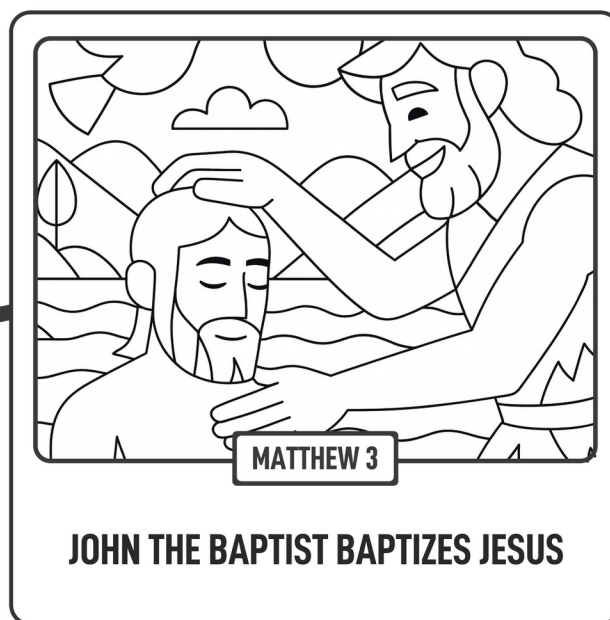
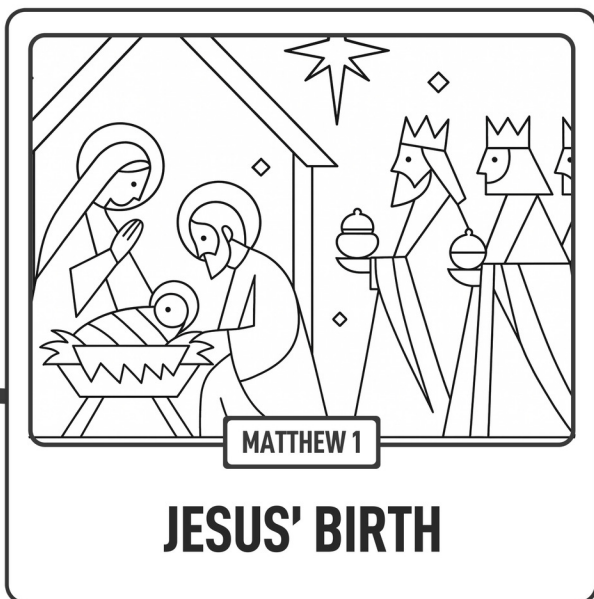
LESSON 2

MY FAMILY TREE





# COLOR THE TIMELINE



# JESUS' BIRTH AND EARLY MINISTRY

 **DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

## PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences using the words in the word bank below:

1. A genealogy is a record of a person's \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Jesus' genealogy includes important people like \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The Bible says Jesus' earthly parents were \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The wise men brought gifts of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus.
5. John the Baptist baptized people in the \_\_\_\_\_.

WORD  
BANK



Mary  
Jordan River  
Gold  
Family History  
Abraham  
Joseph  
Frankincense  
Myrrh  
King David

## PART 2: BIBLE VERSE REFLECTION

You are my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.  
– Mark 1:11

What does this verse tell us about how God sees Jesus?

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### PART 3: MATCHING GAME

Draw a line to match the event with its description:

TERM / PERSON	MEANING
<b>Baptism</b>	Thinking too highly of yourself
<b>Temptation</b>	Immersion in water
<b>Prideful</b>	Baptized people in the Jordan River
<b>John the Baptist</b>	Desire to do something, especially, something wrong

### PART 4: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Answer the questions below (written or discussed as a group):

1. Why was it important for Matthew to show Jesus' family history in his Gospel?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

2. How did Jesus respond when Satan tempted Him in the desert?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

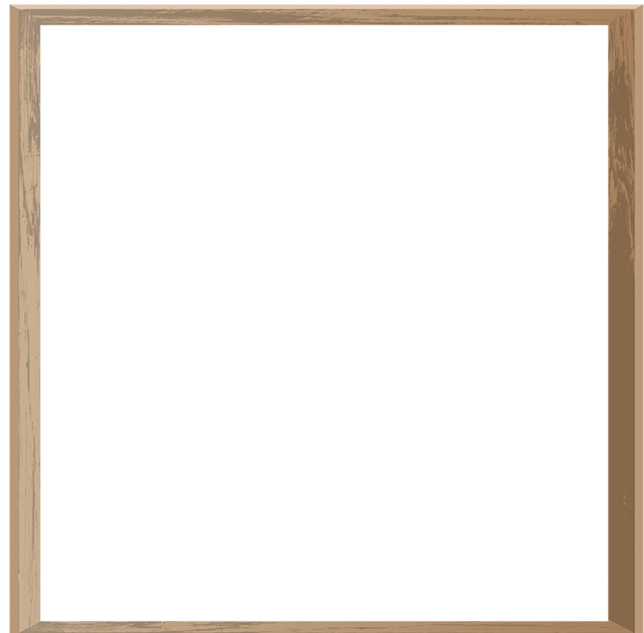
3. How can we follow Jesus' example when we are tempted to make a bad choice?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 5: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Draw a picture in the box showing one of these events:

- The wise men visiting Jesus
- Jesus being baptized by John the Baptist
- Jesus in the desert being tempted by Satan




LESSON 3

# Jesus' TEACHINGS



**DIRECTIONS:** DRAW A PICTURE BELOW REPRESENTING ONE OF THE BEATITUDES.

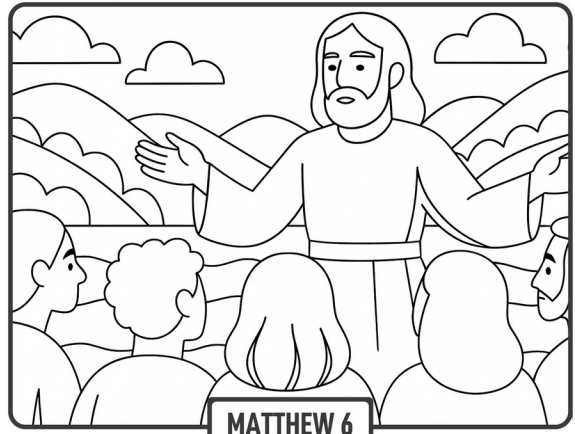
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MATTHEW 5

**JESUS' SERMON ON THE MOUNT**

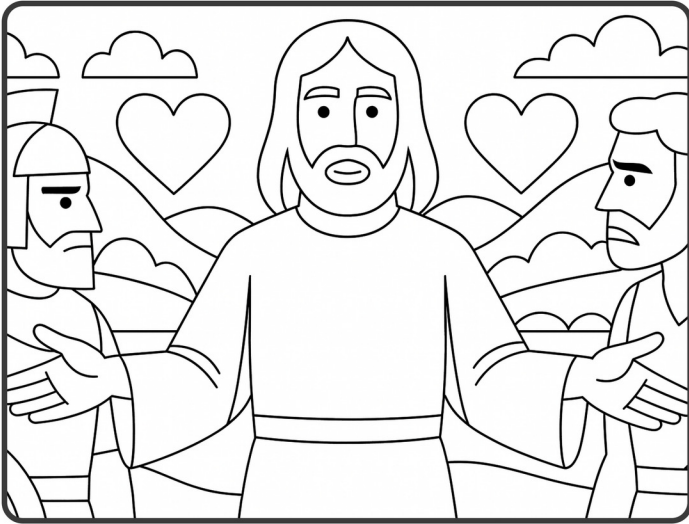
A line drawing of Jesus with long hair and a beard, wearing a simple robe, standing on a hillside. He has his right hand raised and is speaking to a group of people. The background shows rolling hills, a sun, and clouds.



MATTHEW 6

**JESUS TEACHES HOW TO PRAY**

A line drawing of Jesus with long hair and a beard, wearing a simple robe, standing and speaking to a group of people. He has his arms outstretched. The background shows rolling hills, a sun, and clouds.



**JESUS TELLS US TO LOVE OUR ENEMIES**

A line drawing of Jesus with long hair and a beard, wearing a simple robe, standing between two men. He is gesturing with his hands as if speaking. The background shows rolling hills, a sun, and clouds. Two hearts are floating in the air behind them.

# THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

 **DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

## PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences using the words in the word bank below:

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of God on earth is the church.
2. Jesus said, “Blessed are the \_\_\_\_\_, for they shall inherit the earth.”
3. Jesus taught us to \_\_\_\_\_ in a way that honors God.
4. We are the \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth and the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world.
5. Jesus said to show \_\_\_\_\_ to those who may not treat us well.
6. Jesus asks us to \_\_\_\_\_ others, just as God forgives us.

WORD  
BANK



Salt  
Love  
Forgive  
Kingdom  
Pray  
Light  
Gentle

## PART 2: BEATITUDES MATCH-UP

Draw a line to match the Beatitude to what it means:

BEATITUDE	MEANING
Blessed are the poor in spirit	Show kindness and forgive others.
Blessed are those who mourn	God will comfort those who are sad.
Blessed are the merciful	Have clean thoughts and do what is right.
Blessed are the pure in heart	Work to bring peace and help others get along.
Blessed are the peacemakers	Be humble and trust in God.

### PART 3: SALT AND LIGHT REFLECTION

Jesus said we are the “salt of the earth” and “light of the world.”

**Question 1: What does it mean to be the salt of the earth?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 2: How can your life be a light to others?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 4: LOVE AND FORGIVENESS

Jesus said to love our enemies. Answer the following questions:

**1. What is the hardest part about loving someone you don't like?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Write one way you can show love to someone, even if it's difficult:**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 5: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Draw a picture in the picture frame below of one of these:

- The hillside where Jesus taught the Sermon on the Mount
- Someone showing love and forgiveness
- Your favorite Beatitude and what it means



LESSON 4

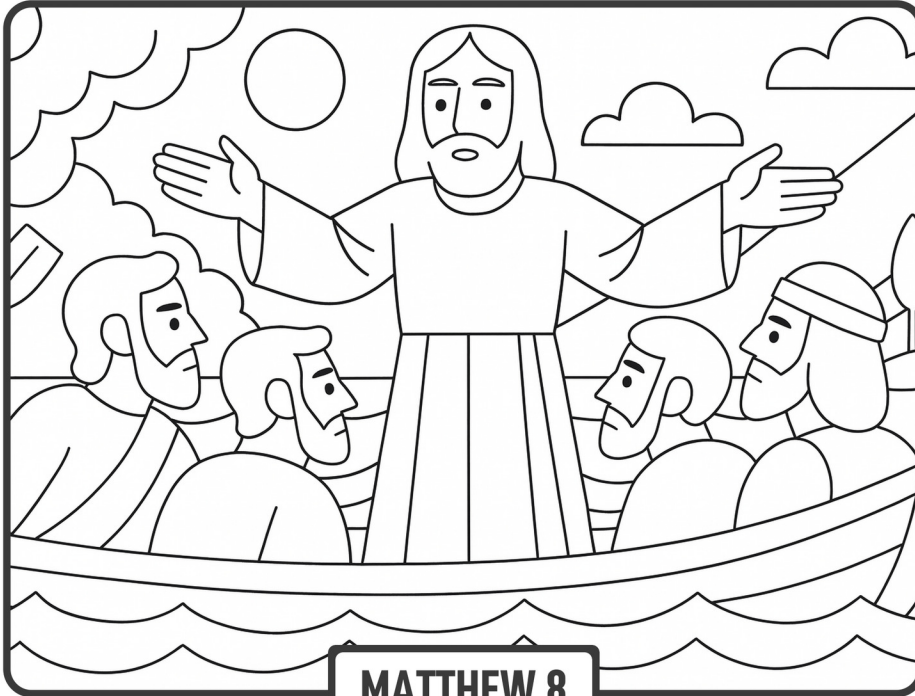
## KINGDOM WORK BRAINSTORM



**DIRECTIONS:** WRITE OR DRAW AS MANY WAYS AS YOU CAN THINK OF TO WORK FOR GOD'S KINGDOM.

LESSON 4

## COLOR THE TIMELINE



**MATTHEW 8**

**JESUS PERFORMED MANY MIRACLES**

# MIRACLES AND MINISTRY

 **DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

## PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences using the words in the word bank below:

1. Jesus performed \_\_\_\_\_ to show His power and confirm His teachings.
2. Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ for people shows us how deeply He cared for others.
3. When Jesus calmed the storm, He told the Apostles they had 'little \_\_\_\_\_.'
4. Jesus said the spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ is plentiful, but more workers are needed.
5. When we feel afraid or unsure, God wants us to \_\_\_\_\_ and trust Him.
6. Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ led Him to help and heal many people.

WORD  
BANK



Faith  
Love  
Harvest  
Compassion  
Miracles  
Pray

## PART 2: BIBLE VERSE REFLECTION

Read the verse below and answer the questions:

He Himself took our infirmities and carried away our diseases.  
- Isaiah 53:4

1. How does this show Jesus' compassion for people?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### PART 3: THINK ABOUT IT

Answer the following questions (written or discussed as a group):

1. Why did Jesus perform miracles?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

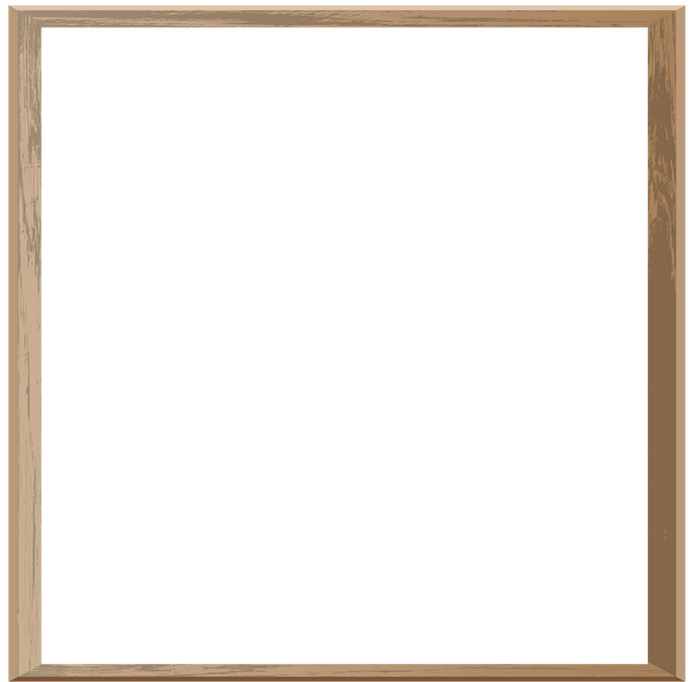
2. What can we learn from how Jesus used His time on earth?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 4: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Draw a picture of one of the following:

- Jesus calming the storm with the Apostles.
- Jesus healing Peter's mother-in-law.
- Jesus showing compassion to a crowd.



### PART 5: WAYS TO WORK FOR THE KINGDOM

List three ways you can be busy working for God's kingdom, just like Jesus was:

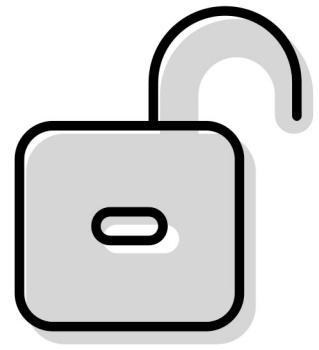
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2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

LESSON 5

# GOD'S INSTRUCTIONS TO US: CODE BREAKING ACTIVITY



Directions: Solve each clue by filling in the correct answer from the book of Matthew. Each answer has one circled letter. After solving all the clues, use the circled letters to complete the mystery phrase at the bottom of the page!

## CLUES

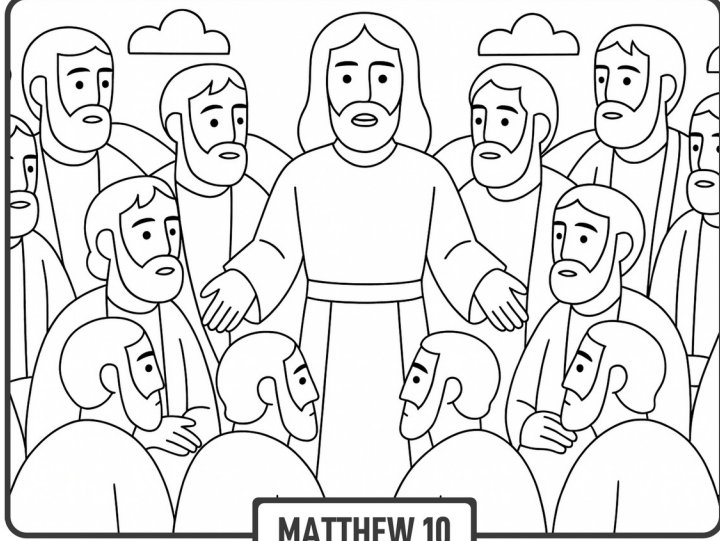
1. IN MATTHEW 5:8, JESUS SAYS THAT THOSE WHO ARE PURE IN HEART WILL **U** \_ \_ \_ GOD.
2. IN MATTHEW 6:14, JESUS SAYS THAT IF WE FORGIVE OTHERS, OUR **U** \_ \_ \_ \_ FATHER WILL ALSO FORGIVE US.
3. IN MATTHEW 5:13, JESUS TELLS US THAT WE ARE THE SALT OF THE **U** \_ \_ \_ \_ .
4. IN MATTHEW 5:5, JESUS SAYS THAT THE **U** \_ \_ \_ \_ WILL INHERIT THE EARTH. (ESV VERSION)
5. IN MATTHEW 22:39, JESUS SAYS TO LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS **U** \_ \_ \_ \_ .
6. IN MATTHEW 5:9, JESUS SAYS, "BLESSED ARE THE **U** \_ \_ \_ \_ FOR THEY SHALL BE CALLED CHILDREN OF GOD."
7. IN MATTHEW 5:18, JESUS SAYS THAT UNTIL **U** \_ \_ \_ \_ AND EARTH PASS AWAY, NOT THE SMALLEST LETTER OR STROKE SHALL PASS FROM THE LAW.
8. IN MATTHEW 5:6, JESUS SAYS THOSE WHO **U** \_ \_ \_ \_ AND THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS WILL BE SATISFIED.
9. IN MATTHEW 28:19, JESUS COMMANDS HIS DISCIPLES TO GO AND MAKE **U** \_ \_ \_ \_ OF ALL NATIONS.
10. IN MATTHEW 5:44, JESUS TELLS US TO **U** \_ \_ \_ \_ OUR ENEMIES AND PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PERSECUTE US.
11. IN MATTHEW 5:3, JESUS SAYS, "BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN **U** \_ \_ \_ \_ , FOR THEIRS IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.
12. IN MATTHEW 5:16, JESUS TELLS US TO LET OUR **U** \_ \_ \_ \_ SHINE BEFORE MEN.

## MYSTERY PHRASE

Use the circled letters from your answers above to solve this important message from Jesus:

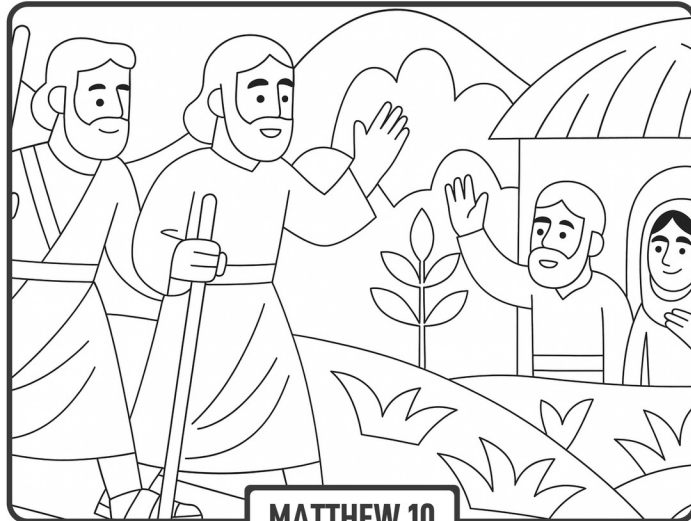
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# COLOR THE TIMELINE



MATTHEW 10

**JESUS CALLS HIS 12 APOSTLES**



MATTHEW 10

**JESUS SENDS OUT THE 12**

## JESUS CALLS HIS APOSTLES



**DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

### PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences using the words in the word bank below:

1. Jesus specifically chose twelve \_\_\_\_\_ to be His Apostles.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of God is near because Jesus came to Earth.
3. The Apostles' \_\_\_\_\_ was to seek and save the lost.
4. The Jews were God's chosen people, and the \_\_\_\_\_ were all other people.
5. Jesus gave His Apostles special \_\_\_\_\_ to follow.
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ would help the Apostles know what to say and do when they faced difficult situations.

WORD  
BANK



Holy Spirit  
Gentiles  
Instructions  
Disciples  
Kingdom  
Mission

### PART 2: TRUE OR FALSE

Circle the True or False next to each statement. If the statement is false, correct it.

- T F The Apostles were told to bring extra money and clothes on their mission.**
- T F Jesus warned the Apostles that people might treat them unkindly.**
- T F The Apostles' mission was to teach about the kingdom of heaven.**
- T F The Apostles relied on their own strength and ideas to complete their mission.**
- T F The Bible is where we can find our instructions for living as followers of Jesus.**

### PART 3: SHORT ANSWER

Answer the following questions (written or discussed as a group):

1. What does it mean to 'seek and save the lost'?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Why did Jesus tell His Apostles not to bring money or extra clothes?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

3. How can the Holy Spirit help us today, just like He helped the Apostles?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 4: MATCH THE TERMS

Draw a line to match the term to its definition:

TERM	DEFINITION
Beelzebub	All people who were not Jews
Mission	A special job or purpose
Kingdom of Heaven	Another name for the devil
Disciples	Followers of Jesus
Gentiles	God's church on Earth

### PART 5: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Imagine you are one of the twelve Apostles. Write or draw about a day in your life as you share the message of Jesus.



LESSON 6

# SEEING THE WHOLE PICTURE



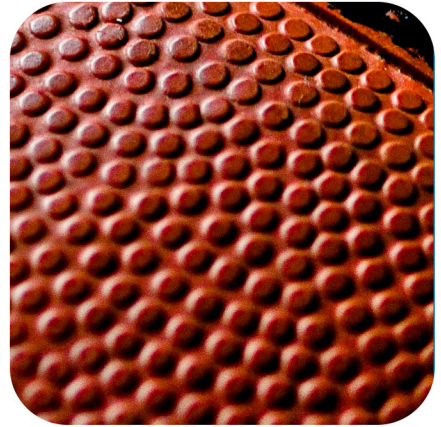
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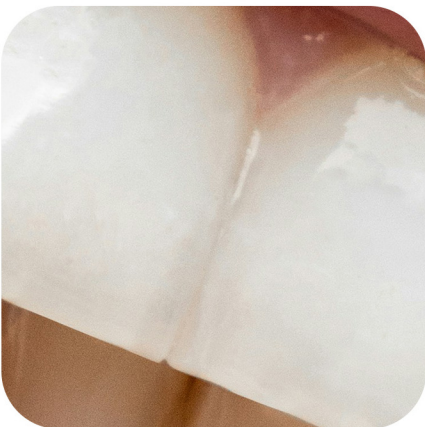
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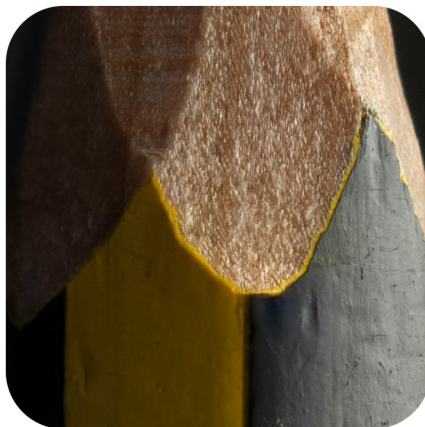
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**MATTHEW 11**

**JESUS DEALS WITH DOUBTS AND CONFLICTS**

MEMORY VERSE

MATTHEW 11:28-29



**Come to Me, all who are \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_, and I will give  
you \_\_\_\_\_. Take My \_\_\_\_\_ upon  
you and \_\_\_\_\_ from Me, for I am  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in heart,  
and you will find \_\_\_\_\_  
for your \_\_\_\_\_.**

# DEALING WITH DOUBTS AND CONFLICTS

 **DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

## PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences using the words in the word bank below:

1. **John the Baptist had a moment of \_\_\_\_\_ while he was in prison.**
2. **Jesus reminded John to have \_\_\_\_\_ in God's bigger plan.**
3. **We should always \_\_\_\_\_ in God, even when things don't make sense.**
4. **Jesus showed \_\_\_\_\_ and healed people, even on the \_\_\_\_\_ day.**
5. **Jesus teaches us to show \_\_\_\_\_ to others, even in conflict.**
6. **Jesus said His true \_\_\_\_\_ are those who believe in Him and do God's will.**

WORD  
BANK



**Doubt**  
**Sabbath**  
**Family**  
**Trust**  
**Faith**  
**Mercy**  
**Love**

## PART 2: MATCHING ACTIVITY

Draw a line to match each situation with what Jesus teaches us to do:

SITUATION	JESUS' TEACHING
<b>John the Baptist had doubts while in prison.</b>	We should reflect on our actions and choose love.
<b>The Pharisees made rules that were very strict.</b>	God does not want us to add to His Law.
<b>Jesus healed a man on the Sabbath.</b>	God values love and mercy over man-made rules.
<b>Jesus' family was worried about Him.</b>	Jesus said His true family is those who do God's will.
<b>When we have conflicts with others.</b>	Trust in God's plan even when we don't understand it.

### PART 3: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Answer the following questions (written or discussed as a group):

**1. Why did John the Baptist have doubts about Jesus?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. What did Jesus teach about healing on the Sabbath?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. How can we show love to our family even in conflict?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 4: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Draw a picture of one of these:

- John the Baptist in prison wondering about Jesus
- Jesus healing someone on the Sabbath
- A person showing love and mercy instead of arguing



LESSON 7

# HIDDEN MEANING



**DIRECTIONS:** UNSCRAMBLE THE WORDS TO FIND THE ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS FROM TODAY'S LESSON.

PLAAREB

1. What special way did Jesus often teach people about God's kingdom? \_\_\_\_\_

DEBISE

2. The word "parable" means "to place \_\_\_\_\_."

ESDE

3. In the Parable of the Mustard Seed, what tiny thing grew into a large plant? \_\_\_\_\_

IHATF

4. The mustard seed shows that even a small amount of \_\_\_\_\_ can grow into something big with God.

FEDLI

5. In the Parable of the Hidden Treasure, the man sold everything to buy the \_\_\_\_\_.

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6. The hidden treasure reminds us that the greatest treasure is knowing \_\_\_\_\_.

NTE

7. In the Parable of the Net, what did the fishermen use to catch all kinds of fish? \_\_\_\_\_

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8. The good fish in the story remind us of people who truly \_\_\_\_\_ God.

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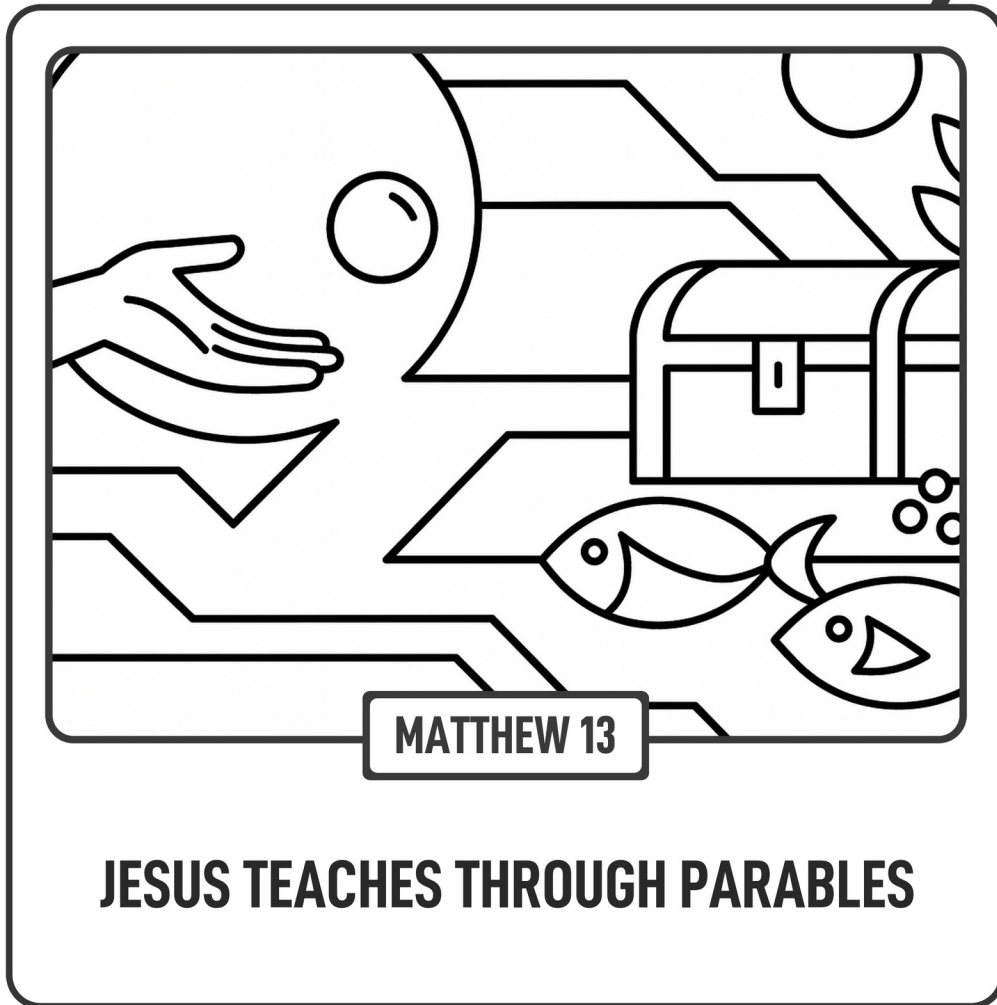
9. The bad fish remind us of those who do not \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus.

IAHAIS

10. Which Old Testament prophet said long before that Jesus would teach using parables? \_\_\_\_\_

LESSON 7

## COLOR THE TIMELINE



# PARABLES

 **DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

## PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences using the words in the word bank below:

1. Jesus taught using parables to help people understand the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.
2. The Parable of the \_\_\_\_\_ Seed shows how something small can grow into something big.
3. The man in the Parable of the Hidden \_\_\_\_\_ sold everything he had to gain something valuable.
4. The Parable of the \_\_\_\_\_ teaches that God will separate those who follow Him from those who don't.
5. Jesus used parables to \_\_\_\_\_ things we can see with things we cannot see.
6. Even a little bit of \_\_\_\_\_ can grow into something great in God's kingdom.
7. Knowing God's \_\_\_\_\_ is more valuable than anything else.

WORD  
BANK



Faith  
Compare  
Mustard  
Treasure  
Kingdom  
Truth  
Net

## PART 2: MATCHING ACTIVITY

Draw a line to match each parable with what it teaches:

PARABLE	LESSON
The Mustard Seed	At the end of time, God will separate believers from unbelievers.
The Hidden Treasure	A small thing, like faith, can grow into something great.
The Net	Knowing God is the most valuable thing in life.

### PART 3: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Answer the following questions (written or discussed as a group):

**1. Why did Jesus use parables to teach?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. What do the objects in parables (like seeds, treasure, nets) represent?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Why do you think some people understood the parables while others did not?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 4: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Draw a picture of one of these:

- A tiny mustard seed growing into a big tree
- A man finding treasure in a field
- A fishing net full of different kinds of fish






LESSON 8

# THE TRANSFIGURATION





# COLOR THE TIMELINE



MATTHEW 14

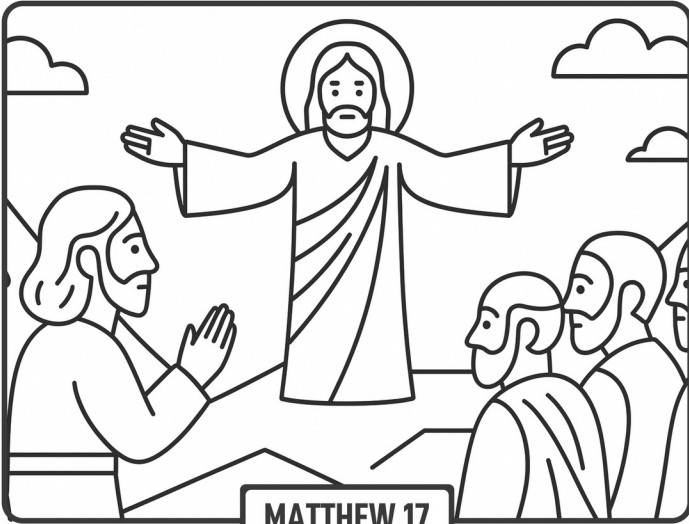
**JESUS FEEDS 5,000 PEOPLE**

A line drawing showing Jesus on the left, holding a large woven basket filled with loaves of bread. He is looking towards a large crowd of people on the right. In the foreground, another man is holding a fish. The background shows a landscape with hills and a sun or moon in the sky.



JESUS SHOWS COMPASSION TO THE GENTILE WOMAN

A line drawing of a woman with long hair, wearing a headscarf, kneeling in prayer with her hands clasped. She is looking towards the left. In the background, there is a landscape with a building and a small plant growing from the ground.



MATTHEW 17

**THE TRANSFIGURATION**

A line drawing of Jesus standing in the center with his arms outstretched, appearing to be in a state of transfiguration. He has a halo around his head. In front of him, three men are kneeling in prayer, looking up at him. The background shows a landscape with clouds.

# MINISTRY TO THE MASSES

 **DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

## PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences using the words in the word bank below:

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a Jewish place of worship.
2. Jesus did not do many \_\_\_\_\_ in His hometown because of their unbelief.
3. To \_\_\_\_\_ something or someone means to refuse to believe in them.
4. Jesus showed \_\_\_\_\_ to the hungry crowd by feeding them.
5. The woman who begged Jesus to heal her daughter was one of the \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Jesus healed the woman's daughter because He saw her great \_\_\_\_\_.
7. When Jesus was on the mountain, He was \_\_\_\_\_, and His face shone like the sun.

WORD BANK



Miracles

Synagogue

Compassion

Faith

Transfigured

Gentiles

Reject

## PART 2: MATCHING ACTIVITY

Draw a line to match each event with what it teaches:

EVENT	LESSON
Jesus was rejected in His hometown.	Faith in Jesus is important, no matter who you are.
Jesus fed the hungry crowd.	Some people refused to believe in Him.
Jesus healed the Gentile woman's daughter.	He revealed His glory to strengthen the apostles' faith.
Jesus was transfigured on the mountain.	He cares for both our physical and spiritual needs.

### PART 3: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Answer the following questions (written or discussed as a group):

**1. How did Jesus respond to being rejected?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Why did Jesus feed the crowd even when He was sad?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Who witnessed the transfiguration?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Why did Jesus allow them to see this incredible moment?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 4: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

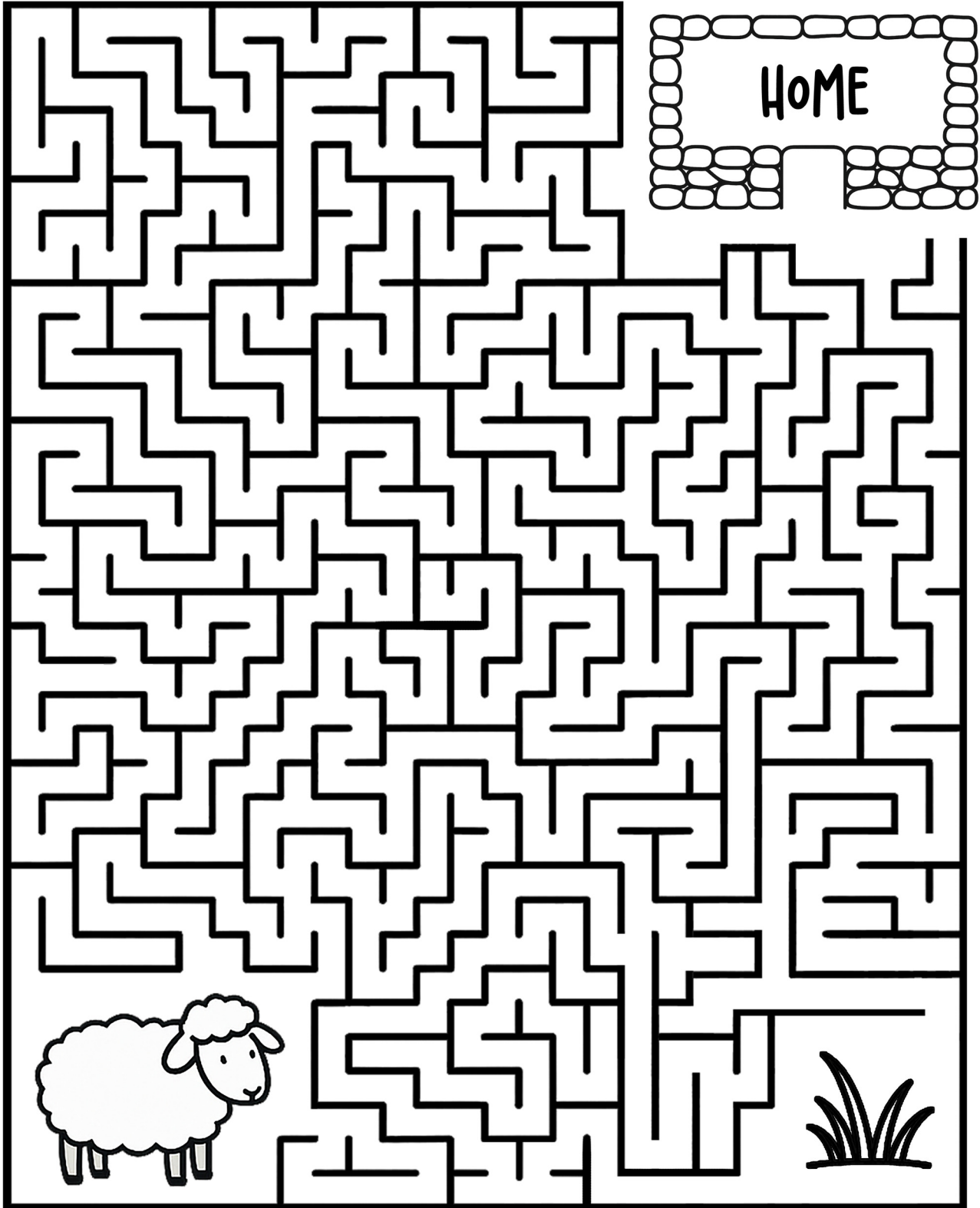
Draw a picture of one of these:

- Jesus feeding the large crowd
- The Gentile woman asking Jesus for help
- Jesus shining brightly on the mountain during the transfiguration



LESSON 9

HELP THE SHEEP FIND THEIR WAY BACK



# COLOR THE TIMELINE



**JESUS TEACHES US TO HAVE A CHILD-LIKE FAITH**



**JESUS TEACHES HOW TO RESOLVE CONFLICTS**

# ATTITUDE & BEHAVIOR IN GOD'S KINGDOM



**DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

## PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences using the words in the word bank below:

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the kingdom of God on earth.
2. The apostles asked Jesus, “Who is the greatest?” because they were struggling with \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Jesus said we should be like \_\_\_\_\_ in our faith and trust in Him.
4. Having an innocent \_\_\_\_\_ means trusting in God completely.
5. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a story about something earthly that has a hidden spiritual meaning.
6. Jesus says we should always \_\_\_\_\_ others, just as God forgives us.
7. God knows that people will have \_\_\_\_\_, so He teaches us how to handle it with kindness.

WORD  
BANK



Children  
Church  
Parable  
Forgive  
Pride  
Conflict  
Faith

## PART 2: MATCHING ACTIVITY

Draw a line to match each lesson with what Jesus taught:

LESSON	TEACHING
Who is the greatest in the kingdom?	God rejoices when a lost believer returns.
Becoming like children in faith.	We should trust in God completely.
The Parable of the Lost Sheep.	God forgives us, so we should forgive others.
Dealing with conflict.	Those who humble themselves and seek God’s glory.
Forgiving others.	Talk to the person directly and try to work it out.

### PART 3: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Answer the following questions (written or discussed as a group):

**1. Why is pride a problem in God's kingdom?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. What should we do first when someone hurts us?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Once we forgive, how should we act towards that person?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 4: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Draw a picture of one of these:

- Jesus teaching that the greatest in the kingdom is the one who is humble
- A shepherd finding the lost sheep
- Two people forgiving each other and becoming friends again






LESSON 10

## Who is Jesus To Me?

Jesus meant different things to different people. Think about your relationship with Jesus and use the space below to draw who Jesus is to you.

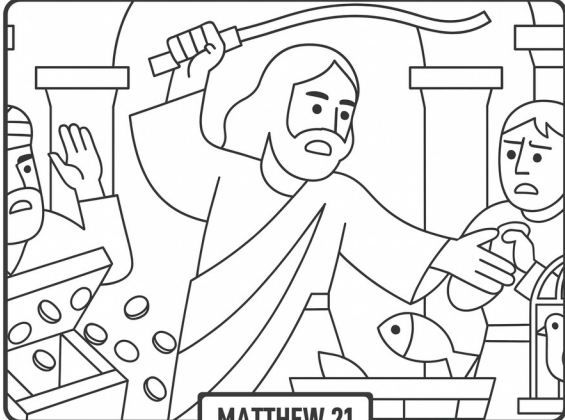
# COLOR THE TIMELINE



MATTHEW 21

**JESUS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY**

A line drawing depicting Jesus riding a donkey through a city. He is wearing a robe and has a beard. People on either side are holding palm branches and waving them towards him. In the background, there are city walls and a sun in the sky. Below the drawing is a small rectangular box containing the text 'MATTHEW 21'. Below that is a larger rectangular box containing the title 'JESUS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY' in bold, uppercase letters.



MATTHEW 21

**JESUS CLEANSSES THE TEMPLE**

A line drawing showing Jesus in a temple. He is holding a long staff or whip raised in his right hand. He is surrounded by people, some of whom are carrying tables and benches. There are coins and fish scattered on the ground. In the background, there are temple columns. Below the drawing is a small rectangular box containing the text 'MATTHEW 21'. Below that is a larger rectangular box containing the title 'JESUS CLEANSSES THE TEMPLE' in bold, uppercase letters.



**THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT**

A line drawing divided into two panels. The left panel shows Jesus with a halo, leaning over and touching the forehead of a man who is kneeling in prayer. The right panel shows Jesus with a halo, looking at a woman who is holding a scroll. Below the drawing is a larger rectangular box containing the title 'THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT' in bold, uppercase letters.

MEMORY VERSE

MATTHEW 28:19-20



**Go therefore and make \_\_\_\_\_  
of all the nations, \_\_\_\_\_ them  
in the name of the \_\_\_\_\_ and the  
\_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_,  
teaching them to \_\_\_\_\_ all that I  
\_\_\_\_\_ you; and lo, I am with  
you \_\_\_\_\_, even to the  
\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.**

# The LAST Week of Jesus' LIFE

 **DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

## PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences using the words in the word bank below:

1. As Jesus entered Jerusalem, the people shouted, " \_\_\_\_\_, to the Son of David!"
2. The word "Hosanna" is a sign of praise that means " \_\_\_\_\_ us."
3. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem fulfilled an Old Testament \_\_\_\_\_ from Zechariah 9:9.
4. Jesus was upset because people were using the \_\_\_\_\_ to buy and sell things instead of for prayer.
5. Matthew connects Old Testament prophecies to Jesus to prove that He is the \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Jesus said the greatest commandment is to \_\_\_\_\_ God with all your heart, soul, and mind.
7. The second greatest commandment is to love your neighbor as yourself, and all other \_\_\_\_\_ depend on these two.

WORD  
BANK



Love  
Temple  
Commandments  
Prophecy  
Messiah  
Save  
Hosanna

## PART 2: TRUE OR FALSE

Read each statement below and circle "True" or "False." If the statement is false, correct it.

- T F** Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a horse.
- T F** The people shouted "Hosanna!" to praise Jesus.
- T F** Jesus was happy to see people buying and selling in the temple.
- T F** The Pharisees asked Jesus what the greatest commandment was.
- T F** Jesus said the most important commandment is to love God with all your heart, soul, and mind.
- T F** The second greatest commandment is to love yourself.

### PART 3: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Answer the following questions (written or discussed as a group):

**1. Why were the people excited when Jesus entered Jerusalem?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Why was Jesus angry when He saw the temple being misused?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Why does Matthew connect Old Testament prophecies to Jesus?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**4. How does loving God and others fulfill all the commandments?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 4: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Draw a picture of one of these:

- Jesus entering Jerusalem while people wave palm branches
- Jesus clearing the temple of those buying and selling
- A heart with "Love God, Love Others" written inside





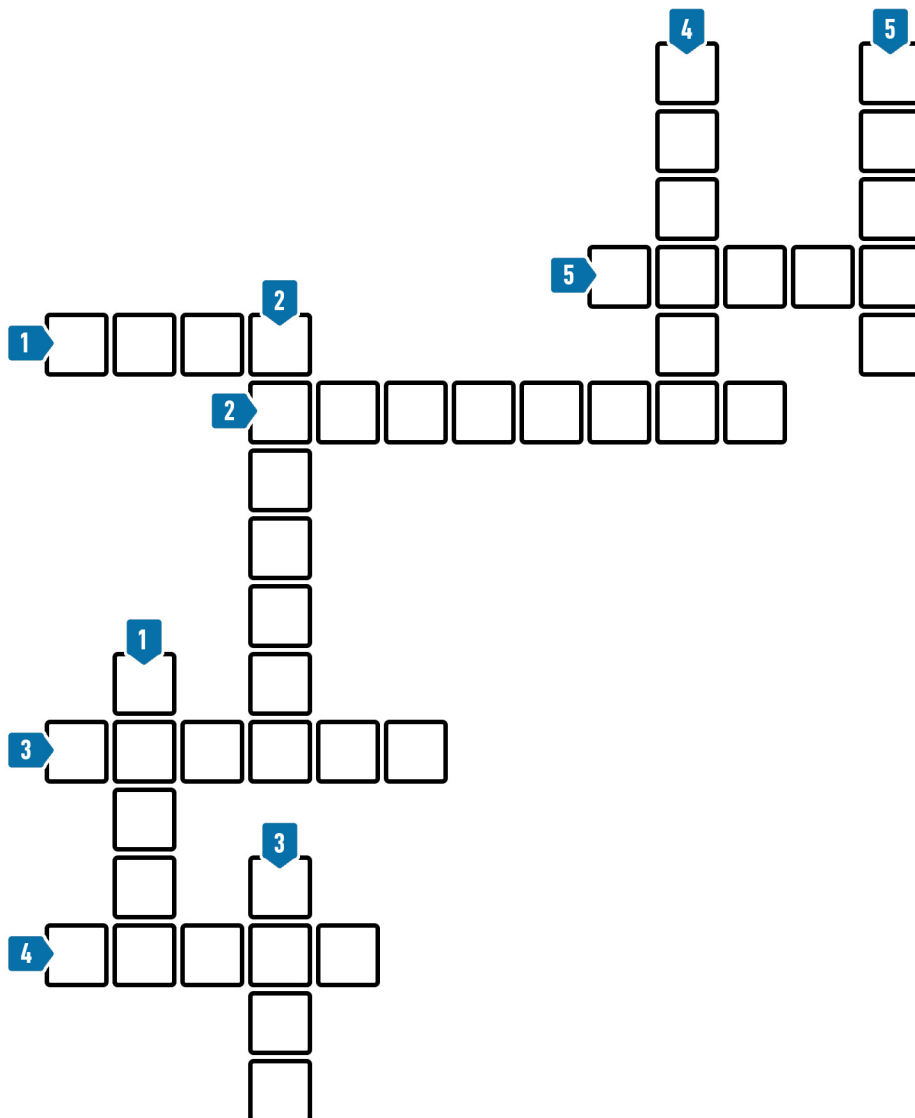
# 10 COMMANDMENTS CROSSWORD PUZZLE (EXODUS 20:1-17)

## Across Clues

1. You shall have no other \_\_\_\_\_ before me. (Commandment #1)
2. You shall not commit \_\_\_\_\_. (Commandment #7)
3. Honor your father and \_\_\_\_\_. (Commandment #5)
4. You shall not \_\_\_\_\_. (Commandment #8)
5. You shall not make any \_\_\_\_\_. (Commandment #2)

## Down Clues

1. You shall not \_\_\_\_\_. (Commandment #10)
2. Remember the \_\_\_\_\_ day, to keep it holy. (Commandment #4)
3. You shall not take the name of the Lord in \_\_\_\_\_. (Commandment #3)
4. You shall not \_\_\_\_\_. (Commandment #6)
5. You shall not bear \_\_\_\_\_ witness. (Commandment #9)

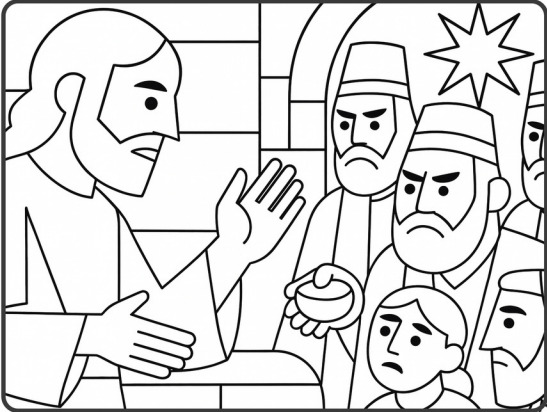


LESSON 11

## AM I READY?


What are some ways you can stay faithful to Jesus and be ready for His return?

# COLOR THE TIMELINE




JESUS CONFRONTS THE PHARISEES

A line drawing illustration of Jesus on the left, gesturing with his hands as he speaks to a group of men on the right. The men have stern expressions, and one has a starburst above his head, indicating anger or conflict.



**TEACHINGS**  
DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM, TEMPLE

A line drawing illustration of Jesus on the right, gesturing with his hands. In the background, a city with a temple is shown in flames, with smoke rising from the destruction.



**TEACHINGS**  
BEING PREPARED FOR JESUS' RETURN

A line drawing illustration divided into three vertical panels. The left panel shows a lit oil lamp on a stand. The middle panel shows Jesus with his hands clasped in prayer, with a clock face above him. The right panel shows Jesus and a man planting a tree in a field.

## WARNING AGAINST THE PHARISEES

 **DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

### PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences using the words in the word bank below:

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ were Jewish leaders who created their own rules and forced people to follow them.
2. A \_\_\_\_\_ is someone who says one thing but does another.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ is a special gift from God that we do not deserve but that He gives us anyway.
4. Jesus expressed sorrow and grief over people rejecting Him. This is called a \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Jesus warned the people about the coming \_\_\_\_\_ for those who rejected Him.
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ in Jerusalem was a beautiful place, but Jesus predicted it would be destroyed.
7. No one can follow God's law perfectly; we need \_\_\_\_\_ and God's grace.

WORD  
BANK



Lament  
Judgment  
Faith  
Temple  
Grace  
Hypocrite  
Pharisees

### PART 2: TRUE OR FALSE

Read each statement below and write "True" or "False" in the blank space. If the statement is false, correct it.

- T F The Pharisees created their own extra laws for the people to follow.
- T F Jesus praised the Pharisees for being great leaders.
- T F A hypocrite is someone who always does what they say.
- T F Jesus said that leaders should act with humility and service.
- T F The temple in Jerusalem would remain standing forever.
- T F Jesus told the Parable of the 10 Virgins to teach about being prepared.

### PART 3: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Answer the following questions (written or discussed as a group):

1. What is a "woe" in the Bible?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

2. What happened to the foolish virgins in the parable?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

3. What was Jesus teaching us through this parable?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

4. How can we prepare for Jesus' return?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 4: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Draw a picture of one of these:

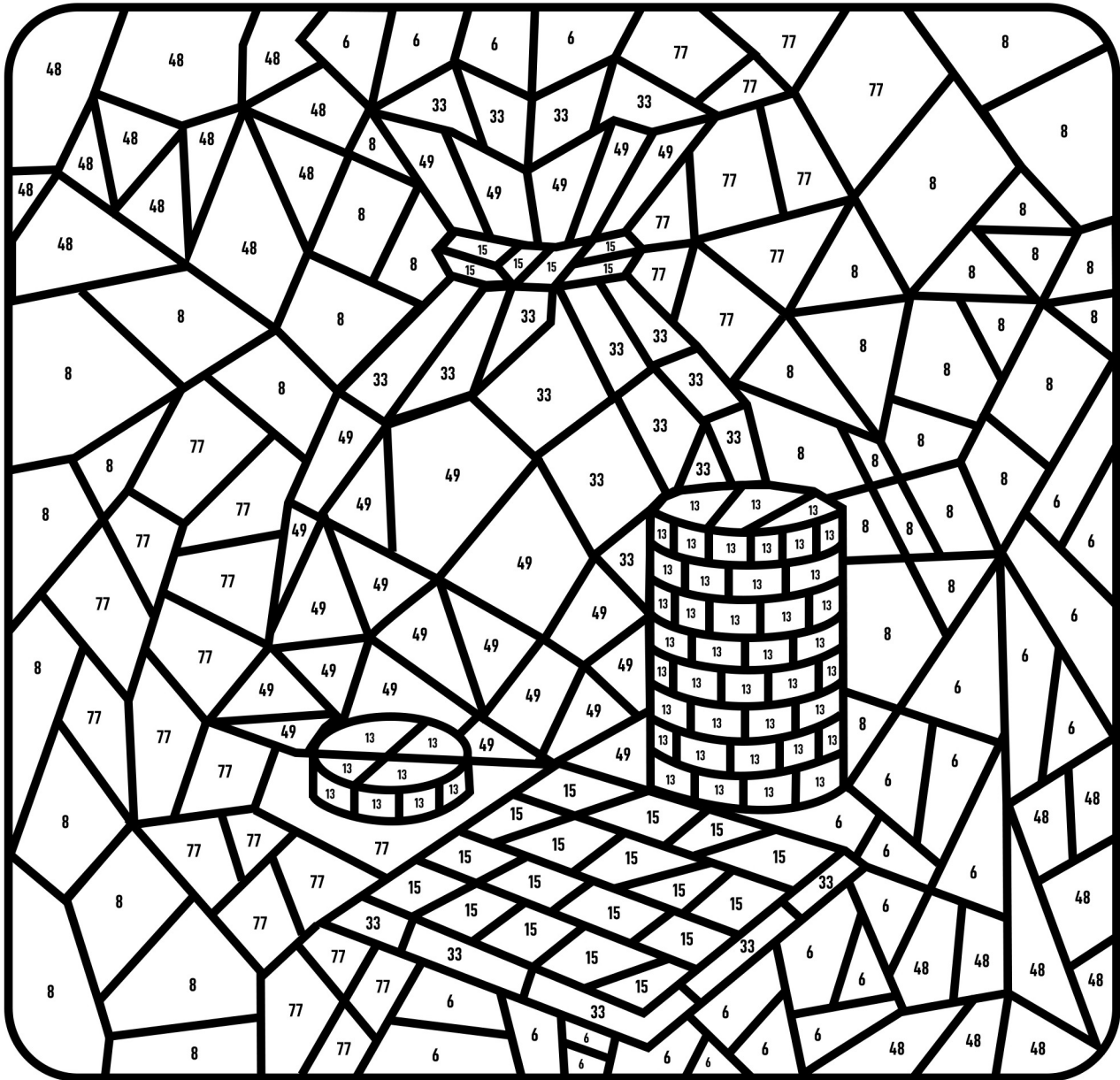
- Jesus warning the people about the Pharisees
- A destroyed temple after the prophecy was fulfilled
- The wise virgins with their lamps full of oil, ready for the groom





LESSON 11

MATH TALENTS



$3 \times 11 =$



BROWN

$33 + 44 =$



PURPLE

$45 - 30 =$



RED

$4 \times 12 =$



DARK GREEN

$7 \times 7 =$



ORANGE

$66 \div 11 =$



GREEN

$52 \div 4 =$



YELLOW

$32 - 24 =$

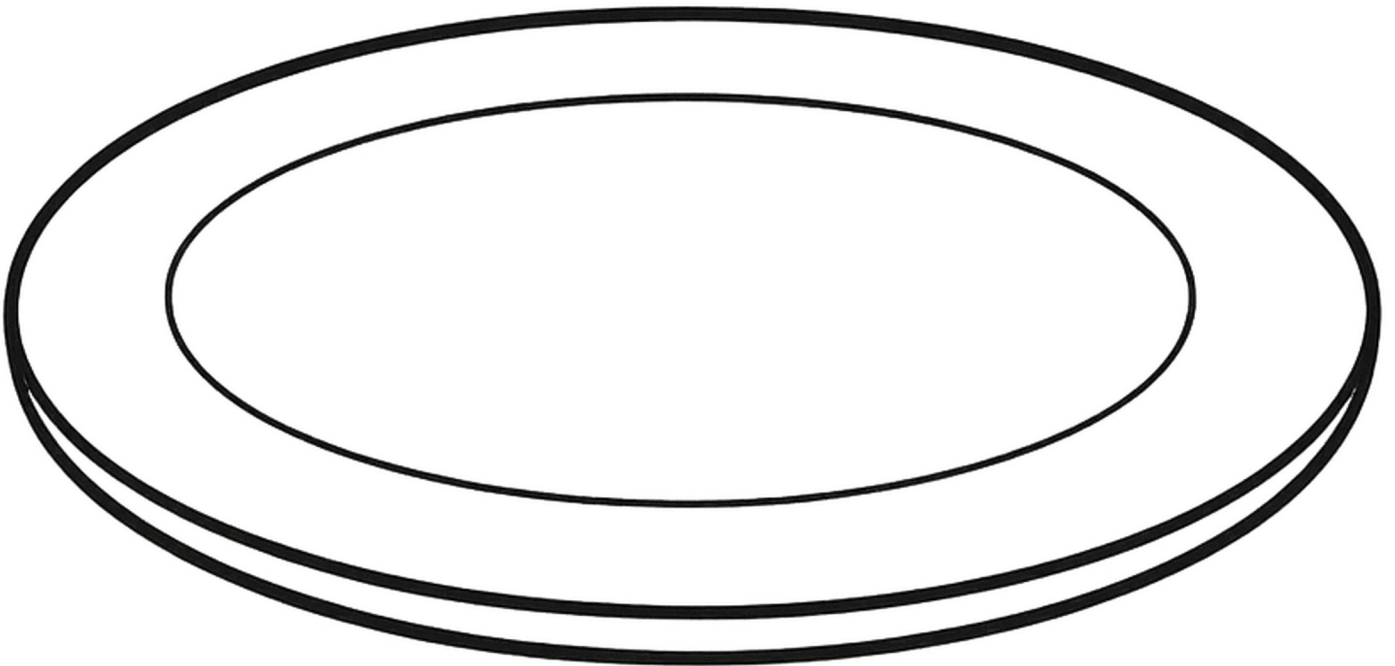


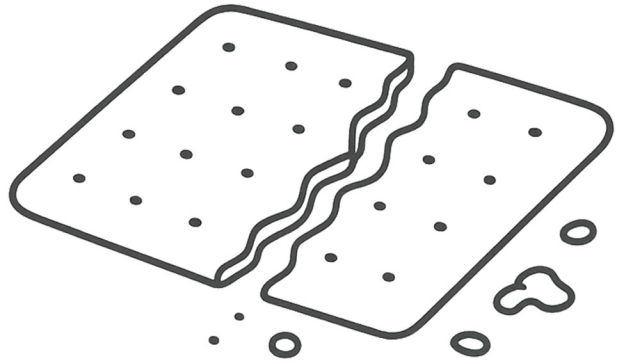
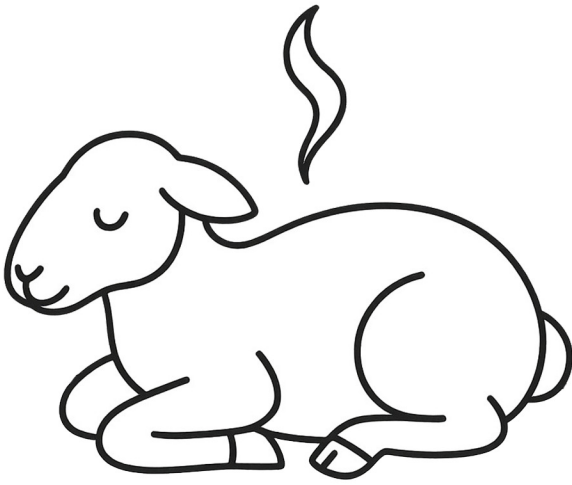
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LESSON 12

# PASSOVER PLATE

Color, cut and glue the items from the next page onto the plate below.







# COLOR THE TIMELINE



MATTHEW 26

**JESUS' FINAL PASSOVER MEAL**



**THE LORD'S SUPPER INSTITUTED**

# THE LAST SUPPER & BETRAYAL

 **DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

## PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences using the words in the word bank below:

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ meal was a Jewish tradition that remembered how God saved them from Egypt.
2. God chose \_\_\_\_\_ to lead the Israelites out of slavery.
3. A \_\_\_\_\_ was sacrificed to save the Israelites during the tenth plague.
4. Jesus said that one of His apostles would \_\_\_\_\_ Him.
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ bread at Passover reminded the Jews of how quickly they had to leave Egypt.
6. The Last Supper was the final \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus shared with His apostles before His death.
7. Jesus predicted Peter's \_\_\_\_\_, saying that he would deny knowing Him three times.

WORD  
BANK



Denial  
Betray  
Meal  
Unleavened  
Lamb  
Moses  
Passover

## PART 2: MATCHING ACTIVITY

Draw a line to match each event with its meaning:

EVENT	MEANING
Passover	Judas received 30 pieces of silver to turn Jesus over.
Unleavened Bread	Represents purity and the Israelites' quick escape.
The Last Supper	A time to remember Jesus' sacrifice using bread and grape juice.
Betrayal of Jesus	Peter denied knowing Jesus three times.
Communion	A Jewish celebration remembering God's rescue from Egypt.
Denial of Jesus	The final meal Jesus shared with His apostles.

### PART 3: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Answer the following questions (written or discussed as a group):

**1. Why did the Jewish people celebrate Passover?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. What did the lamb in the Passover meal represent?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

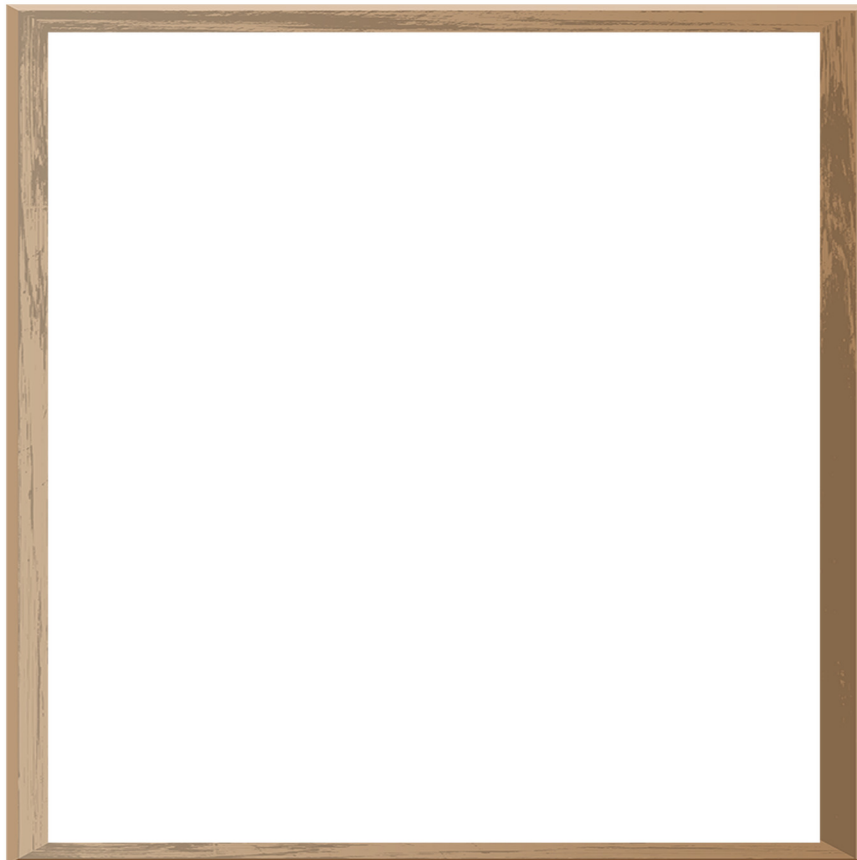
**3. How did Jesus change the meaning of the Passover meal at the Last Supper?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 4: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Draw a picture of one of these:

- Jesus sharing the Last Supper with His apostles
- Judas receiving 30 pieces of silver
- Peter looking sad after denying Jesus three times





LESSON 13

## CONNECTING THE PAST TO THE PRESENT: JESUS ON THE CROSS

**Instructions:**

1. Below are Old Testament prophecies about Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection.
2. Match each prophecy to its fulfillment in the book of Matthew by drawing a line between them.
3. Then, answer the question at the bottom of the page.

<b>PROPHECIES</b>	<b>BIBLE VERSE</b>
<b>Betrayed by a close friend for money – Zechariah 11:12-13</b>	Matthew 27:57-60
<b>Silent before His accusers – Isaiah 53:7</b>	Matthew 28:5-7
<b>Beaten and mocked – Isaiah 50:6</b>	Matthew 27:34
<b>Given vinegar to drink – Psalm 69:21</b>	Matthew 26:14-16
<b>Buried in a rich man's tomb – Isaiah 53:9</b>	Matthew 27:12-14
<b>Rose from the dead – Psalm 16:10</b>	Matthew 27:30-31

**REFLECTION QUESTION:**

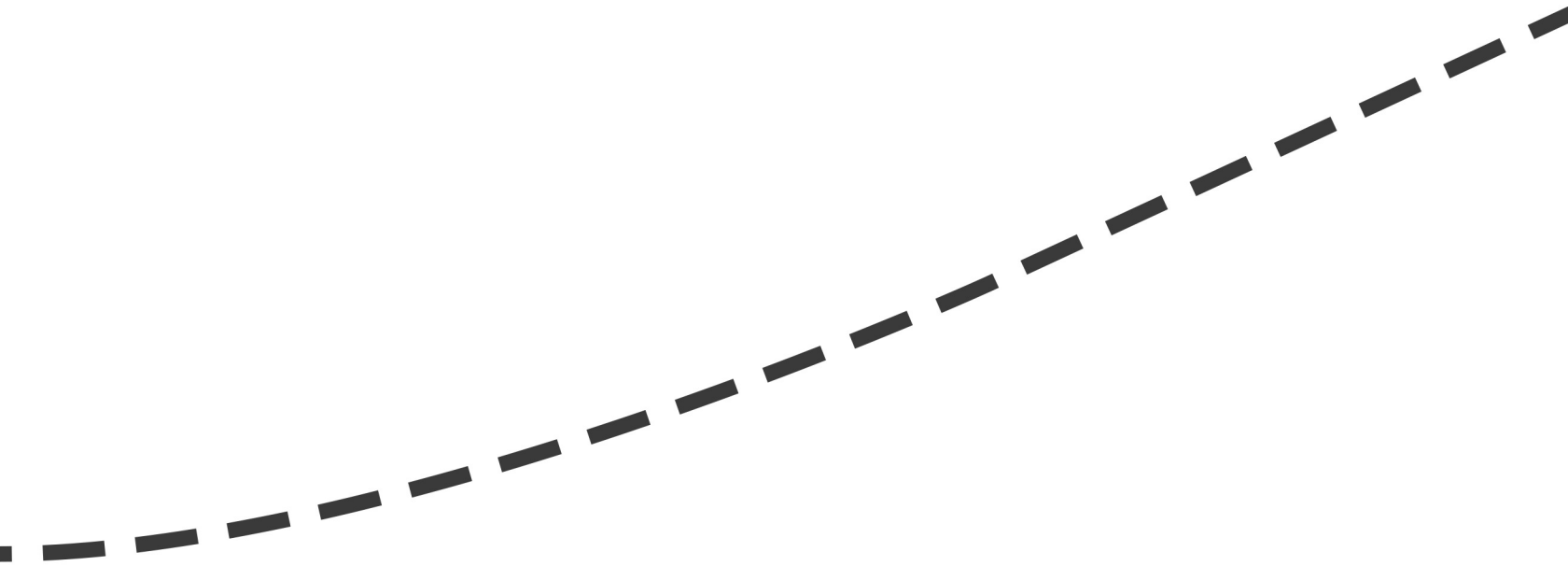
How does seeing these prophecies fulfilled in the New Testament help us trust in Jesus as the promised Savior?

Write your answer below:

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# COLOR THE TIMELINE



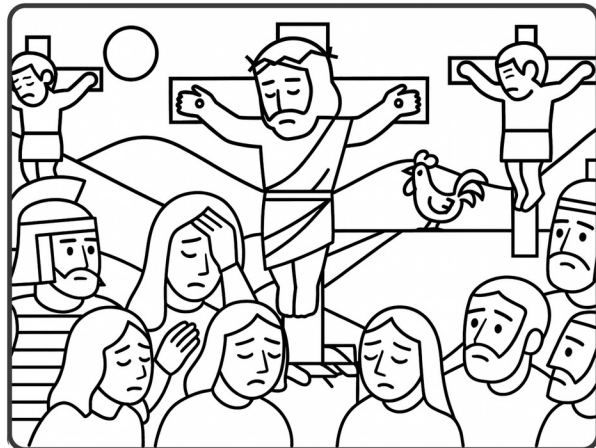
**JESUS IS ARRESTED AND STANDS TRIAL**



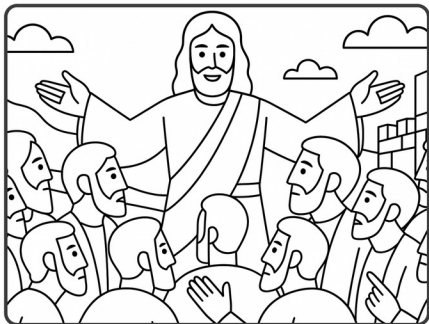
**PETER DENIES JESUS**



**JESUS RAISES FROM THE DEAD**



**JESUS IS CRUCIFIED**



**JESUS GIVES THE GREAT COMMISSION**

# Jesus' DEATH & RESURRECTION

 **DIRECTIONS:** FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO COMPLETE EACH ACTIVITY.

## PART 1: FILL IN THE BLANKS

Complete the sentences using the words in the word bank below:

1. After the Last Supper, Jesus went to \_\_\_\_\_ to pray.
2. Judas committed a \_\_\_\_\_ when he turned Jesus over to be arrested.
3. The people demanded that Jesus be \_\_\_\_\_, even though He was innocent.
4. Jesus carried His cross to a place called \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Peter would \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus three times before the rooster crowed.
6. Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ proves that He has power over death.
7. Jesus died on the cross to offer \_\_\_\_\_ for our sins.



WORD  
BANK

Resurrection  
Crucified  
Golgotha  
Gethsemane  
Forgiveness  
Betrayal  
Deny

## PART 2: MATCHING ACTIVITY

Draw a line to match each event with its meaning:

EVENT	MEANING
Gethsemane	Jesus rose from the dead on the third day.
Betrayal of Jesus	Jesus was nailed to a cross and died.
Peter's Denial	Judas turned Jesus over for 30 pieces of silver.
Crucifixion	The garden where Jesus prayed before His arrest.
The Empty Tomb	Peter said three times that he didn't know Jesus.
The Great Commission	Jesus told His followers to make disciples of all nations.

### PART 3: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Answer the following questions (written or discussed as a group):

**1. Why did Pilate sentence Jesus to death?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. What signs occurred when Jesus died on the cross?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. What did the angel tell the women at Jesus' tomb?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**4. What final instructions did Jesus give to His followers?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**5. Why did Jesus die on the cross?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Do Jesus' final words apply only to His apostles? Why or why not?**

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

### PART 4: CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Draw a picture of one of these:

- Jesus praying in Gethsemane
- The empty tomb with the stone rolled away
- Jesus appearing to His followers after His resurrection





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