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AGES 6-12

WANTED: **Bible Detectives**

50 Bible Mysteries to Solve, Decode, & Investigate





Introduction

Welcome to our Bible Detective Series, a collection of Bible mysteries to be solved or decoded with lookups galore! It's a fun way to introduce children ages 6 thru 12 to beloved Bible stories, heroes, heroines and their evil counterparts. And solving mysteries will help them retain the answers! This package contains 50+ mysteries with scriptures verses and/or lookups in the following categories:

Solve & Color: 16 Bible characters show up masked on the pages (their names are not mentioned), but clues are given as to their identities. Students can solve in one of two ways: (1) descrambling the identities or (2) completing the Bible lookups in which the names are given. Then, the pictures can be colored in!

Become an Expert Bible Decoder: These 8 mysteries require decoding famous foundational scriptures using the English alphabet, but it's on a slide-rule principle, where one letter of the alphabet equals its counterpart, which is 18 letters up the scale.

Which Bible Hero: Kids will have to decode names of 8 Bible heroes using an alphabet that resembles hieroglyphics. If it's too big of a task, a Bible lookup is readily available to provide the answers. Then they get to draw the hero or heroine.

Solve the Labyrinths: 10 of these puzzles give important details of Bible hero's lives, and the job is to find the way through the maze. At the bottom is a new & unusual type of lookup. It leads students to the chapter and has them searching for the correct verse to finish a fill-in.

Sleuth out those Words: Is a unique word search that provides an important passage of scripture telling a detail about a Bible hero. Students must find the words that are bolded in the word search. They can then color in a picture!

Ways to Use this Package

The Solve & Colors can be used like lessons, where your students solve four a week for a month together. Cut out the pictures they color in and create a timeline on the wall!. Fill in the rest of class with one or two other mysteries, and provide prizes for the fastest sleuths (dollar-store magnifying glasses are one great prize).

Substitute teachers will love the ease of the package, making the filling-in easy. Students can do one of each to fill class time.

Start-of-class or pickup fun will keep minds active and fingers busy.

Just have a copy of the NIV Bible on hand with any use of these uses.

And finally, give pages as a gift or prize when incentives are called for! Moms and dads can look forward to becoming sleuths at home!

Once your students get started on this important Bible journey, they will be unable to stop! Start them now learning foundational Bible material in a way that all kids love—by solving mysteries.

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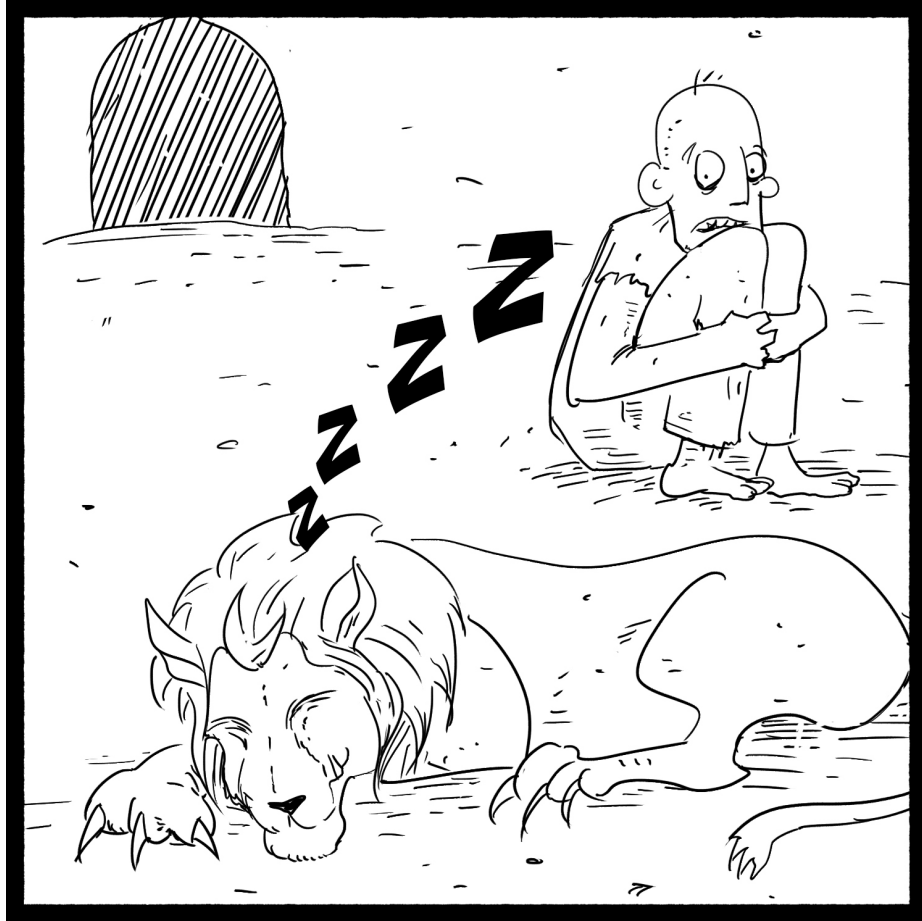
Solve and Color



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Bible Mystery #1: He's trapped in a lions' den. He fears he is about to be eaten as a punishment for worshipping the God of Israel. For the moment, the lions are - surprisingly - snoring away! He just hopes they will keep sawing logs until the morning. Who is this, and which friendly king was forced to put him in with lions?

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Bible Lookup: Daniel 6:6 & 6:19-20



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Solve & Color #2

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Bible Mystery #2: This man is not dead, though he feels like he should be! He is choking up seawater on the beach of the Great Sea. He stinks like fish - like very BIG fish. He stinks like nasty big-fish digestive juices, and he can hardly believe a big fish didn't digest him. Who is this?

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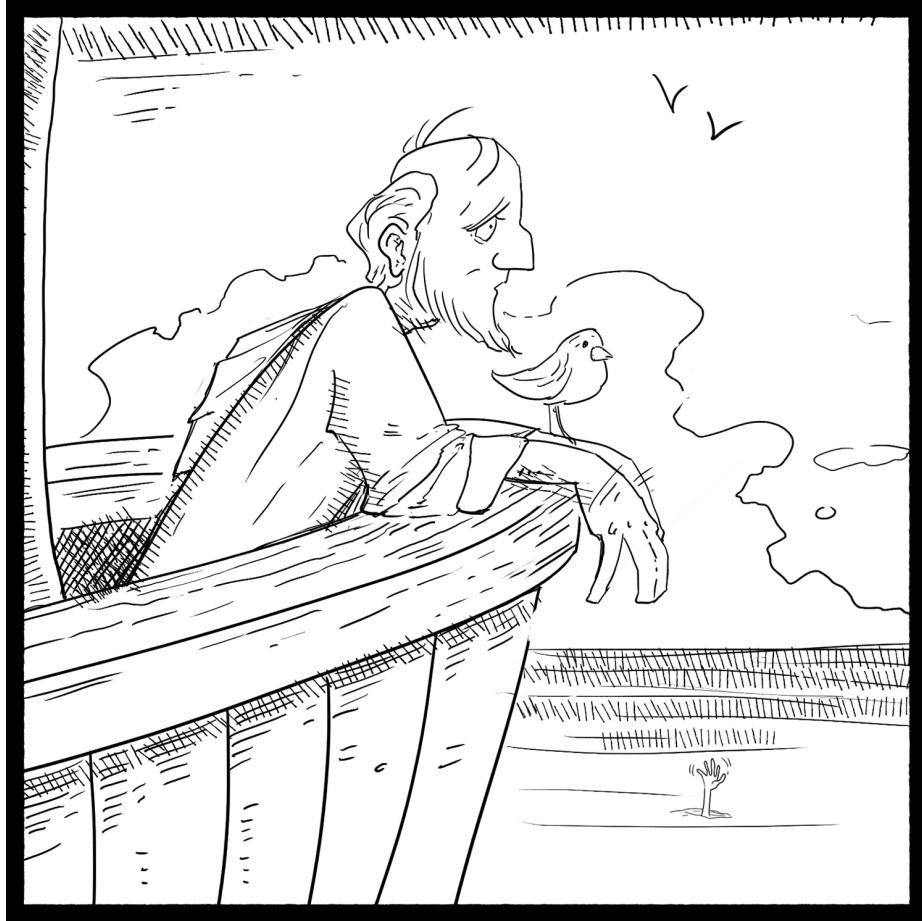
Bible Lookup: Matthew 12:40



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Bible Mystery #3: : He is just happy that he and his family are alive! He is staring into nothing but water. He senses death, death, and more death - death everywhere. But death is now far beneath the waters his boat floats upon. Who is this man, and what does his name mean?

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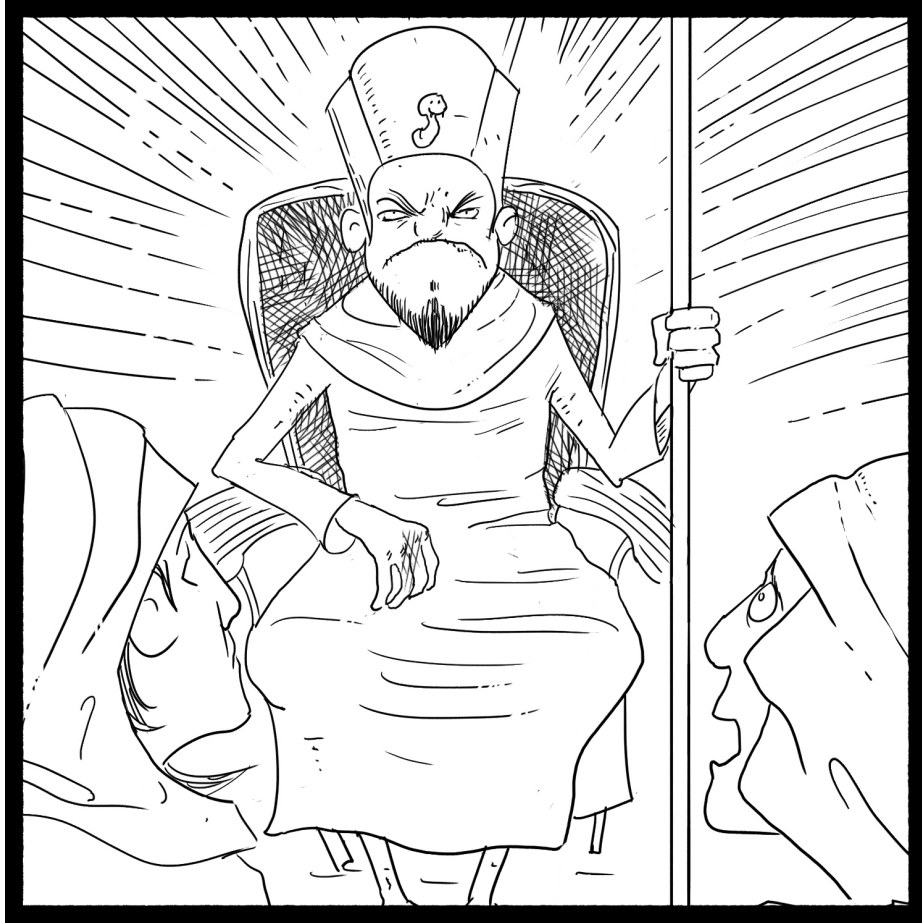
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Bible Lookup: Genesis 5:29



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Solve & Color #4

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Bible Mystery #4: Two midwives are saving lives all over the place! But now, they have been brought before the evil leader. “Why are you not killing babies like I ordered?” he growls. “You see, the Hebrew women are very strong! They are not like us! They deliver the babies before we can get there!” the midwives say. (When you’re saving lives, it’s okay to lie to evil leaders!) Who is the evil leader the midwives are lying to?

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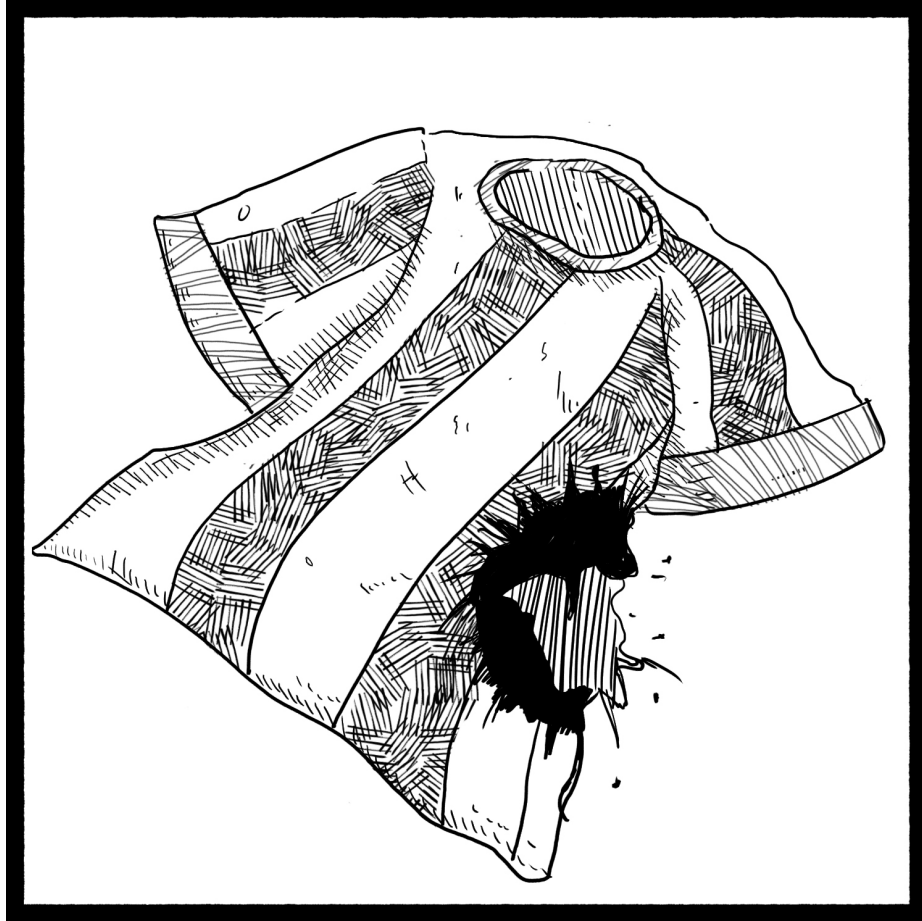
Bible Lookup: Exodus 1:15-19



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Bible Mystery #5: Ten brothers come running to their father saying, “We can’t find our younger brother!” They show their father a favorite coat, which has blood on it. They are trying to get their dad to believe their brother has been eaten by a wild animal. What really happened is... they sold their kid brother into slavery because they were jealous!

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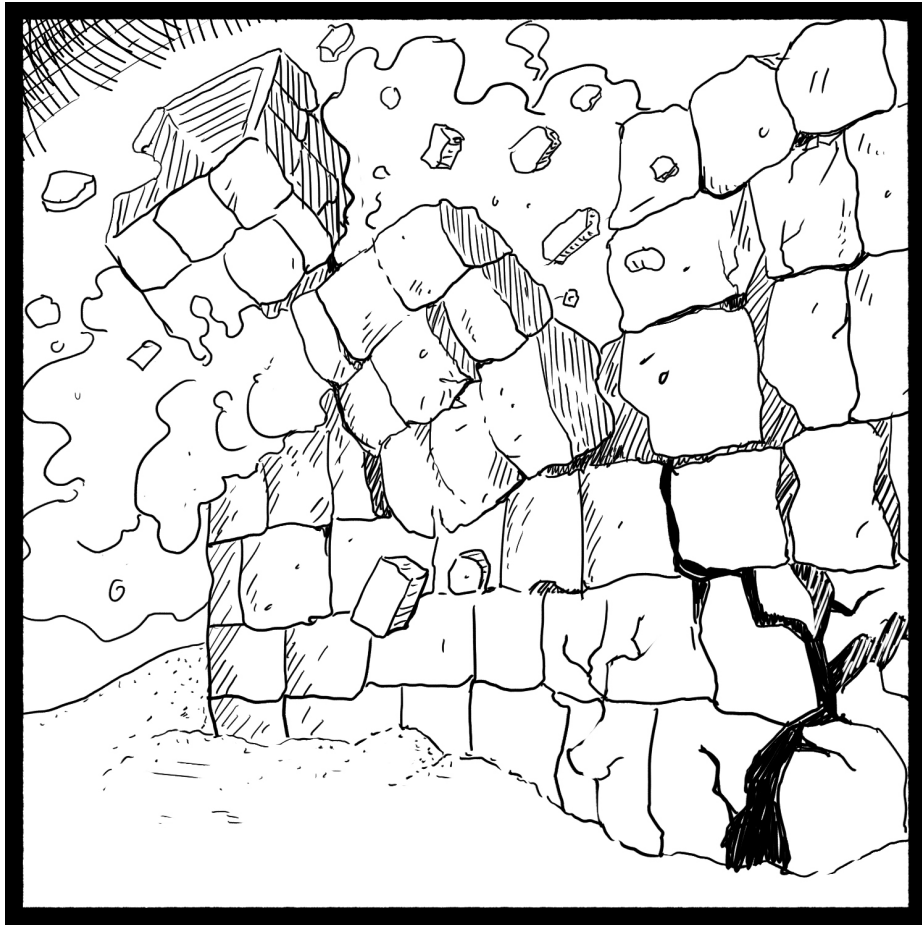
Bible Lookup: Genesis 37:12-34



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Solve & Color #6

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Bible Mystery #6: Everyone in town has been murdered. Almost everyone she's ever known! But she emerges from her house, pulls down the red scarf that kept her family safe, and sees that the great walls of her city had come tumbling down-which is impossible! Those walls were 12 feet high and six feet wide! Who is the marveling woman and where is she?

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Bible Lookup: Joshua 6:1 & 6:25



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Solve & Color #7

Below is a Bible mystery. See if you can solve it by unscrambling the letters. Then check it with the Bible lookup that identifies the person in question. And finally-color in the picture!



Bible Mystery #7: He committed suicide by hanging himself. Just prior to this, he had hurled 30 pieces of silver in the faces of religious leaders. Jesus had just been condemned to death. Who is this?

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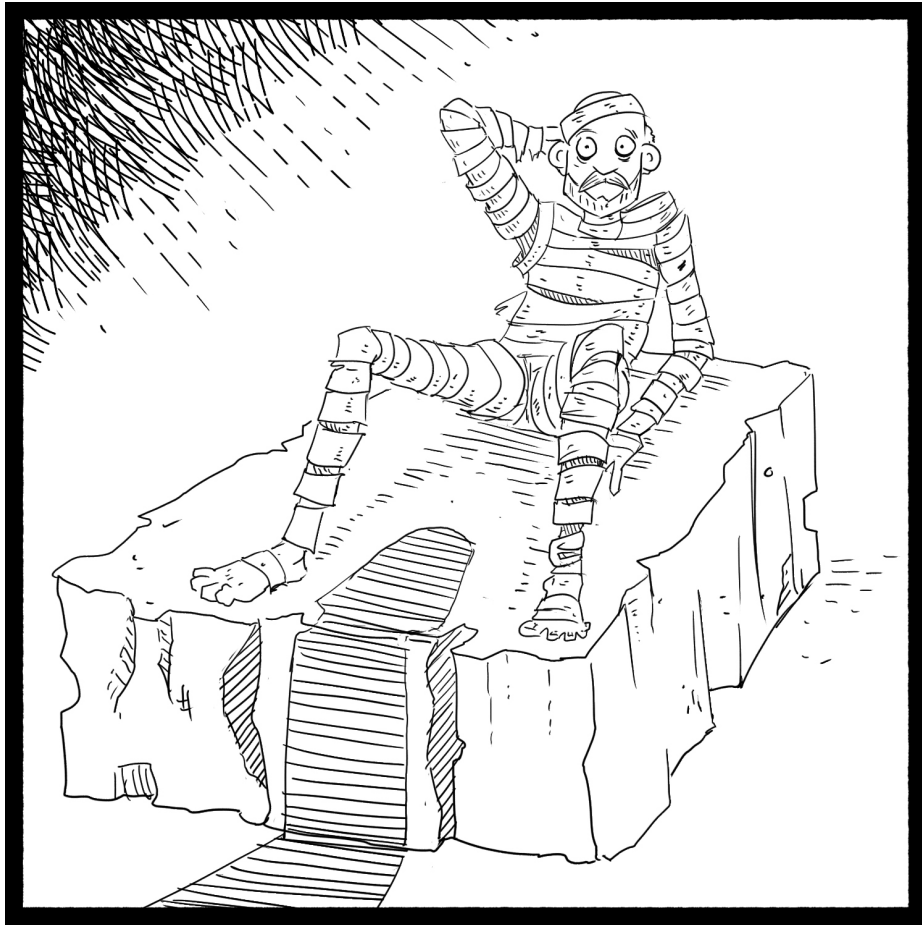
Bible Lookup: Luke 22:1-4



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Solve & Color #8

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Bible Mystery #8: He's not only dead... he's been dead for four days. He sucks in a few breaths and can't quite believe he is hearing his name called. It's a familiar voice calling him... it sounds like his friend Jesus! He hops toward the entrance of his burial cave, too excited to figure out how to get out of his burial wrap. Who is this person just raised from the dead, and who was his sister who had become a great friend of Jesus?

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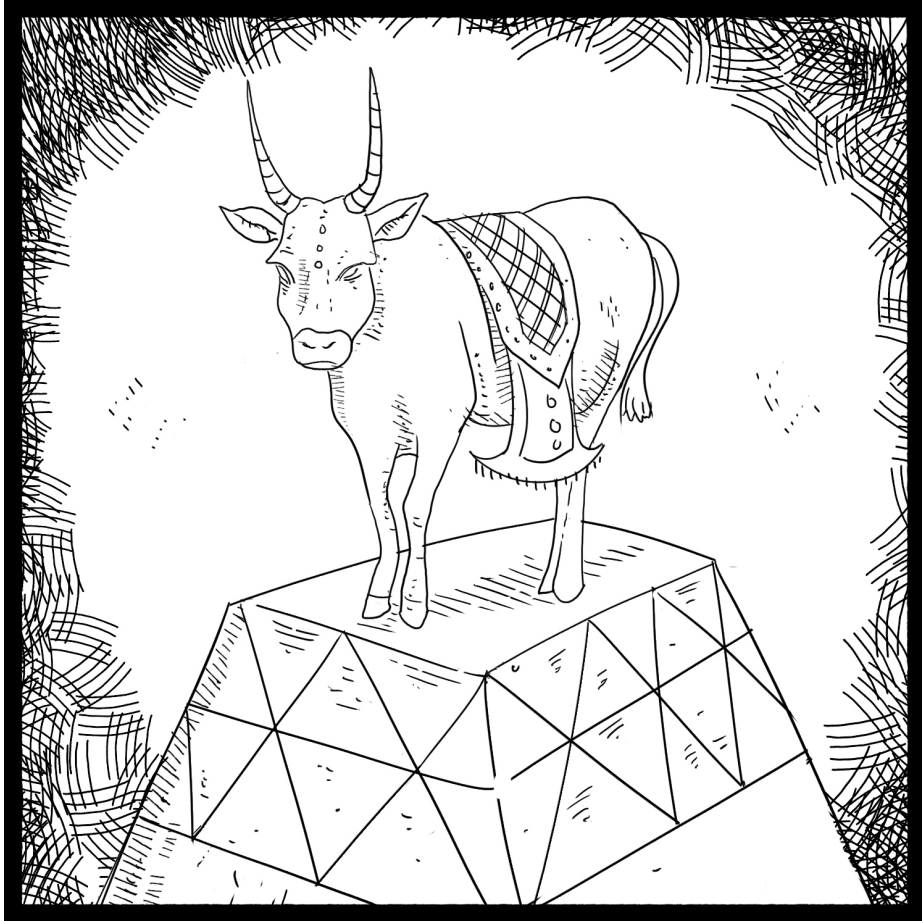
Bible Lookup: John 11:38-44



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Solve & Color #9

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Bible Mystery #9: He has overseen the making of a golden calf. The people are worshipping it. He thinks Moses is dead. But here comes a very alive Moses, who beholds this sight and smashes the Ten Commandments in disgust. Who is this man?

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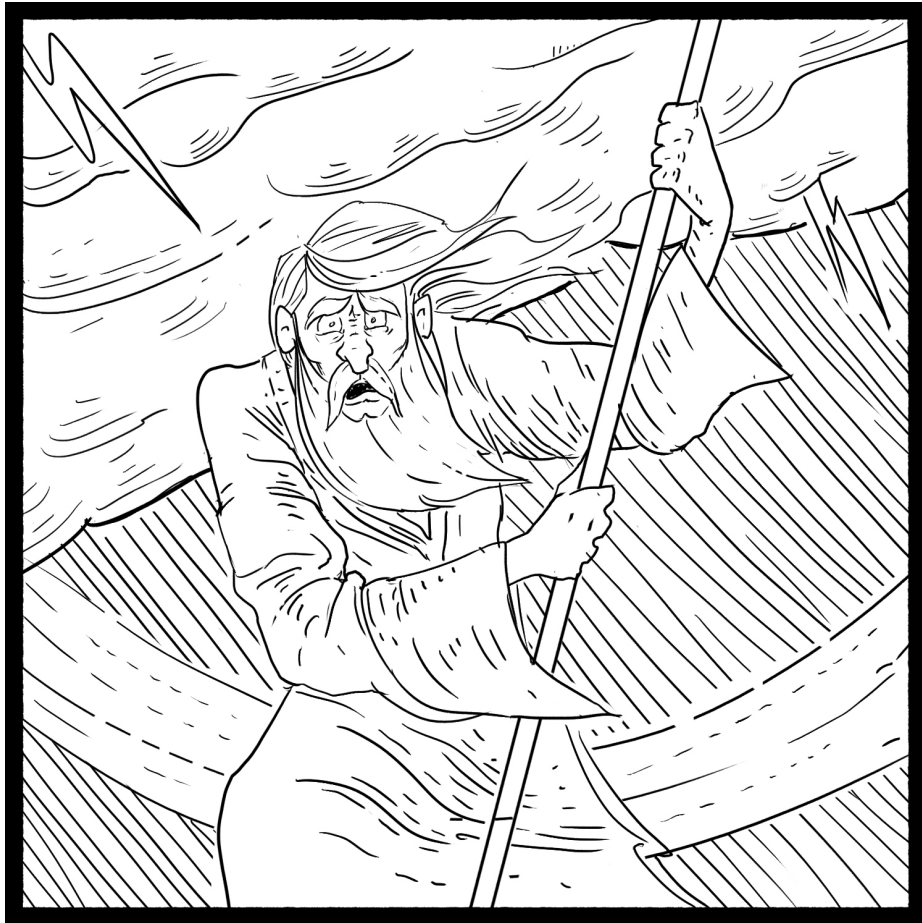
Bible Lookups: Exodus 4:14 & 32:19-21



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Bible Mystery #10: Moses is surrounded in electrical, thundering energy, as he has just seen the back of God. That is all Moses was allowed to see, and the Hebrew people could not see any of this, because God's goodness is so bright that anyone who saw him from the front would drop dead. God is about to replace something that Moses broke. What is

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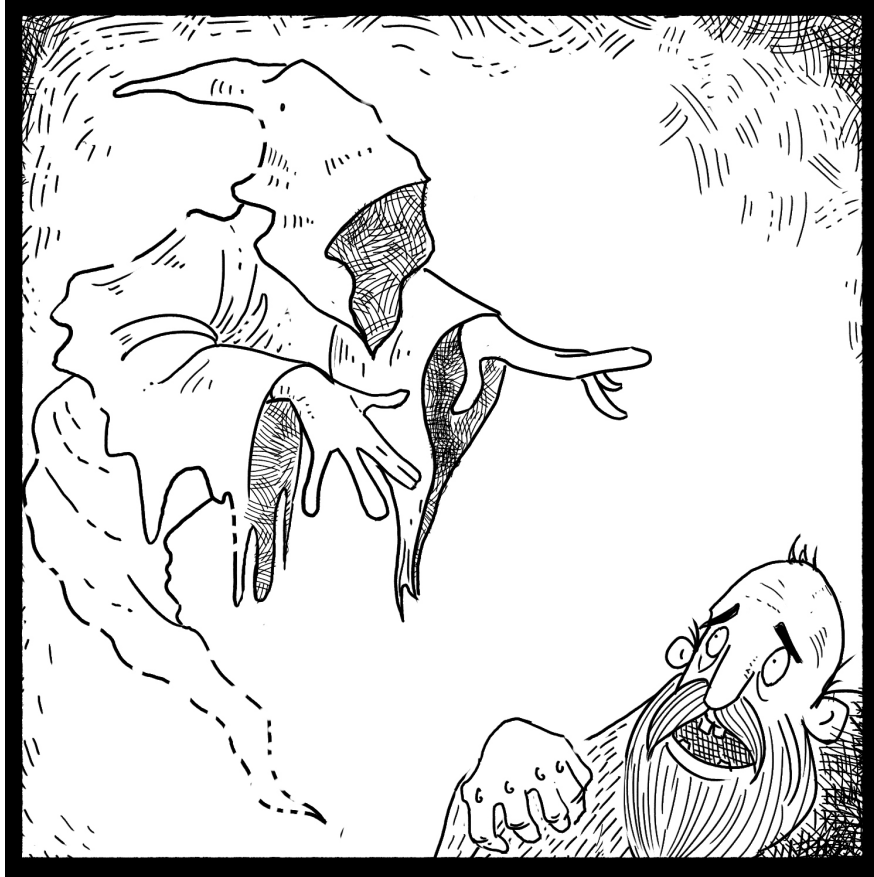
Bible Lookup: Exodus 34:1-3



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Bible Mystery #11: He disguised himself so the medium (psychic) would not recognize him in his kingly robes. In her parlors, he had her perform a séance that called upon the deceased prophet of God, Samuel. He told the spirit of Samuel that God no longer spoke to him and so he needed to hear from Samuel. Samuel responded by saying, “If God won’t talk to you, why should I?” If you didn’t know there was a psychic in the Bible, look at 1 Samuel 28. Which king messed up and called upon a dead guy, and what did that dead man predict?

The King was NIKG LUAS.

The Prophet Samuel told him that EH DNA SHI SNOS LDOUW IED.

Bible Lookup: 1 Samuel 28:3-20



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Solve & Color #12

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Bible Mystery #12: He can't believe his eyes. He starts to fall apart. Ten men stand in front of him, and he remembers all that he tried to forget. These 10 men are responsible for his kidnapping! They sold him to be a slave in Egypt! Who are all these people?

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Bible Lookup: Genesis 37:17-36



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Solve & Color #13

Below is a Bible mystery. See if you can solve it by unscrambling the letters. Then check it with the Bible lookup that identifies the person in question. And finally-color in the picture!



Bible Mystery #13: They've been with Jesus for a while now and thought they had seen everything. But here they are, on a mountain with Jesus and two strange beings. They are lit up like the sun, talking away to Jesus. One asks, "Shall I make tents, so we can stay up here with Moses and Elijah?" Who are these three disciples, who got to be present at the Transfiguration?

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Bible Lookup: Matthew 17:1-9



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Solve & Color #14

Below is a Bible mystery. See if you can solve it by unscrambling the letters. Then check it with the Bible lookup that identifies the person in question. And finally-color in the picture!



Bible Mystery #14: It was the coolest haunting ever. People were praying and meditating so hard, they hadn't eaten for days. They started to feel a wind rustle around them. It grew louder and stronger. Fire swept through the room, though nobody got burned. The people finally rushed outside and began talking to visitors from far away — in languages they had never known before! They weren't possessed by spirits... they were filled with the Holy Spirit! What day was this?

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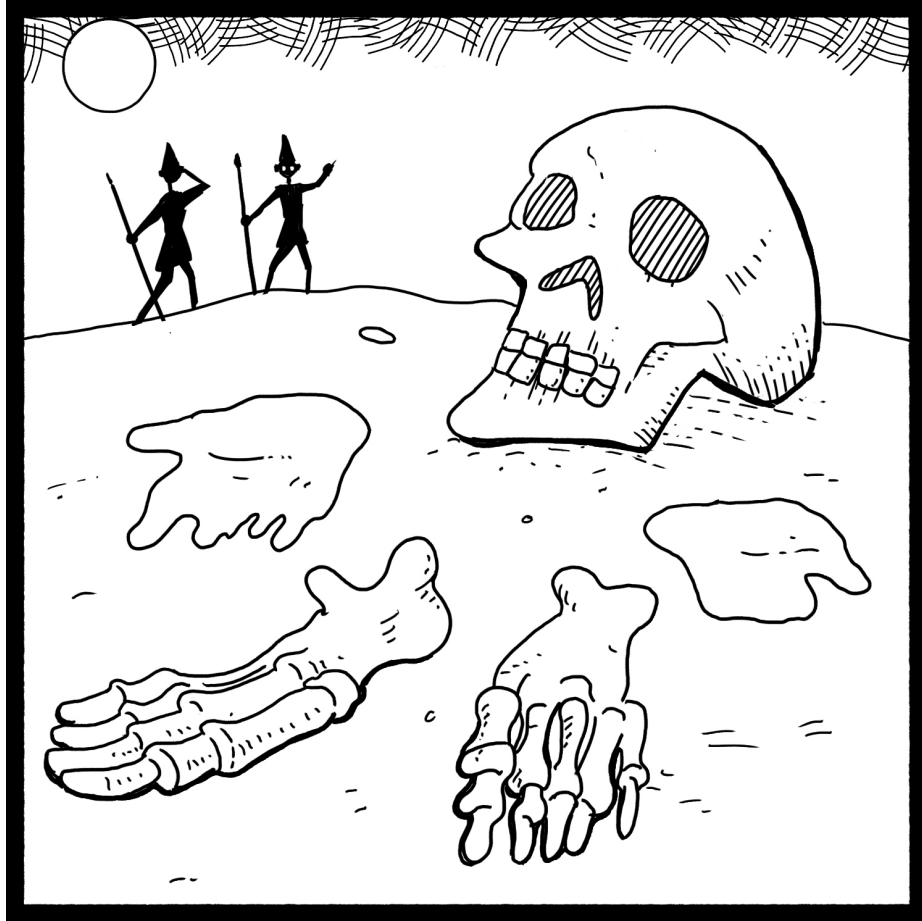
Bible Lookup: Acts 2:1-4



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Solve & Color #15

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Bible Mystery #15: Soldiers in 2 Kings can only find a skull, a pair of feet, and some flesh that looks like hand palms. Witnesses say they belong to Queen Jezebel, the evil wife of King Ahab of Israel. They saw her thrown from her balcony and trampled by a man on his horse. Who killed Jezebel?

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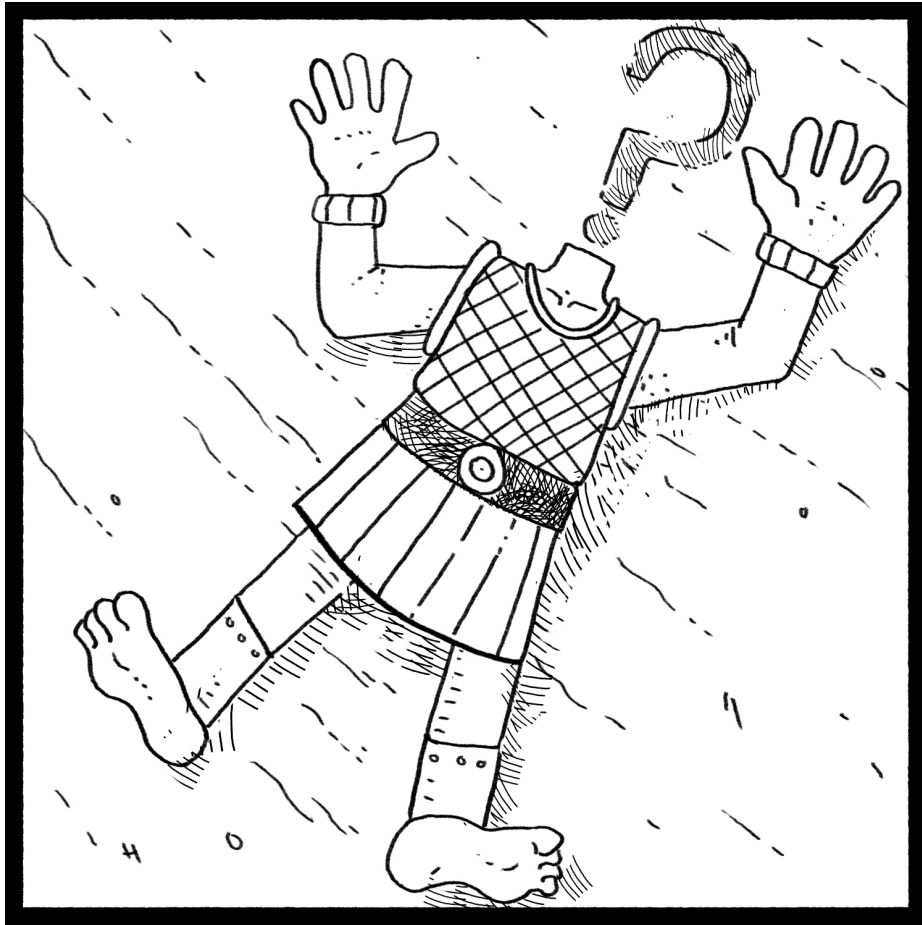
Bible Lookup: 2 Kings 9:30-36



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Solve & Color #16

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Bible Mystery #16: His body could be found in the Valley of Elah. His head is missing. His weapons are in David's tent. Thanks to David, says 1 Samuel 17, Saul's army was able to advance on the Philistines and defeat them after David slew this huge beast of a man. To whom does the dead body belong?

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Bible Lookup: 1 Samuel 17:4-8



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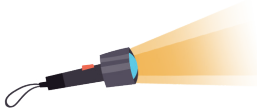


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I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z A B C D E F G H



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Romans 8:1 NIV THEREFORE...

B P M Z M Q A V W E V W

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N W Z B P W A M

E P W I Z M Q V K P Z Q A B ...

JESUS!

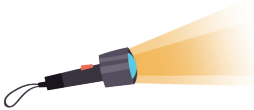


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John 3:3 NIV Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless...

B P M G I Z M

J W Z V I O I Q V

1 John 4:7-- Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been

J W Z V W N O W L

and knows God!

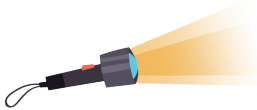


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Become an Expert Bible Decoder! #3

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Matthew 19:25-26: When the disciples heard this, they were greatly astonished and asked, "Who then can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible..." (finish the line).

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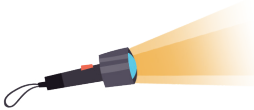


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Romans 10:9 -- If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead,

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Romans 10:9!

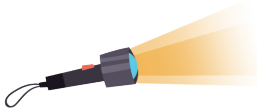


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John 6:35 NIV -- Then Jesus declared, "I am the

J Z M I L W N T Q N M

Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

John 8:12 NIV -- I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the

T Q O P B W N T Q N M

John 10:11 NIV-- "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his

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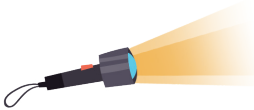


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Luke 15:4-6 NIV

“Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says

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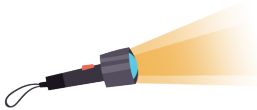


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Psalm 22:1 NIV

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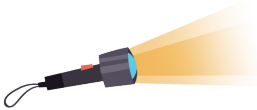


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Luke 12:6-7 -- Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. And even the very...

PIQZA WV GWCZ

PMIL IZM

VCUJMZML

**Don't be afraid!
You are worth more than many
sparrows!**



Which Bible Hero?



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Which Bible Hero? #1

Figure out the secret code that tells the name of the Bible hero below. Each shape below stands for TWO letters of the alphabet. First, you have to define which two in the code. Then read the clue to pick which one. It is a Bible verse about this character, but it does not name them! If you can't figure out the hero's name via the code, then look up the verse, and the story surrounding will tell you who it is!

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| A or B | C or D | E or F | G or H | I or J | K or L | M or N | O or P | Q or R | S or T | U or V | W or X | Y or Z |



Clue: Genesis 9:12-15

And God said, "This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come: I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life..."

MY NAME IS:



DRAW ME HERE:



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Which Bible Hero? #2

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Clue: Genesis 17:7-8

"...I will always keep the promise I have made to you and your descendants, because I am your God and their God. I will give you and them the land in which you are now a foreigner. I will give the whole land of Canaan to your family forever, and I will be their God."

MY NAME IS:



DRAW ME HERE:



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Which Bible Hero? #3

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Clue: Genesis 22:8

Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together.

MY NAME IS:
















DRAW ME HERE:



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Which Bible Hero? #4

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Clue: Exodus 3:5-6

“Do not come any closer,” God said. “Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.” Then he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.”

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Which Bible Hero? #5

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Clue: Joshua 6:5

"When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets, have the whole army give a loud shout; then the wall of the city will collapse and the army will go up, everyone straight in."

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Which Bible Hero? #6

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Clue: 1 Samuel 17:36-37

“Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. The LORD who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine.”

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Which Bible Hero? #7

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Clue: 1 Samuel 1:11

"LORD Almighty, if you will only look on your servant's misery and remember me, and not forget your servant but give her a son, then I will give him to the LORD for all the days of his life, and no razor will ever be used on his head."

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Which Bible Hero? #8

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Clue: Judges 4:9

“Certainly I will go with you... But because of the course you are taking, the honor will not be yours, for the LORD will deliver Sisera into the hands of a woman.”

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Solve Labyrinth



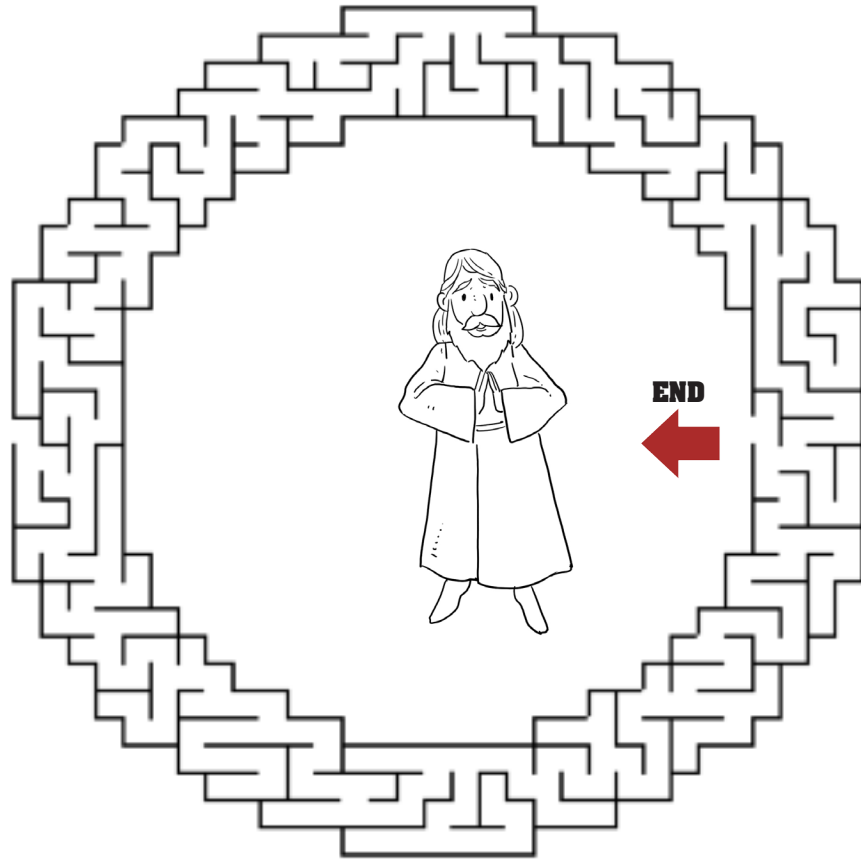
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Solve Labyrinth #1: Moses' Journey

All God's people have problems to solve and to help them grow in faith! They are a little like labyrinths. MOSES' problem was that he got mad sometimes. He killed an abusive Egyptian as a young man. While in the desert, God gave him clear instructions, but he got mad. He struck a rock with a stick when God told him to simply speak to it. The people were already mad, and his attitude didn't help! Go with MOSES from anger to **BEING AT THE TRANSFIGURATION WITH CHRIST**, when he was a shiny, sparkly being who came to hearten Jesus and the disciples.



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Look up Hebrews 11. Find the verse that goes with this famous faith passage about this hero:

By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter. He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin.

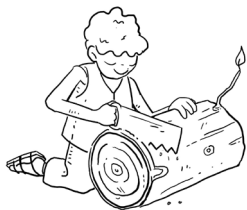
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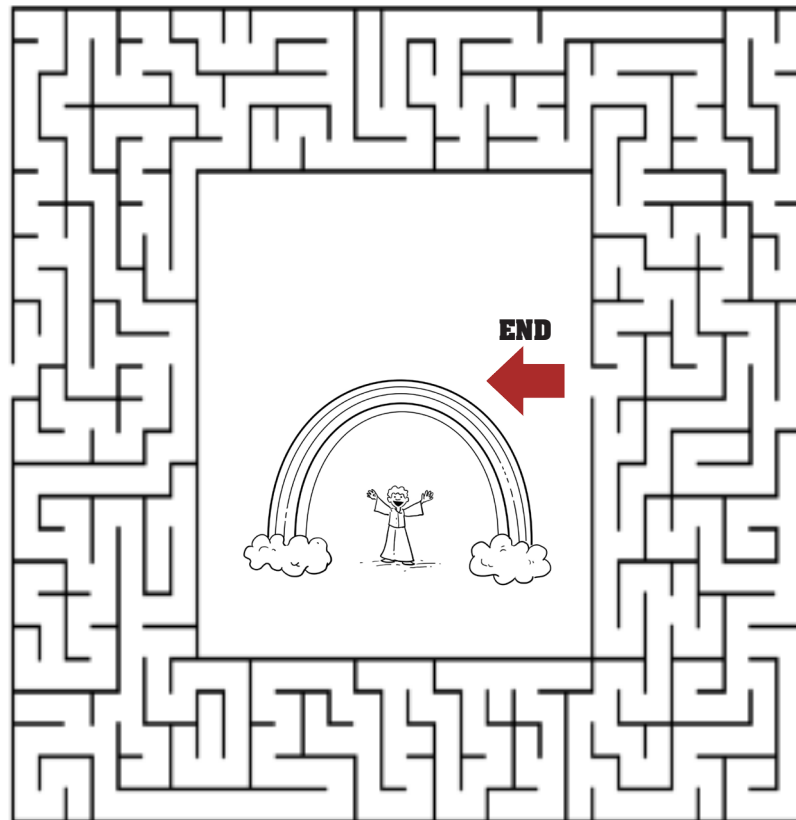
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Solve Labyrinth #2: Noah's Journey

All God's people have problems to solve and to help them grow in faith! They are a little like labyrinths. NOAH'S problem was that he had a barge to build that was big enough to hold eight adults and hundreds of animals, insects, and birds for almost a year! God gave him explicit instructions, which he followed to the letter! It saved his family and all the animals. They got to start over again after the Great Flood. Journey with Noah as he cuts that first board to make the ark, up until his family emerged and he saw the rainbow!



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Look up Hebrews 11. Find the verse that goes with this famous faith passage about this hero:

By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith.

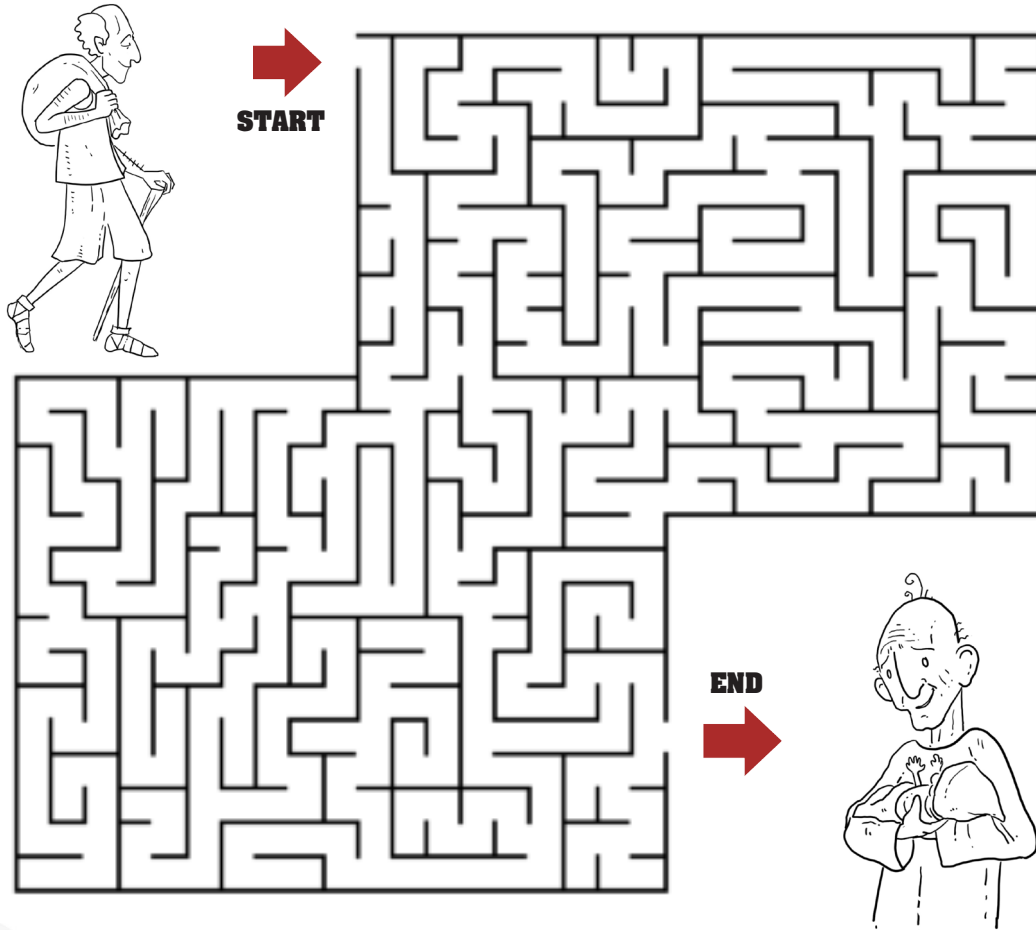
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Solve Labyrinth #3: Abraham's Journey

All God's people have problems to solve and to help them grow in faith! They are a little like labyrinths. ABRAHAM'S problem was that God had made him a HUGE promise, if only he would move away from all he knew and go to a strange land-one filled with pagans! Abraham went on God's journey and got many rewards, including his son Isaac, who was the first direct ancestor to form the nation of Israel.



Look up Hebrews 11. Find the verse that goes with this famous faith passage about this hero:

By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going.

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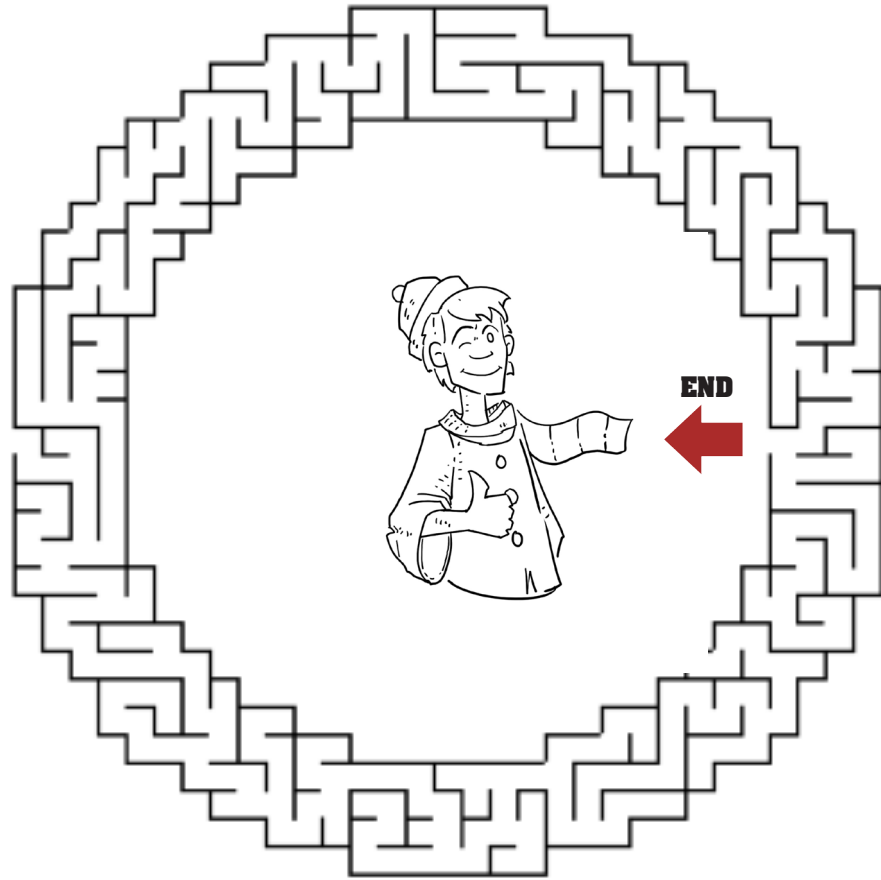
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Solve Labyrinth #4: Joseph's Journey

All God's people have problems to solve and to help them grow in faith! They are a little like labyrinths. Poor JOSEPH! He was Abraham's great-grandson, with 10 older brothers. The brothers were jealous because Joseph was their father Jacob's favorite. They had him sold into slavery and sent to Egypt. He started out as a slave, but soon became something akin to prime minister! God was with him, and the brothers realized it when they went to Egypt to buy food in a famine. Joseph the slave had become Joseph the very rich hero, bringing the whole clan and their families and all their servants to safety. Go with Joseph as he solves the labyrinth of his miraculous life:



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Look up Hebrews 11. Find the verse that goes with this famous faith passage about this hero:

By faith Joseph, when his end was near, spoke about the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt and gave instructions concerning the burial of his bones.

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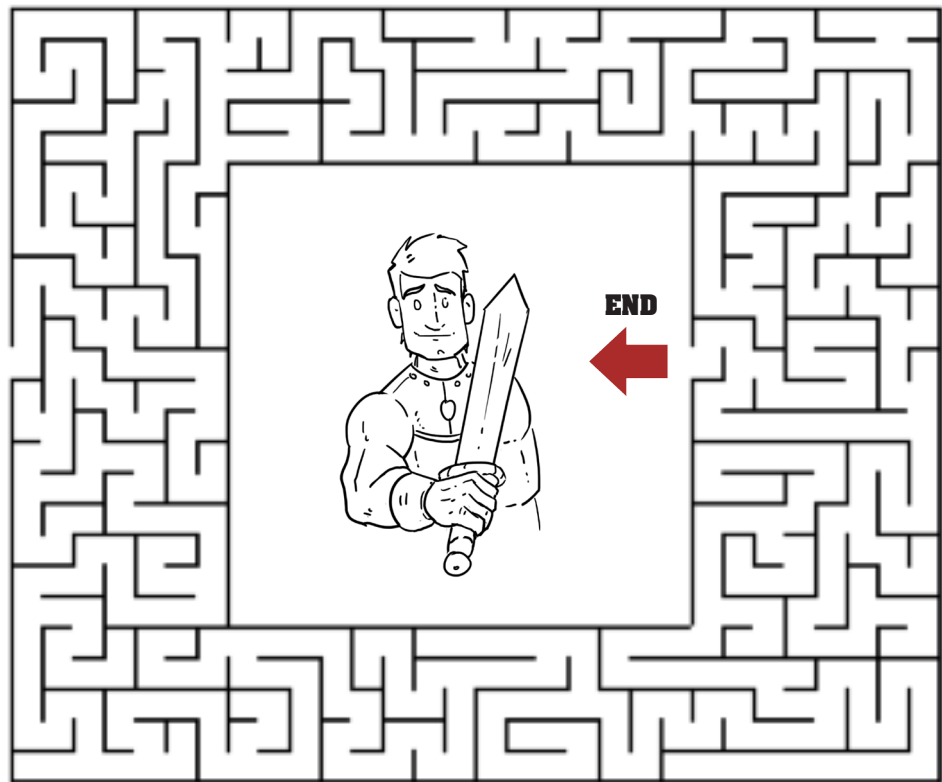
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Solve Labyrinth #5: Joshua's Journey

All God's people have problems to solve and to help them grow in faith! They are a little like labyrinths. JOSHUA'S journey was full of tough choices. He was put in charge at the end of the Exodus, right after the death of Moses. God had given the people many miracles from parting the Red Sea to feeding them food that fell from the sky. But now that they were strong and courageous, God wanted them to take the land by might and force. Israel had to fight for its land. Joshua started with Jericho, when God made the walls tumble down. After that, Joshua had to face several fierce kings who joined together. Then he had to conquer 30-some tribes and nations! Go with Joshua as he goes from faithful follower of Moses to fierce warrior that conquered much land that made up Israel.



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Look up Hebrews 11. Find the verse that goes with this famous faith passage about this hero:

By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the army had marched around them for seven days.

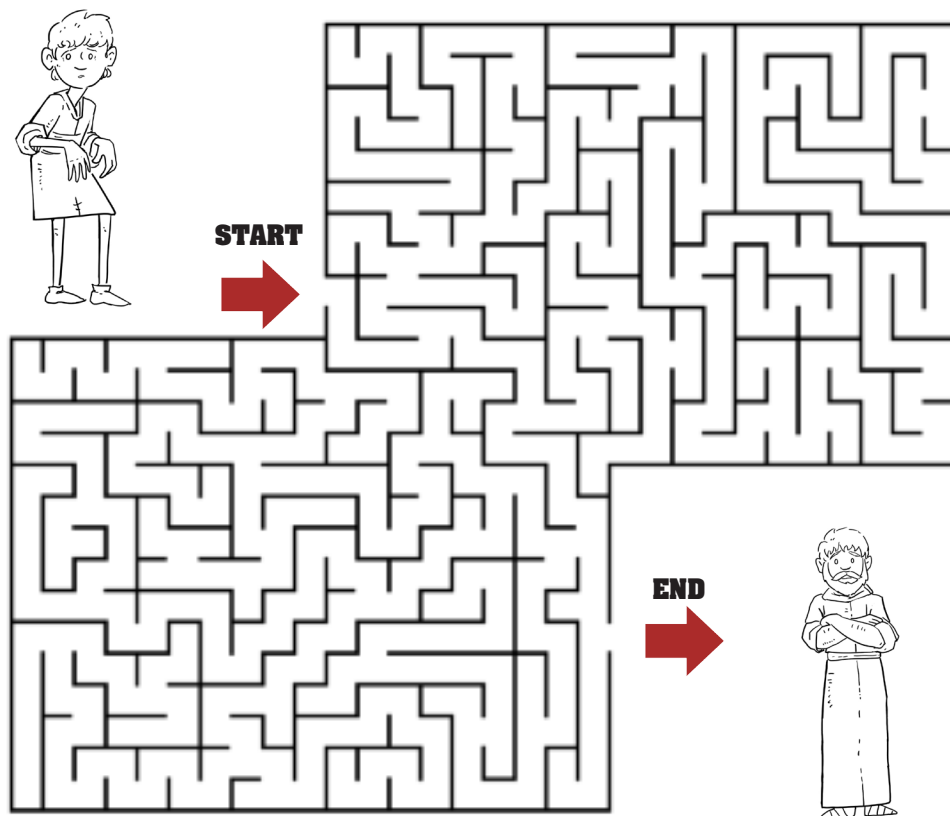
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Solve Labyrinth #6: Gideon's Journey

All God's people have problems to solve and to help them grow in faith! They are a little like labyrinths. GIDEON did not feel equipped to be a judge of Israel. He wondered at God's choice of him. But his faith grew as God went before him. Once God asked him to defeat an army so big it looked like "a swarm of locusts." Only God sent two-thirds of Gideon's army home first. THEN, he sent home most of the 10,000 remaining—except for a mere 300 soldiers. It was with this handful of men that Gideon defeated the huge enemy army. Follow Gideon as he goes through the labyrinth of not believing in himself to believing the God of Israel is powerful enough to lead him in destroying an army the size of a locust swarm.



Look up Hebrews 11. Find the verse that goes with this famous faith passage about this hero:

And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson and Jephthah, about David and Samuel and the prophets, who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions...

Hebrews 11: ____ & ____



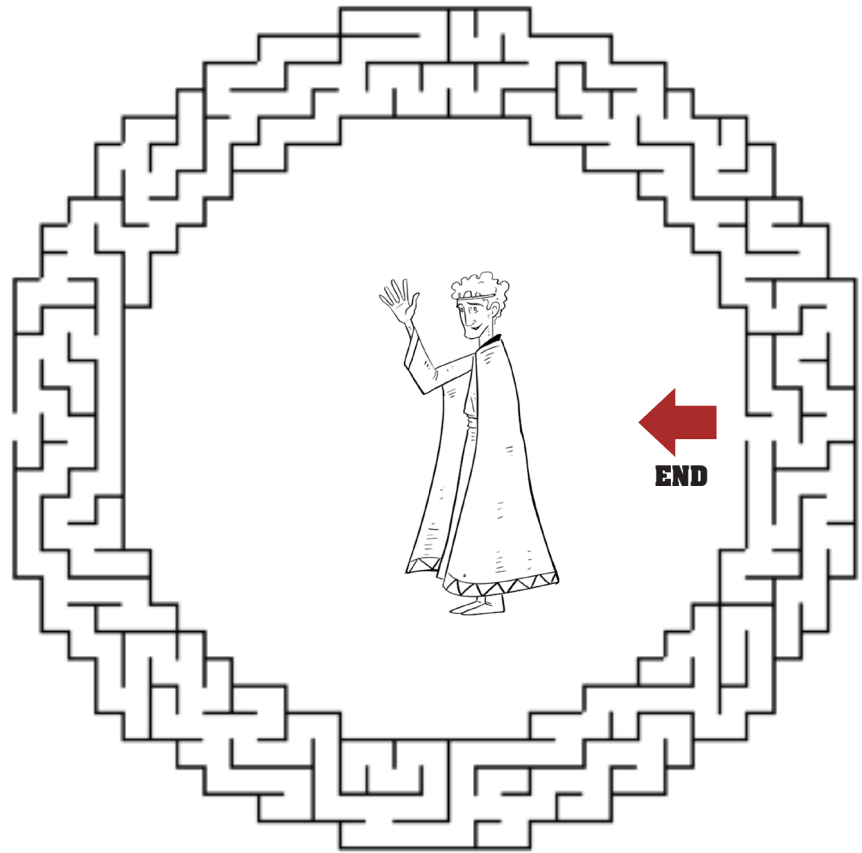
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Solve Labyrinth #7: King David's Journey

All God's people have problems to solve and to help them grow in faith! They are a little like labyrinths. KING DAVID had a huge and unfair problem! He had just slain the giant Goliath. He was supposed to be crowned king, according to the famous prophet Samuel. However, the current king got jealous. After David risked his life, King Saul tried to have him killed! He had to run and hide in caves. He had faithful men with him. Some say David ran for 15 years! Follow David on his journey from teenager who killed a giant to the king who finally was crowned 15 years later.



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Look up Acts 13. Look after verse 26. Find the verses that go with this famous faith passage about this hero and compares him to Jesus:

Now when David had served God's purpose in his own generation, he fell asleep; he was buried with his ancestors and his body decayed. But the one whom God raised from the dead did not see decay.;

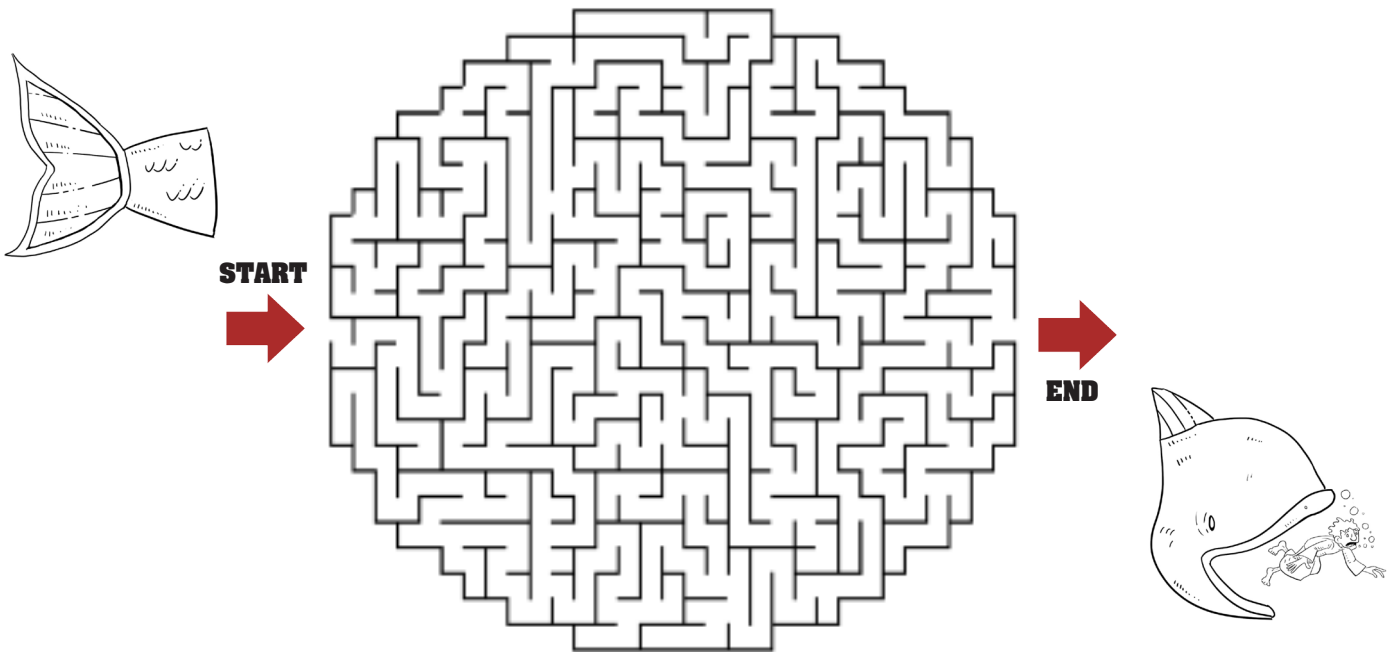
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Solve Labyrinth #8: Jonah's Journey

All God's people have problems to solve and to help them grow in faith! They are a little like labyrinths. JONAH'S journey was-a bit wet and mushy! And very scary! Jonah didn't want to go to Nineveh and tell the people to repent. He was a snob and didn't think the people of Nineveh deserved God's attention. He fled on a ship. But God sent a big storm. Jonah got thrown overboard. He was swallowed by a giant fish! The fish spit him out after three days, and boy, did he hightail it fast to Nineveh! Go with Jonah from being a reluctant snob to being the prophet who helped God save Nineveh from a terrible destruction.



Look up Matthew 12. Find the verse where Jesus talks about Jonah and compares Jonah's journey to his own.

For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a huge fish, so the Son of Man will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

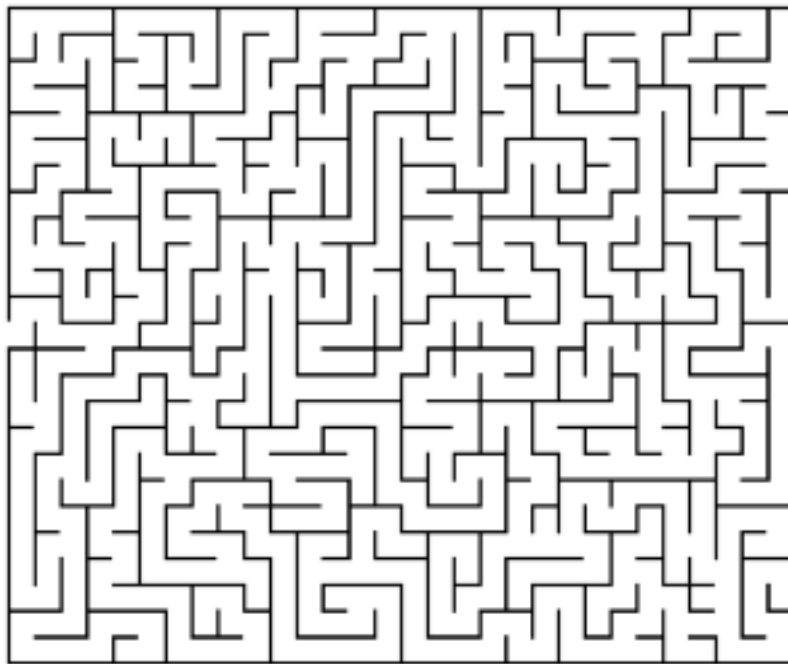
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Solve Labyrinth #9: John's & James' Journey

All God's people have problems to solve and to help them grow in faith! They are a little like labyrinths. Here are two of Jesus' favorite disciples. But they could get upset. Jesus affectionately called them "the sons of thunder." They wanted to ask God to set fire to a town that had rejected the good news. Jesus told them to simply move on. These two became heroes of our faith. James was the first apostle to be martyred and John lived into his 90s, many say, and he wrote the book on "love," 1 John. He also wrote the Revelation, about Jesus' return that gives us all much hope. Follow James and John on their journey from hotheads to heroes for the love of Christ.



Look up Acts 12. Find the verses that record the killing of Jesus' beloved apostle James, the first apostle to be martyred.

He had James, the brother of John, put to death with the sword. When he saw that this met with approval among the Jews, he proceeded to seize Peter also.

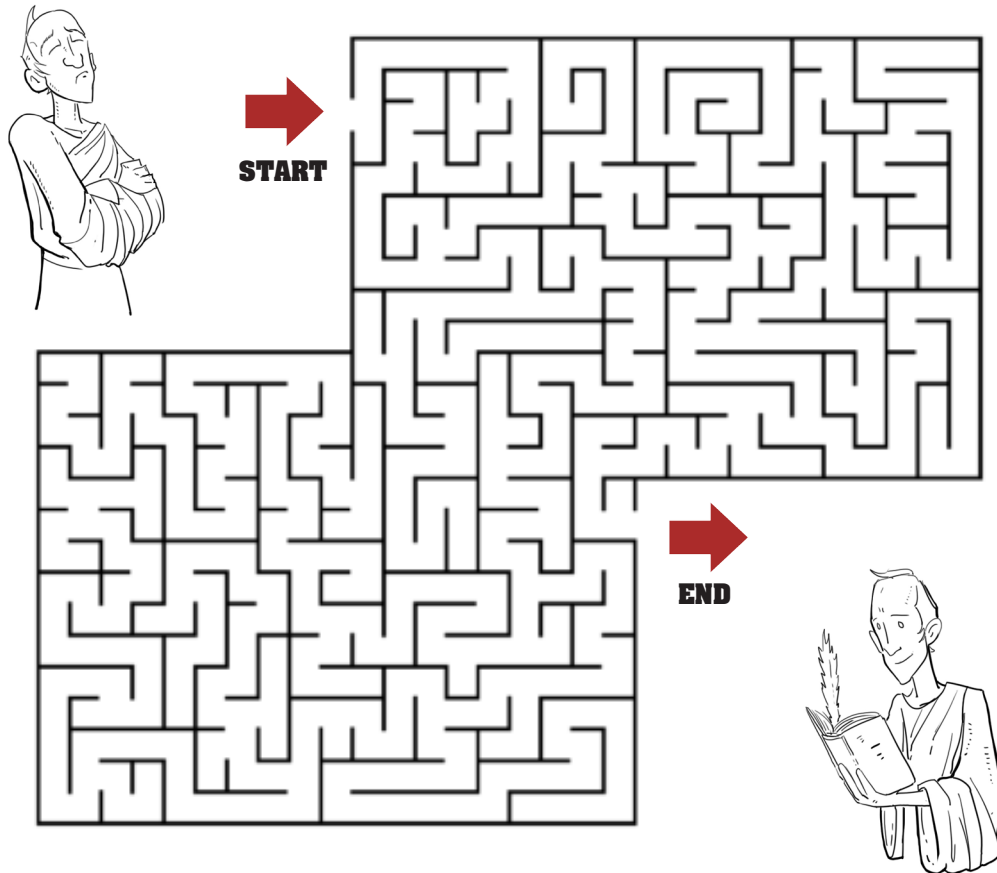
Acts 12: ___ & ___



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Solve Labyrinth #10: Apostle Paul's Journey

All God's people have problems to solve and to help them grow in faith! They are a little like labyrinths. SAUL started out as a scholarly Jewish leader, who couldn't stand the gospel! He even helped people stone the first martyr, a man named Stephen. Then Jesus blinded him, appeared to him from the sky, and changed his heart. Saul became the Apostle Paul, who wrote 14 epistles in the New Testament. Follow Saul on his journey from snobbish scholar to loving writer, whom we still read 2,000 years later.



Look up Acts 9. Find the verses that record Jesus speaking aloud to the Apostle.

As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?"

Acts 9: ____ & ____



Sleuth Out the Words



Sleuth Out the Words #1: Moses

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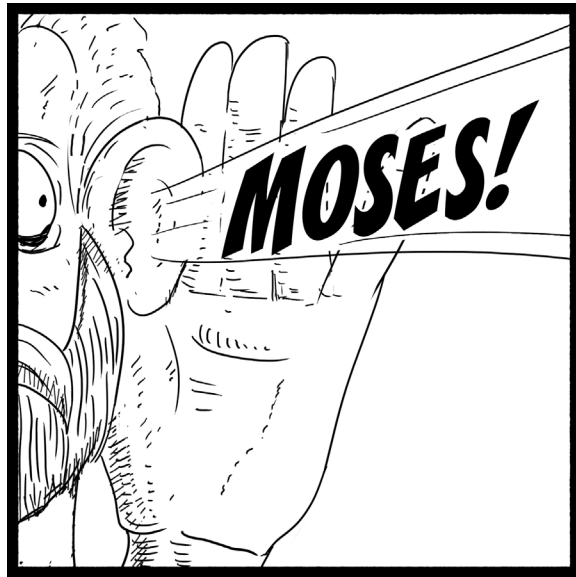
Numbers 20:2-12:

Now there was no **water** for the community, and the people gathered in opposition to Moses and Aaron. They quarreled with Moses and said, "If only we had died when our brothers fell dead before the LORD! Why did you bring the LORD's community into this wilderness, that we and our livestock should die here? Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to this terrible place? It has no grain or figs, **grapevines** or pomegranates. And there is no water to drink!"

Moses and Aaron went from the **assembly** to the entrance to the tent of meeting and fell facedown, and the glory of the LORD appeared to them. The LORD said to Moses, "Take the staff, and you and your brother Aaron gather the assembly together. Speak to that rock before their eyes and it will pour out its water. You will bring water out of the rock for the community, so they and their **livestock** can drink."

So Moses took the **staff** from the LORD's presence, just as he commanded him. He and Aaron gathered the assembly together in front of the rock and Moses said to them, "Listen, you rebels, must we bring you water out of this rock?" Then Moses raised his arm and struck the rock twice with his staff. Water **gushed** out, and the community and their livestock drank.

But the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Because you did not **trust** in me enough to **honor** me as holy in the sight of the Israelites, you will not bring this community into the land I give them."



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Sleuth Out the Words #2: Noah

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Genesis 9:12-17

And God said, "This is the sign of the **covenant** I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all **generations** to come:

I have set my **rainbow** in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. Whenever I bring **clouds** over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds,

I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living **creatures** of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life. Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and **remember** the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth."

So God said to **Noah**, "This is the sign of the covenant I have established between me and all life on the **earth**."



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Sleuth Out the Words #3: Abraham

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Genesis 12:1-5

The LORD had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you.

"I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing, I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Harran, and they set out for the land of Canaan, and they arrived there.



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Sleuth Out the Words #4: Joseph

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Genesis 37:17-28 excerpts

So **Joseph** went after his brothers and found them near Dothan. But they saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him.

"Here comes that **dreamer!**" they said to each other.

So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe—the **ornate** robe he was wearing—and they took him and threw him into the **cistern**. The cistern was empty; there was no water in it.

As they sat down to eat their meal, they looked up and saw a **caravan** of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead. Their camels were loaded with spices, balm and myrrh, and they were on their way to take them down to **Egypt**.

Judah said to his brothers, "What will we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his **blood**? Come, let's sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay our hands on him; after all, he is our brother, our own flesh and blood." His brothers agreed.

So when the Midianite **merchants** came by, his brothers pulled Joseph up out of the cistern and sold him for twenty shekels of silver to the Ishmaelites, who took him to Egypt.



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Sleuth Out the Words #5: Joshua

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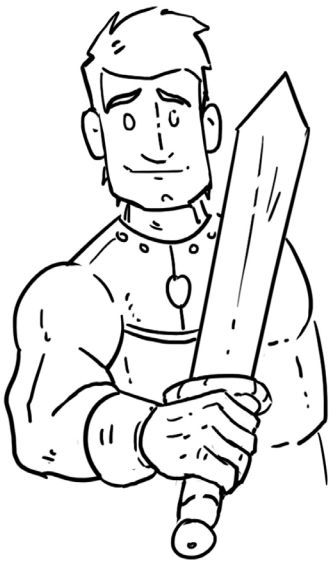
Joshua 6:15-20

On the seventh day, they got up at **daybreak** and marched around the city seven times in the same manner, except that on that day they **circled** the city seven times.

The **seventh** time around, when the priests sounded the trumpet blast, **Joshua** commanded the army, "Shout! For the LORD has given you the city! The city and all that is in it are to be devoted to the LORD.

"Only **Rahab** the prostitute and all who are with her in her house shall be spared, because she hid the **spies** we sent. But keep away from the devoted things, so that you will not bring about your own destruction by taking any of them. Otherwise you will make the camp of Israel liable to destruction and bring trouble on it. All the silver and gold and the articles of bronze and iron are sacred to the LORD and must go into his treasury."

When the **trumpets** sounded, the army shouted, and at the sound of the trumpet, when the men gave a loud shout, the wall **collapsed**; so everyone charged straight in, and they took the city.



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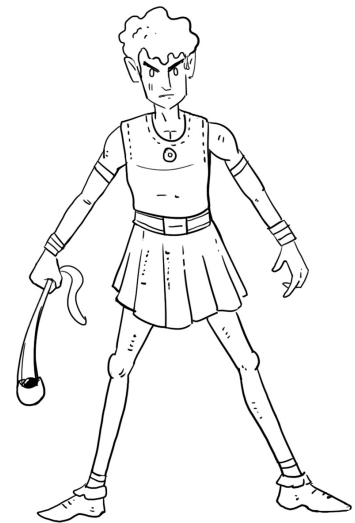
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While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the **cloud**. A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; **listen** to him."



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Acts 9:3-9:

As he neared **Damascus** on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven **flashed** around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you **persecute** me?"

"Who are you, Lord?" **Saul** asked.

"I am **Jesus**, whom you are persecuting," he replied. "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."

The men traveling with Saul stood there **speechless**; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. Saul got up from the **ground**, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. For three days he was **blind**, and did not eat or drink anything.



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Answer Sheet

Solve & Colors:

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2. THE PROPHET JONAH
3. NOAH, COMFORT
4. PHARAOH OF EGYPT
5. JOSEPH, ISRAEL or JACOB
6. RAHAB THE PROSTITUTE in JERICHO
7. JUDAS ISCARIOT
8. LAZARUS AND HIS SISTER MARTHA
9. AARON, THE BROTHER OF MOSES
10. THE TEN COMMANDMENTS TABLET
11. KING SAUL. HE AND HIS SONS WOULD DIE
12. JOSEPH AND TEN OF HIS ELEVEN BROTHERS
13. PETER, JAMES AND JOHN
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Bible Decoding:

1. there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus
2. they are born again
3. but with God all things are possible

4. you will be saved
5. Bread of life
6. Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.
7. My God my God...Why have you forsaken me?
8. hairs on your head are numbered

Which Bible Hero?

1. Noah
2. Abraham
3. Isaac
4. Moses
5. Joshua
6. David
7. Hannah
8. Deborah

Labyrinth/Finish the Verse

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2. Noah: Hebrews 11:7
3. Abraham: Hebrews 11:8
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6. Gideon Hebrews 11:32 & 33
7. David: Acts 13:36 & 37
8. Jonah: Matthew 12:40
9. James & John: Acts 12:2 & 3
10. Apostle Paul as Saul: Acts 9:3 & 4

Word Searches

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Sleuth Out the Words

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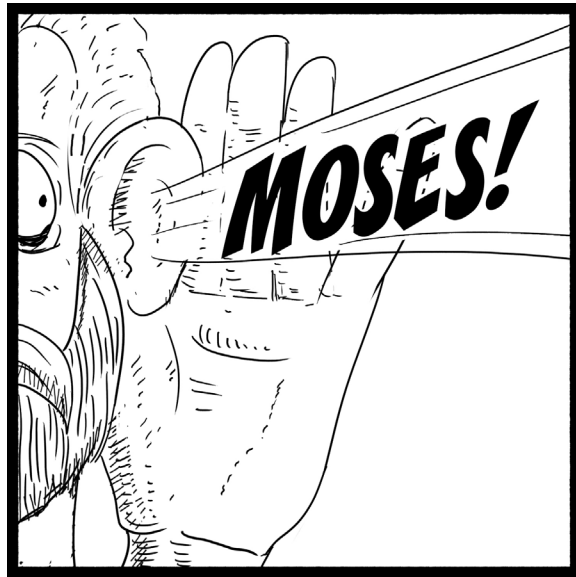
Numbers 20:2-12:

Now there was no **water** for the community, and the people gathered in opposition to Moses and Aaron. They quarreled with Moses and said, "If only we had died when our brothers fell dead before the LORD! Why did you bring the LORD's community into this wilderness, that we and our livestock should die here? Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to this terrible place? It has no grain or figs, **grapevines** or pomegranates. And there is no water to drink!"

Moses and Aaron went from the **assembly** to the entrance to the tent of meeting and fell facedown, and the glory of the LORD appeared to them. The LORD said to Moses, "Take the staff, and you and your brother Aaron gather the assembly together. Speak to that rock before their eyes and it will pour out its water. You will bring water out of the rock for the community, so they and their **livestock** can drink."

So Moses took the **staff** from the LORD's presence, just as he commanded him. He and Aaron gathered the assembly together in front of the rock and Moses said to them, "Listen, you rebels, must we bring you water out of this rock?" Then Moses raised his arm and struck the rock twice with his staff. Water **gushed** out, and the community and their livestock drank.

But the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Because you did not **trust** in me enough to **honor** me as holy in the sight of the Israelites, you will not bring this community into the land I give them."



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And God said, "This is the sign of the **covenant** I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all **generations** to come:

I have set my **rainbow** in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth. Whenever I bring **clouds** over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds,

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So God said to **Noah**, "This is the sign of the covenant I have established between me and all life on the **earth**."



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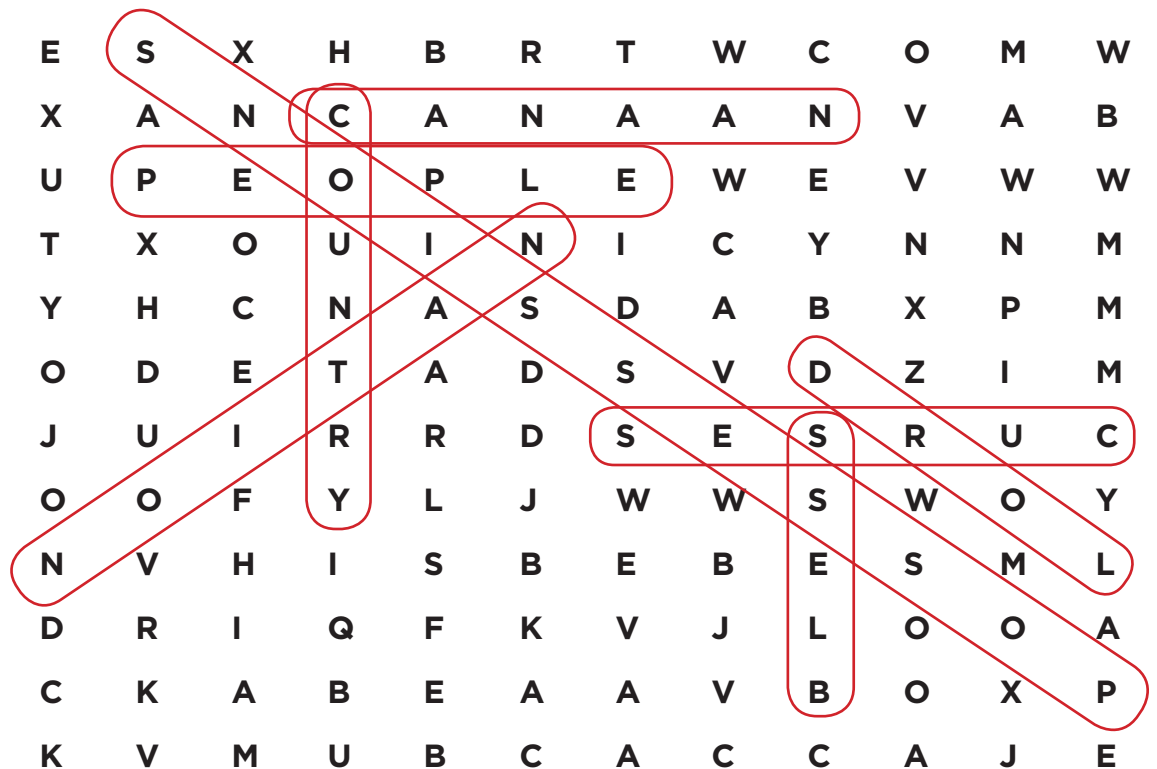
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The LORD had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you.

"I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing, I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Harran, and they set out for the land of Canaan, and they arrived there.





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Genesis 37:17-28 excerpts

So **Joseph** went after his brothers and found them near Dothan. But they saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him.

"Here comes that **dreamer!**" they said to each other.

So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe—the **ornate** robe he was wearing—and they took him and threw him into the **cistern**. The cistern was empty; there was no water in it.

As they sat down to eat their meal, they looked up and saw a **caravan** of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead. Their camels were loaded with spices, balm and myrrh, and they were on their way to take them down to **Egypt**.

Judah said to his brothers, "What will we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his **blood**? Come, let's sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay our hands on him; after all, he is our brother, our own flesh and blood." His brothers agreed.

So when the Midianite **merchants** came by, his brothers pulled Joseph up out of the cistern and sold him for twenty shekels of silver to the Ishmaelites, who took him to Egypt.



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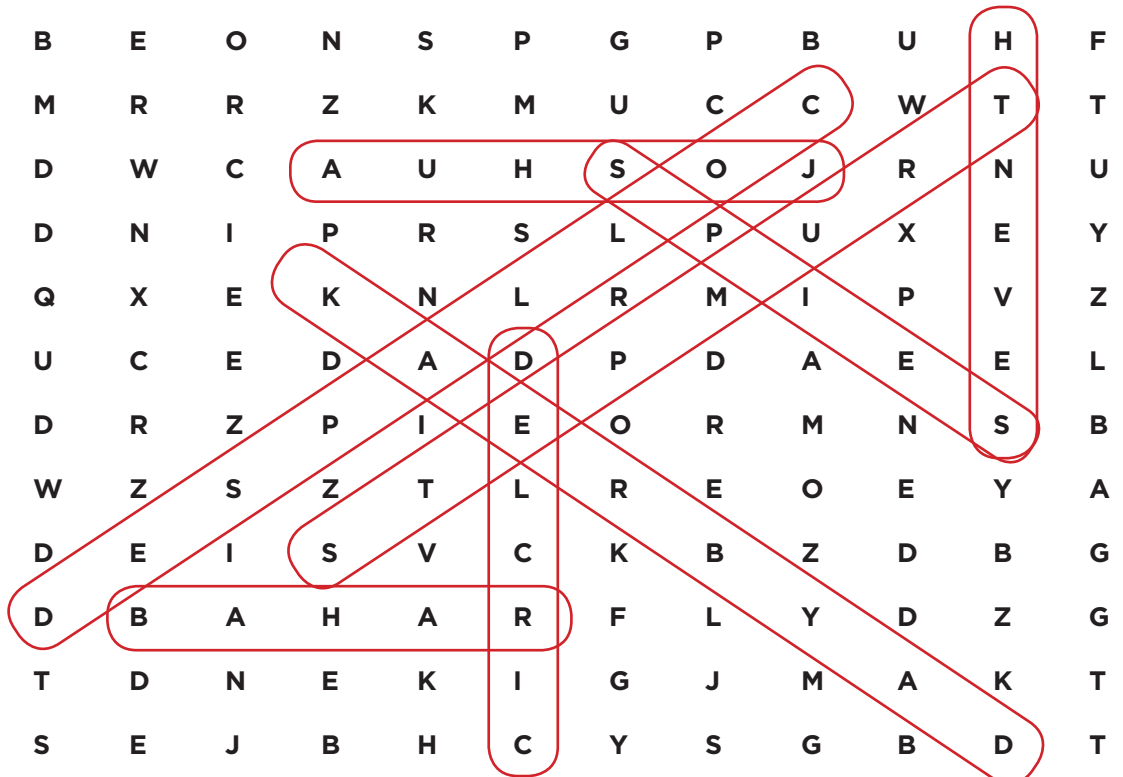
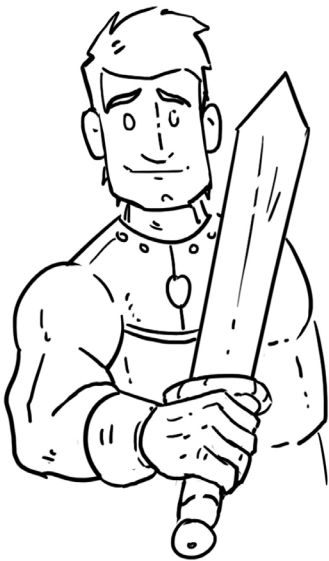
Joshua 6:15-20

On the seventh day, they got up at **daybreak** and marched around the city seven times in the same manner, except that on that day they **circled** the city seven times.

The **seventh** time around, when the priests sounded the trumpet blast, **Joshua** commanded the army, "Shout! For the LORD has given you the city! The city and all that is in it are to be devoted to the LORD.

"Only **Rahab** the prostitute and all who are with her in her house shall be spared, because she hid the **spies** we sent. But keep away from the devoted things, so that you will not bring about your own destruction by taking any of them. Otherwise you will make the camp of Israel liable to destruction and bring trouble on it. All the silver and gold and the articles of bronze and iron are sacred to the LORD and must go into his treasury."

When the **trumpets** sounded, the army shouted, and at the sound of the trumpet, when the men gave a loud shout, the wall **collapsed**; so everyone charged straight in, and they took the city.





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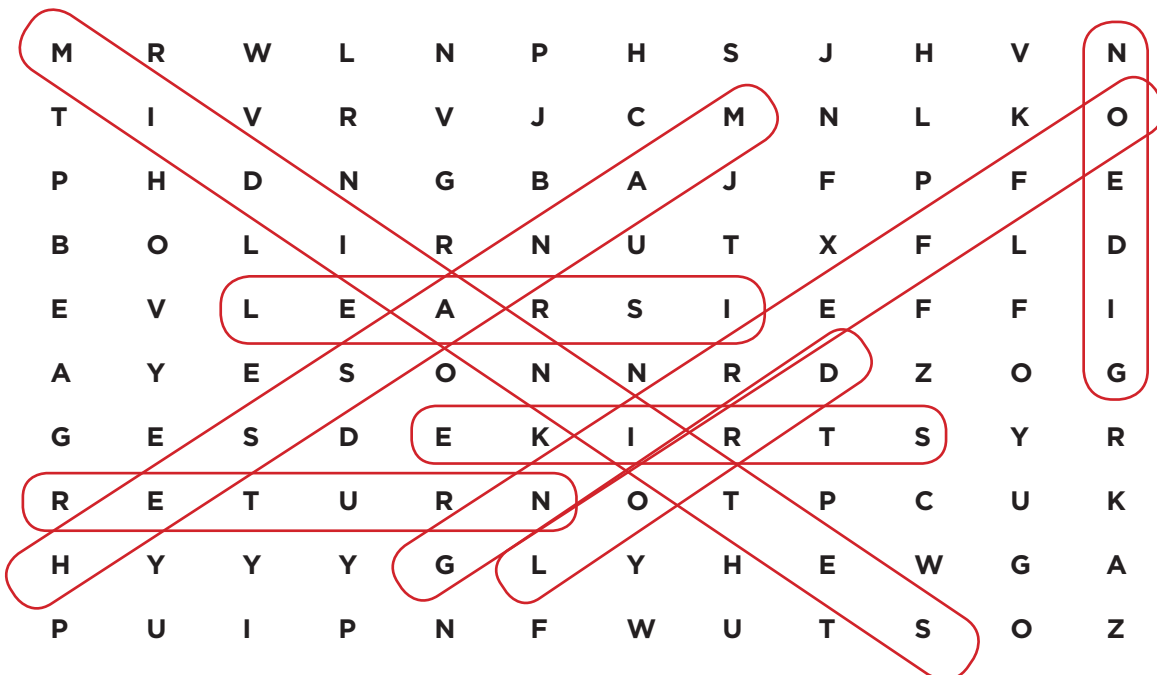
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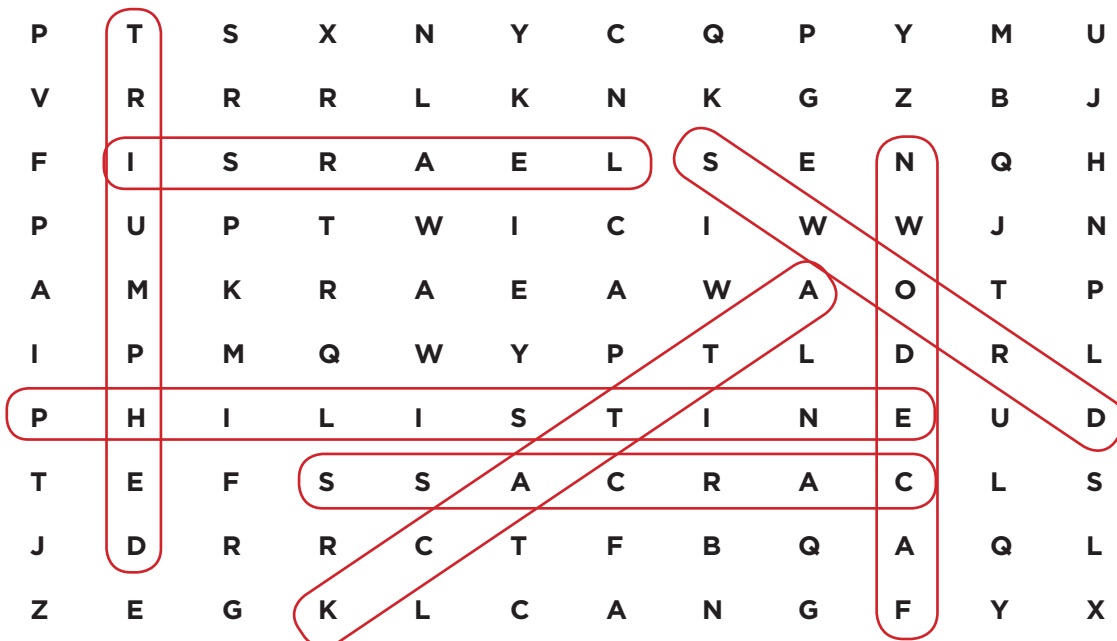
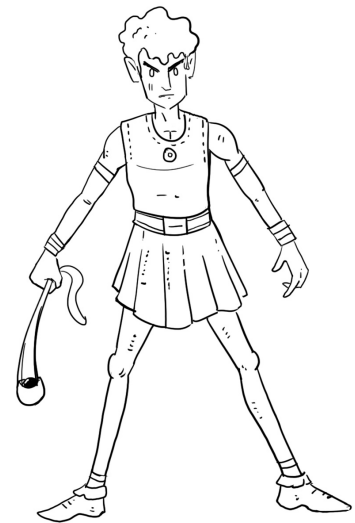
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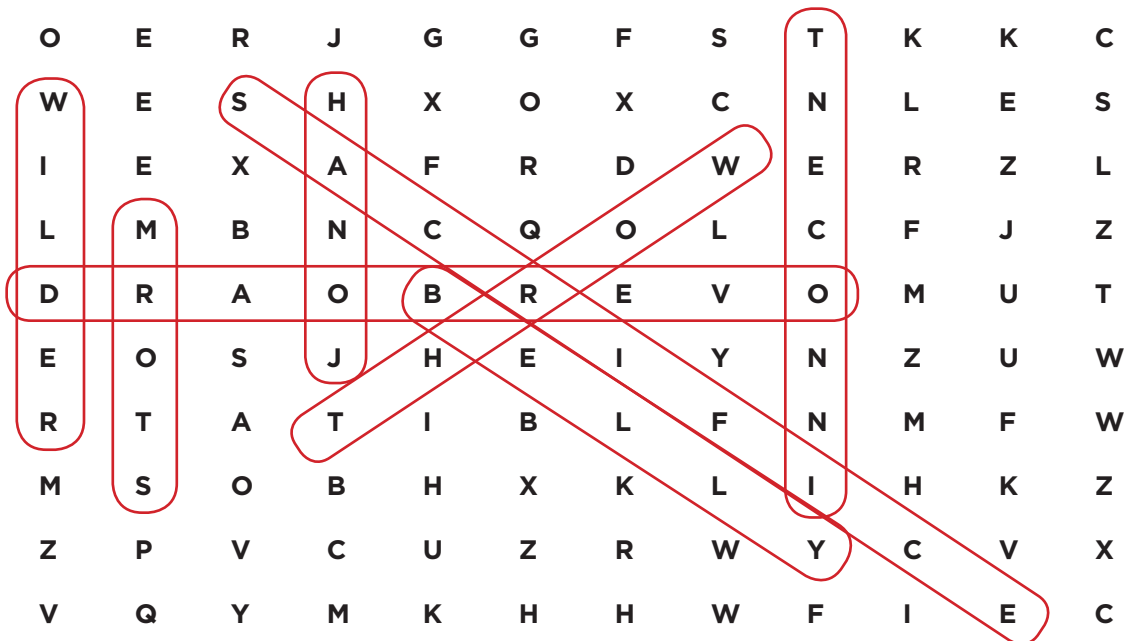
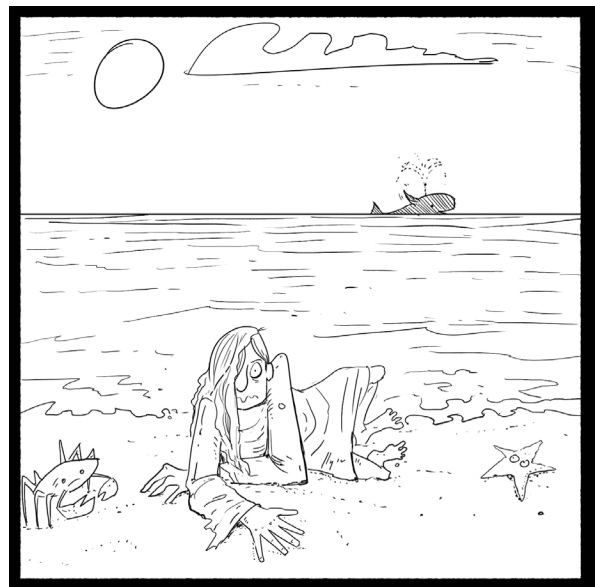
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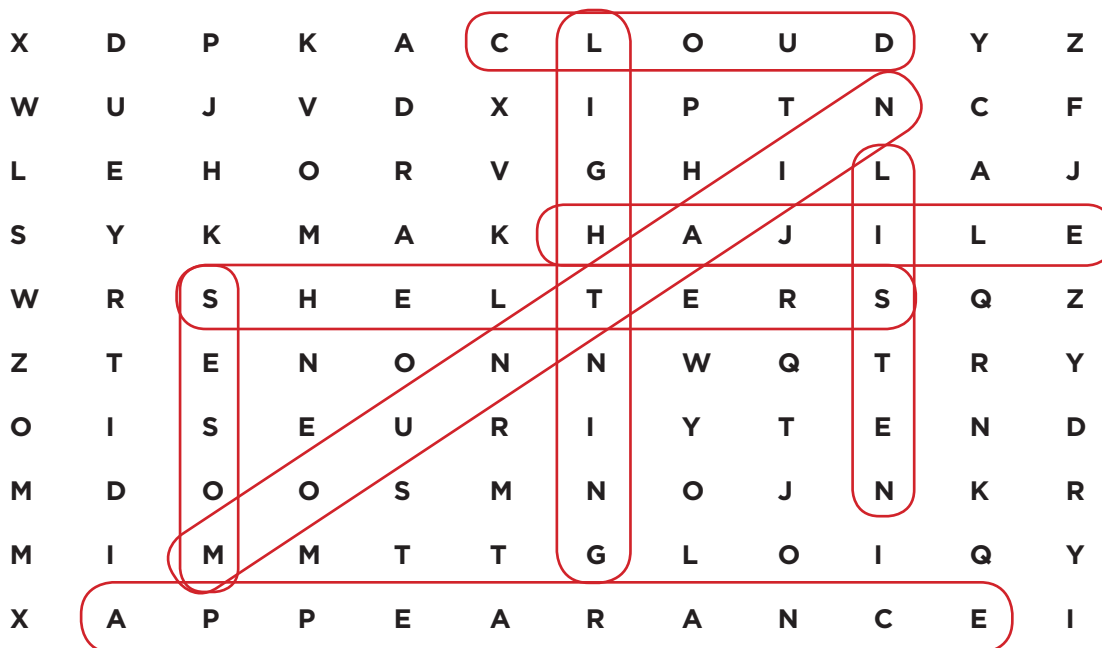
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Luke 9:28-35:

About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a **mountain** to pray. As he was praying, the **appearance** of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of **lightning**. Two men, **Moses** and **Elijah**, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three **shelters**—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)

While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the **cloud**. A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; **listen** to him."





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Sleuth Out the Words #10: Apostle Paul

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Acts 9:3-9:

As he neared **Damascus** on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven **flashed** around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you **persecute** me?"

"Who are you, Lord?" **Saul** asked.

"I am **Jesus**, whom you are persecuting," he replied. "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."

The men traveling with Saul stood there **speechless**; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. Saul got up from the **ground**, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. For three days he was **blind**, and did not eat or drink anything.

