

DAVID KILLS THE GIANT GOLIA vid asked the men standing near him. "What will be done for the man who kills thi illstine and removes this disgrace from Israel? Who is this undicrumdised Philistine should defy the armies of the living God?" Samuel 17:26 IBLE TEXT QUESTIONS Saul had gathered his troops in this valley: Goliath's taunts made the soldiers feel these emotions: David's older brothers in the war were David's oldest brother accused him of having a wicked heart and being 6. David killed these ferocious animals, which gave him confidence: 7. True False: David wore Saul's armor into battle (v. 39) 8. The stone sunk into Goliath's 9. David kept these belongings of Goliath's as memorabilia: DIGGING DEEPER IN APPLICATION God allows bullying to take place quite often. What was different about David's case?





(v. 9-10)

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READ: 1 JN 1:7-9

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THE CREATION STORY

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. Genesis 1





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READ:
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1:19-20

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THE FALL OF MAN



Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'? Genesis 3:1



TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. The tree Adam and Eve were told not to eat from was in this place in the garden: (v. 3)
- 2. The tree was pleasing to the eye and desirable for becoming (v. 6)
- 3. Realizing they were naked, Adam and Eve sewed these together: (v. 7)
- 4. When the two realized God was present in the Garden, they (v. 8)
- 5. True False: Adam was deceived (v. 12)
- 6. True False: Eve was deceived (v. 13)
- 7. Adam and Eve heard God when He was doing this in the Garden: (v. 8)
- 8. Because of the serpent's trickery, he was doomed to eat for all his days (v. 14)
- 9. After God drove Adam and Eve from the Garden, He placed this at the gate to protect it:

 (v. 24)



APPLICATION

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

God gives us instructions, and we don't always understand His reasons. How does this story give you faith to follow His commands?						

READ:
PRO
3:5-6

Reflect on a time when you felt God wasn't being clear about His reasoning and expected you to trust Him anyway.

READ:
2 THES
2:10-11

A great deception will fall upon certain people soon, if it isn't already happening now. Imagine standing before God and finding out you were deceived. Think carefully and pray about some ways to prevent it.



CAIN, ABEL, AND SETH



The Lord looked with favor on Abel and his offering, but on Cain and his offering he did not look with favor. So Cain was very angry, and his face was downcast. Genesis 4:4-5



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. Abel tended to his flocks and Cain worked the (v. 2)

2. Cain's offering was (v. 3)

3. Abel's offering was from the firstborn of his flock (v. 4)

4. God did not look on Cain's offering with favor and this made Cain (v. 5)

5. God told Cain that was crouching at his door but he must rule over it (v. 7)

6. Out of jealousy, Cain took his brother to a field and did this to him: (v. 8)

7. Because of his actions, God cursed Cain to be a restless of the earth (v. 12)

8. True False: Cain left and lived in the land of Canaan (v. 16)

9. Cain's first son was named (v. 17)



APPLICATION



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lealousy can bring out a very ugly side of us. Who do you sometimes feel jealous of, and what are some ways you can show them more ove? Where do they need God's compassion in their life?		

JMS 3:16	

What is the difference between jealousy (also known as envy) and selfish ambition (also known as strife)? Which do you struggle most with and why?

READ:
ECC
4:4

Think of a time in your life when you realized that jealousy or insecurity was driving your ambition to succeed. What came of it?



NOAH AND THE ARK



The Lord then said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and your whole family, because I have found you righteous in this generation. Take with you seven pairs of every kind of clean, animal, a male and its mate, and one pair of every kind of unclean animal, a male and its mate and also seven pairs of every kind of bird, male and female, to keep their various kinds alive throughout the earth. Genesis 7:1-3



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. The Lord gave Noah a warning that the rain would start in this many days: (7:4)

2. Noah was years old when the flood waters came (7:6)

3. The flood waters rose and even covered the (7:20)

4. Number of days the waters prevailed on the earth: (7:24)

5. God remembered Noah and He dried the earth with (8:1)

6. On the 17th day, of the mountains (8:4)

7. What animal did Noah send out first, that kept flying back and forth? (8:7)

8. The dove returned with this plant in its mouth (8:11)

The Lord smelled the pleasing aroma of Noah's sacrifice and promised to never the earth and all living creatures again (8:21)



APPLICATION

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

Noah is a great example of patience in God's plan. Think of a time or a circumstance where you had to wait for God's plan to be revealed. What happened? How did you feel in the end?

The Tower of Babel was built by Noah's great-grandson Nimrod. Why is this deeply sad?

READ:
JHN
14:1-3

Regardless of what destructive forces we face in the future, how can we have continual peace?



TOWER OF BABEL



So the Lord scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. Genesis 11:8

	TEXT QUESTIONS ——				
1.	How many languages were in the world at the	ne time?	(v. 1)		
2.	What was the name of the place where they	founded the city?		(v. 2)	
3.	The people of Babel used brick instead of		(v. 3)		
4.	How were the bricks made so strong?		(v. 3)		
5.	They wanted to build a tower that reached t	o the	(v. 4)		
6.	God came down to see the tower and the		they were buildi	ng (v. 5)	
7.	God said He wanted to do this to their langu	ıage:	(v. 7)		
8.	The people did not want to be	throug	h the whole earth (v.	4)	

False: God confused their language so that they couldn't conspire to commit great sins (v. 6)

APPLICATION

Humility is very important to the Lord. God wants us to trust him, not to try to become him. What can we learn from the people of Babel?	
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READ: GAL 5:19-21	Look at this list of the works of the flesh. Which ones do you think were in play during the building of the Tower of Babel? Is that time period worse than today, not as bad as today, or about the same? Why?



ISAAC IS BORN TO ABRAHAM AND SARAH



So Sarah laughed to herself as she thought, "After I am worn out and my lord is old, will I now have this pleasure?" Genesis 18:12

TEXT QUESTIONS

1.	God appeared to Abraham near the gre	eat trees of	(18:1)	
2.	Abraham offered the three men	and	(18:4-5)	
3.	When Abraham saw the men, he referre	ed to himself as their	(18:3)	
4.	What food did Sarah bake for the men?	(18:6)		
5.	The three men promised Abraham that	his wife would have a	(18:10)	
6.	When Sarah heard this, she	(18:12)		
7.	Sarah didn't believe she could have a c	hild because she was	(18:12)	
8.	When Sarah laughed, Abraham was ask	ed, "Is anything too	for the Lord	d?" (18:14)
9.	Abraham was this age when Isaac was b	oorn	(21:5)	



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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

Here is another time God granted the miracle of birth for an older couple. Gabriel's response to Zechariah's doubt was harsher than God's response to Sarah's laughing. How are the circumstances different?

JHN	READ:
20.20-21	JHN
20.30-31	20:30-31

Isaac's birth was a miracle. Other miracles were seen around the time of the Exodus (1400s BC), the time of Elijah the prophet (800s BC) and the time of Christ. What was God trying to accomplish with all these miracles?



JACOB & ESAU



Isaac answered Esau, "I have made him lord over you and have made all his relatives his servants, and I have sustained him with grain and new wine. So what can I possibly do for you, my son?" Genesis 27:37



TEXT QUESTIONS

(v. 1)Isaac could not see Jacob because he was

Isaac wanted to give Esau his blessing because he was about to (v. 2)

Jacob's mother told him to let the curse fall on (v. 13)

4. What did Rebekah put on Jacob's skin to make it feel hairy? (v. 16)

False: When Esau came in, Isaac knew immediately what happened (v. 33)

When Esau realized he lost his blessing he (v. 38)

True False: Esau said he would forgive Jacob (v. 41) 7.

(v. 41) 8. Esau promised to do this to his brother:

9. Rebekah saved Jacob by sending him to live with this relative: (v. 43)



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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

Jacob and his mother certainly shouldn't have plotted this scheme, but God used it for the good. Have you ever made a mistake that God was able to use? What's the story?	REA 1 K 1:17-

READ:
1 KI
1:17-21

Here is another mother trying to get her favored son onto the throne. How is this story different?

	READ:
	JMS
ı	1:27

Generally, treachery brings about bad endings. God encourages us instead not to behave in this way. How can you apply this scripture to your life to avoid treachery?

JMS 1:27



JACOB'S LADDER

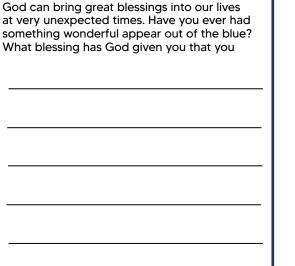


He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. Genesis 28:12

	TEXT QUESTIONS —			
1.	Where Jacob was headed when he had h	nis powerful dream:		(v. 10)
	Jacob saw a stairway that reached all the	·	(v. 12)	
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	What creatures were ascending and desc	ending the stairway:		(v. 12)
4.	Who was standing above the stairway?		(v. 13)	
5.	Jacob was promised that he and his desc (v. 13)	endants would be gi	ven the land on w	hich he was
	(V. 13)			
6.	Jacob would have so many descendants,	that they would be lik	te the	of the earth (v. 14)
7.	God promised Jacob that all would be blo	essed through his		(v. 14)
8.	God promised Jacob that He would not		him. (v. 15)	
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READ :
JHN
14:6

Jacob had seen a "portal," another word for an opening in our three dimensions, so that one is able to see the heavenlies. Here, Jesus claimed to be a portal. Discuss how the two experiences relate to each other.

READ:
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2:11-12

Here is an occasion where a human actually broke through the threshold of a portal. People love to make these precious accounts into myths. How can we help preserve their credibility?



JOSEPH IS KIDNAPPED

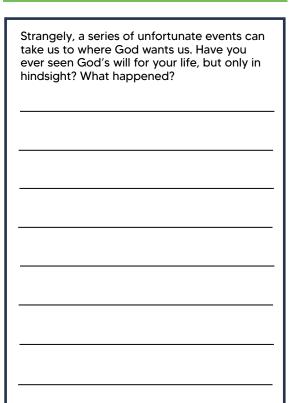


Here comes that dreamer!" they said to each other "Come now, let's kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns and say that a ferocious animal devoured him. Then we'll see what comes of his dreams. Genesis 37:19-20

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1.	Who was attacking Joseph?	(v. 23)	
2.	What did they throw him into?	(v. 24)	
3.	The brothers did this to Joseph instead of killing him:		(v.27)
4.	The Ishmaelites were headed here:	(v. 25)	
5.	They dipped Joseph's robe in this:	(v. 31)	
6.	When Jacob thought his son Joseph had been killed,	he	(v. 34)
7.	Jacob said he would mourn until he	(v. 35)	
8.	Joseph was taken to Egypt and sold to	(v. 36)	
9.	Joseph's new owner was the captain of the guard to		(v. 36)



APPLICATION



READ: EXO 5:15-21	This is a famous example of God's plans including what appears to be the opposite. When have circumstances gotten very bad in your life, and what might they have led to that was good?
READ: PHIL 4:6-7	What good things can happen if we trust God in tough times?



HE 12 TRIBES COME TO EGYPT



These are the names of the sons of Israel who went to Egypt with Jacob, each with his family: Reuben, Simeon, Levi and Judah; Issachar, Zebulun and Benjamin; Dan and Naphtali; Gad and Asher. The descendants of Jacob numbered seventy in all; Joseph was already in Egypt. Exodus 1:1-5



TEXT QUESTIONS

1.	At the beginning of the Exodus, Joseph and	the heads of the tribes were		(v. 6)
2.	The Israelites did this greatly:	(v. 7)		
3.	There was a new king, and Joseph had this s	status with him:		(v. 8)
4.	The Israelites were ,	a word meaning to have lots	of babie	s (v. 7)
5.	The king was afraid that if war broke out the	Israelites would		the Egyptians (v. 10)
6.	The king put this kind of masters over the Isra	raelites to oppress them:		(v. 11)
7.	The king also told the midwives to kill all of the	he baby	(v. 16)	
8.	But the midwives didn't kill the babies becau	use they feared		(v. 17)



APPLICATION

God blessed the midwives by giving them

The midwives put their lives on the line for God. Think of a circumstance where you would stand up for Christ, even if it cost you your life.
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READ: 1 SA 17:45	

This is probably the most famous Old Testament example of someone putting their life on the line for their faith. Under what circumstances would you have made David's choice?

READ:
ACTS
7:54-60

Based on Stephen's experience, why should we not be afraid if our lives are threatened for Christ?



MOSES AS A BABY



Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. Exodus 2:3

	TEXT QUESTIONS					
1.	How long did Moses' mother I	nide him away? (v.	2)			
2.	The basket Moses was hidden	in was made of			(v. 3)	
3.	The basket was coated with				to make it float	(v. 3
4.	Who found Moses when his b	asket was floating	in the reed	s? (v. 5)		
5.	True False: the women	cnew Moses was a	Hebrew w	nen they fol	und him (v. 6)	
6.	Who offered to find a nurse fo	or Moses? (v. 7)				
7.	Who became Moses' nurse?	(v. 9)				



APPLICATION

8. Moses grew up thinking he was the son of

Have you ever had, or do you currently have, any situations where you know what is next, but the big picture seems foggy? How can you have more faith for the next step?

10:27

True False: The name Moses means "I found him in the reeds" (v. 10)

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(v. 10)

READ: 1 KI 19:11-13	When taking the next step with God, we often need to seek His voice. What are some experiences when you had to diligently seek God to find His direction?
READ:	How can this verse bring us peace in any difficult situation?



BURNING BUSH

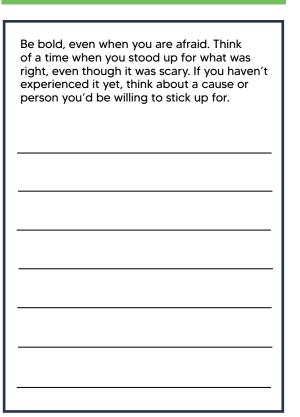


There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. Exodus 3:2

	TEXT QUESTIONS			
1.	Moses' father-in-law was named	(v. 1)		
2.	God told Moses to take off his	(v. 5)		
3.	God said that His name is	(v. 14)		
4.	God promised Moses that the elders of Israel would	d	(v. 18))
5.	True False: God said He has seen the joy of h	His people (v. 7)		
6.	True False: God saw that the Israelites were	oppressed (v. 9)		
7.	True False: Moses was excited to go and reso	eue his people (v.	11)	
8.	What name did God tell Moses to use if the Egyptia	ins asked who ser	nt him? (v. 14)	
9.	God promised to guide the Israelites to a land flowi	ng with milk and		(v. 17)



APPLICATION





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READ:	
ISA 41:10	

Write about yourself in a normally frightening situation, using the thoughts and images from this verse.

Just before the Exodus, Moses was thrown right into a common fear-public speaking! This scripture was given to Joshua's soldiers at the end of the Exodus-when they were going to fight huge and experienced pagan armies! How much had changed? How much can change for you if you allow God to work in you?



HE PASSOVER (THE FINAL PLAGUE)



It is the Passover sacrifice to the Lord, who passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt and spared our homes when he struck down the Egyptians. Exodus 12:27



TEXT QUESTIONS

God said He would strike down the

from each family (v. 11:5)

- 2. At what time did God promise to go throughout Egypt with this plague? (v. 11:4)
- 3. What did God tell the Israelites to put on their door? (v. 12:7)
- 4. God promised to the doors with the marked door frames (v. 12:23)
- 5. They were told to keep the lamb until the day of the month (v. 12:6)
- 6. When the people woke there was a loud (v. 12:30)
- During the night Pharaoh summoned Moses and told the Israelites to (v. 12:31) 7.
- 8. True False: Pharoah said they could leave but they must leave their flocks and herds (v. 12:32)
- Pharaoh asked Moses to do this to him before he left (v. 12:32)



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God taught the Israelites that if they listened to Him and stuck together, He would keep them safe. How does having a Christian community protect you? What are some ways you can make more of an effort to be a part of a church or make Christian friends?	
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READ:
PRO
27:17

prevented you from making a really bad choice. What does this tell you about the importance of Christian friends?

Think of a time a brother or sister in Christ helped you stay safe or

READ:
EPH
4:1-6

Rewrite this passage about maintaining strength and unity in your own words, using examples from your own life.



PARTING OF THE RED SE



Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the Lord drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. Exodus 14:21



TEXT QUESTIONS

God told the people not to go through the country of these peoples:

(v. 13:17)

2. Whose bones did Moses take with him when the Hebrews left Egypt? (v. 13:19)

God traveled ahead of the Israelites by day as a pillar of

(v. 13:21)

God traveled ahead of the Israelites by night as a pillar of

(v. 13:21)

Pharoah changed his mind yet again because he didn't want to lose

(v. 14:5)

The Israelites complained to Moses when they saw the Egyptians because they thought they were going to (v. 14:12)

God told Moses to raise his staff and stretch out his hand to make the waters

(v. 14:16)

8. The Israelites were about to walk though on dry

(v. 14:21-22)

When the Egyptians followed them into the parted water, the water

them (v. 14:28)



pursue it?

APPLICATION

God will always make a path for us when we

are following His plan for our lives. What do

you believe God's plan is for your life (or maybe even just the next week), and where do you need His hand of protection as you



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

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Become intentional about this very famous passage. Make a list of ways you can acknowledge God or include Him in activities in which you currently do not.

READ:
PSA
25:1-3

The Hebrew people had to wait nearly all night for the waters of the Red Sea to part. What prayer request are you waiting for in your own life that seems to be taking long? How can you use these passages to gather strength and patience?

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THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

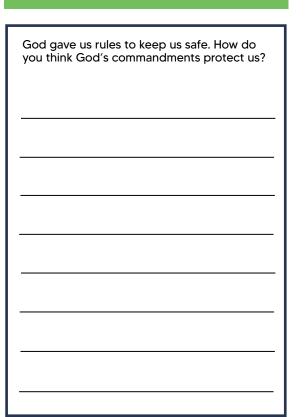


Then the Lord said to Moses, "Tell the Israelites this: 'You have seen for yourselves that I have spoken to you from heaven.'" Exodus 20:22

	TEXT QUESTIONS ————————————————————————————————————
1.	God said not to worship the of anything in heaven above or on earth (v. 4)
2.	God said that no one who misuses His name will be (v. 7)
3.	We should remember the Sabbath to keep it (v. 8)
4.	You should not give false testimony about your (v. 16)
5.	You shall not covet your neighbor's (v. 17)
6.	The people saw thunder and lightning and heard a (v. 18)
7.	Moses told the people that the fear of God would keep them from (v. 20)
8.	True False: The people wanted to hear directly from God (v. 19)
9.	True False: The only people who need to rest on the Sabbath are the heads of the house and the priests (v. 10)



APPLICATION





READ: LEV 18:1-10	Above all things, God hates heartbreak. Pick out some of these laws and write whose heartbreak God is trying to prevent.
READ:	What does this passage tell us about all of God's laws?
22:37-40	



THE SPIES ARE AFRAID

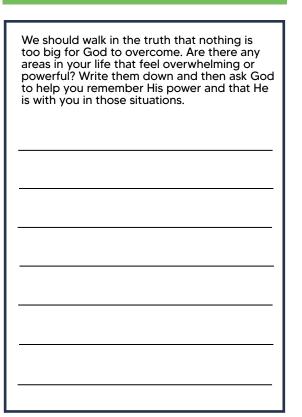


But the men who had gone up with him said, "We can't attack those people; they are stronger than we are." Numbers 13:31

	TEXT QUESTIONS ————————————————————————————————————	
1.	Moses sent spies to explore the land of	(v. 17)
2.	The spies came back and reported to Moses and	(v. 26)
3.	What did the men bring back from the land? (v. 20	5)
4.	They said that land flowed with milk and	(v. 27)
5.	They said that the people who lived there were	(v. 28)
6.	6. True False: Caleb said they should give up because invasion would be too dangerous (v. 30)	
7.	The men who had gone into the land said the peo	pple who lived there were
	than they are (v. 31)	
8. True False: The men said that the people who lived there were stupid (v. 32)		
9.	What living creature did they say they felt like cor	npared to the people of the land? (v. 33)



APPLICATION



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READ: JSH 10:12-14	Considered one of the most astonishing miracles in the Old Testament, compare this event with something in your life which you feel could be extremely difficult without God's intervention. Write how it could play out with God's help.
READ: 2 CH 20:13-23	Think of a time God fought for you. If that hasn't happened to you yet, think of a situation in which you would like it to happen.



DEATH OF MOSES



Since then, no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. Deuteronomy 34:10

TEXT QUESTIONS	
Moses climbed to the top of this mountain:	(v.1)
2. True False: God promised to give the land Isaac, and Jacob (v. 4)	d Moses could see to the descend
3. What did Moses do after ascending the mountain	ain? (v. 7)
4. The Israelites grieved Moses for	days (v. 8)
5. How old was Moses when he died? (v. 7)	
6. Who took over for Moses after he passed on? (v. 9)
7. True False: Moses was the first of hundre	ds of prophets like him (v. 10)
8. Moses is special because he met	(v. 11)
9. Moses was the most powerful prophet in all of	(v. 12)



APPLICATION



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READ: REV 21:4

How would Moses have wanted the people to feel, and what would he have wanted them to do next?

READ:	
PSA	
147:3	

What can you see God doing for you if you lose someone who is very special to you?



JOSHUA AND RAHAB



But the woman had taken the two men and hidden them. She said, "Yes, the men came to me, but I did not know where they had come from." Joshua 2:4

TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. What town did Joshua specifically want his spies to check out? (v. 1)
- 2. Who saw that the spies had come to check out the land? (v. 2)
- 3. What was the name of the woman who took in the spies? (v. 3)
- 4. When the king came for the spies, she told him that they (v.
- 5. She hid the spies on the (v. 6)
- 6. True False: the spies told her that they would spare her life and that of her family if she kept their secret (v. 14)
- 7. How many days did she tell the spies to hide? (v. 16)
- 8. What did they tell her to tie in her window? (v. 18)
- 9. They told her that she and her family must stay in the

on the day of the attack (v. 18-19)



APPLICATION

Rahab helped the spies because she'd heard reports about their God along the Exodus. She reasoned He was very real, not a myth, and very powerful; therefore, she'd better side with Him. She appeared to be using simple logic. Why didn't other people of Jericho feel the same way?

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READ:
ROM
1:18-20

Bible stories have often shown God's annoyance with those who don't believe in Him. Why?

READ:
MAT
21:33-41

Why do parables often show God's anger with people who don't believe in His Son Jesus?



THE WALLS OF JERICHO TUMBLE



Then the Lord said to Joshua, "See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men." Joshua 6:2



TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. How many days was Joshua told to march around Jericho? (v. 3)
- 2. How many priests were to carry trumpets? (v. 4)
- 3. On the day the priests were to blow their horns (v. 4)
- 4. When the army heard the trumpets, they were told to (v. 5)
- 5. When all of this happened, God promised that the walls would (v. 5)
- 6. What special artifact did they carry with them as they circled Jericho? (v. 6)
- 7. When the trumpets sounded, the walls fell and the Israelites took the (v. 20)
- 8. Rahab lived among the after that (v. 25)
- 9. This battle made Joshua (v. 27)



APPLICATION

out, even though they didn't really make sense at the time. Have you ever just known that things would be okay or that you would be successful? What was the situation?



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118:6

Why is it so important to know you are in God's will before you begin moving in a certain direction?

READ:
PRO
28:26

Why can we often not trust our own minds? How does God help us?



THE SUN STANDS



Sun, stand still over Gibeon, and you, moon, over the Valley of Aijalon. So the sun stood still, and the moon stopped, till the nation avenged itself on its enemies. Joshua 10:12

	TEXT QUESTIONS				
1.	The King of Jerusalem was threatened	d by Joshua because his	s troops had ta	ken this city:	
	(v. 1)				
2.	How many kings teamed up to fight ag	gainst Joshua and the Is	sraelites? (v. 5)		
3.	God told Joshua not to be	(v. 8)			
4.	After Joshua defeated the armies, the	Lord sent huge		to rain down on t	hem (v. 11)
5.	True False: More people died fi	rom the weather than fr	om the battle ((v. 11)	
6.	True or False: Joshua won because he	e took the armies by sur	rprise (v. 9)		
7.	Joshua asked the sun and the	_ to stand still in the sky	/ (v. 12)		
8.	True False: The sun stood still ur	ntil the battle began (v.	13)		
9.	Joshua took the sign as proof that the	Lord was fighting for		(v. 14)	



APPLICATION

God doesn't always give signs and wonders, but when He does, they are so powerful! Have you ever seen a sign from the Lord? If so, what was it and how did it encourage you? If not, what is your favorite story about a sign from God, and why do you like that story so much?



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READ:
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16:4

Why did God make the sun stand still in the sky in Joshua 10, then imply He was disgusted when the priests asked Jesus for a sign? What does He expect us to do when we read about Joshua and his army in this chapter?

READ:
HEB
11:6

Why is a belief in God's existence not enough to make us righteous? What two things must you believe in order to activate His power?



LEVITICUS



Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against anyone among your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD. Leviticus 19:18



TEXT QUESTIONS

All the Levitical Laws involve examples of how to love God or how to love each other. They involve how to avoid hurting others or cause injury, disease, or emotional anguish for yourself. Look at the laws below, and write (1) whom that law would seek to protect and (2) from what natural consequence? Exact terms are not important. Use the answer key for guidance if stuck.

1.	Each of you must respect your mother and father" (19:3a) Protecting who:	
	From what consequence(s):	
2.	"and you must observe my Sabbaths" (19:3) Protecting who:	
	From what consequence(s):	
3.	"Do not turn to idols or make metal gods for yourselves. I am the LORD your God" (19:4) Protecting	
	who: From what consequence(s):	
4.	"When you sacrifice a fellowship offering to the LORD, sacrifice it in such a way that it will be accepted	
	on your behalf. It shall be eaten on the day you sacrifice it or on the next day; anything left over until	
	the third day must be burned up." (19:5-6) Protecting who:	
	consequence(s):	
5.	"When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the	
	gleanings of your harvest. Do not go over your vineyard a second time or pick up the grapes that have	
	fallen. Leave them for the poor and the foreigner. I am the LORD your God." (19:9) Protecting who:	
	From what consequence(s):	
6.	"When you enter the land and plant any kind of fruit tree, regard its fruit as forbidden. For three years	
	you are to consider it forbidden; it must not be eaten." (19:23-25) Protecting who:	
	From what consequence(s):	
7.	"Stand up in the presence of the aged, show respect for the elderly and revere your God. I am the	
	LORD" (19:32) Protecting who:	
	From what consequence(s):	
8.	"I will set my face against anyone who turns to mediums and spiritists to prostitute themselves by	
	following them, and I will cut them off from their people." (20:6) Protecting who:	
	From what consequence(s):	
9.	"If a man marries his brother's wife, it is an act of impurity; he has dishonored his brother. They will be	
	childless." (20:21) Protecting who:	



LEVITICUS (CONTINUED)



"Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against anyone among your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD." Leviticus 19:18

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME



APPLICATION

Because the law is written in every person's heart, you essentially know it. Remember a time when you were confident you performed God's will. Try to write it as a law for all people.	READ: MAT 22:38-40	Culturalization means that we see things from inside our own cultura norms rather than from a pure perspective. How has our culture prevented us from seeing the laws of Moses in the way Christ does?
	READ: ROM 13:10	The law is essentially a list of examples of how love would act in any situation. If we act in loving ways, the laws will be fulfilled. Think of some ways you can show love in your life so that others might see Jesus in you and through you.



PROPHET DEBORAH & JAEL SAVE THE DAY



"Certainly I will go with you," said Deborah. "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." So Deborah went with Barak to Kedesh. Judges 4:9



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. What king did the Lord stir against Israel due to their evil idolatry? (v. 2)

2. That king's army commander was named (v. 2)

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3. How long had this people oppressed Israel?

(v. 3)

4. Deborah's husband's name was (v. 4)

5. Deborah prophesied that Barak should take this many men to attack Jabin's army (v. 6)

6. True False: Barak's answer implied he did not want to go (v. 8)

7. Deborah's reply was a prophecy that the honor of victory would go to a (v. 9)

8. Jael killed Sisera with a hammer and (v. 21)

P. True False: Israel eventually destroyed Jabin, king of Canaan (v. 24)



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APPLICATION

Life was very different before birth control

children they would have. How was Judge

Deborah different from most women in her

could help women determine how many

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READ:
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22:14-20

Here is another example of a prophetess delivering a famous message. Hers came much later, during the reign of King Josiah (around 600 BC, compared to Deborah's 1300 BC). How does the tone of her prophecy compare to Deborah's in verse 9?

READ:
2 KI
11:1-3

Here is a mother who commits murder of her own family to gain the power of the throne. Is either gender more capable of evil? If so, which one? Defend your answer.



HANNAH GIVES HER SON TO GOD



And she made a vow, saying, "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." 1 Samuel 1:11

	TEXT QUESTIONS					
1.	Hannah's husband's name:	(v. ⁻	1)			
2.	The place of worship of this family:		(v. 3)			
3.	Name of the priest who spoke to Han	nah:		(v. 9)		
4.	The word Hannah used in prayer to de	escribe her condit	ion:		(v. 11)	
5.	Part of Hannah's pledge was that her	son's hair would r	ever be		(v. 11)	
6.	Eli thought at first that Hannah was su	Iffering from this:		(v.	13)	
7.	Hannah's hometown:	(v. 19)				
8.	Name Hannah gave to her son:		(v. 20)			
9.	This animal was sacrificed as a gift of	thanks for the chi	ld:		(v. 25)	



APPLICATION

What would you be willing to give up or sacrifice to thank God for all your blessings?				

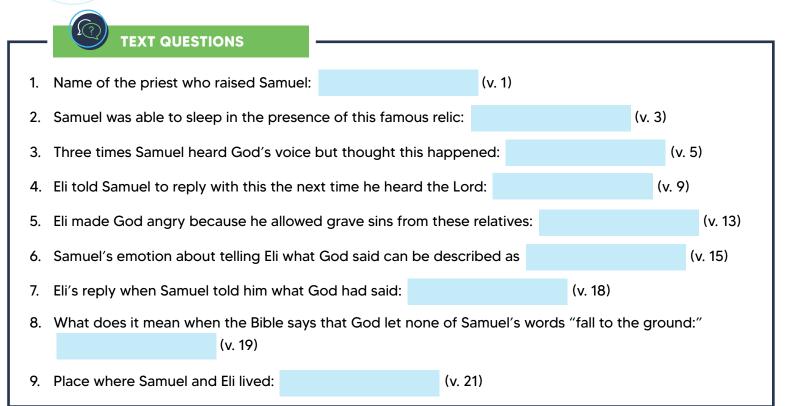
READ: JER 15:1	With what Bible hero is God comparing Samuel in this passage? What might we do in our lives so that God would compare us with a Bible hero?
READ: PSA 99:6	What did Samuel, Moses, and Aaron do that was so pleasing to God? What are some statutes that you can use and keep this week?



SAMUEL HEARS GOD'S VOICE AS A CHILD



So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place. 1 Samuel 3:9





APPLICATION

Why do you think God has spoken to so few people aloud? If God were to speak to you aloud, what would be your reaction?

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Here is another time God spoke aloud to a person. How were these experiences alike and how were they different?

READ:	
JHN	
10:27	

Though most of us have not heard God's voice aloud, why can we have assurance that we will not miss out on His will?



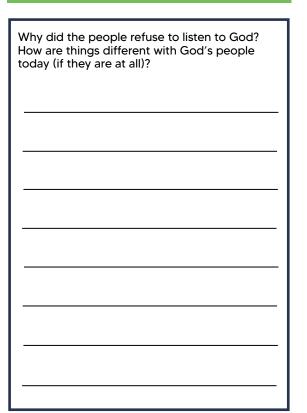
ISRAEL DEMANDS A KING



And the Lord told him: "Listen to all that the people are saying to you; it is not you they have rejected, but they have rejected me as their king." 1 Samuel 8:7

	TEXT QUESTIONS				
1.	Samuel's sons' names were	and			(v. 2)
2.	What is surprising about Samuel's sons?		(v. 3)		
3.	The people were being peer pressured. How?			(v. 5)	
4.	The people had rejected their true leader, who w	ras e		(v.	. 7)
5.	Sons will run in front of the king's		(v. 11)		
6.	Your daughters will be perfumers and cooks and			(v. 13	3)
7.	The king will take the best of your fields and vine	yards and	i		(v. 14)
8.	The king will take this percentage of your flocks:			(v. 17)
9.	People will eventually cry out to the Lord because	e of the			(v. 18)

APPLICATION



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READ: 2 CH 33:1-6

Like Samuel's and Eli's sons, Manasseh was not like his father-who was a good king. How is it that good people can raise evil children?

READ:
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1:1-6

Jeremiah wrote this just after the Babylonian invasion. All the people were taken captive to Babylon. What steps can we take to assure God's anger won't one day take us by surprise?



SAMUEL ANOINTS DAVID AS SECOND KING



But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7

	TEXT QUESTIONS				
	TEXT GOLOTIONS				
1.	Samuel was grieving over this person's bad be	ehavior:		(v. 1)	
2.	Town where Jesse lived:	(v. 1)			
3.	Samuel's excuse for going was to make a		(v. 5)	
4.	Man looks at appearances, but God looks at the	ne		(v. 7)	
5.	Number of big brothers David had:		(v. 10)		
6.	David was doing this job for the family when S	amuel came:			(v. 11)
7.	True False: David was considered home	y (v. 12)			
8.	David soothed Saul by playing this instrument			(v. 23)	
9.	David also performed this job for Saul:		(v. 21)		



APPLICATION

God was moving pieces into place to make David king. Describe a time in your life where could you see God moving pieces into place to give you a precious gift.

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

	READ: JDG 6:15
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Gideon is another example of God calling humble people to big jobs. Why is humility so important to God?

READ:
MAT
19:30

Think of some people in today's society who might be first in the Kingdom of Heaven.



DAVID KILLS THE GIANT GOLIATH

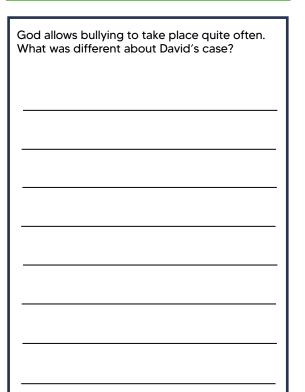


David asked the men standing near him, "What will be done for the man who kills this Philistine and removes this disgrace from Israel? Who is this uncircumcised Philistine that he should defy the armies of the living God?" Samuel 17:26

	TEXT QUESTIONS					
1.	•	alley:	(v. :	2)		
2.	Goliath's hometown:	(v. 4)				
3.	Goliath's taunts made the soldiers fee	I these emotions:			(v. 11)	
4.	David's older brothers in the war were	,		, and		(v. 13)
5.	David's oldest brother accused him of	having a wicked he	art and being			(v. 28)
6.	David killed these ferocious animals, w	hich gave him confi	dence:		and	(v. 36)
7.	True False: David wore Saul's arr	nor into battle (v. 39)			
8.	The stone sunk into Goliath's	(v.	49)			
9.	David kept these belongings of Goliat	h's as memorabilia:			(v. 54)	



APPLICATION



READ: EXO 5:15-21	Here the Israelites were bullied by the Egyptians. Oftentimes God's plans require us to believe He has it under control, when it looks like the opposite is happening. What time in your life was like this?
READ: EXO 14:13-14	This happened right before the parting of the Red Sea in Egypt. What time in your life did you think God might be fighting for you?



DAVID REFUSES TO KILL KING SAUL



Let the Lord judge between you and me, and let the Lord avenge me on you. But my hand shall not be against you. 1 Samuel 24:12

	TEXT QUESTIONS				
1.	Desert or wilderness where David was stay	ying:		(v. 1)	
2.	Saul relieved himself here:	(v. 3)			
3.	David cut off a portion of this garment:		(v. 4	.)	
4.	How David felt about his actions:		(v. 5)		
5.	David refused to kill Saul because Saul wa	s the Lord's			(v. 10)
6.	Who would judge between Saul and David	d?		(v. 15)	
7.	Saul wept and said David was more		(v. 17)		
8.	David had to promise not to kill Saul's		(v. 21))	
9.	After the meeting, Saul went here:		(v. 22)		



APPLICATION

Have you ever done the right thing, even though you lost money, popularity, or some other sort of power? Did you end up having greater peace or greater regrets?

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Write down some rewards you might receive in heaven for putting God first or refusing to do evil.

1 CO 2:9

Write out a prayer telling God you trust Him enough to make sacrifices in this life to do right. Ask Him to help you.



DAVID WEDS ABIGAIL



Please pay no attention, my lord, to that wicked man Nabal. He is just like his name-his name means Fool, and folly goes with him... 1 Samuel 25:25

	TEXT QUESTIONS			
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1.	The prophet Samuel's home:	(v. 1)		
2.	Abigail's husband refused to give a donation to	0	and his	s men (v. 10)
3.	Nabal's servants described David's men as a		of protect	ion, day and night (v. 16)
4.	The servants described Abigail's husband using	g this term:		(v. 17)
5.	Number of loaves of bread Abigail prepared:		(v. 18)	
6.	Abigail seemed to know that Samuel had anoin	nted David, as she	said God appoi	nted him as
	(v. 30)			
7.	Nabal died approximately this many days later:		(v. 38)	
8.	David sent word that he wanted Abigail to		(v. 40)	
9.	David's first wife, Michal, was the daughter of		(v. 44)	



APPLICATION

Abigail had been married to an embarrassing and ill-bred man, and it appeared to be her lot in life. Over time, how has God turned some of your bad circumstances into good ones?

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READ: JER 29:5-11	Sometimes God does not ease circumstances, but lets us grow through hardship. How can this letter, from Jeremiah to the Jews held in captivity to Babylon, apply to our lives today?
PRO 22:4	How does this verse apply to some of Abigail's words? How does it apply to your life's circumstances?



DAVID BRINGS THE ARK TO JERUSALEM



David was afraid of the Lord that day and said, "How can the ark of the Lord ever come to me?" 2 Samuel 6:9



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. Types of angels on top of the Ark of the Covenant: (v. 2)

2. The sons of this man had been guiding the cart to protect the Ark: (v. 3)

3. Name of the man who touched the Ark and died: (v. 6)

4. David took the Ark to this man's house: (v. 11)

5. David's wife's name, who found his enthusiastic dancing embarrassing: (v. 16)

6. David made these two types of offerings before the Ark for God: and (v. 18)

7. David replied that this certain group of women would hold him in high honor: (v. 22)

8. Number of children David had with this wife: (v. 23)

9. Michal was the daughter of this king: (v. 23)



APPLICATION

Have you ever been afraid of God like David was? How did you resolve your fear?



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READ: LUKE	
9:26	

How does David's dancing relate to this verse? How does it relate to our lives?

READ:
MAT
5:11-12

In this age of diplomacy and tolerance (the mindset that everyone's religion is right for them), what are some ways we can defend Christ and our faith in Him?



DAVID'S SON TRIES TO STEAL THE THRONE



But the man replied, "Even if a thousand shekels were weighed out into my hands, I would not lay a hand on the king's son. In our hearing the king commanded you and Abishai and Ittai, 'Protect the young man Absalom for my sake..." 2 Samuel 18:12



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. Name of the place to which David and his palace had fled: (v. 17:24)

2. The terrain of this place could be described by the last word in this sentence: (v. 17:29)

3. When David offered to march out with the troops, did they agree or disagree? (v. 18:3)

4. David requested the troops to treat Absalom this way: (v. 18:5)

5. Number of men lost in the battle in the forest of Ephraim: (v. 18:7)

6. Absalom's freak accident involved this bodily part getting stuck in a tree: (v. 18:9)

7. Name of the man who led the attack to kill Absalom: (v. 18:14)

8. This type of servant usually brings important news: (v. 18:23)

9. Was David happy or unhappy that his disloyal son had been killed? (v. 18:33)



APPLICATION

Parents often are put in the position to have to accept hateful or hurtful behavior from children whom they love. Have you ever had to forgive someone you love for hurting you? Write how God helped you.		

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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ:
MAT
5:43-48

Who can you show God's love to who does not love you?

READ:
PRO
25:21-22

Heaping hot coals means being extremely kind to someone who is being mean. In keeping with David's attitude towards his disloyal son, who could you heap hot coals on?



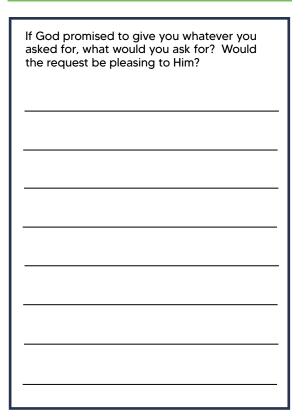
SOLOMON PRAYS FOR WISDOM



"So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?" 1 Kings 3:9

	TEXT QUESTIONS			
1.	Solomon married the daughter of the king	g of	(v. 1)	
2.	Solomon had gone to this place to offer		(v. 4)	
3.	Number of burnt offerings Solomon had p	placed on the	e altar:	(v. 4)
4.	In Solomon's dream God told him to ask f	or	(v. 5)	
5.	Place where King Solomon had this dream	n:	(v. 5)	
6.	In humility, Solomon likened himself to a		(v. 7)	
7.	Solomon asked for a heart that could dete	ermine	and	(v. 9)
8.	God also promised him	and	(v. 13)	
9.	God promised Solomon long		if he would walk in his father's	ways (v. 14)

APPLICATION



READ: PHL 4:19	God loves to give. What are some reasons He holds back from giving at times?
READ: PRO 30:8-9	Why is it usually wrong to pray for personal wealth? What often happens to wealthy people?



SOLOMON DEDICATES GOD'S TEMPLE



If My people who are called by my name will humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14

TEXT QUESTIONS

1. What came down from heaven to consume the burnt offering? (v. 1)

2. "...for his endures forever" (v. 3)

3. Number of sheep Solomon offered the temple for sacrifices: (v. 5)

4. Number of days of the celebration feast: (v. 8)

5. God said He could get people's attention when they are sinning in three ways: drought, locusts, and (v. 13)

6. The people should respond by humbling themselves, praying, and (v. 14)

7. God threatened to uproot is holy Temple if Solomon forsook his and

and worshipped other gods (v. 19-20)

8. If God executes judgment, passersby would wonder, (v. 21)

9. Astonished passersby would say God had brought upon them (v. 22)



APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

Do you believe God executes judgment in modern times through natural disasters such as those mentioned in verse 13? Why or why not?

READ:
1 KI
11:1-13

This is how the wisest man in the world entered his most senior years. How much humility should we have concerning our own wisdom?

READ:
2 TI
3:1-8

Even though Solomon was deceived, many people today think they are too smart to be deceived by disinformation and engineered lies. See if you can list ten ways you can protect yourself.



REHOBOAM SPLITS THE KINGDOM



...he followed the advice of the young men and said, "My father made your yoke heavy; I will make it even heavier. My father scourged you with whips; I will scourge you with scorpions." 1 Kings 12:14



TEXT QUESTIONS

Place where Rehoboam would be pronounced king: (v. 1)

The request for lower taxes was placed by the assembly and this soon-to-be-famous man:

(v. 3)

When Rehoboam consulted the elders, what was their advice?

(v.7)

4. When Rehoboam consulted his friends, what was their advice?

(v. 10-11)

5. Name of the forced-labor supervisor who was stoned:

(v. 18)

Who was made king over Israel while Rehoboam remained king of Judah?

(v. 20)

Name of the prophet who told Rehoboam not to fight for the ten tribes:

(v. 22)

8. As part of his conspiracy to keep the people of Israel from going to Jerusalem to make sacrifices, (v. 28)

Jeroboam created these two abominations:

9. What hurtful thing did Jeroboam say about the idols?

(v. 28)



Jeroboam's actions?

APPLICATION

How might you feel if your children rejected

other parents who were overly indulgent and not loving? How does that feeling relate to

you as a parent and asked for adoption by

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: EXO
20:4

Taking it back to the beginning, what does this first time God spoke to the people of Israel tell you about how He would feel toward Jeroboam's actions?

READ:
1 KI
16:19

Jeroboam is mentioned numerous times as having led Israel into worshipping everything from demons to statues. What idols do we have today instead of statues? What do we worship in America?

READ:
1 KI
16:19



ELIJAH CALLS DOWN A DROUGHT



Now Elijah the Tishbite, from Tishbe in Gilead, said to Ahab, "As the LORD, the God of Israel, lives, whom I serve, there will be neither dew nor rain in the next few years except at my word." 1 Kings 17:1



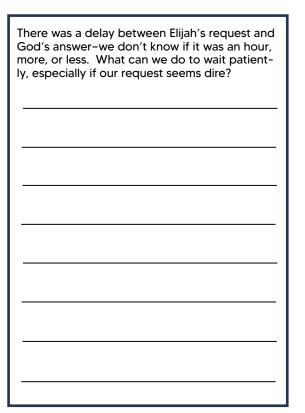
TEXT QUESTIONS

1. Elijah was introduced about a quarter of the way through the 209-year reign of the divided kings of Israel. Much evil had already been committed. How did God begin to respond? (v. 1) 2. Where God told Elijah to hide: (v. 3)3. How Elijah received his food: (v. 6)4. The widow to whom God sent Elijah lived here: (v. 10) (v. 15) 5. What was the widow's tremendous leap of faith? (v. 17-18) 6. What happened that threatened the widow's faith? How many times Elijah prayed and covered the boy: (v. 21) 8. How did God finally answer Elijah's prayer? (v. 22)



APPLICATION

9. How the woman responded to Elijah's actions:





DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

(v. 24)

READ:
DAN
10:7-14

Why was Daniel's answer delayed? Why are some of our answers delayed today, and how can we keep our faith through waiting periods?

READ:	
MARK	
8:22-25	

Some people call this the "three-part miracle," as Jesus did three things before healing manifested. What were they? How could this apply to any huge requests you make to God?



ELIJAH DEFEATS THE PROPHETS OF BAAL



Then you call on the name of your god, and I will call on the name of the Lord. The god who answers by fire-he is God." 1 Kings 18:24

	TEXT QUESTIONS ————————————————————————————————————			
1.	Name of King Ahab's palace administrator:	(v.	3)	
2.	How many prophets of the Lord was this man keeping hidd	len?		(v. 13)
3.	Where Elijah told Ahab to have the prophets meet him:		(v. 2	20)
4.	How many prophets did the false god Baal have?		(v. 22)	
5.	What did Elijah propose to prove that his God was the real	God?		(v. 21-24)
6.	The false prophets called on the name of Baal for this long	:		(v. 26 & 29)
7.	The funny things Elijah said to taunt their god:		(v. 27)	
8.	How many times Elijah said to drench his altar:		(v. 34-35)	
9.	Why did Elijah ask God to light the fire?	(v. 37))	



APPLICATION

Many times, God does not answer prayers "yes" when we ask for a miracle. Why is Elijah's case special? What was he asking for? (Hint: see the answer to question #9)

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: EXO 6:6-7	God often reinforced His edicts with miracles so people would believe. Under what circumstances would you request God perform a miracle?
READ:	How does this passage help us to know how to pray so that our prayers are often answered "yes?"
MAT 25:31-40	



ELIJAH RUNS AWAY AND HIDES



He replied, "I have been very zealous for the Lord God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too." 1 Kings 19:10

	TEXT QUESTIONS		
1.	Who was Elijah afraid of?	(v. 2)	
2.	What was Elijah's prayer beneath the b	proom bush or juniper tree?	(v. 4)
3.	After the angel fed him, Elijah went he	re: (v. 8)	
4.	What God told Elijah to do there:	(v. 11)	
5.	What three natural disasters preceded	the voice of the Lord?	,
	and (v. 11-12)		
6.	God seems to want to honor Elijah's re	equest to come to Him (die). Who	o did God say would succeed him
	as prophet?	(v. 16)	
7.	God's appointment as King of Aram (v	vhich became Syria):	(v. 15)
8.	Man who would be Israel's next, more	protective, king:	(v. 16)
9.	How many men did God reserve who l	hadn't bowed down to Baal?	(v. 18)



APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

Have you ever felt so overwhelmed or depressed that you wondered why God didn't just take you up to heaven? What are some reasons He would say, "not now?"

READ: 1 KI 21:17-29

It's amazing how even the haughtiest and most entitled leaders can turn from their sins or show fear of God. How have things changed?

READ:	
JONAH	
3:1-10	

Here we have a violent and very feared king repenting, thanks to Jonah. How would a leader like this fit into today's society?



ELIJAH IS TAKEN UP TO HEAVEN



As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. 2 Kings 2:11

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TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. The first place Elijah mentioned where God wanted him to go: (v. 2)
- 2. The second place Elijah said he was told to go: (v. 4)
- 3. The final place Elijah told Elisha he was told to go: (v. 6)
- 4. How many men accompanied the prophets in this final phase? (v. 7)
- 5. Clothing item that Elijah used to part the water: (v. 8)
- 6. What did Elisha ask Elijah for as a parting gift? (v. 9)
- 7. How did Elijah respond? Yes No Maybe (v. 10)
- 3. What appeared to the two men? (v. 11)
- 9. What did the 50 witnesses suggest had happened? (v. 16)



APPLICATION

The reaction of the 50 witnesses is typical of mankind and is why Jesus said, "This generation will receive no sign." If people today saw the miracle of someone taken to heaven without death, how might they minimize it?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ:	
GEN 5:21-24	

This stunning verse tells us of the only other person known to be taken up to heaven without dying. All the others named in this chapter "died," but many scholars believe God "took Enoch away." Why would God do such a thing?

READ:
REV
11:3-12

Why would some scholars believe these two witnesses could be Enoch and Elijah?



ELISHA RAISES A YOUNG MAN FROM THE DEAD



But the child's mother said, "As surely as the Lord lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So he got up and followed her. 2 Kings 4:30

TEXT QUESTIONS

- What the Shunammite woman had done for Elisha that made him want to help her: (v. 8-10)
- (v. 20) 2. Where the child was when he died:
- 3. As a show of faith, what the woman failed to tell her husband: (v. 22-23)
- (v. 25) 4. Where the woman found Elisha:
- (v. 26) 5. How did the mother respond to Elisha's servant when he asked if all was well?
- (v. 27) 6. Part of Elisha the woman gripped:
- 7. What was Elisha's first solution? (v. 29)
- (v. 34-35) 8. How many times did Elisha stretch his body warmth over the child?
- (v. 37) 9. How the Shunammite woman thanked Elisha before picking up her son:



APPLICATION

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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

God has brought many children home to Him in spite of parental grief. What was special about this child (or his mother)?

ther of many examples of people falling at the feet of e prophets. What was it a sign of, and why don't people

READ:	
JAM	
4:6	

HOW DOES THIS VERSE PLAY INTO THE THEME OF GRATITUDE?



NAAMAN IS CURED OF LEPROSY



Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Couldn't I wash in them and be cleansed?" So he turned and went off in a rage. 2 Kings 5:12

	TEXT QUESTIONS ————————————————————————————————————		
1.	Naaman was commander in an army from this kingdom	(v. 1)	
2.	Where Naaman was sent to find the prophet:	(v. 3)	
3.	What the King of Israel thought when he got the letter:	(v. 7)	
4.	What Elisha wanted Naaman to know:	(v. 8)	
5.	The prescribed cure Elisha offered:	(v. 10)	
6.	Naaman was very important, and the Jordan was considerated the consideration of the considera	dered dirty in comparison to other bodies	s of
	water. What Naaman thought should have happened:		(v. 11-12)
7.	The course of action Naaman finally took:	(v. 14)	
8.	The gift Elisha accepted for Naaman's healing:	(v. 16)	
9.	What Naaman asked future forgiveness for:	(v. 18)	



APPLICATION

Have you ever wanted to be important, but God gave you humbling circumstances? What do you think he was looking to accomplish?

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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

5:5-6

What are some ways we can use Peter's attitude when we really feel like Naaman felt?

READ:
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14:7-11

What are some ways we can use these words of Christ, other than at weddings?



THE NORTHERN KINGDOM, ISRAEL, DESTROYED (722 BC)



All this took place because the Israelites had sinned against the Lord their God, who had brought them up out of Egypt.... They worshiped other gods and followed the practices of the nations the Lord had driven out... 2 Kings 17:7-8

TEXT QUESTIONS			
Name of the king of Israel following Al	naz:	(v. 1)	
Name of the king of Assyria:	(v. 3)	,	
What the king of Israel had stopped d	oing that provoked his arrest:		(v. 4)
ength (in years) of the Assyrian siege	against Israel:	(1	v. 5)
Places all the people of Israel were se	tled in exile:		, and
(v. 6)			
God warned the people relentlessly th	rough these two gifted group	os:	and
(v. 13)			
A term often used to describe the peo	pple of Israel:	(v. 14)	
The people had sacrificed their own c	hildren to false gods in this wa	ay:	(v. 17)
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APPLICATION

Certainly idolatry hurts God's feelings. How does it hurt mankind?

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: PSA 119:1-8	How can we learn what God likes and dislikes, so that we are better attuned to Him than the nation of Israel was?
READ: MAT 24:22-24	This passage speaks of the period leading up to the end of days, which closely mirror the end of Israel. Who or what have been false messiahs during your lifetime?

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SOUTHERN KINGDOM OF JUDAH DESTROYED (586 BC)



The LORD sent Babylonian, Aramean, Moabite and Ammonite raiders against him to destroy Judah, in accordance with the word of the LORD proclaimed by his servants the prophets. 2 Kings 24:2

	TEXT QUESTIONS							
	TEXT GOLOTIONS							
1.	Name of the King of Babylon:			(v. 24:	1)			
2.	Name of the King of Judah at the top	of the ir	nvasion:				(v. 24:1)	
3.	Who sent raiders to destroy Judah?				(v. 24:2)			
4.	The people Nebuchadnezzar took into	exile:				(v. 24:14))	
5.	Only type of people Nebuchadnezzar	left in J	erusalen	n:			(v. 24:14)	
6.	Why did all this devastation happen?				(v. 24:2	20)		
7.	King Zedekiah's punishment for rebelli	ng agai	nst Baby	lon this	s third tir	me:		(v. 25:7)
8.	Nebuchadnezzar set fire to this first:				(v. 25:9)			
9.	Where all remaining in Judah fled for f	ear of t	he Baby	lonians	after Ge	edaliah's a	assassination:	
	(v. 26)							



APPLICATION

The fact is, most of the people in Israel and Judah at the time of the two invasions of Assyria and Babylon were entirely blinded to the fact that their behavior angered God. What are some ways we can be sure something we're doing isn't angering God?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

JER 29:11

Christians love to quote this verse lately, as finances have become challenging. What is the difference between us and the Judean people in exile in Babylon, to whom Jeremiah was writing?

READ:
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11:13

This verse tells us that Christians can become deceived like the people of Judah were deceived about their unrighteousness. How can humility help us avoid deception?



KING CYRUS FUNDS THE REBUILDING OF THE TEMPLE



Also, King Cyrus turned over to them all the vessels and utensils from The Temple of God that Nebuchadnezzar had hauled from Jerusalem and put in the temple of his gods. Ezra 1:7

	TEXT QUESTIONS			
1.	Cyrus was the new king of	(v. 1)		
2.	God's first task was for Cyrus to build a	(v. 2)		
3.	City where the temple would be built:	(v. 2-3)		
4.	The two remaining tribes of Israel from	whom the remnant would return	to Jerusalem: (v. 5)	
5.	Neighbors contributed these things to	the returnees:	(v. 6)	
6.	King who had had the belongings of th	e temple carried off to Babylon:	(v.	7)
7.	Name of the treasurer of King Cyrus:	(v. 8)		
8.	Name of the prince of Judah:	(v. 8)		
9.	Number of silver dishes brought back t	o Jerusalem from Babylon:	(v. 9)	



APPLICATION

God used Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, to destroy God's own kingdom when His people were acting up. He used Cyrus, king of Persia, to destroy Nebuchadnezzar after many years. Why does God sometimes use outsiders to accomplish His will?

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READ: ISA 45:1 & 13	Isaiah prophesied these statements about Cyrus around 700 BC, or around 185 years before the return of the remnant to Israel. God generally refuses to interfere with free will. How is this different for world leaders such as this one?
READ: EZK 38:1-23	Here is a prophecy about world leaders of the future. How will Goo plans be different this time than in the time of Nebuchadnezzar and Cyrus?

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Cyrus?



EZRA: ISRAEL DIVORCES ITS FOREIGN WIVES



Now let us make a covenant before our God to send away all these women and their children, in accordance with the counsel of my lord and of those who fear the commands of our God. Ezra 10:3

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TEXT QUESTIONS

1.	The practices of the people intermarrying with Israel are describ	ped in this way:	(v. 9:1)
2.	The top levels of people leading the way are these:	and	(v. 9:2)
3.	When Ezra heard of this practice, he did this:	(v. 9:3)	
4.	Ezra told God, "Our sins are higher than	" (v. 9:6)	
5.	Ezra describes the people returning to Jerusalem from exile as a	а	(v. 9:8)
6.	How many days did the men have to appear in Jerusalem?		(v. 10:8)
7.	What did Ezra propose these men do?		(v. 10:11)
8.	The assembly's response was	(v. 10:12)	
9.	Number of months it took to investigate all the cases:	(v. 10	D:16-17)



APPLICATION

Intermarriage was such a destructive sin, because nearly all of Israel's sins over hundreds of years were sparked by outsiders whom they either befriended or married. Why are we sometimes inclined to repeat sins over and over?

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READ:	
7:12-17	

One woman describes her marriage to a nonbeliever as "trying to be best friends with someone who hated my real best friend." What other problems can occur when believers marry nonbelievers?

2 CO 6:14

This is often a verse we share with growing children about their friendships. How does it apply to allowing oneself to fall in love with a nonbeliever?



JOB LOSES EVERYTHING



The LORD said to Satan, "Very well, then, everything he has is in your power, but on the man himself do not lay a finger." Job 1:12

	TEXT QUESTIONS -		
1.	Land where Job lived	(v. 1)	
2.	Number of children Job had	(v. 2)	
3.	Early in the morning Job would prepare	burnt sacrifice or offering for each of his	(v. 5)
4.	When God asked, "Have you considered	my servant Job?" He was speaking to	(v. 8)
5.	God was accused of putting a protection	or around Job (v. 10)	
6.	Satan said that if God struck Job, Job we	buld Him to His face (v. 11)	
7.	True False: God denied Satan the	request to attack Job	
8.	The brothers and sisters were partying at (v. 18)	this sibling's house when disaster killed them:	
9.	Job did not charge God with any	(v. 22)	



APPLICATION

When you've gone through a trial, have you ever felt perhaps God was testing you? What happened?

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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: 1 PE 4:12-17	What does this passage tell you about suffering for your faith?
READ: ROM 5:3-5	When we go through suffering, what are some of the things we can look forward to having at the end of our trial?



JOB RESPONDS TO HIS WIFE'S HARASSMENT



And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he is in thine hand; but save his life. Job 2:6



TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. Where had Satan been both times God asked him about his whereabouts, both in chapter 1 and here in 2:2?
- 2. God insisted that in spite of losing all, Job had maintained his (v. 3)
- 3. Satan insisted that a man would give all to save his own (v. 4)
- 4. God said Satan could attack Job's flesh but not him (v. 6)
- 5. Satan smote Job with painful sores on this part of his body: (v. 7)
- 6. Job's wife gave him this famous command in the face of his misery: (v. 9)
- 7. What famous question did Job ask his wife? (v. 10)
- 8. In all of these trials Job did not say anything that would be considered by God as (v. 10)
- 9. Job's friends were Eliphaz, Bildad, and (v. 11)



APPLICATION

The last lesson taught us about persevering under trial. This one gets harder. It's about thanking God even in bad times and not just good times. Why is it important to do so?

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READ:
1 PE
5:10

Reflect on what all these blessings would look like during a personal trial for you.

READ:
JHN
16:33

What does this famous saying mean when we are in a trial?



JOB'S RESTORATION



Then Job replied to the Lord: "I know that you can do all things; no purpose of yours can be thwarted. Job 42:1

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TEXT QUESTIONS

The Lord gave Job this much more than he had before:

2. All of these types of relatives came to eat with Job at his house: (v. 11)

3. Each of these relatives brought him a piece of silver and a (v. 11)

4. God gifted Job with double his initial number of sheep, camels, oxen, and (v. 12)

5. Job was awarded this many more children: (v. 13)

6. His daughters were named Keziah, Keren-Happuch, and (v. 14)

7. Job granted each of his daughters an (v. 15)

8. Job lived this long after his restoration (v. 16)

9. How many generations did he get to see added before he died? (v. 16)



APPLICATION

Did God reward Job for his suffering or for

his behavior while suffering? How does this relate to us when things take a bad turn?

READ: JAM 1:2-8

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

Think of a trial you could have in your future. Think of yourself as "counting it all joy" and what your behavior would be like.

(v. 10)

EAD:	Think of a serious trial in your past.	How did it work for good?
READ: ROM 8:28		
8:28		



GOD TELLS DAVID NOT TO BUILD THE TEMPLE



But this word of the Lord came to me: 'You have shed much blood and have fought many wars. You are not to build a house for my Name, because you have shed much blood on the earth in my sight.' 1 Chronicles 22:8



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. God didn't want David building the Temple because he had shed too much

(v. 8)

2. David's son would be a man of

(v. 9)

3. David's son, the next king, would be the first king to have these two things during his reign: (v. 9)

4. God had told David to name this son

(v. 9)

5. David asked the Lord to give Solomon these two things:

(v. 12)

6. Be strong and

(v. 13)

7. David had put aside for the Temple 100,000 talents of gold and a million talents of

(v. 14)

8. David ordered all the

of Israel to help Solomon (v. 17)

9. David really wanted this artistic relic to come to the Temple:

(v. 19)



David any less?

APPLICATION

God didn't want David to build the Temple

because he'd killed a lot of people in his

many battles to take Jerusalem, etc. Why should this matter? Does it mean God loves



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ:
JHN
14:27

If Jesus had been a warrior instead of a peacekeeper in His ministry, how might the world be different? What might the world be like if words such as these were never spoken?

READ:
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6:41-42

See which part of King Solomon's dedication strikes you or stands out. Reflect on why it means so much to you.



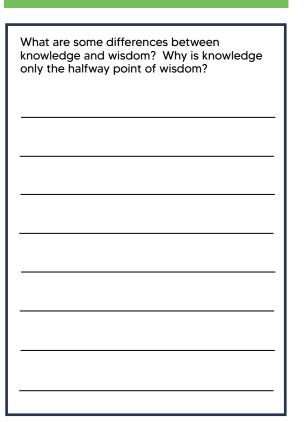
SOLOMON IS MADE WISE



I'll also give you what you didn't ask for. You'll be rich and respected as long as you live, and you'll be greater than any other king. 1 Kings 3:13

	TEXT QUESTIONS ————————————————————————————————————
1.	Solomon told God he knew little about (v. 7)
2.	Solomon asked God to give him (v. 9)
3.	True False: God was not pleased with Solomon's request (v. 10)
4.	God said that Solomon could have asked for long life, the lives of enemies, or (v. 11)
5.	God said Solomon would be greater than (v. 12)
6.	The two women were arguing about a (v. 17-19)
7.	Solomon asked for a (v. 24)
8.	Solomon told the guard to do this to the baby: (v. 25)
9.	True False: Solomon gave the baby to the woman who said not to slay it (v. 27)

APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

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What is fear of the Lord? What earthly figures have you had a healthy fear of, and how can you use the analogy to understand fear of God?

READ:
EPH
5:15-17

How does seeking God's will help you become wise? How does seeking wisdom help you determine God's will?



QUEEN OF SHEBA SITS SOLOMON



And she gave the king 120 talents of gold, large quantities of spices, and precious stones. 1 Kings 10:10



TEXT QUESTIONS

(v. 1)The Queen of Sheba initially came to test or prove him with hard

(v. 2)2. Her camels carried spices, precious stones, and

3. She said the report in her country about Solomon was (v. 6)

(v. 7)4. Solomon had far exceeded the report in wisdom and

(v. 9)5. She said Solomon had been put on the throne by

Never again was such an abundance of brought to Israel (v. 10)

7. Solomon used the queen's gift of almug trees as pillars or supports for the (v. 12)

This precious metal was not considered worth much in Solomon's time: (v. 21)

9. All the earth sought Solomon to hear his (v. 24)



APPLICATION

Solomon led the world with his God-given wisdom. The same God gives us wisdom when we ask Him. How can we increase our wisdom? What questions would you like to ask God that would give you knowledge and wisdom?

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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ:
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3:13-18

What are a few things this verse says about the value of wisdom, especially when compared to earthly treasures?

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God does not answer a request for wisdom with a "no." But He may not answer in the way or time you expect. Think of a time you asked God for wisdom. How did He answer?



THE FIRST PROPHECY OF ISAIAH

Isaiah was the first of the four major prophets, prophesying around 100 years before Jeremiah, and 150 years before Daniel and Ezekiel. This is his first prophecy in Judah, around 740 BC.



Why should you be beaten anymore? Why do you persist in rebellion? Your whole head is injured, your whole heart afflicted. Isaiah 1:5



TEXT QUESTIONS

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1.	Number of kings of Judah under which Isaiah prophesied:	(v. 1)

2. The ox knows its master and the donkey its manger or crib, but these people don't know God:

(v. 3)

3. From the soles of the people's feet to the top of their head, there is no

(v. 6)

4. God is sick of or fed up with

that aren't from the heart (v. 11)

5. God tells people in order to behave better, they should do right or well, seek justice, and give charity to what three kinds of people? (v. 17)

6. The Lord invites the people to come and

(v. 18)

7. If you will be willing and obedient, you will

(v. 19)

8. God doesn't take pleasure in people's offerings when they are

(v. 13)

9. God may hide His eyes from you and not listen to prayer when your hands are full of

(v. 15)



good news?

APPLICATION

Isaiah must not have been very popular,

starting off his prophetic record with this. How do you think people today would respond to a prophet of God who didn't bring



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ:
ACTS
7:52

These words were uttered by Stephen just before he was martyred. What does it tell you about the life of a real prophet?

READ:
MAT
24:11

False prophets were around in the days of Isaiah, often misleading the people by telling them that good things were coming instead of punishment, and that their deeds were fine in God's eyes. How can it help us avoid false prophesy today, to not listen to those tickling our ears?



GREAT PROPHECY ABOUT JESUS

Isaiah made the most prophecies concerning the coming of the Messiah, and some were astonishing in their parallels to the life of Jesus, such as this one.



But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. Isaiah 53:5



TEXT QUESTIONS

The Messiah would not be considered	handsome or royal looking; nothing	about Him would make us
Him (v. 2)		
The Messiah would not be received like	e royalty; He would be despised and	(v. 3)
He will be pierced or wounded for our	(v. 5)	
We are all like sheep; we have gone	(v. 6)	
God will lay on the Messiah the	of us all (v. 6)	
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He made His grave with the

and the rich (v. 9)

8. He had done no violence; there was no

6. At His trial or oppression, He did not open His

in His mouth (v. 9)

9. He bore the sin of

(v. 12)



APPLICATION

At the time of this writing (around 700 years before the birth of Christ), Isaiah prophesied so many likenesses to the Messiah. This is a sign of God's willingness to equip us with all the wisdom and guidance we should need. When was a time that you explicitly felt the guidance of the Lord?

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(v. 7)

READ:	
ISA	
7:14	

How and when did this prophecy about Jesus come true in the New Testament?

READ:
ZEC
11:12-13

How and when did this prophesy come true in the New Testament?



EZEKIEL SEES THE WHEEL



When the living creatures moved, the wheels beside them moved, and when the living creatures rose from the ground, the wheels also rose. Ezekiel 1:19



TEXT QUESTIONS

7. The creatures sped back and forth like flashes of (v. 14)

8. When the creatures moved, the sound was like rushing (v. 23)

9. The radiance around the man was comparable to a (v. 28)



APPLICATION

Some think Ezekiel saw a UFO or modern stealth craft, and he was trying to describe the emblems on it. What makes you feel this is a correct or incorrect view?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: REV 9:7-11

Some Christians believe the imagery here is of helicopters. Do you feel this is a correct or incorrect view?

READ:
MAT
24:3-14

Some Christians feel heartened that God speaks about our times in the Bible, and they see this passage as relative to today. What things going on today do you see in this passage?



EZEKIEL'S FAMOUS VISION OF THE VALLEY OF THE DRY BONES



Full Disclosure: Many scholars think this chapter foresees the re-convergence of Israel in 1948 (and you may enjoy it more reading with this in mind).

This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. Ezekiel 37:5



TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. God set Ezekiel down in a valley that was full of (v. 1)
- 2. What would God cause to enter the dry bones? (v. 5)
- 3. Flesh appeared on the bones and this covered them: (v. 8)
- 4. Breathe upon the slain so they may (v. 9)
- 5. "You will know that I am God when I have opened your " (v. 13)
- 6. God is going to combine the descendants of two brothers: Joseph and (v. 19)
- 7. God was going to gather all the people and bring them to their own (v. 21)
- 8. Early on in Bible history of Genesis, the land was given to this man: (v. 25)
- 9. This king will be their prince forever: (v. 25)



APPLICATION

If, in fact, this prophecy of 700 BC was about 1948, how would that make you feel in terms of your relevance to God Almighty's plans?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ:
MAT
24:3-31

Take just one of Jesus' warnings and write how it applies to you and your family.

READ:
DAN
9:25-27

From Matthew 24:15-16, this is what Jesus was referring to in the "Abomination of Desolation" found in Daniel. Do passages like these make you want to study the End Times more or retreat from such thinking more? Why?



NEHEMIAH GETS LEADERS TO STOP CHARGING THE RETURNEES TAX

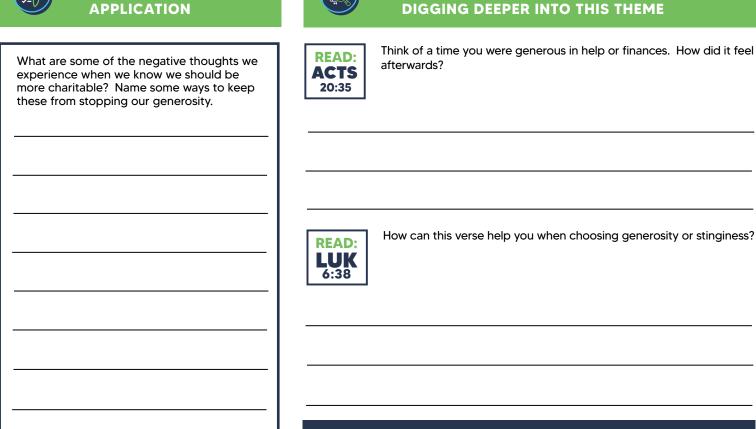


When the remnant of 100,000 Judaeans returned from Babylon to rebuild the Temple after the Great Exile, they were struck with famine and financial hardships in spite of their good intentions. Read more below to find out why.

"As far as possible, we have bought back our fellow Jews who were sold to the Gentiles. Now you are selling your own people, only for them to be sold back to us!" They kept quiet, because they could find nothing to say. Nehemiah 5:8

	TEXT QUESTIONS ————————————————————————————————————		
1.	The returnees cried out for grain because their sons and daughters were		(v. 2)
2.	Returnees were mortgaging their fields, vineyards and homes because of	а	(v. 3)
3.	Returnees were borrowing money to pay the king's	(v. 4)	
4.	If returnees couldn't pay the tax, their children were taken in		(v. 5)
5.	Nehemiah accused leadership of charging these people	(v. 7)
6.	True False: Leadership agreed they should give back the people's f	ields, homes	, and interest (v. 12)
7.	In addition, the returnees were being taxed in food, wine, and		shekels of silver
	(v. 15)		
8.	Each day Nehemiah fed this many Jews at his table:	(v. 17)	
9.	In spite of this Nehemiah never demanded the food allotted to the		(v. 18)

APPLICATION





HOW DANIEL CAME TO BE IN BABYLON AND THE KING'S COURT



(v. 12)

"Please test your servants for ten days: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink." Daniel 1:12

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TEXT QUESTIONS

- Daniel, a prophet of God, was being set up to become an expert in the wisdom of these profane people: (v. 4)
- 2. Daniel requested the four Jewish scholars be given only this to eat:

3. True False: At the end of 10 days, the scholars looked healthier (v. 15)

4. Daniel could understand visions and (v. 17)

5. At the end of three years, the young scholars were presented before this king: (v. 18)

6. The names of the three other young scholars with Daniel were Azariah, Mishael, and (v. 19)

7. Daniel's new Babylonian name was (v. 7)

8. The three young scholars from Judah took these new names: (v. 7)

9. Daniel remained in Babylon's service until the first year of this king: (v. 21)



APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

faith if democracy and freedom of religion were taken from you? How does Daniel's example help to see those steps?

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29:4-14	
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This was written to the people who had been exiled from Jerusalem and were trying to live in a pagan nation under a pagan god. How can these examples help us to live in a politically torn country?

READ:	
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Have you ever been in a situation that seemed impossible to get out of? How did God make your journey either easier or more fruitful?



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DANIEL INTERPRETS A DREAM



In the second year of his reign, Nebuchadnezzar had dreams; his mind was troubled and he could not sleep. Daniel 2:1

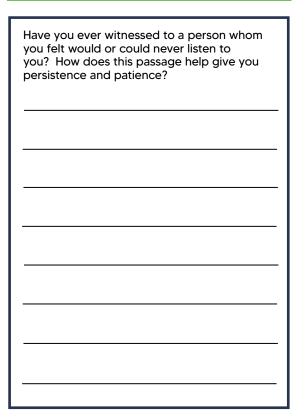
TEXT QUESTIONS		
If the astrologers couldn't interpret Nebuchadnezza	r's draam, ha throatanad tha	m with (v. 5)
if the astrologers couldn't interpret Nebuchadhezza	i s dream, he threatened the	(v. 5)
To prove their integrity, Nebuchadnezzar told the as	strologers to tell him this first:	(v. 9)
True False: The astrologers were able to tell t	he king his own dream (v. 11)	
During the night, the king's dream was revealed to D	Daniel in this way:	(v. 19)
Daniel saw in Nebuchadnezzar's dream a very large	and awesome	(v. 31)
In the dream, this part of the statue was smashed:	(v. 3	4)
The feet represented a divided	(v. 41)	



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APPLICATION

8. At the end of Daniel's interpretation, the king did this:



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False: The event made a believer out of Nebuchadnezzar (v. 47)

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: ROM 12:12

Find places in today's reading where Daniel did all three things. How does this give you greater strength?

(v. 46)

READ:
PSA
37:7-9

How does this famous verse apply to Daniel, and how does it apply to you personally?



DANIEL'S THREE FRIENDS IN THE FIERY FURNACE



...and Nebuchadnezzar said to them, "Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the image of gold I have set up?" Daniel 3:14

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TEXT QUESTIONS

1.	The king	y's image stood this numbe	er of cubits high:		(v. 1)	
2.	Whoeve	er refused to worship the ir	nage would be thrown ir	nto a		(v. 6)
3.	Shadrad	h, Meshach, and Abedneg	o said that if they were t	hrown into the f	urnace, their (God would be
	able to	(v	. 17)			
4.	True	False: The flames of th	e fire were so hot that so	ome soldiers died	d (v. 22)	
5.	How ma	ny men did Nebuchadnezz	zar see walking around ir	the furnace?		(v. 25)
6.	One ma	n in the flames looked like		(v. 25)		

True False: Nebuchadnezzar refused to worship the God of the three men (v. 28)

"No other God can in this way..." (v. 29)

(v. 30) 9. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego received a



APPLICATION

Sometimes God asks us to be in uncomfortable situations that can cause others to believe. Reflect on a time this happened to you or someone you know.



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: 1 PE 5:10

If you suffer for the sake of the Good News, how does God respond?

READ:
ROM
5:3-5

Look at all the things suffering produces. Which ones do you see in your life?



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DANIEL INTERPRETS A DREAM



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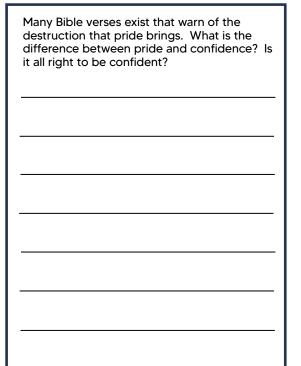
"When the magicians, enchanters, astrologers and diviners came, I told them the dream, but they could not interpret it for me." Daniel 4:7

TEXT QUESTIONS —	
True False: Nebuchadnezzar loved all	Il the visions passing through his head (v. 5)
Daniel's Babylonian name was	(v. 8)
Nebuchadnezzar asked Daniel to	(v. 9)
In a dream, the king saw a tall	(v. 10)
The holy voice called out to	the tree (v. 14)
Nebuchadnezzar said that Daniel should no	ot let the dream him (v. 19)
Daniel said the tree symbolized this person:	(v. 22)



APPLICATION

9. All those who walk in pride, God is able to





The king's kingdom would be restored when he acknowledged that heaven

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

(v. 37)

READ: HEB 4:16	Here is a verse famous for its use of the word "confidence." Write out a prayer to God that shows you have both confidence and humility.
READ: JAM 4:6	Why do you think God opposes people who are proud or arrogant? What makes the sin of pride worse than other sins?



THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL



Suddenly the fingers of a human hand appeared and wrote on the plaster of the wall, near the lampstand in the royal palace. The king watched the hand as it wrote. His face turned pale and he was so frightened that his legs became weak and his knees were knocking. Daniel 5:5-6

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TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. Belshazzar was the son of (v. 2)
- 2. Belshazzar's family praised pagan gods while they drank from these holy Temple relics, stolen when Solomon's Temple was destroyed: (v. 3)
- 3. What appeared and wrote a message on the wall? (v. 5)
- 4. The King called for the wise men of (v. 7)
- 5. Whoever could interpret the writing would be promoted to this position: (v. 7)
- 6. The queen said to call for this person: (v. 12)
- 7. True False: The king's gifts were politely rejected by the prophet (v. 17)
- 8. "Peres" means your kingdom will be given to the Medes and (v. 28)
- 9. That very night Belshazzar was slain and this man took the kingdom: (v. 31)



APPLICATION

Due to this passage, "the handwriting on the wall" has become a famous statement. When we see how a situation will end, especially a painful or negative one, we say "the handwriting was on the wall." Think of a time "the handwriting was on the wall" in your life or the life of a friend. What did God want you to learn?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: AMO 3:7

It is challenging at times to be clear on God's will or hear His voice. How does this passage bring comfort?

READ:
JHN
10:27

Here is some assurance that God's will can be like handwriting on the wall-plain and clear. But what are some ways get to this place of clarity?



DANIEL IN THE LIONS' DE



"Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?" Daniel 6:20b



TEXT QUESTIONS

(v. 2)Daniel was one of three of these under King Darius:

The other administrators looked for examples of when Daniel had committed these: (v. 4)

3. The administrators reported Daniel as being in contempt of the decree, giving the example that he (v. 13) prayed to the true God this number of times a day:

4. King Darius hoped Daniel's God would

(v. 16)

(v. 17) This was laid across the mouth of the lions' den:

True False: King Darius did not eat or sleep that night (v. 18)

In the morning, what question did King Darius ask into the lions' den? (v. 20)

8. Daniel's voice shouted out that he wanted the king to live this long:

(v. 21)

Darius wrote a new decree, that everyone in the kingdom should revere

(v. 26)



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a case of drummed-up (or ered) persecution, of which there nany in the Bible. There are also many	REA PS
Think of a time when someone in your	

engine were m community or school or neighborhood came under engineered persecution. How did the situation work out?

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King David suffered engineered persecution when his son Absalom tried a coup. Have you ever been betrayed by a loved one or relative? How did it work out for you?

READ:
ROM
8:28

Keeping this verse in mind, think of an occasion where you could remain silent under persecution and let God work it out for you.



DANIEL ON THE END OF DAYS



"...Now I have come to explain to you what will happen to your people in the future, for the vision concerns a time yet to come." Daniel 10:14



TEXT QUESTIONS

(v. 10:2-3) Daniel mourned and fasted for understanding from God for this many weeks: 2. When the angel arrived, Daniel's friends did this: (v. 10:7) 3. The angel informed Daniel he had been delayed 21 days due to trouble with a demonic force from this (v. 10:13) nation: False: Michael the archangel will protect God's people in a time of unprecedented distress (v. 12:1) (v. 12:2) People will be sent to life everlasting and some to everlasting shame and Daniel is supposed to roll up the scroll, and it will remain sealed until (v. 12:4) 8. These mysterious words denote when the end of time will come, and many scholars are obsessed with them today: (v. 12:7)

9. If most people today were in Daniel's shoes, they would surely answer as he did, by saying, (v. 12:8)

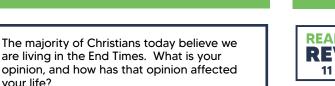
10. Blessed will be the person in the End Times who waits through

days (v. 12:12)



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READ: REV
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Here is another place where mysterious numbers are mentioned. Write any correlations you see between these numbers and the ones in Daniel 7-12. Feel free to use outside sources to help shape your opinion.

This is Jesus' famed speech about the end of days. Jesus said we should not look for a date, but in other passages he encourages all to recognize the season. Among the warnings he gives, what ones do you see that might apply to our season?



JONAH RESISTS GOD



Now the Lord provided a huge fish to swallow Jonah, and Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights. Jonah 1:17

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TEXT QUESTIONS

1. Name of the city that God asked Jonah to preach against: (v. 1:1)

2. Name of the city for which Jonah set sail instead: (v. 1:2)

3. God sent this natural disaster: (v. 1:4)

4. The sailors tried to lighten the load by (v. 1:5)

5. Jonah was doing this when the sailors alerted him to their challenges: (v. 1:5)

6. The sailors did this to see who on board was responsible: (v. 1:7)

7. Jonah suggested the following to calm the storm: (v. 1:12)

8. Jonah made this famous statement about salvation while in the fish's belly: (v. 2:9)

9. God commanded the fish to do this: (v. 2:10)



APPLICATION

Think of something God might impress upon

resist. (do that you might be Give yourself some of ter to follow the Lord	good reasons why



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ:
MAT
12:38-42

Here, Jesus is rationalizing with the scribes and Pharisees about His ability to perform miracles and why they were undeserving of a sign. In what ways does His use of this story uphold its credibility, in spite of many skeptics saying the story about Jonah and the great fish is untrue?

READ:
MAT
3:10-13

This is another time when a servant of God was unwilling to do His will. However, Moses came away from the Burning Bush with the resolve to carry out God's will. It was hard work, but how did he prosper? (Hint: See Matthew 17:1-4)



JONAH DELIVERS THE NEWS



"...And should I not have concern for the great city of Nineveh, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left-and also many animals?" Jonah 4:11



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. It took Jonah this many days to go through Nineveh proclaiming repentance: (v. 3:3)

2. How many days until Nineveh would come under siege if the people didn't stop being so violent?

(v. 3:5)

3. True False: Nineveh's king refused to repent (v. 3:6)

4. The king told the people to give up their (v. 3:8)

5. True/False: Jonah was mad that Nineveh had repented (v. 4:1)

6. After God provided protection for Jonah overnight, He sent this type of insect to eat away at it:

(v. 4:7)

7. God asked twice if it was right for Jonah to be so

8. Jonah said he would rather be (v. 4:9)

9. God had compassion on Nineveh, which had a population of this size: (v. 4:11)

APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

some scholars say Johan was guilty of snobbery, as Ninevites were considered unpolished and crude. Reflect on some people you may feel are beneath you and imagine God acting this way toward them. How can we be more loving toward people we find off-putting in this way?	
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READ:
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33:12-13

Here is a great example of God's compassion, even for people whose evil is off the charts. Why did God show compassion to Manasseh and not to, say, the Pharaoh of Egypt during the Passover plague? (Hint: Visit Exodus 7:14 for a comparison)

(v. 4:4, 9)

READ:	
LUK	
15:11-32	

Family members can more easily break our hearts than strangers. Think of a family member with whom you struggle. Reflect on how God sees this person.



THE NATIVITY/BIRTH OF JESUS (ACCORDING TO LUKE)



"While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son." Luke 2:6-7



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. Mary and Joseph traveled to Bethlehem because of the (v. 1)

2. Joseph was traveling to Bethlehem from what town? (v. 4)

3. True False: It was first thing in the morning when the angel appeared to the shepherds (v. 8)

4. True False: The angel told the shepherds that the sign to look for was a baby in a manger (v. 12)

5. The angels sang the words "peace on earth, good will toward " (v. 14)

6. All those who heard the news from the shepherds were (v. 18)

7. Mary kept all of these things that had happened in her (v. 19)

8. The shepherds engaged in this behavior while returning to their flocks: (v. 20)

9. Did the shepherds keep the information secret? (v. 17)



APPLICATION

Jesus' birth is also known as "the humble

born in	Why was God's plan to have Jesus a stable rather than in a castle, and epherds instead of princes?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

2 SA 22:28

God often works to make haughty or arrogant people humble. What does this have to do with the birth of Christ?

READ:
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5:5-6

What does it mean to humble yourself? What does it mean to be exalted or lifted up? How would you like God to exalt you? How humble are you able to become in order to obtain it?



THE MAGI/BIRTH OF JESUS (ACCORDING TO MATTHEW)



"When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him." Matthew 2:10-11

	TEXT QUESTIONS			
1.	The Magi were men who came from which direction?	(v. 1)		
2.	What was the name of the king the Magi approached about Jesus?		(v. 1)	
3.	The Magi said that Jesus was meant to be the King of the	(v. 2)		
4.	The prophets told the king that the Messiah was to be born in Bethlehem in			(v. 5)
5.	True False: Herod told the Magi to return to their home country at o	nce (v. 8)		
6.	The Magi followed this phenomenon as their guide to Jesus:	(v. 9)		
7.	When they saw Jesus and Mary, what did the Magi do?	(v. 11)		
8.	Their gifts were gold, frankincense, and (v. 11)			
9.	God warned the Magi not to return to Herod in this way:	(v. 12)		

APPLICATION

God gives us instructions we don't always understand. How does this story give you faith to follow His commands?

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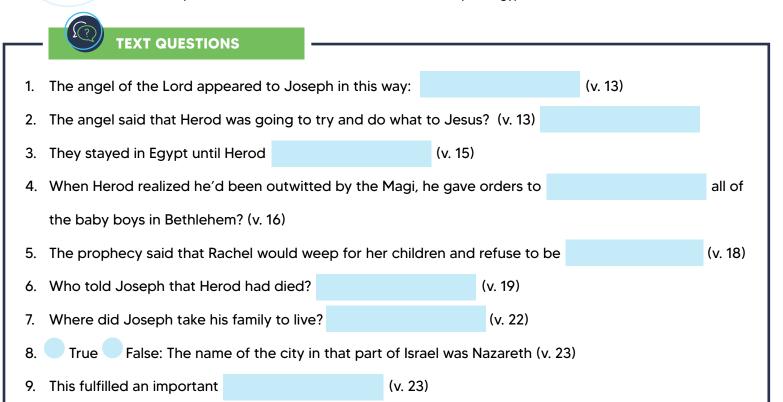
READ: DAN 2:1-3	While Daniel interpreted dreams 500 years before Jesus was born, people in both eras often placed great importance on dreams and wondered if the heavenlies were speaking through them. Do you think God speaks in dreams today? Defend your answer.
READ: LUK 21:25-26	Here is another example of the sky providing signs, only this time the signs are not celebratory. These signs are still in the future, and some feel they may not be far off. Write out how you think God wants you to respond to this news.



ESCAPE TO EGYPT (AND THE SAD PART OF THE BIRTH OF JESUS)



"'Get up,' he said, 'take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt..." Matthew 2:13





APPLICATION

Jealousy can bring out a very ugly side of us.

Who is someone you sometimes feel jealous of, and how can you show them more love?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

PRO 3:5-6	Galilee. Egypt to Spain to Engletheir lives and their they didn't trues.

Mary and Joseph were life-long locals in the northern region of Galilee. Egypt to them was a bit like the Caribbean to Americans, or Spain to Englanders. What gave them the faith to trust God with their lives and the life of their newborn? What would have happened if they didn't trust?

READ:
JER
31:15-20

Here is the original prophecy about Herod's genocide, given by Jeremiah around 550 BC, along with some context. Write it in your own words or explain its meaning in its entirety.



THE BEATITUDES



"Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them." Matthew 5:1-2



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. The Kingdom of Heaven belongs to those who are poor in (v. 3)

2. Those who mourn shall be (v. 4)

3. The meek will inherit the (v. 5)

4. Rejoice and be glad because great is your in heaven (v. 12)

5. Those who hunger and thirst for righteousness will be (v. 6)

6. True False: The peacemakers shall be called the children of Heaven (v. 9)

7. The pure in heart will see (v. 8)

8. The merciful will be shown (v. 7)

9. If you are persecuted, remember the who were persecuted before you (v. 12)



end?

APPLICATION

Noah is a great example of patience in God's

plan. Think of a time or a circumstance where you had to wait for God's plan to be revealed. What happened? How did you feel in the



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

ı	READ:
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ı	40:31

Write about any way that this famous scripture has applied, or still applies, to your life.

PSA 96:3

Skeptics often complain these days about Christians being all talk and no action. What can we do to show that this isn't true?



SPECK AND THE LOG/ ASK, SEEK, KNOCK



"Do not judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged." Matthew 7:1-2



TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. Don't focus on the speck/mote in your brother's eye while you have a in your own (v. 3)
- (v. 5) 2. People who do this are called
- 3. Do not give to the dogs what is (v. 6)
- 4. Don't cast your pearls before (v. 6)
- Ask and it will be (v. 7)
- of him (v. 11) 6. God promises to give good gifts to those who
- (v. 8)7. Everyone who asks
- Everyone who seeks (v. 8)
- (v. 8)9. God promises that if you knock the door will be

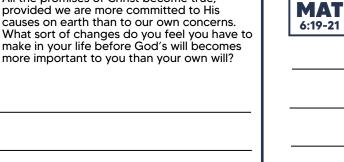


APPLICATION

All the promises of Christ become true,

provided we are more committed to His causes on earth than to our own concerns.

make in your life before God's will becomes more important to you than your own will?



READ:

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

Why do you think it is so easy for Christians from affluent countries like America to forget about verses like this?

How can we learn to follow it anyway? 6:33	1AT	What are some things that make this scripture challenging to follow? How can we learn to follow it anyway?
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GOLDEN RULE/HOUSES ON THE ROCK AND THE SAND



"So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets." Matthew 7:12



TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. Broad is the road that leads to (v. 13)
- 2. Only a find the road that leads to life (v. 14)
- 3. False prophets will come in clothing (v. 15)
- 4. But inwardly, they are ferocious (ravenous) (v. 15)
- 5. Trusting a false prophet would be like picking figs from (v. 16)
- 6. A good tree cannot bear bad or evil (v. 18)
- 7. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cast into the (v. 19)
- 8. You will know or recognize the prophets by their (v. 20)



APPLICATION

Jesus offers many insights in this passage. What are your favorites?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ:
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2:1

Peter is talking here about false prophets among his people-and in the future. Do you believe there are false prophets today? If so, describe them.

2 TI 4:3

Reflect on what things you see today that might qualify as doctrines that suit people's own desires.



PARABLE OF THE SOWER

READ: MAT 13:1-9, 18-23

soil (v. 23)

"Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat in it, while all the people stood on the shore. Then he told them many things in parables." Matthew 13:2-3



TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. As the farmer was sowing the seed, some fell on the (v. 4)
- 2. The birds did this to the seed: (v. 4)
- 3. That seed sprang up quickly but the plants were (v. 6)
- 4. Other seed grew among (v. 7)
- 5. Finally, some of the seed landed on soil/ground (v. 8)
- 6. When someone hears a message about the kingdom but does not understand it, they are like the seed that fell on the ground (v. 19)
- 7. When someone receives the message with joy, but doesn't have a solid foundation of faith they are like the seed on ground (v. 20-21)
- 8. Someone who hears the word, but continues to worry about this life is like the seed planted among the (v. 22)
- 9. Someone who hears the word and understands is like the seed falling on



APPLICATION

Name some things that indicate your seed

READ: HEB 5:12-14	

READ: HEB

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

How can we prevent ourselves from getting into the position	nc
described here?	

was thrown onto fertile soil. As you are here, let's go with the best-case scenario and thank God for your salvation!	,
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What are some weights and sins you would like to lay aside so as to
run the race well?



PARABLE OF WEI AMONG THE WH

"Jesus told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field." Matthew 13:24



TEXT QUESTIONS

Jesus said the kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in a (v. 24)

2. The enemy came and sowed among the wheat (v. 25)

3. Who came and asked the man about the weeds? (v. 27)

(v. 29) 4. The servants suggested pulling up the weeds but the landowner said

first (v. 30) 5. He told them to wait until the harvest and then collect the

True False: The landowner agreed to sacrifice half of the wheat because it was lost to the weeds (v. 30)

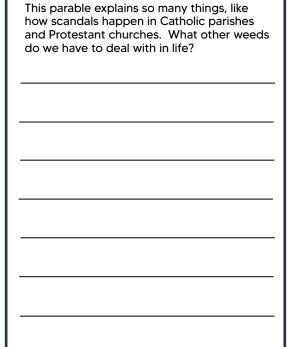
7. The one who sowed good seed is the Son of (v. 37)

8. The enemy who sowed the weeds is (v. 39)

(v. 40) 9. The weeds will be pulled up at the end of the



APPLICATION





DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: PRO
27:3

Often the Lord will ask us to endure a very profane person, as our constant love might change their hearts. Has God asked you to love any hard-to-love people, and if so, what has happened so far?

READ:
MAT
7:15

Some Christians say there are more false prophets today than ever before. Name some people (either public figures or individuals in your community) you think are either false prophets or wolves in sheep's clothing.



PARABLE OF THE UNMERCIFUL SERVANT



"Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, 'Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me?" Matthew 18:21



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. The Kingdom of Heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his (v. 23)

2. A man owed him thousand bags of gold (v. 24)

3. When the servant begged for mercy, the man took pity and the debt (v. 27)

4. When the servant went out, he found a fellow servant who owed him this many coins: (v. 28)

5. When the fellow servant begged for mercy, the unmerciful servant had him thrown into (v. 30)

6. When the other servants saw what happened, they were upset and told the that was done (v. 31)

7. The master asked why he didn't have

on his fellow servant (v. 33)

8. Then the master sent him to prison until he could

all that he owed (v. 34)

9. This is how the heavenly father will respond to us unless we

each other (v. 35)



APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

We are often guilty of similar hypocrisy. What would you like to repent of? Have you already repented of hypocrisy?

READ :
MAT
7:1-5

Think of how you want to be treated by God on Judgment Day. Then write some things you can do to treat others this way now.

READ:
MAT
15:7-9

Here, Jesus gives a definition of hypocrisy that we don't want to forget. Write it in your own words and vow not to do it.



IF YOU DID IT FOR THE LEAST OF THESE



(v. 46)

"He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me." Matthew 25:45



TEXT QUESTIONS

In the end God will say to those who cared for others, "I was something to eat" (v. 35)
 He will say, "I was thirsty and you gave me something to " (v. 35)
 "I was a and you invited me in" (v. 35)
 "I was in and you came to visit me" (v. 36)
 "I was and you looked after me" (v. 36)
 When people say they never saw the Lord as these things, He will say, "whatever you did for the of these you did for me" (v. 40)

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APPLICATION

7. To the people who weren't helpful, He will say, "

9. The King will say to those who were loving, "Come,

8. God says that the righteous who took care of those in need will have

Some Christians feel this is one of the most important biblical passages because it has to do with action and eternal rewards. How do you feel about it?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

5:10

We know that salvation is a free gift from God. What is this verse saying?

from me..." (v. 41)

" (v. 34)

READ:
JAM
2:14-20

Explain what faith without works looks like and, conversely, what faith with works looks like.



JESUS CASTS THE DEMONS INTO THE HERD

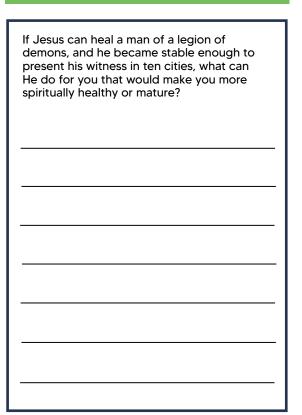


For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. Mark 5:4

	TEXT QUESTIONS				
	TEXT GOLOTIONS				
1.	In what region does this miracle take place?		(v. 1)		
2.	The man with impure spirits was living among thes	e:		(v. 2-3)	
3.	He'd been bound hand and foot, but he'd done th	is:		(v. 4)	
4.	True False: When the man saw Jesus, he ra	n away	v (v. 6)		
5.	The demons' request was this:	(\	v. 7)		
6.	When Jesus asked the demon's name, the demon	said th	nis:	(v. 9)	
7.	The demons asked to be sent to		, to which Jesus gav	ve them permission (v. 12)	
8.	When the villagers came to see the report, they fo	und th	e man in this conditio	on: (v. 15)	1
9.	The man went away and did this:		(v. 20)		



APPLICATION





DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ:
MAT
9:18-26

Compare this miracle to the one in today's main reading. Which is the weightiest miracle in how many people it would bless, and why?

READ:
EXO
7:17

Taking place shortly before the Exodus, this scripture gives the most common reason that God performed any miracle, whether it brought about joy or brought about judgment. What is that reason?



JESUS TURNS WATER TO WINE



When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine." John 2:3

	TEXT QUESTIONS				
1.	This miracle took place in the Galilean city	of		(v. 1)
2.	Jesus attended with these people:	((v. 2)		
3.	When His mother tried to involve Him, He s	said His			had not yet come (v. 4)
4.	Mary said this to the servants anyway:		(v. 5))	
5.	Number of stone water jars that sat nearby	/ :		(v. 6)	
6.	Each of the jars held this much liquid:		(v. 6)		
7.	Jesus told the servants to fill the jars with		(1	v. 7)	
8.	The ruler or master of the banquet accuse	d the bridegroom o	of this:		(v. 10)
9.	Verse 11 describes miracles in this way:				



APPLICATION

Many Christians are quick to say "God loves a good party," which is true. They use the story above with great affection. What is it about some of today's parties that God doesn't like?

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: GAL 5:19-21	These are the deeds of the flesh. Which do you struggle with?
READ: ROM 13:13-14	Apply this scripture to your life.



JESUS WALKS ON WATER



When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. Matthew 14:26

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TEXT QUESTIONS

1. Instead of joining His disciples in the boat, Jesus went up on a mountain to (v. 23)

2. What force of nature was very strong that night? (v. 24)

3. What time did Jesus appear? (v. 25)

4. What did the disciples think they were seeing? (v. 26)

5. Jesus told them not to (v. 27)

6. Peter wanted Jesus to tell him to (v. 28)

7. What frightened Peter? (v. 30)

8. What did Peter cry out? (v. 30)

9. Jesus asked him this: (v. 31)



APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

We often feel afraid of things that we don't think God would want us to fear. What are your fears? What can you do about them?

READ:
JSH
10:12-14

Here is one of the most astonishing miracles in the entire Bible. Does this passage make you feel more confident in something for which you'd like to ask God? If so, what?

READ:	
LUK	l
22:54-62	l

God becomes upset with us when we have all the miracles in the Bible and yet we behave like doubters, as Peter does here. Think of a time you doubted when you shouldn't have. Rethink how your do-over would go.



JESUS RAISES A WIDOW'S SON



As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out-the only son of his mother, and she was a widow... Luke 7:12

	TEXT QUESTIONS				
1.	Where this miracle took place:		(v. 1	1)	
2.	These people went with Jesus:		(v.	11)	
3.	The deceased person was identifi	ed in this way:			(v. 12)
4.	What did Jesus tell her not to do?	,		(v. 13)	
5.	Name of what Jesus touched that	carried a body	<i>r</i> :		(v. 14)
6.	What Jesus told the dead young	man to do:			(v. 14)
7.	The dead man sat up and started	to		(v. 15)	
8.	The people tried to call Jesus this	:		(v. 16)	
9.	The news of this healing spread th	nrough this enti	re region:		



APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

MA 25:34	T -36

God tells us to look after orphans and widows; in that time, widows could not inherit and had to rely on the graces and hospitality of their children. What are some reasons we should look after widows today?

READ:	
LUK	l
10:29-37	

Jesus answered the question "who is my neighbor" with a story. Answer the question straightaway with a definition of who your neighbor is.

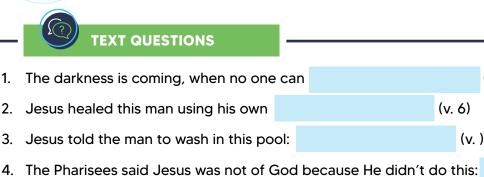


JESUS HEALS A MAN BORN BLIND



(v. 16)

He replied, "Whether he is a sinner or not, I don't know. One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see!" John 9:25



5. The parents of the blind man said the Pharisees should speak to him themselves because he was

(v. 23)

6. The Pharisees became enraged when the healed man asked if they wanted to (v. 27)

7. "For judgment I have come into the world so that so that the blind will see and those who see will become " (v. 39)

8. The Pharisees asked Jesus this question: (v. 40)

9. Jesus said the Pharisees' guilt and sin remain because (v. 41)



APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

(v. 4)

Jesus had done just about everything He could to prove He was God and not a sinner. What excuses did the people in the Bible passage give for not believing in Him? What excuses do people give today for not believing? Are they similar or different?

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14:18	as C in th

This statement illustrates both mercy and justice. It is also thought of as Old Testament thinking. What is the "Old-Testament-y" statement in the passage?

READ:
EZK
18:20

Ezekiel prophesied the "new covenant" version of the Numbers 14:18 rule more than 400 years before the birth of Christ. What changed concerning this rule under the New Covenant? Do we still see generational sins today? If so, how do we view them differently than people up until the time of Christ?



LUKE GOOD SAMARITAI



"But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds..." Luke 10:33-34



TEXT QUESTIONS

The man stood up and asked Jesus what he must do to inherit

life (v. 25)

Jesus then asked him what was written in the

(v. 26)

False: Jesus said to love God as you would your neighbor (v. 27)

False: The man asked, "who is my neighbor?" in an effort to justify Jesus (v. 29)

(v. 30) In the parable the attacked man was left half

True False: The priest stopped to bless the man but then kept going (v. 31)

side (v. 32) The Levite crossed to/passed by the

8. Jesus then said we should go and be like the (v. 37)

9. The Samaritan was a true to the man (v. 36)



others in the future?

APPLICATION

God wants us to look out for those who have

less than we do. Can you think of a time when someone was kind to you? What was the story? How do you want to be kinder to



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

MAT 25:41-45

From this scripture, write out four questions you are likely to be asked on Judgment Day.

MAT 7:12

Pretend for a moment that you are very sick. How would you like others to treat you? Hence, what can you do when others are sick?



RICH FOOL /DO NOT WORRY

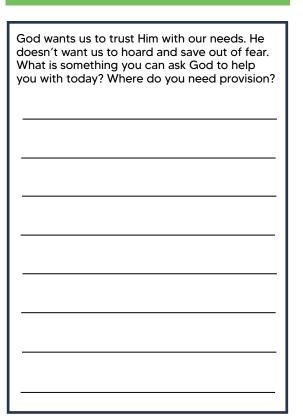


"Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys." Luke 12:33

	TEXT QUESTIONS					
	TEXT GOLOTIONS					
1.	Someone wanted Jesus to help him div	ride his		with his b	orother	(v. 13)
2.	Jesus told the man to beware of		(v. 15)			
3.	The man needed more room to store h	s		(v. 17)		
4.	So he pulled/tore down his	to	make bigge	er ones (v. 18)		
5.	True False: The man wanted the	bigger barns to	store the e	xtra crops he h	ıad har	vested (v. 18)
6.	He assumed he would have plenty of fo	ood for many		(v. 1	9)	
7.	But God called him foolish because he	knew that the ma	n would			that night (v. 20)
8.	God asked the foolish man this:		(v. 20)			
9.	God wants us to be like the	who	don't store	things away bu	ut are p	provided for (v. 24)



APPLICATION





DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

6:9

What are some of the things greedy people crave that cause them to stumble? How can we avoid this?

READ: LUK 12:15
12.13

To be careful, or on our guard, against covetousness, we need to be especially aware of what material things can get us into this state. What sorts of material things can give you cause to guard against covetousness?



LAZARUS AND THE RICH MAN



"So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire..." Luke 16:24

	TEXT QUESTIONS					
1.	There was a rich man who dre	ssed in	aı	nd fine linen (v. 1	9)	
2.	At his gate sat a beggar name	d	(v. 20))		
3.	When the beggar died the and	gels carried him to th	is man's side c	or bosom:		(v. 22)
4.	The rich man went to	(v. 2	3)			
5.	He begged for Lazarus to dip	the tip of his finger in	n	that	it might cool him	(v. 24)
6.	True False: Abraham to	ld Lazarus to do as th	ne rich man as	ked (v. 25)		
7.	There was a great	betwee	en them so the	ey could not go l	oack and forth (v.	26)
8.	The rich man asked that Lazar	us go and warn his		of his	fate (v. 28)	
9.	But Abraham said, "they have	Moses and the		" to guide	them (v. 29)	



APPLICATION





DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ:
JMS
2:14-19

What actions could the rich man have taken that would have changed his destiny?

READ:
HEB
6:10

It's important to us to please God. What works are you doing that you would like for God to notice and love?



THE PHARISEE AND THE TAX COLLECTOR/ TTLE CHILDREN COME TO JESUS



"For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." Luke 18:14



TEXT QUESTIONS

1.	Jesus told the p	arable to those v	who believed in	their ow	'n			but judge	d others (v. 9)
2.	When the Pharis	see prayed, he tl	nanked God tha	it he was	not lik	e the			(v. 11)
3.	But the tax colle	ector said, "Lord	have mercy on	me, a			"	(v. 13)	
4.	Which of the tw	o went home jus	stified before G	od?			(v. 1	4)	
5.	Everyone who h	umbles himself v	will be			(v. 14)			
6.	The disciples		the peop	ole who	brough	t their child	dren to	Jesus (v. 15)
7.	But Jesus told th	he children to			to him	(v. 16)			
8.	Jesus said we a	re to receive the	kingdom like a				(v. 17)		

it (v. 17)



APPLICATION

9. If you do not, you will never

God wants us to have faith! Faith like a child, who just knows things will work out. Where in your life do you need to exercise that faith?
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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

	READ: MAT 18:3
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Reflect on what ways we should be childlike-and what ways we should avoid being childish.

EPH 4:14

God is pleased when we draw unstable people into the church and help them. But what are some of the risks for which we must be careful?



JESUS HEALS A PARALYTIC MAN



"When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, 'Son, your sins are forgiven.'" Mark 2:5



TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. In this passage, Jesus was teaching in the town of (v. 1)
- 2. How many men were carrying the paralyzed man? (v. 3)
- 3. They could not get to Jesus because of the (v. 4)
- 4. The men made a hole in the (v. 4)
- 5. Once they had done this, they the man to Jesus (v. 4)
- 6. Jesus was impressed by their (v. 5)
- 7. Other teachers and scribes in the room said Jesus was for forgiving the man's sins (v. 7)
- 8. He then told the man to take up his and go home (v. 11)
- 9. Everyone was when the man got up and walked out (v. 12)



APPLICATION

These men believed in Jesus so much, that they were willing to doing something pretty radical out of faith. What is something you feel called to do that feels a little radical? How can you trust God to meet you in that calling?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: HEB
11:6

God loves when we have faith. Detail what two things a person must believe in order to get rewards for his faith.

READ:
HEB
11:1

Describe the substance of something you have hoped for but have not yet seen.



JESUS FEEDS FIVE THOUSAND



"...Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves" Matthew 14:19

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TEXT QUESTIONS

1. Jesus had gone by this form of travel to a solitary place: (v. 13)

2. The crowds followed Him by this form of travel: (v. 13)

3. When Jesus saw the large crowd, He felt this emotion: (v. 14)

4. When it was late, the disciples asked Jesus to send the crowds away so they could obtain this:

(v. 15)

5. In response, Jesus told the disciples to do this: (v. 16)

6. The disciples told Jesus they had only loaves of bread and two fish (v. 17)

7. Jesus told all of the people to sit in the (v. 19)

8. Number of the baskets of leftovers the disciples picked up: (v. 20)

9. Number of men Jesus fed that day, not counting women and children: (v. 21)



APPLICATION

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

Jesus was able to make something out of nothing. Where in your life do you feel you need God's provision? Say a prayer of faith asking Him to help you with it!

READ:
MAT
6:11

Some people believe that if you are living in His will, this means God will provide you with financial abundance and/or physical healing. How does this simple passage refute that?

READ:
COL
3:1-3

When we start fixating on more than our daily needs or becoming greedy, what are some blessings from above that we can distract ourselves with?



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JESUS' RESURRECTION



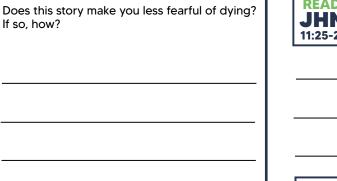
"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!" Luke 24:5-6

TEXT QUES	STIONS -					
It was the	day of	the week in the ear	ly morning	(v. 1)		
Jesus' female friends had prepared these to adorn His body: (v. 1)						
When the women arr	ived at the tomb, the	ey saw that the ston	e had been			(v. 2)
When they went into the tomb, they did not find this: (v. 3)						
The two men who ap	peared in shimmerin	g garments were lik	ely this type	e of creature:		
	(v. 4)					
The women were afra	aid and did this:		(v. 5)			
The men asked the w	omen this question:		(v. 5)			
The two men also said	d "Ha is not hara bu	t he is		" (v. 6)		



If so, how?

APPLICATION



9. So the women went and told these things to these people:

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

ased on this passage, describe some things that will happen to you noments after you die.

(v. 9)

READ:
23:4

Many people claim to have recited this famous line when they were very afraid or in trouble. Describe a time when you did this or when you would do this.



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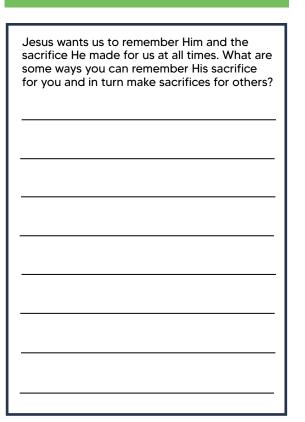


"Jesus told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field." Matthew 13:24

	TEXT QUESTIONS —					
			()			
1.	It was the first day of this festival:		(v. 17)			
2.	They asked Jesus where He wanted to eat to	he		(v. 17)		
3.	Jesus told the disciples to say that His appo	ointed time wa	as		(v. 18)	
4.	4. As they sat down to eat, Jesus explained that one of them would do this to Him: (v. 21)					(v. 21)
5.	5. When the disciples asked who would do this, He said that the man who his hand					his hand
	in the bowl at the same time would be the one (v. 23)					
6.	6. True False: the disciple who would betray Jesus was Judas Iscariot (v. 25)					
7.	He gave them the bread and said it was His		(v. 26)		
8.	Jesus gave them the cup and said it was Hi	S		(v. 28)		
9.	When the meal was over, they went out to	this place:		(v.	30)	



APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

MAT 5:9	READ: MAT 5:9
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Write out this scripture in your own words as it applies to your life. Look up various translations if that helps.

READ:
1 JN
1:7-9

How would the fulfillment of this scripture be made more difficult through people who don't belong to a church or meet with a body of believers regularly?



WASHING THE DISCIPLES' FEET



"Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And

	you are clean, though not eve	ery one of you."	John 13:10	
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	TEXT GUESTIONS				
1.	Jesus knew that His time was coming to	o leave this world an	d go here:		
2.	Satan was about to enter this person p	resent at the table:		(v. 2)	
3.	Jesus took off His outer garments and	wrapped Himself wit	th this:		(v. 4
4.	Jesus poured water into a	(v. 5)			
5.	He then began to wash this part of the	disciples' bodies:		(v. 5)	
6.	Simon Peter asked Jesus this question:		(v. 6)		
7.	Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you,		" (v. 8)		
8.	True False: Jesus told Peter he w	as clean, along with	everyone (else in the room: (v.	10)
9.	Jesus washed their feet for this reason:		(v. 15)	



APPLICATION

When Jesus washed His disciples' feet, He was demonstrating that serving others was the highest calling. What are some ways you like to serve or feel called to serve? How can you include those things more in your life?

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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

19:29-30

What sorts of things would one be guilty of to be considered among the last in the kingdom of heaven?

READ:	
ACTS	
20:35	

Reflect on a time when an act of giving left you feeling very good. What happened? What similar things could you do in the future?



THE ARREST OF JESUS

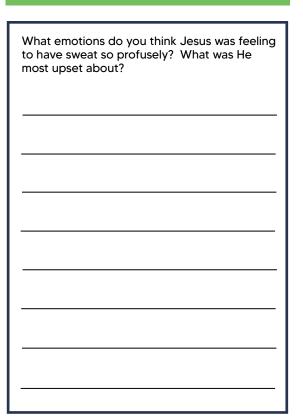


"Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done." Luke 22:42

	TEXT QUESTIONS —				
1.	Jesus' arrest took place on the Mount of			(v. 39)	
2.	Jesus asked His disciples to pray this:			(v. 40)	
3.	Jesus prayed this:	(v. 42)			
4.	Who showed up strengthen to Jesus?			(v. 43)	
5.	What were the disciples doing?		(v. 45)	
6.	Jesus told them to pray this:	(v.	46)		
7.	Who was struck on the ear with a sword? (v. 50)			
8.	How did Jesus respond to the violence?			(v. 51)	
9.	These people from the temple were also w	rith the guards	:		(v. 52)



APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: MAT 26:55-56	In Matthew's Gospel, we see the point at which the disciples fled. Have you ever fled from a situation where you could have helped? Or did you ever stay to help when wishing to flee? What happened in either case?
READ: ZEC 13	Read this short but poignant chapter, reflecting on which parts relate to today's reading.



JESUS' TRIAL, PETER'S DENIALS



Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place." John 18:36

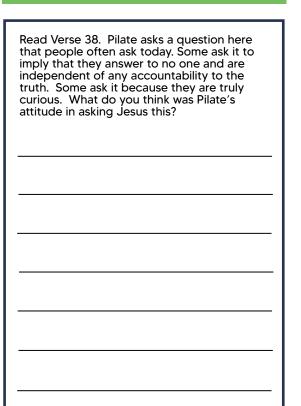
	TEXT QUESTIONS ————————————————————————————————————	
1.	The first stop in Jesus' trial was to see this man: (v. 13)	
2.	This man was the father-in-law of the high priest, named (v. 13)	
3.	Caiaphas had advised Jewish leaders earlier with this astonishing prophecy:	(v. 14)
4.	Simon Peter followed Jesus but was stopped first at this point: (v. 16)	
5.	John (who doesn't use his own name in his Gospel) was able to pull strings for this to happen:	
	(v. 16)	
6.	Number of times Peter denied knowing Jesus in this text: (v. 17, 25-27)	l
7.	After Caiaphas, Jesus was taken to the Roman governor of this name:	(v. 29)



APPLICATION

9. Jesus replied that His kingdom was

What question did the Roman governor ask Jesus?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

(v. 36)

READ:
27:1-5

Judas betrayed Jesus, and Peter denied knowing Him three times. What's the difference between these offenses?

(v. 33)

READ:
MAT
27:19-25

Just before the Exodus, Moses was thrown right into a common fear-public speaking! This scripture was given to Joshua's soldiers at the end of the Exodus-when they were going to fight huge and experienced pagan armies! How much had changed?



HE CRUCIFIXION

The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One." Luke 23:35





TEXT QUESTIONS

From Luke 23:

(v. 26)Who carried Jesus' cross?

(v. 34) Jesus asked God this after being hung between two criminals:

3. The note above Jesus read this: (v. 38)

(v. 50-52) 4. Who asked for Jesus' body, and where was he from?

From Matthew 27:

5. The place of the crucifixion was called (v. 33)

6. When Jesus gave up His spirit, this holy artifact tore from top to bottom:

(v. 51)

7. The miracle in the temple was accompanied by this natural disaster:

(v. 51)

This happened at the tombs:

(v. 52)

True False: The centurion guarding Jesus was unimpressed (v. 54)



APPLICATION

how would you have behaved and why?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

Most Christians say we forgive the people in attendance at Jesus' trial and His crucifixion because if we had been there, we'd have	READ ISA 53:7-9
done the same things. If you had been there,	

This prophecy is among many Isaiah made that were fulfilled in the life of Jesus. Reflect on how it matches the crucifixion.

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In this prophecy from King David, find as many parallels as you can with the crucifixion stories you read.





IARY MAGDALE SEES JESUS FIRST



Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." John 20:15



TEXT QUESTIONS

(v. 2) 1. What Mary initially thought had happened to Jesus' body:

"The other disciple" is known to be John in this Gospel. Who ran with John to the tomb?

(v. 3)

(v. 4)Which disciple reached the tomb first?

True False: The disciples realized there that Jesus had risen from the dead (v. 9) 4.

5. While crying, what did Mary see in the tomb? (v. 12)

She initially thought Jesus was another man with this job: (v. 15)

(v. 16) She recognized Him then and used this word:

(v. 17) 8. Jesus said not to hug him because

(v. 18) 9. Mary ran and told this to the disciples:



APPLICATION

Mary also saw Jesus on the cross in horrible

physical condition, so this was an absolute shock. Describe how you would have felt and

what you would have said or done.

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

8:2	READ: LUK
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Cites another interesting fact about Mary Magdalene. What is it, and what does this tell us about God's ability to forgive us/heal us?

READ:
ISA
53:9-12

This amazing passage was written over 700 years before Christ's death. Write it in your own words as pertains to your own life.

READ:
ISA
53:9-12
1 33:7-12
33.7-12



JESUS' APPEARANCE ON THE ROAD TO EMMAUS



And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself. Luke 24:27



TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. How far was the walk from Jerusalem to Emmaus? (v. 13)
- 2. True False: The two believers recognized Jesus immediately (v. 15-16)
- 3. The two believers were disappointed in Jesus' death because they thought He would

(v. 21)

4. Jesus described for them the meanings of all the prophecies beginning with this prophet:

(v. 27)

- 5. The believers strongly urged Jesus to do this: (v. 29)
- 6. Jesus did this at the table: (v. 30)
- 7. As soon as the men recognized Jesus, this happened: (v. 31)
- 8. The men left at once for this place: (v. 33)
- 9. There they found these people: (v. 33)



APPLICATION

READ:

24:36-44

DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

Jesus' own disciples did not understand the words of the prophets

very well. How does this align with the statement, "faith is a journey?"

disciples. W that Jesus w	evers were not among the 11 hat are some possible reasons rould appear to women and other st, before His own disciples?

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We are surrounded by Doubting Thomases today. Reflect on one or two skeptics you have known and how you dealt/wish you had dealt with them.



JESUS VISITS HIS DISCIPLES ON THE BEACH



So Simon Peter climbed back into the boat and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. John 21:11



TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. By what sea did Jesus appear? (v. 1)
- 2. True False: The disciples were fishing but did not catch any fish (v. 3)
- 3. Which side of the boat did Jesus tell the three to cast their net? (v. 6)
- 4. After Simon Peter covered himself, he did this: (v. 7)
- 5. How far were the disciples from shore? (v. 8)
- 6. How many previous times had Jesus appeared to the disciples? (v. 14)
- 7. Jesus asked this question of Simon Peter three times: (v. 15-17)
- 8. Jesus' prophetic words to Simon Peter concerned the way He would (v. 18-19)
- 9. What rumor spread about John, based on Jesus' words to Peter? (v. 23)



APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: PRO
24:16

What character traits do you have that would enable you to fulfill this description of a righteous person?

READ:
JMS
1:1-27

Reflect on a time when your faith was tested. What did you learn from it? What excellent traits did you begin to develop from it?



JESUS APPEARS TO DOUBTING THOMAS



But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." John 20:25

	TEXT QUESTIONS						
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1.	The other name for Thomas:			(v. 24)			
2.	The other disciples tried to tell Thoma	s that			(v. 25)	
3.	Thomas wanted to run his fingers over				(v.25)		
4.	Length of time that had passed before	• Jesus	returned	l:			(v. 26)
5.	Jesus stood among them after coming	j past <i>a</i>	ì			(v.26)	
6.	Jesus greeted them with these words	;			(v. 26)	
7.	Jesus told Thomas to do this:			(v. 27)			
8.	Thomas' response:		(v. 28)				
9.	The reason for Jesus' many miracles:				(v. 31)		



APPLICATION

God expects us to believe in Him thanks to records and accounts of His witnesses. We don't personally get to see great miracles like Jesus performed during His ministry very often. How hard is it to believe the biblical record, and what makes believing easier?
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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ:
LUK
16:25-31

Here, what does Jesus say will be the answer to most people who, like Thomas, ask for a sign or miracle?

READ:
HEB
11:1-6

What does this verse imply are the two things we must believe to please God?



HE ASCENSION



Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" Acts 1:6



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. The Book of Acts was actually presented as a letter to this man: (v. 1)

(v. 3) How many days did Jesus appear on earth after the resurrection?

What did Jesus speak most often about during His post-resurrection time on earth? (v. 3)

Where did Jesus want His followers to wait for a gift from the Father?

5. The question posed in Verse 6 expressed a misconception people had and still have about His purpose.

They think it is/was to bring them earthly power. What is the question?

(v. 6)

(v, 4)

We are not supposed to know the exact in God's plans (v. 7)

(v. 8)7. When the Holy Spirit comes upon us, we receive

(v. 9)Jesus disappeared into this:

(v. 11) 9. The two men promised this:



APPLICATION

Jesus told His disciples that they were

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DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

not to know exact dates. Yet Jesus often encouraged those listening to be aware of the times. Are we living in unusual times? Defend your answer.

READ: JMS 1:26	life.
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READ:
PRO
26:20

Describe a situation in your spiritual walk where this statement proved



DAY OF PENTECOST



Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. Acts 2:2



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. The believers were meeting in this type of building: (v. 2)

2. The believers began to speak in other languages, inspired by this: (v. 4)

3. Staying in Jerusalem were devout Jews from these nations: (v. 5)

4. The devout Jews were amazed, having heard this: (v. 6)

5. They seemed to know the believers were from here: (v. 7)

6. The number of places listed from where visitors actually hailed: (v. 9-11)

7. Some people thought the problem with the speakers was this: (v. 13)

8. What time did this occur? (v. 15)

9. Which prophet did Peter quote? (v. 16)

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to the people and to us today.				

READ:
MAT
28:16-20

Jesus was speaking to His disciples here. Do we also have this obligation as laypeople? To what extent? Defend your answer.

READ:
MRK
16:15

What exactly is the gospel, or good news? Write it out in your own words, in such a way that it sounds joyful.



ANANIAS & SAPPHIRA



When Ananias heard this, he fell down and died. And great fear seized all who heard what had happened. Acts 5:5

TEXT QUESTIONS

- 1. What did Ananias and Sapphira do that was so bad? (v. 2)
- 2. The sin was not owning the property or money, but (v. 4)
- 3. What happened when Ananias was confronted? (v. 5)
- 4. True False: When Saphira was asked the price, she lied also (v. 8)
- 5. What happened to Saphira was she was confronted? (v. 10)
- 6. Many people were healed just by Peter's (v. 15)
- 7. Many were healed from illnesses as well as being tormented by (v. 16)
- 8. The Sadducees felt this toward the believers: (v. 17)
- 9. When the apostles were put in jail, an angel did this: (v. 19)



APPLICATION

Making a pledge to God and breaking it is considered a serious wrongdoing. Why? A famous expression is, "If a man's word is not good, nothing about him is good." What might sayings like this have to do with our relationships with God and each other?



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ:
JMS
1:26

Read the text around this verse if you wish. State its meaning in your life.

READ :
PRO
26:20

Describe a situation in your spiritual walk where this statement proved true.



STEPHEN: CHRISTIANITY'S FIRST MARTYR



All who were sitting in the Sanhedrin looked intently at Stephen, and they saw that his face was like the face of an angel. Acts 6:15



TEXT QUESTIONS

1. The arguments started with Stephen could not be won because (v. 6:10)

2. The religious leaders brought this false charge against Stephen: (v. 6:11)

3. Stephen was brought before this body: (v. 6:12)

4. Stephen recited how Abraham left the land owned by these people to go to the Promised Land:

(v. 7:4-5)

5. The tomb bought for Abraham's descendants is in this town in Israel: (v. 7:15-16)

6. Moses was educated or learned in all the wisdom of the (v. 7:22)

7. What pointed question did Stephen ask this crowd of religious leaders? (v. 7:52)

8. Stephen saw the heavens open and then this: (v. 7:55)

9. The crowd dragged Stephen here: (v. 7:58)



APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

Are there any situations in which you would be willing to die for your faith? If so, which ones?

Here, the first of 11 apostles dies a violent death. Why might God have allowed His loved ones to die violently? What kind of a witned does it leave?

READ:
HEB
11:35-40

Describe what God has planned for us all using your own words.



CONVERSION OF APOSTLE PAUL

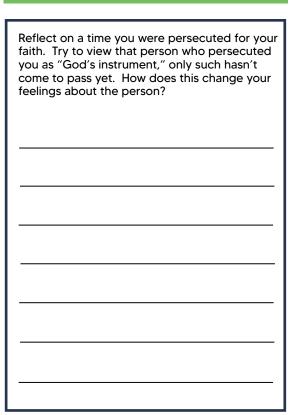


He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" Acts 9:4

	TEXT QUESTIONS				
1.	The name that the Damascus church was goin	g by:		(v. 2)	
2.	Saul wanted to do this to the members:		(v. 2)		
3.	On the road to Damascus, how did Saul's expe	erience begin?			(v. 3)
4.	What question did Saul ask?	(v. 5)			
5.	True False: The men with Saul heard the	e sound but did	n't see any	one (v. 7)	
6.	For how many days was Saul blind?	(v. 9)		
7.	Name of the man whom the Lord called to rele	ease Saul:		(v	. 12)
8.	What misgivings did the man have about Saul	?		(v. 13-14)	
9.	What happened to Paul's eyes when Ananias	laid hands on hii	m?		(v. 18)



APPLICATION



DIGGING DEEPER INTO THIS THEME

READ: LUK 8:2	
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Mary Magdalene was with Jesus after His resurrection. She was originally possessed by demons, but ended up being one of Christ's closest followers. While we don't generally experience demon possession in biblical terms, people can be 'possessed' by other types of sin. Think of someone like this and how much they could change from God's love.

READ: 2 CO 5:17):
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Think of some of the most profound ways you have changed since Jesus came into your life.



Worksheets 1-10

1. The Creation Story

- 1. Light
- 2. Seas
- 3. Evening and morning
- 4. False
- 5. Image
- 6. Plant or herb
- 7. True
- 8. Good
- 9. Be fruitful and multiply, or increase in number

5. Tower of Babel

- 1. One
- 2. Shinar
- 3. Stone
- 4. The bricks were baked, or burned
- 5. Heavens
- 6. City
- 7. Confuse or confound
- 8. Scattered
- 9. True

9. Joseph Is Kidnapped

- 1. His brothers
- 2. A cistern, or pit
- 3. Sold him
- 4. Egypt
- 5. Blood
- 6. Tore, or rent, his clothes
- 7. Died
- 8. Potiphar
- 9. Pharaoh

2. The Fall of Man

- 1. Middle or midst
- 2. Wise
- 3. Fig leaves
- 4. Hid
- 5. False
- 6. True
- 7. Walking
- 8. Dust
- 9. Cherubim/Angels

6. Isaac Is Born to Abraham and Sarah

- 1. Mamre
- 2. Food and water
- 3. Servant
- 4. Bread, or cakes
- 5. Son
- 6. Laughed
- 7. Old
- 8. Hard
- 9. 100 years old

10. The 12 Tribes Come to Egypt

- 1. Dead
- 2. Multiplied
- 3. He meant nothing, or the king didn't know of him
- 4. Fruitful,
- 5. Fight,
- 6. Slave masters, or task masters
- 7. Boys, or sons
- 8. God
- 9. Families, also called houses

3. Cain, Abel, and Seth

- 1. Soil or ground
- 2. Fruit of the ground or soil
- 3. Fat
- 4. Angry or wroth
- 5. Sin
- 6. Killed, or slew, him
- 7. Wanderer or vagabond
- 8. False
- 9. Enoch

7. Jacob & Esau

- 1. Blind
- 2. Die
- 3. Herself
- 4. Goatskins
- 5. False
- 6. Wept
- 7. False
- 8. Kill him
- 9. Her brother Laban

4. Noah and the Ark

- 1. Seven
- 2. 600 years
- 3. Mountains
- 4.150
- 5. Wind
- 6. Seventh
- 7. Raven
- 8. Olive leaf
- 9. Destroy or smite

8. Jacob's Ladder

- 1. Harran (also spelled Haran)
- 2. Heaven
- 3. Angels
- 4. The Lord
- 5. Lying
- 6. Dust
- 7. Descendants, or seed
- 8. Leave
- 9. Bethel



Worksheets 11-21

11. Moses as a Baby

- 1. Three months
- 2. Papyrus, or bulrushes
- 3. Tar and pitch, or Slime and pitch
- 4. Pharoah's daughter
- 5. True
- 6. Moses' sister
- 7. His mother
- 8. Pharoah's daughter
- 9. False

15. The Ten Commandments

- 1. Image
- 2. Guiltless
- 3. Holy
- 4. Neighbor
- 5. House
- 6. Trumpet
- 7. Sinning
- 8. False
- 9. False

19. The Walls of Jericho Tumble

- 1. Six
- 2. Seven
- 3. Seventh
- 4. Shout
- 5. Fall
- 6. Ark of the Covenant
- 7. City
- 8. Israelites
- 9. Famous

12. Burning Bush

- 1. Jethro
- 2. Sandals, or shoes
- 3. I AM who/that I AM
- 4. Listen, or Harken
- 5. False
- 6. True
- 7. False
- 8. I AM
- 9. Honey

16. The Spies Are Afraid

- 1. Canaan
- 2. Aaron
- 3. Fruit
- 4. Honey
- 5. Powerful, or strong
- 6. False
- 7. Stronger
- 8. False
- 9. Grasshoppers

20. The Sun Stands Still in the Sky

- 1. Ai
- 2. Five
- 3. Afraid, or to fear
- 4. Hailstones.
- 5. True
- 6. True
- 7. Moon
- 8. False
- 9. Israel

13. The Passover (The Final Plague)

- 1. Firstborn
- 2. Midnight
- 3. Blood
- 4. Pass over
- 5. Fourteenth
- 6. Wailing, or Cry
- 7. Leave
- 8. False
- 9. Bless

17. Death of Moses

- 1. Nebo 2. True
- 3. Died
- 4. Thirty
- 5. One hundred and twenty
- 6. Joshua
- 7. False
- 8. God
- 9. Israel

21. Leviticus

- 1. Parents and children, from unnecessary disputes and divisions;
- 2. Everyone, from overwork, greed, and superficial relationships;
- 3. God himself, from heartbreak;
- 4. The person offering the sacrifice, from food poisoning;
- 5. Poor and foreigners, from starvation:
- 6. Everyone, from trees that aren't fruitful, and future famine;
- 7. Young people, from reaping disrespect when they grow old;
- 8. Grieving people who miss deceased loved ones, who then might also be plagued by dark forces:
- 9. The husband, from heartbreak and humiliation

14. Parting of the Red Sea

- 1. Philistines
- 2. Joseph
- 3. Cloud
- 4. Fire
- 5. The Israelites' services
- 6. Die
- 7. Divide
- 8. Land. or Ground
- 9. Covered

18. Joshua and Rahab

- 1. Jericho
- 2. The king
- 3. Rahab
- 4. Left, or Went out
- 5. Roof
- 6. True
- 7. Three
- 8. Cord, or thread of scarlet
- 9. House



Worksheets 22-30

22. Prophet Deborah & **Jael Save the Day**

- 1. Jabin, king of Canaan
- 2. Sisera
- 3. 20 years
- 4. Lappidoth
- 5. 10 thousand
- 6. True
- 7. Woman
- 8. Tent peg
- 9. True

25. Israel Demands a King

- 1. Joel and Abijah
- 2. They didn't follow their great father's ways
- 3. They wanted to be like the other nations with a king
- 4. God
- 5. Chariots
- 6. Bakers
- 7. Olive groves, or olive yards
- 8. A tenth
- 9. King

28. David Refuses to Kill King Saul

- 1. En Gedi
- 2. Cave
- 3. Robe
- 4. Conscious-stricken, or guilty
- 5. Anointed
- 6. The Lord
- 7. Righteous
- 8. Descendants, also known as seed
- 9. Home

23. Hannah Gives Her Son to God

- 1. Elkanah
- 2. Shiloh
- 3. Eli
- 4. Misery, or affliction
- 5. Cut
- 6. Drunkenness
- 7. Ramah
- 8. Samuel
- 9. Bull, or bullock

26. Samuel Anoints David as **Second King**

- 1. King Saul
- 2. Bethlehem
- 3. Sacrifice
- 4. Heart
- 5. Seven
- 6. Shepherding
- 7. False
- 8. Lyre, or harp
- 9. Armor bearer

29. David Weds Abigail

- 1. Ramah
- 2. David
- 3. Wall
- 4. Wicked, or a Son of Belial
- 5.200
- 6. Ruler over Israel
- 7. Ten
- 8. Marry him
- 9. King Saul

24. Samuel Hears God's Voice as a Child

- 1. Eli
- 2. Ark of the Covenant
- 3. Eli was calling him
- 4. Tell God to speak, that he was listening
- 5. His sons
- 6. Fearful, or afraid
- 7. He is the LORD; let Him do what
- He sees as good
- 8. All Samuel's words met God's intended purpose
- 9. Shiloh

27. David Kills the Giant Goliath

- 1. Valley of Elah
- 2. Gath
- 3. Dismayed and terrified
- 4. Eliab, Abinadab, and Shammah
- 5. Conceited, or proud and naughty
- 6. Lion and a bear
- 7. False
- 8. Forehead
- 9. His weapons or armor

30. David Brings the Ark to **Jerusalem**

- 1. Cherubim
- 2. Abinadab
- 3. Uzzah
- 4. Obed-Edom the Gittite, also spelled Obededom
- 5. Michal
- 6. Burnt offerings and fellowship or peace offerings
- 7. Slave girls, or maidservants
- 8. Zero.
- 9. Saul



Worksheets 31-40

31. David's Son Tries to Steal the **Throne**

- 1. Mahanaim
- 2. Wilderness
- 3. Disagreed
- 4 Gently
- 5. 20,000
- 6. His hair or head
- 7. Joab
- 8. Runners
- 9. Unhappy

32. Solomon Prays for Wisdom

- 1. Egypt
- 2. Sacrifices
- 3.1.000
- 4. Whatever he wanted
- 5. Gibeon
- 6. Little child
- 7. Right and wrong, or good and bad
- 8. Wealth or riches and honor
- 9. Life

33. Solomon Dedicates God's **Temple**

- 1. Fire
- 2. Love, or mercy
- 3.120.000
- 4. Seven
- 5. Plague or pestilence
- 6. Turn from wicked ways
- 7. Statutes, or decrees and commands
- 8. Why has God done this?
- 9. Disaster or evil

34. Rehoboam Splits the Kingdom

- 1. Shechem
- 2. Jeroboam
- 3. Be a servant and a giver to win the
- 4. Take even more from the people
- 5. Adoniram, also spelled Adoram
- 6, Jeroboam
- 7. Shemaiah
- 8. Two golden calf idols
- 9. That they were gods; that they were the ones who led the people out of Egypt

35. Elijah Calls Down a Drought

- 1. He sent a drought
- 2. Kerith Ravine, also known as the brook Cherith
- 3. Ravens brought him meat and bread
- 4. Zarephath
- 5. She did what he told her (rather than believe he was a thief manipulating the last of her food away from her)
- 6. Her son died
- 7. Three
- 8. God raised the boy from the dead
- 9. She believed he was a prophet of the true God

36. Elijah Defeats the Prophets of Baal

- 1. Obadiah
- 2 100
- 3. Mount Carmel
- 4.450
- 5. They create burnt offerings and see which altar God lights,
- 6. From morning until time for evening sacrifice
- 7. He was in deep thought or busy or traveling or asleep
- 8. three
- 9. So that the people would know who the real God is

37. Elijah Runs Away and Hides

- 1. Queen Jezebel
- 2. Take his life
- 3. Mount Horeb
- 4. Wait for him to pass by
- 5. Wind, earthquake, and fire
- 6. Elisha
- 7. Hazael
- 8. Jehu
- 9.7,000

38 Elijah Is Taken up to Heaven

- 1. Bethel
- 2. Jericho
- 3. River Jordan
- 4.50
- 5. Cloak, or mantle
- 6. A double portion of Elijah's spirit
- 7. Maybe
- 8. Chariot of fire and horses of fire
- 9. That God didn't take Elijah up to heaven

39 Elisha Raises a Young Man from the Dead

- 1. She made him a room to stay in always and fed him
- 2. His mother's lap
- 3. That the boy was dead
- 4. Mount Carmel
- 5. She told him all was well
- 6 His feet
- 7. For his servant Gehazi to take his staff and lay it on the face of the child
- 8. Twice
- 9. She fell at his feet

40. Naaman Is Cured of Leprosy

- 1. Aram, a.k.a. Syria,
- 2. Samaria.
- 3. Naaman was trying to pick an argument,
- 4. That there was a true prophet in Israel (inspired by the true God),
- 5. Wash seven times in the Jordan River.
- 6. He should have been given a ceremony and asked to wash in a more prestigious body of water,
- 7. He washed in the Jordan as Elisha dictated.
- 8. Nothing-Elisha refused a gift,
- 9. Bowing to an idol while helping his master



Worksheets 41-49

41. The Northern Kingdom, Israel, **Destroyed (722 BC)**

- 1. Hoshea
- 2. Shalmaneser
- 3. He stopped paying his tribute fees to Assyria
- 4. Three years
- 5. Halah, Gozan, and the cities or towns of the Medes (between Assyria and Babylon)
- 6. Prophets and seers
- 7. Stiff-necked, or having hardened their hearts
- 8. Burned them with fire, or made them pass through fire
- 9. Jeroboam

42. Southern Kingdom of Judah **Destroyed (586 BC)**

- 1. Nebuchadnezzar
- 2. Jehojakim
- 3. God
- 4. Almost all residents of Jerusalem.
- 5. The poorest of people
- 6. Because of the Lord's anger
- 7. His sons were killed in front of him and his eyes were put out
- 8. Temple, 9. Egypt

43. King Cyrus Funds the Rebuilding of the Temple

- 1. Persia
- 2. Temple, a.k.a. house of God
- 3. Jerusalem
- 4. Judah and Benjamin
- 5. Silver and gold, goods and livestock, valuable gifts, and freewill offerings
- 6. Nebuchadnezzar
- 7. Mithredath
- 8. Sheshbazzar
- 9.1,000

44. Ezra: Israel Divorces Its **Foreign Wives**

- 1. Detestable practices, or abominations
- 2. Leaders and officials, a.k.a. princes and rulers
- 3. Tore, or rent, his clothes and pulled hair from his head and beard
- 4. Our heads
- 5. Remnant
- 6. Three
- 7. Separate from, or put away, their foreign wives
- 8. They should do what Ezra said
- 9. Two

45. Job Loses Everything

- 1. Uz
- 2.10
- 3. Children
- 4. Satan
- 5. Hedge
- 6. Curse
- 7. False
- 8. Oldest brother's
- 9. Wrongdoing, or Job did not charge God foolishly

46. Job Responds to His Wife's Harassment

- 1. Roaming throughout the earth/ Going to and fro
- 2. Integrity
- 3. Life
- 4. Kill
- 5. All of his body
- 6. "Curse God and die"
- 7. "Should we receive good from God but nothing bad?"
- 8. Sinful
- 9. Zophar

47. Job's Restoration

- 1. Double or twice
- 2. Brothers and sisters
- 3. Gold ring or gold earring
- 4. Donkeys
- 5. Ten
- 6. Jemimah
- 7. Inheritance
- 8. 140 years
- 9. Four

48.God Tells David Not to Build the Temple

- 1. Blood
- 2. Peace
- 3. Peace and rest, or rest and guietness
- 4. Solomon
- 5. Discretion and understanding, or wisdom and understanding
- 6. Courageous, or of good courage
- 7. Silver
- 8 Leaders
- 9. Ark of the Covenant

49. Solomon Is Made Wise

- 1. How to carry out his duties, or how to go out or come in
- 2. Wisdom
- 3. False
- 4. Riches
- 5. Anyone
- 6. Baby
- 7. Sword
- 8. Cut the baby in half
- 9. True



Worksheets 50-58

50. Queen of Sheba Visits Solomon

- 1. Questions
- 2. Gold
- 3. True
- 4. Wealth or prosperity
- 5. God
- 6. Spices
- 7. Temple
- 8. Silver
- 9. Wisdom

51. The First Prophecy of Isaiah

- 1. Four
- 2. Israel
- 3. Soundness
- 4. Offerings
- 5. Oppressed, orphans or fatherless, and widows
- 6. Reason together with him, or settle the matter
- 7. Eat the good of the land
- 8. Vain or meaningless
- 9. Blood

52. A Great Prophecy about **Jesus**

- 1. Desire
- 2. Rejected
- 3. Transgressions
- 4. Astray
- 5. Iniquity
- 6. Mouth
- 7. Wicked
- 8. Deceit
- 9. Many

53. Ezekiel Sees the Wheel

- 1. Babylon
- 2. North
- 3. Four
- 4. Four
- 5. Wings
- 6. Turning
- 7. Lightning
- 8. Waters
- 9. Rainbow

54. Ezekiel's Famous Vision of the Valley of the Dry Bones

- 1. Bones
- 2. Breath
- 3. Skin
- 4. Live
- 5. Graves
- 6. Judah
- 7. Land
- 8. Jacob
- 9. David

55. Nehemiah Gets Leaders to Stop Charging the

- **Returnees Tax** 1. Numerous
- 2. Famine
- 3. Tax
- 4. Slavery
- 5. Interest
- 6. True
- 7.40
- 8.150
- 9. Governor

56. How Daniel Came to Be in **Babylon and the King's Court**

- 1. Babylonians, also called the Chaldeans,
- 2. Vegetables, also called Pulse
- 3. True
- 4. Dreams
- 5. Nebuchadnezzar
- 6. Hananiah, 7. Belteshazzar
- 8. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego
- 9. Cyrus

57. Daniel Interprets a Dream

- 1. Death
- 2. His own dream
- 3. False
- 4. A vision
- 5. Statue, or image
- 6. Feet
- 7. Kingdom
- 8. Fell prostrate, or fell on his face
- 9. True

58. Daniel's Three Friends in the **Fiery Furnace**

- 1. Sixty
- 2. Blazing, or fiery, furnace
- 3. Deliver them from harm
- 4. True
- 5. Four
- 6. Son of the gods, or Son of God
- 7. False
- 8. Save. or deliver
- 9. Promotion



Worksheets 59-70

59. Daniel Interprets a Dream

- 1. Questions
- 1. False
- 2. Belteshazzar
- 3. Interpret the dream,
- 4. Tree, 5. Destroy
- 6. Alarm, or disturb
- 7. Nebuchadnezzar
- 8. Rules
- 9. Humble, or abase

60. The Handwriting on the Wall

- 1. Four
- 1. Nebuchadnezzar
- 2. Goblets, or gold and silver vessels
- 3. Fingers
- 4. Babylon
- 5. Third highest, or third ruler
- 6. Daniel
- 7. True
- 8. Persians
- 9. Darius the Mede, or Median

61. Daniel in the Lions' Den

- 1. Administrators, or presidents
- 2. Wrongdoings, such as corruption, or faults
- 3. Three.
- 4. Rescue, or deliver, him
- 5. Stone
- 6. True
- 7. Was the true God able to save, or deliver, you?
- 8. Forever
- 9. The God of Daniel

62. Daniel on the End of Days

- 1. Three
- 2. Fled
- 3. Persia
- 4. True
- 5. Contempt
- 6. The time of the end, or End Times,
- 7. "It will be for a time, times and half a time," or "a time, times, and a half," 8. I don't understand this,
- 9. 1.335

63. Jonah Resists God

- 1. Nineveh
- 2. Tarshish
- 3. Violent storm, or mighty tempest
- 4. Casting the cargo, or wares, into the sea
- 5. Sleeping
- 6. Cast lots
- 7. Cast him into the sea
- 8. Salvation comes from the Lord, or salvation is of the Lord
- 9. Vomit Jonah onto dry ground

64. Jonah Delivers the News

- 1. Three
- 2. Forty
- 3. False
- 4. Violence
- 5. True
- 6. Worm
- 7. Angry
- 8. Dead
- 9. More than 120,000, or six-score thousand

65. The Nativity/Birth of Jesus (according to Luke)

- 1. Census
- 2. Nazareth
- 3. False
- 4. True
- 5. Men, or those on whom his favor
- 6. Amazed, or full of wonder
- 8. Glorifying and praising God
- 9. No

66. The Magi/Birth of Jesus (according to Matthew)

- 1. The East
- 2. Herod
- 3. Jews
- 4. Judea
- 5. False
- 6. A star
- 7. Bowed and worshiped
- 8. Myrrh
- 9. Dream

67. Escape to Egypt (and the Sad Part of the Birth of Jesus)

- 1. Dream
- 2. Kill him
- 3. Died
- 4. Kill
- 5. Comforted
- 6. An angel
- 7. Galilee
- 8. True
- 9. Prophecy

68. The Beatitudes

- 1. Spirit
- 2. Comforted
- 3. The earth
- 4. Reward 5. Filled
- 6. False
- 7. God
- 8. Mercy
- 9. Prophets

69. Speck and the Log/Ask, Seek, Knock

- 1. Plank, or beam
- 2. Hypocrites
- 3. Sacred, or holy
- 4. Swine, or pigs
- 5. Given
- 6. Ask
- 7. Receives
- 8. Finds.
- 9. Opened

70. Golden Rule/Houses on the **Rock and the Sand**

- 1. Destruction
- 2. Few
- 3. Sheep's
- 4. Wolves
- 5. Thistles
- 6. Fruit 7. Fire
- 8. Fruit



Worksheets 71-81

71. Parable of the Sower

- 1. Path or wayside
- 2. Ate, or devoured
- 3. Scorched, or withered
- 4. Thorns
- 5. Good
- 6. Path, or wayside
- 7. Rocky, or stony
- 8. Thorns
- 9. Good

72. Parable of Weeds among the Wheat

- 1. Field
- 2. Weeds, or tares
- 3. His servants
- 4. No
- 5. Weeds, or tares
- 6. False
- 7. Man
- 8. The devil
- 9. Age, or world

73. Parable of the Unmerciful Servant

- 1. Servants
- 2. Ten
- 3. Canceled, or forgave
- 4.100
- 5. Prison
- 6. Master, or lord
- 7. Mercy, or compassion
- 8. Pay
- 9. Forgive

74. If You Did It for the Least of **These**

- 1. Hungry
- 2. Drink
- 3. Stranger
- 4. Prison
- 5. Sick
- 6. Least
- 7. Depart
- 8. Eternal life
- 9. Take your inheritance, or inherit the kingdom

75. Jesus Casts the Demons into the Herd

- 1. Gerasenes, or Gadarenes
- 2. Tombs
- 3. He broke apart the chains and the fetters that bound his feet
- 4. False
- 5. "Don't torture me."
- 6. "Legion, for we are many,"
- 7. Cast them into the herd of pigs, or
- 8. Dressed and in his right mind
- 9. He went to ten cities (Decapolis) to tell what Jesus had done.

76. Jesus Turns Water to Wine

- 1. Cana
- 2. Disciples
- 3. Time
- 4. "Do whatever he tells you,"
- 5. Six
- 6. 20-30 gallons, or 2-3 firkins
- 7. Water
- 8. Saving the best wine for last
- 9. A way for God to reveal Himself to people, or to manifest His glory among people.

77. Jesus Walks on Water

- 1. Prav
- 2. Wind
- 3. Shortly before dawn, or the fourth watch
- 4. A ghost, or spirit
- 5. Be afrai
- 6. Come to Him on the water
- 7. Wind
- 8. "Lord, save me," 9. "Why did you doubt?"

78 Jesus Raises a Widow's Son

- 2. His disciples and a large crowd of people
- 3. The only son of his mother, and she was a widow
- 4. Crv
- 5. A bier
- 6. Get up, or arise
- 7. Talk, or speak
- 8. A great prophet
- 9. Judea

79. Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind

- 1. Work
- 2. Spit or saliva
- 3. Siloam
- 4. Keep the Sabbath
- 5. Of age
- 6. Become His disciples too
- 7. Blind
- 8. Were they also blind?
- 9. They claimed to be seeing and not blind

80. Luke Good Samaritan

- 1. Eternal
- 2. Law
- 3. False
- 4. True
- 5. Dead
- 6. False
- 7. Other
- 8. Samaritan
- 9. Neighbor

81. Rich Fool /Do Not Worry

- 1. Inheritance
- 2. Greed, or covetousness
- 3. Crops. or fruits
- 4. Barns
- 5. True
- 6. Years
- 8. Who will get the things you have prepared for yourself?
- 9. Ravens



Worksheets 82-92

82. Lazarus and the Rich Man

- 1. Purple
- 2. Lazarus
- 3. Abraham
- 4. Hades, or hell
- 5. Water
- 6. False
- 7. Gulf, or chasm
- 8. Brothers, or brethren
- 9. Prophets

83. The Pharisee and the Tax **Collector/Little Children Come to Jesus**

- 1. Righteousness
- 2. Tax collector
- 3. Sinner
- 4. The tax collector
- 5. Exalted 6. Rebuked
- 7. Come
- 8. Child
- 9. Enter

84. Jesus Heals a Paralytic Man

- 1. Capernaum
- 2. Four
- 3. Pressing crowd
- 4. Roof
- 5. Lowered, or let down
- 6. Faith
- 7. Blaspheming
- 8. Mat, or bed
- 9. Amazed

85. Jesus Feeds Five Thousand

- 1. Boat, or ship
- 2. On foot
- 3. Compassion
- 4. Food, or victuals
- 5. Give them something to eat
- 6. Five
- 7. Grass
- 8. 12
- 9.5,000

86. Jesus' Resurrection

- 1 First
- 2. Spices
- 3. Rolled away
- 4. Jesus' body
- 5. Angels
- 6. Bowed down
- 7. "Why do you seek the living among the dead?"
- 8. Risen
- 9. The 11 disciples

87. The Last Supper

- 1. Festival of the Unleavened Bread
- 2. Passover
- 3. Near, or at hand
- 4. Betray Him
- 5. Dipped
- 6. True
- 7. Body
- 8. Blood
- 9. Mount of Olives

88. Washing the Disciples' feet

- 1. To be with the Father
- 2. Judas
- 3. Towel
- 4. Basin
- 5. Feet
- 6. "Are you going to wash my feet?"
- 7. "You have no part in me"
- 8. False
- 9. They would know how to treat each other

92. Mary Magdalene Sees Jesus

7. Tombs broke open and many dead

90 Jesus' Trial. Peter's Denials

3. It would be good if one man died for

5. Get Peter in to hear the proceedings

1. Annas

2. Caiaphas

the people

6. Three

7. Pilate

4. Door to the courtyard

8. Are you king of the Jews?

1. Simon the Cyrene, or Cyrenian

2. To forgive these people as they

didn't know what they were doing

9. Not of this world

91. The Crucifixion

3. KING OF THE JEWS

5. Golgotha

were raised.

9. False

4. Joseph of Arimathea

6. Temple curtain, or veil,

- 1. It was stolen, or taken away
- 2. Peter
- 3. John
- 4. False
- 5. Two angels
- 6. Gardener
- 7. Rabboni, meaning teacher, or master
- 8. He had not yet ascended to the **Father**
- 9. She had seen the risen Lord

89 The Arrest of Jesus

- 1. Olives
- 2. Not to enter into temptation
- 3. Remove the cup; nonetheless your will be done
- 4. An angel
- 5. Sleeping
- 6. Not to enter temptation (for the second time)
- 7. The servant of the high priest,
- 8. He healed the servant and said, "no more of this!",
- 9. Chief priests, officers of the temple, and the elders



Worksheets 93-100

93. Jesus' Appearance on the **Road to Emmaus**

- 1. Seven miles, or threescore furlongs
- 2. False
- 3. Redeem Israel
- 4. Moses
- 5. Stay with them
- 6. Broke bread, gave thanks, and gave it to them
- 7. He disappeared
- 8. Jerusalem
- 9. The Eleven

94. Jesus Visits His Disciples on the Beach

- 1. Galilee
- 2. True
- 3. Right
- 4. Jumped out of the boat
- 5. 100 yards or 200 cubits
- 6. Two
- 7. "Do you love me?"
- 8. Die
- 9. He would have to face death

95. Jesus Appears to **Doubting Thomas**

- 1. Didymus
- 2. They had seen the Lord
- 3. The wounds from the nails and spear
- 5. Locked or tightly shut door
- 6. 'Peace be with you' or 'peace be unto vou.'
- 7. Examine His wounds
- 8. "My Lord and My God,"
- 9. That people would believe that Jesus is the Messiah and the Son of God and may have life in His name.

96. The Ascension

- 1. Theophilus
- 2. Forty
- 3. The kingdom of God
- 4. Jerusalem
- 5. "At this time, are you going to restore the kingdom of Israel?"
- 6. Times or dates, or season
- 7. Power
- 8. Sky
- 9. Jesus would come back the way

97. Day of Pentecost

- 1. House
- 2. Holy Ghost, or Spirit
- 3. Every nation under heaven
- 4. The believers speak in their own native languages
- 5. Galilee
- 6.15
- 7. They were drunk
- 8. 9 a.m., also known as "the third hour."
- 9. Joel

98. Ananias & Sapphira

- 1. Made a pledge, but held back part of the money secretly
- 2. Lying about a pledge (which is like lying to God)
- 3. He died
- 4. True
- 5. She died
- 6. Shadow
- 7. Impure, or unclean spirits
- 8. Jealousy, or indignation
- 9. Set them free again

99. Stephen: Christianity's First Martyr

- 1. He was given wisdom by the Spirit
- 2. Blasphemy against God and Moses
- 3. The Sanhedrin, also known as the council
- 4. Chaldeans
- 5. Shechem
- 6. Egyptians
- 7. "Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute?"
- 8. Jesus standing at the right hand of God
- 9. Outside the city

100. Conversion of Apostle Paul

- 1. The Way
- 2. Have them taken as prisoners to **Jerusalem**
- 3. A light from heaven flashed around Saul
- 4. "Who are you?"
- 5. True
- 6. Three
- 7. Ananias
- 8. He had heard reports of how Saul wanted to harm the believers
- 9. Something like scales fell off Saul's eyes and he could see again