

### **Student Handbook**

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#### Welcome to Sonseekers ...

**Dear Parents** 

Welcome to Sonseekers, a Sunday School Program designed to give children a sound background in Biblical events, people and places. We trust that you, and your child, are blessed by participation in this program.

The curriculum has been produced by over 100 people who have voluntarily given of their time and talents to write, draw and create activities, as well as to edit, review and proof-read. We deeply appreciate the commitment and love shown by all who have contributed to this project. The benefit and blessing to children, as they learn about God's life and love, is a testimony to their faithfulness.

However, the real key to children knowing God as their Father lies with their families. As parents train their children in God's way, they begin to experience the reality of the Father's love for themselves.

The Sonseekers program is designed to support and encourage family life and order. The Student Handbook is a feature of the program, offering follow up activities and daily devotions, which you may wish to use in your own family devotions.

May God bless and guide you as you share the Lord's life with your child.

If you wish to know more about the Sonseekers program, please contact the publishers on the numbers listed.

Yours in Christ

The Sonseekers Team

## A note to parents about the Sonseekers materials . . .

#### **Timeline**

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	Creation
4000BC	Adam and Eve
	The Fall
2500BC	Noah
	The Flood
	Tower of Babel
2000BC	Abraham
1900BC	Isaac
1800BC	Esau and Jacob
1750BC	Joseph
1360BC	Moses
1280BC	Exodus from Egypt
	and Journeys
	Joshua
1240BC	Entry into and
	Conquest of Land
1220BC	Judges
1100BC	Gideon
1070BC	Samson
1063BC	Samuel
1020BC	Saul as King
980BC	David as King
940BC	Solomon as King
900BC	Kingdom Divided
839BC	Elijah Emerges; Mt Carmel
	Jehoshaphat
814BC	Elisha's Ministry
749BC	Jonah
662BC	Hezekiah; Isaiah
576BC	Josiah
540BC	Daniel taken to Babylon
527BC	Exile into Babylon
457BC	Restoration from Babylon
4BC	Birth of Jesus
26AD	Baptism of Jesus
	Call of Disciples
28AD	Feeding of 5000
_	Parables
29AD	Miracles; Transfiguration
30AD	Raising of Lazarus
00112	Parables
	Palm Sunday
	Jesus' Crucifixion and
	Resurrection
	Day of Pentecost
	Peter's Ministry
33AD	Conversion of Paul
45AD	Paul's Missionary Journeys
60AD	Paul as Prisoner to Rome
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#### What are the Sonseekers materials?

The Sonseekers Sunday School materials are a four year course of 128 Bible lessons. The lessons are written with the twin aims of teaching the students an accurate chronology of Biblical events and also drawing from each lesson pastoral points relevant to the age and stage of each child. They are written at four levels to cover from Prep to Year 6 age groups. The 128 lessons are organised into 8 units, each of sixteen lessons. The table below indicates the suitable age group for each level:

Sonseekers	Student	School
Level	Age	Level
Level One	5 - 6	Prep, Year 1
Level Two	7 - 10	Year 2, Year 3, Year 4
Level Three	11 - 12 +	Year 5, Year 6

### What's in my Sonseekers Level One Student Handbook?

Each Level One Student Handbook contains sixteen homework activities and sixteen "My Own Page" sections, relevant for the age of your child.

Each homework activity page comprises:

- ♦ the title of the lesson;
- the Bible reference for each lesson;
- an activity related to some aspect of the lesson;
- the memory verse to be learnt from the lesson.

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### ... note to parents ...

#### How do I help my child use the Student's Handbook?

The following suggestions are then made with regard to using the book.

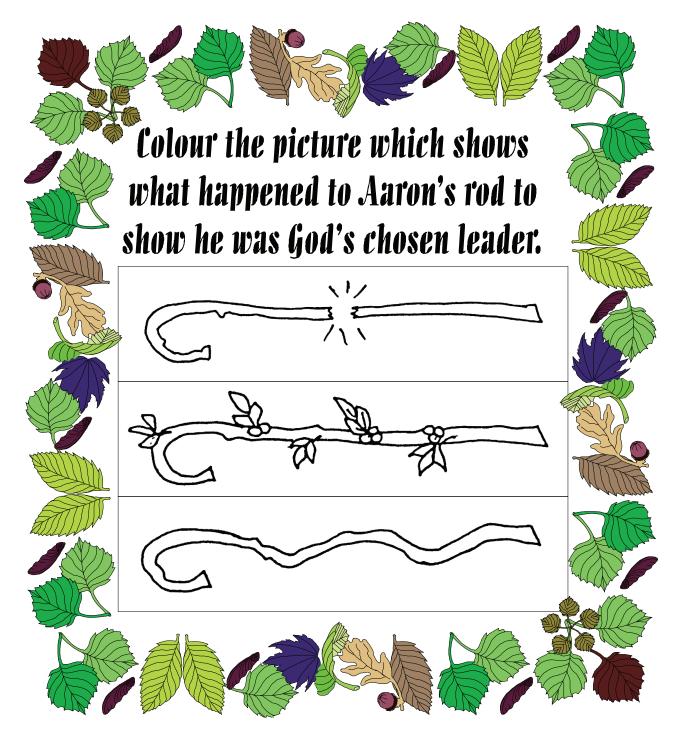
#### After each lesson

- ♦ Make sure that your child learns the memory verse from the lesson.
- ♦ Have the child read the Bible passage for the lesson again or read it to him/her. The reference is provided in the header on the homework activity page. All Scripture references are taken from the New King James Version (1983 edition).
- Discuss the story with the child and ask them what they learnt from the story.
- ♦ Link the activity that the teacher used to the story so that the significance of the activity is clear to the students.
- Set regular times each week for the child to complete the homework activity and daily devotions.
- Give your child as much help and encouragement as they need to complete these tasks. This is an opportunity to fellowship in the word of God with your child!
- Ensure that your child brings the handbook to class so that the teacher can check the homework and mark the following week's memory verse.
- Encourage your child to read ahead for the next lesson.

May God bless you and guide you as parents as you help your children in this way!

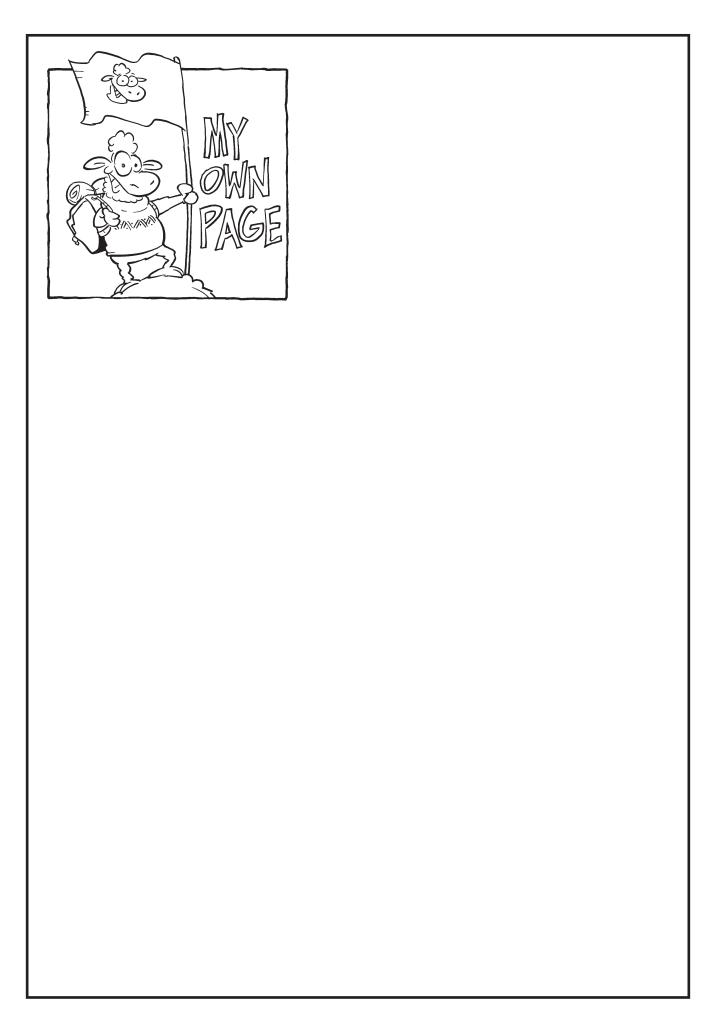
### Aaron's rod

Numbers 16 & 17



"Obey those who rule over you" (Hebrews 13:17).
"I chose you." (John 15:16).





### Moses hits the rock

Numbers 20:2-13

Can you draw the rod in Moses' hands and the water coming out of the rock?



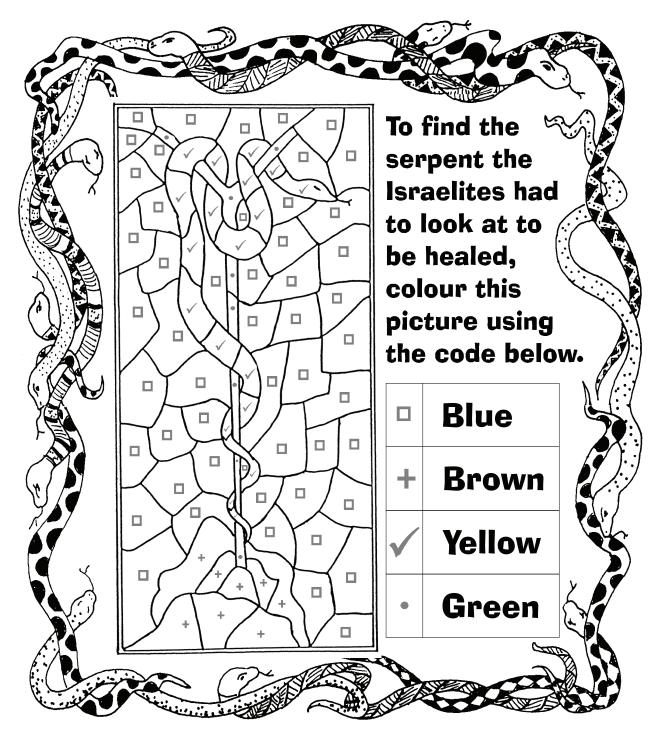
"Believe in the Lord your God." (2 Chronicles 20:20).
"The Lord is gracious." (Psalm 145:8).





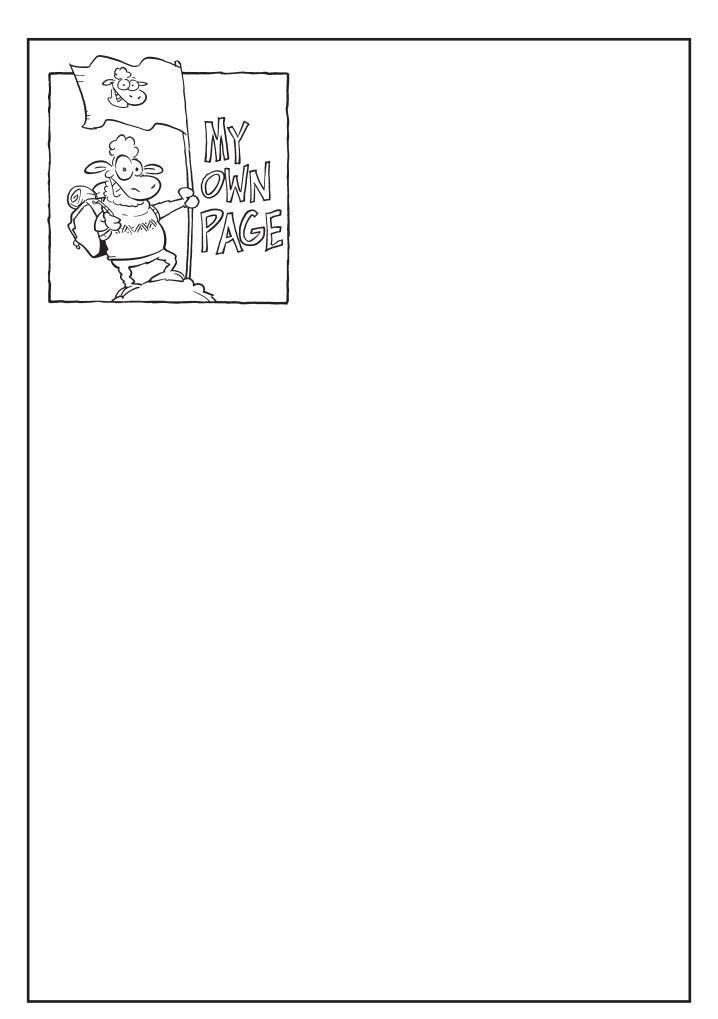
### The bronze serpent

Numbers 21:4-9; John 3:14-15



"He who has the Son has life." (1 John 5:12).
"Confess your trespasses to one another." (James 5:16).



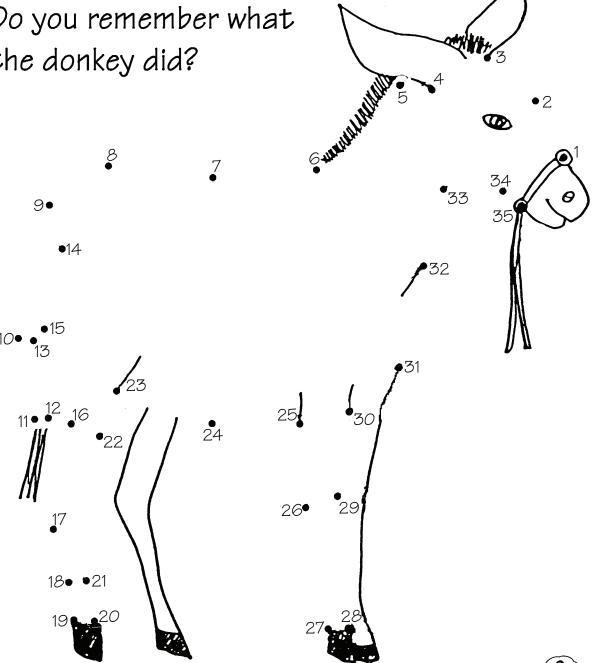


### Balaam and his donkey

Numbers 22 - 24

Join the dots to find Balaam's donkey.

Do you remember what the donkey did?



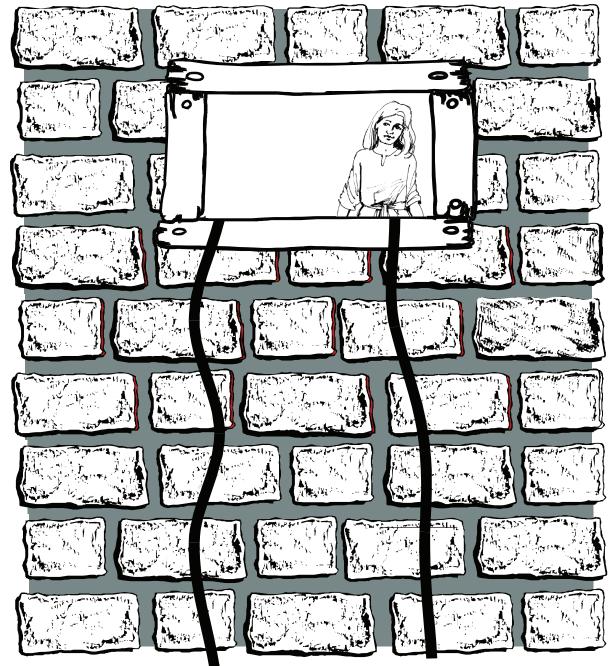
"Listen carefully to Me." (Isaiah 55:2).
"I am the Lord, I do not change." (Malachi 3:6).





### **Joshua and Rahab**

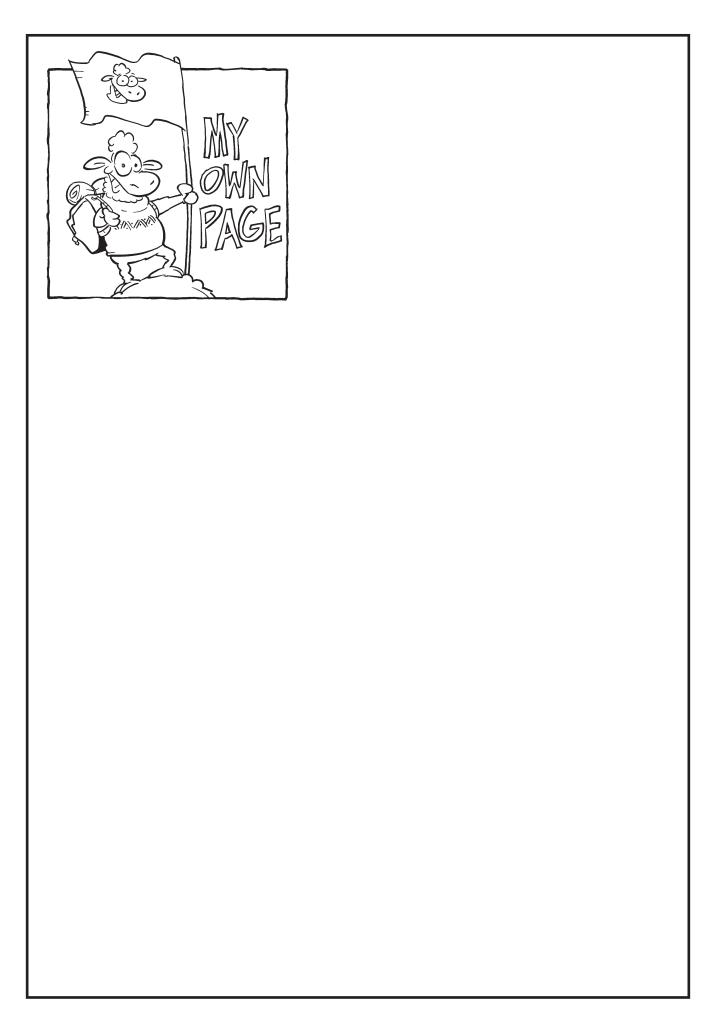
Joshua 1 & 2



## Can you draw the two spies escaping from Rahab's house?

"Your faith has saved you." (Luke 7:50).
"No one can serve two masters." (Matthew 6:24).

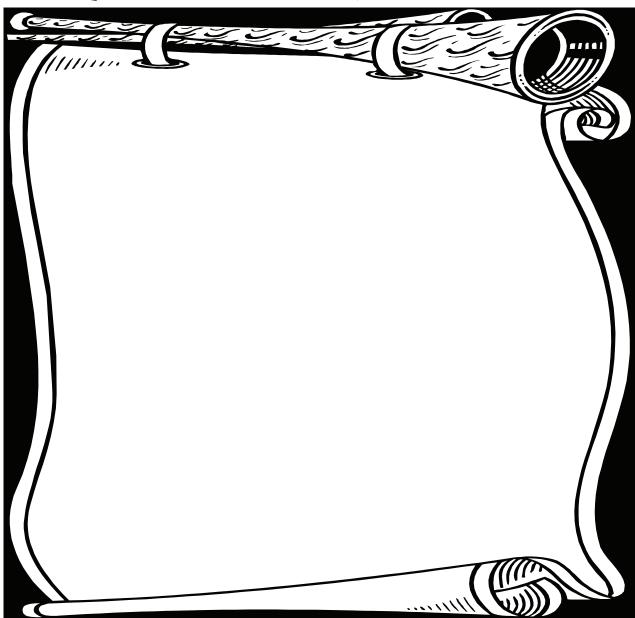




## Crossing the Jordan, Jericho

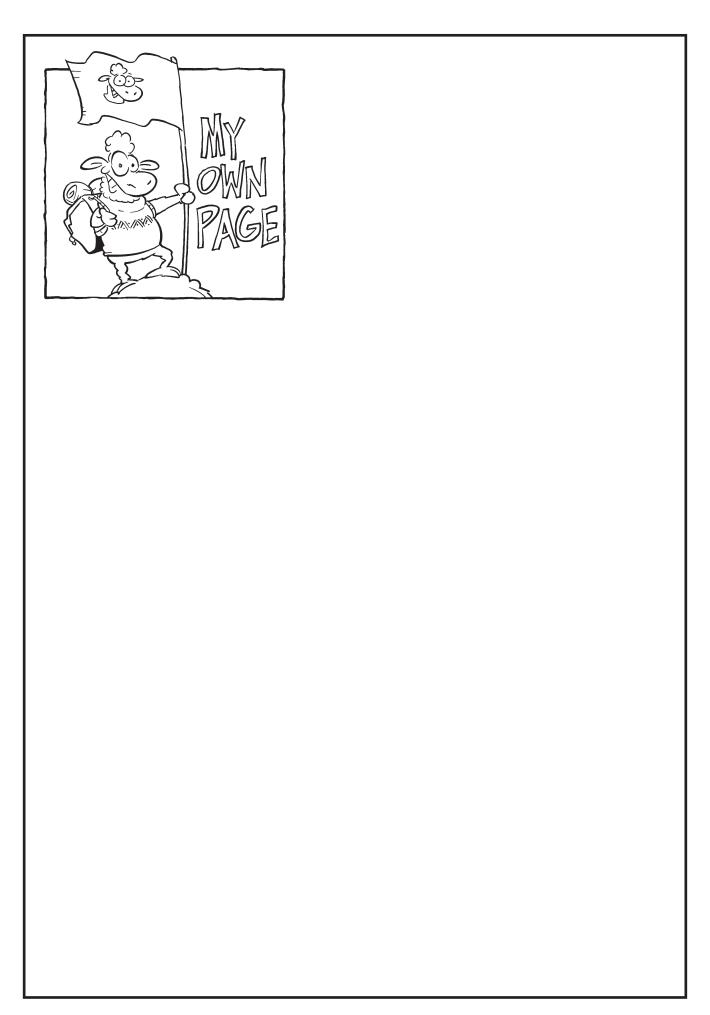
Joshua 3 – 6; I Kings 16:34

Draw a picture of the seven priests blowing the trumpets, and tell Mum and Dad the story of how the walls of Jericho fell down.



"Trust in the Lord with all your heart." (Proverbs 3:5).
"He who promised is faithful." (Hebrews 10:23).

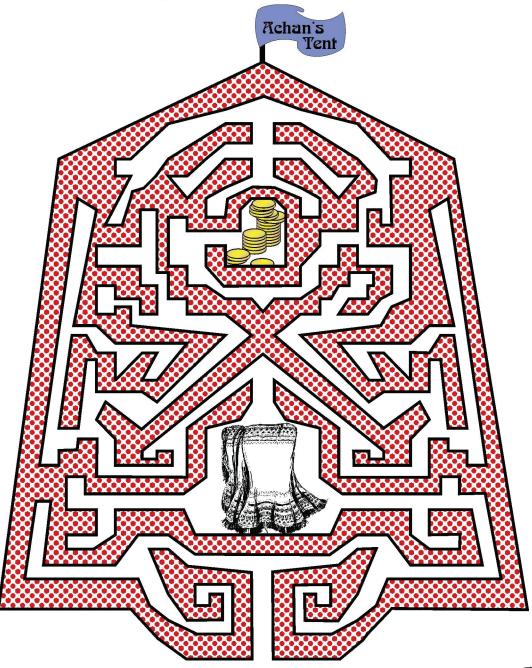




### The sin of Achan

Joshua 7

Find your way through the maze to where Achan has the gold coins hidden. On the way you may come across some of Achan's other stolen treasure.



	"Blessed is the man who endures temptation." (James 1:12).
ĺ	"We are members of one another." (Ephesians 4:25).

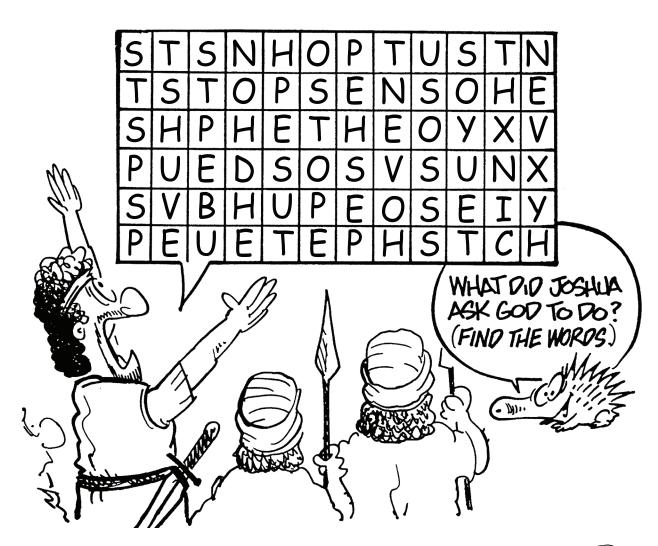




### The sun stands still

Joshua 10:1-15

Get Mum or Dad to help you find the three words in the puzzle and write them on the lines below.



"Hear my prayer, O Lord." (Psalm 39:12).
"With God all things are possible." (Matthew 19:26).





### Number these pictures in the right order to show



"We walk by faith, not by sight." (2 Corinthians 5:7).
"Our sufficiency is from God." (2 Corinthians 3:5).





### Gideon and his army

Judges 6:11-3; 7:1 - 8:28

Gideon's army had some weapons, but more importantly they trusted God. Colour in the strange weapons, and tick the boxes which show the wonderful help that Gideon's army had.



	"God is with us." (Isaiah 8:10).
I	"When I am weak, then I am strong." (2 Corinthians 12:10).





Judges 13, 15

When the Lord strengthened Samson, he was so strong that he was able to kill a ferocious animal with his bare hands. Use a thick black felt pen to join the dots on the picture below and find out what sort of animal it was.



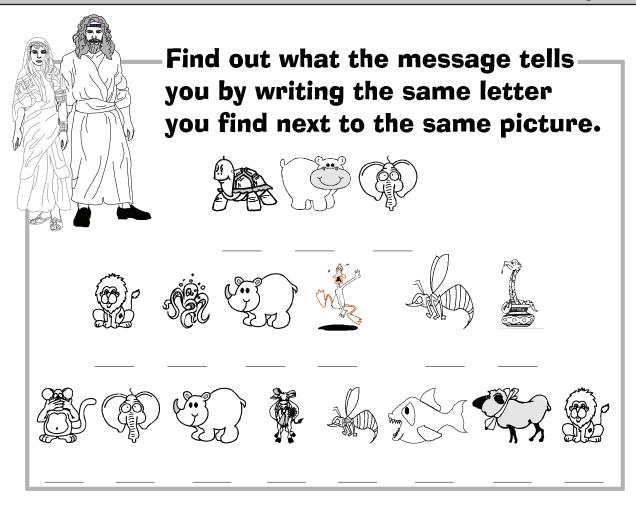
"He who called you is holy." (1 Peter 1:15).
"The Lord is my strength." (Psalm 28:7).

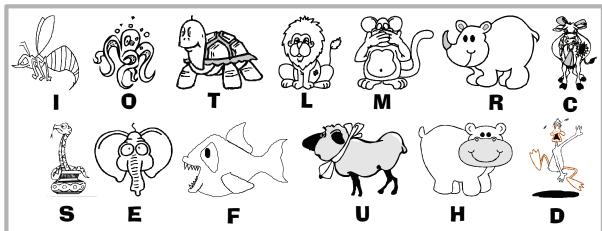




### Samson and Delilah

Judges 16





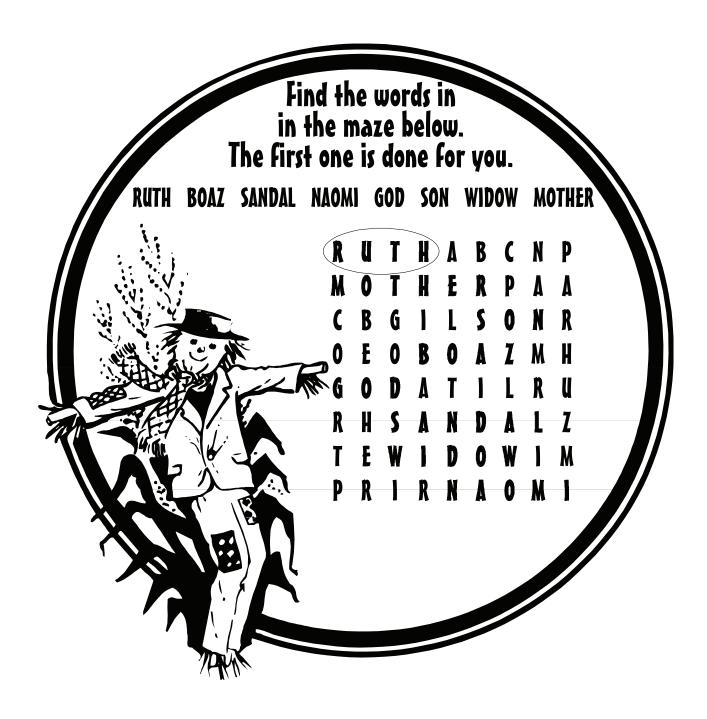
	"Godly sorrow produces repentance." (2 Corinthians 7:10).
	"Do not love the world." (1 John 2:15).





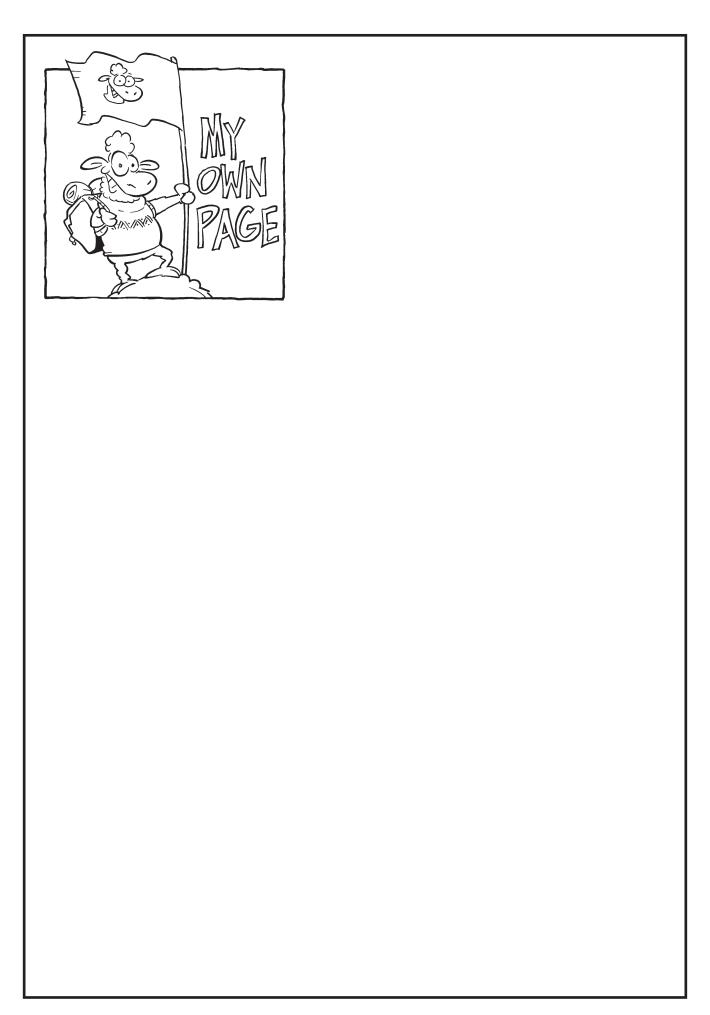
### Ruth, Naomi and Boaz

Ruth



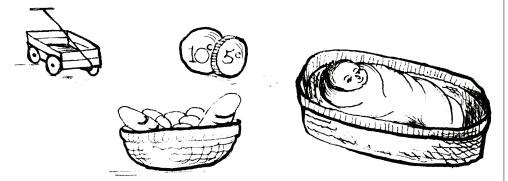
"I trust in You." (Psalm 25:2).
"Let your light so shine before men." (Matthew 5:16).







Colour the picture of Hannah praying, then colour the picture of what Hannah was praying for.



"God has heard me." (Psalm 66:19).
"God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7).





### Samuel hears God speak

I Samuel 3



Someone was talking to
Samuel and he needed
Eli to tell him it was the Lord.
The Lord has given you someone
to teach you how to hear His
voice and obey Him. Draw a
picture of the person who teaches
you to hear God's voice.



	"Speak, Lord, for Your servant hears." (1 Samuel 3:9).
	"I delight to do Your will." (Psalm 37:4).





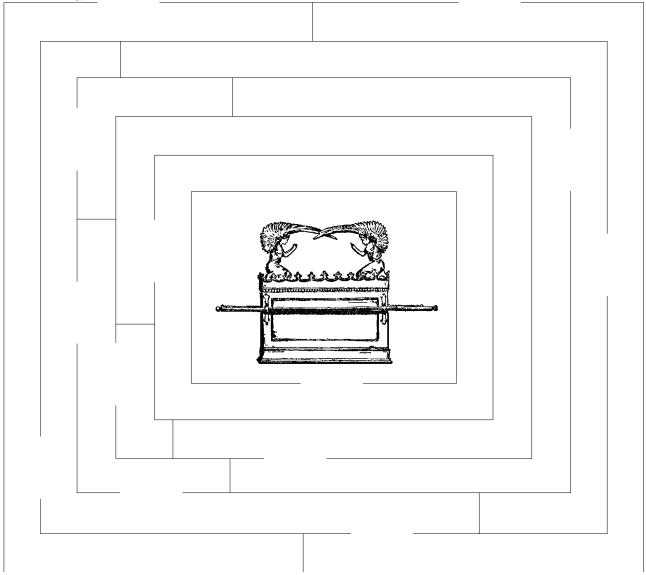
### Eli, Hophni and Phinehas

I Samuel 4 - 6





# Help these Israelites find the Ark of the Covenant.



"Fear the Lord." (Psalm 34:9).
"God is a just judge." (Psalm 7:11).





### **Sonseekers Curriculum**

#### **Unit One**

- 1. Creation 1
- 2. Creation 2
- 3. Adam and Eve
- 4. The fall
- 5. Cain and Abel
- 6. Noah builds an ark
- 7. The flood, Noah and his sons
- 8. The tower of Babel
- 9. Abram called, Abram and Lot
- 10. The covenant with Abraham
- 11. Ishmael and Isaac
- 12. Sodom and Gomorrah
- 13. The sacrifice of Isaac
- 14. Rebekah, Isaac's bride
- 15. Jacob and Esau
- 16. Jacob's ladder, Leah and Rachel

#### **Unit Two**

- 17. Jacob becomes Israel
- 18. Joseph, the favourite son
- 19. Joseph goes to Egypt
- 20. Joseph interprets the dreams
- 21. Joseph's brothers
- 22. Israel in Egypt
- 23. Israelite slaves, Moses born
- 24. Moses flees and returns to Egypt
- 25. "Let My people go"
- 26. The first passover, Israel delivered
- 27. Crossing the Red Sea
- 28. Manna, water from the rock
- 29. Sinai and the ten commandments
- 30. Moses and the tabernacle
- 31. The golden calf
- 32. Twelve spies, 40 years of wandering

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#### **Unit Four**

- 49. Saul chosen
- 50. Saul and the Amalekites
- 51. David chosen
- 52. David and Goliath
- 53. David and Jonathan
- 54. David and Saul
- 55. David crowned
- 56. David and the ark
- 57. Absalom
- 58. Solomon becomes king
- 59. Solomon's temple
- 60. Israel divided, Rehoboam and Jeroboam
- 61. Elijah and the widow
- 62. Elijah on Mount Carmel
- 63. Good King Jehoshaphat
- 64. Elisha and the double portion

#### **Unit Five**

- 65. The widow's oil, a boy raised
- 66. Naaman
- 67. Famine in Samaria
- 68. Jonah
- 69. The captivity of Israel (the northern kingdom)
- 70. Hezekiah and Sennacherib
- 71. Isaiah
- 72. Josiah
- 73. Jeremiah
- 74. The captivity of Judah (the southern kingdom)
- 75. Daniel interprets the king's dream
- 76. The fiery furnace
- 77. The writing on the wall
- 78. Daniel in the lions' den
- 79. Esther
- 80. Restoration

#### **Unit Six**

- 81. Zacharias, Elizabeth, Mary and John
- 82. The birth of Jesus
- 83. Jesus in the temple
- 84. John the Baptist
- 85. Jesus baptised and tempted
- 86. The call of the disciples
- 87. Water turned to wine
- 88. The temple cleansed, Nicodemus
- 89. The woman at the well
- 90. Healing of the paralysed man
- 91. The house built on the rock
- 92. Jesus stills the storm
- 93. The feeding of the 5000
- 94. The centurion's servant
- 95. Forgiveness in Simon's house
- 96. The sower and the seed

#### **Unit Seven**

- 97. Jairus' daughter, a woman touches Jesus
- 98. Jesus walks on the water
- 99. Miracles of healing
- 100. The transfiguration
- 101. A boy is healed
- 102. The unmerciful servant
- 103. A man born blind
- 104. The good Samaritan
- 105. Prayer
- 106. The raising of Lazarus
- 107. The lost sheep, coin and
- 108. Attitudes of a servant
- 109. The marriage of the king's son
- 110. The ten lepers
- 111. The ten virgins
- 112. The talents

### **Unit Eight**

- 113. Palm Sunday114. The last supper and
- Gethsemane
- 115. The crucifixion 116. The resurrection
- 117. Peter restored
- 118. The risen Christ and His ascension
- 119. The day of Pentecost
- 120. Peter and John
- 121. Peter and the Gentiles
- 122. Stephen
- 123. Philip
- 124. Paul's conversion
- 125. Paul's first missionary journey
- 126. Paul's second and third missionary journeys
- 127. Paul's capture and imprisonment
- 128. Paul's final journey

