

STUDENT HANDBOOK

UNIT 6

Jesus' Birth and His Ministry

LEVEL ONE

SON SEEKERS

AGES 5-6

**Jesus
is Born**

Name:

COME
FOLLOW
ME!

JESUS CALLS FOR HELPERS

**Wild John comes
to town.**

**LOCUST & HONEY
BURGERS**

DO YOU
WANT FRIES
WITH THAT?

ME?

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

4000BC	Creation 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 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

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 three 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 Level	Student Age	School 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

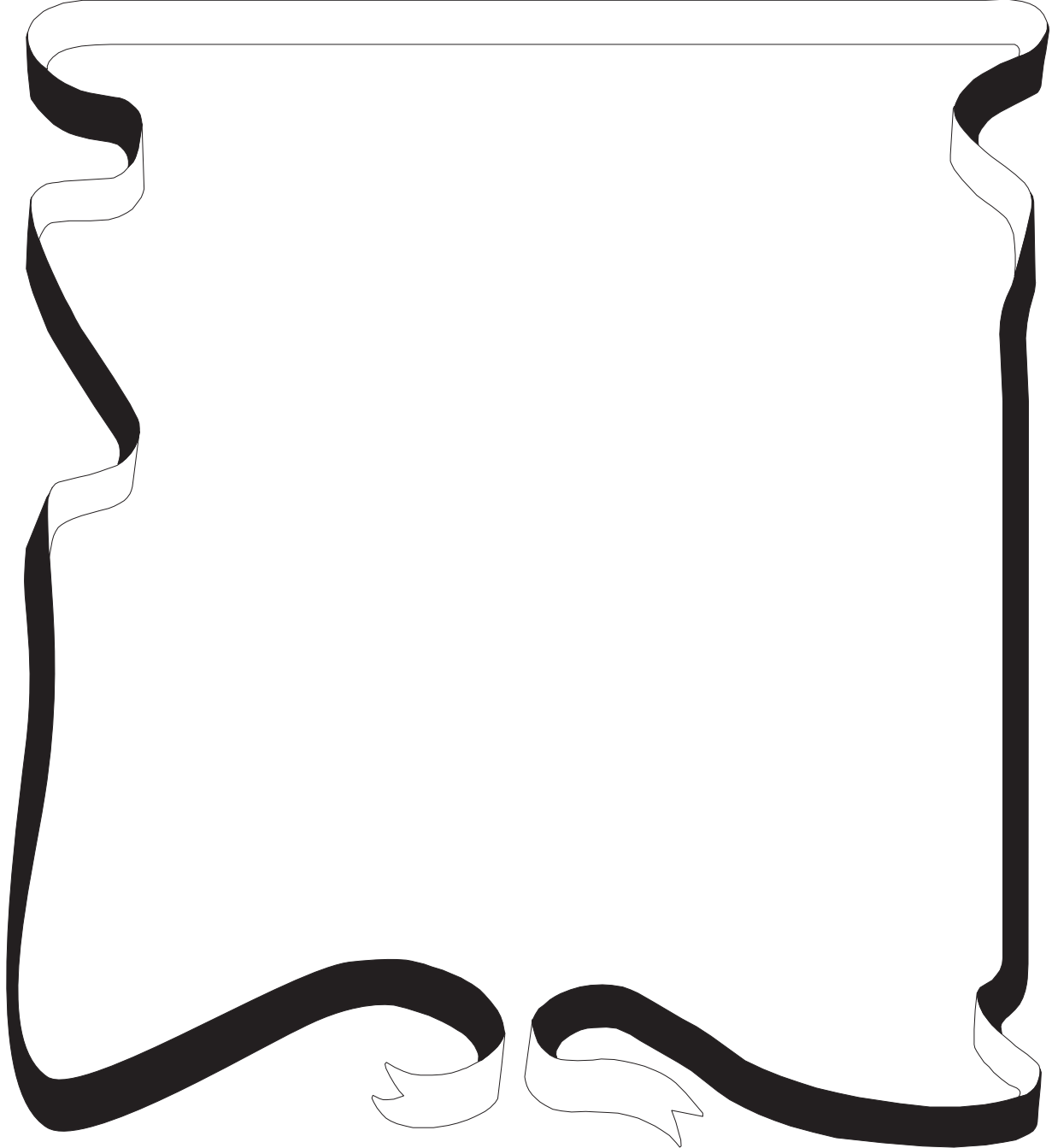
- ◆ Make sure that your child learns the memory verse from the lesson.
- ◆ Have the child read the Bible passage for the lesson again or read it to him/her. The reference is provided in the header on the homework activity page. All Scripture references are taken from the New King James Version (1983 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!**

Zacharias, Elizabeth, Mary and John

Numbers 6:1-8;
Luke 1:5-80

Ask Mum or Dad to tell you about a miracle that has happened in your family or church gathering, then make a drawing of it.



Memory Verse

	<i>"With God nothing will be impossible." (Luke 1:37).</i>
	<i>"I have called you by your name." (Isaiah 43:1).</i>





Matthew 1:18-25;
2:1-23
Isaiah 7:14;
Luke 2:1-40

The birth of Jesus

A VERY SPECIAL BIRTH CELEBRATION ACTIVITY

The Wise Man is celebrating too. Glue coloured paper on gift.

The heavens are celebrating Jesus' Birth. Colour in the star or use glitter.

The shepherd has brought his lamb to the celebration. Glue cotton wool on lamb.

Draw a picture of yourself celebrating Jesus' birth.

Memory Verse

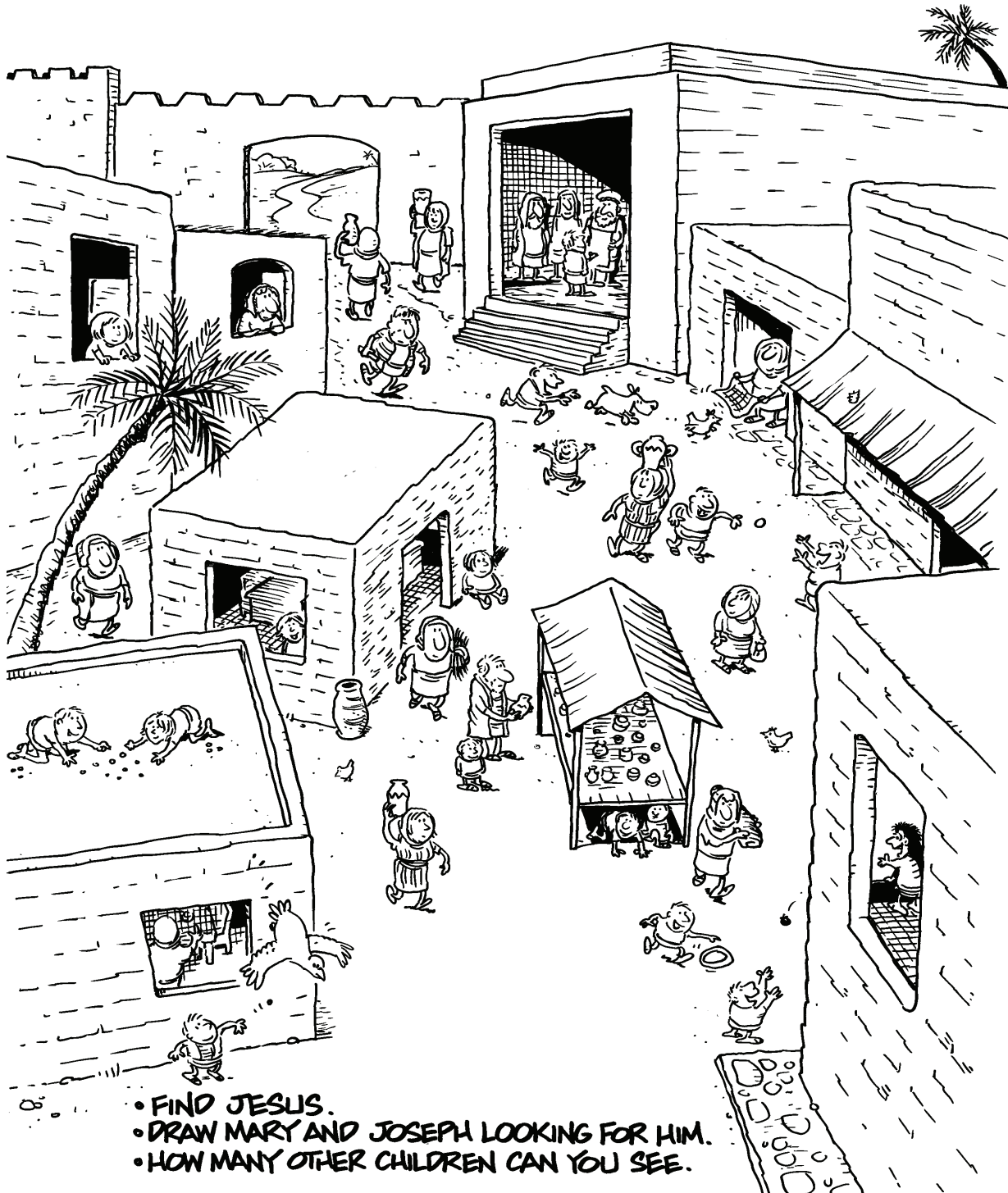
	"We will rejoice and be glad." (Psalm 118:24).
	"God is our refuge and strength." (Psalm 46:1).





Jesus in the temple

Luke 2:41-52



- FIND JESUS.
- DRAW MARY AND JOSEPH LOOKING FOR HIM.
- HOW MANY OTHER CHILDREN CAN YOU SEE.

Memory Verse

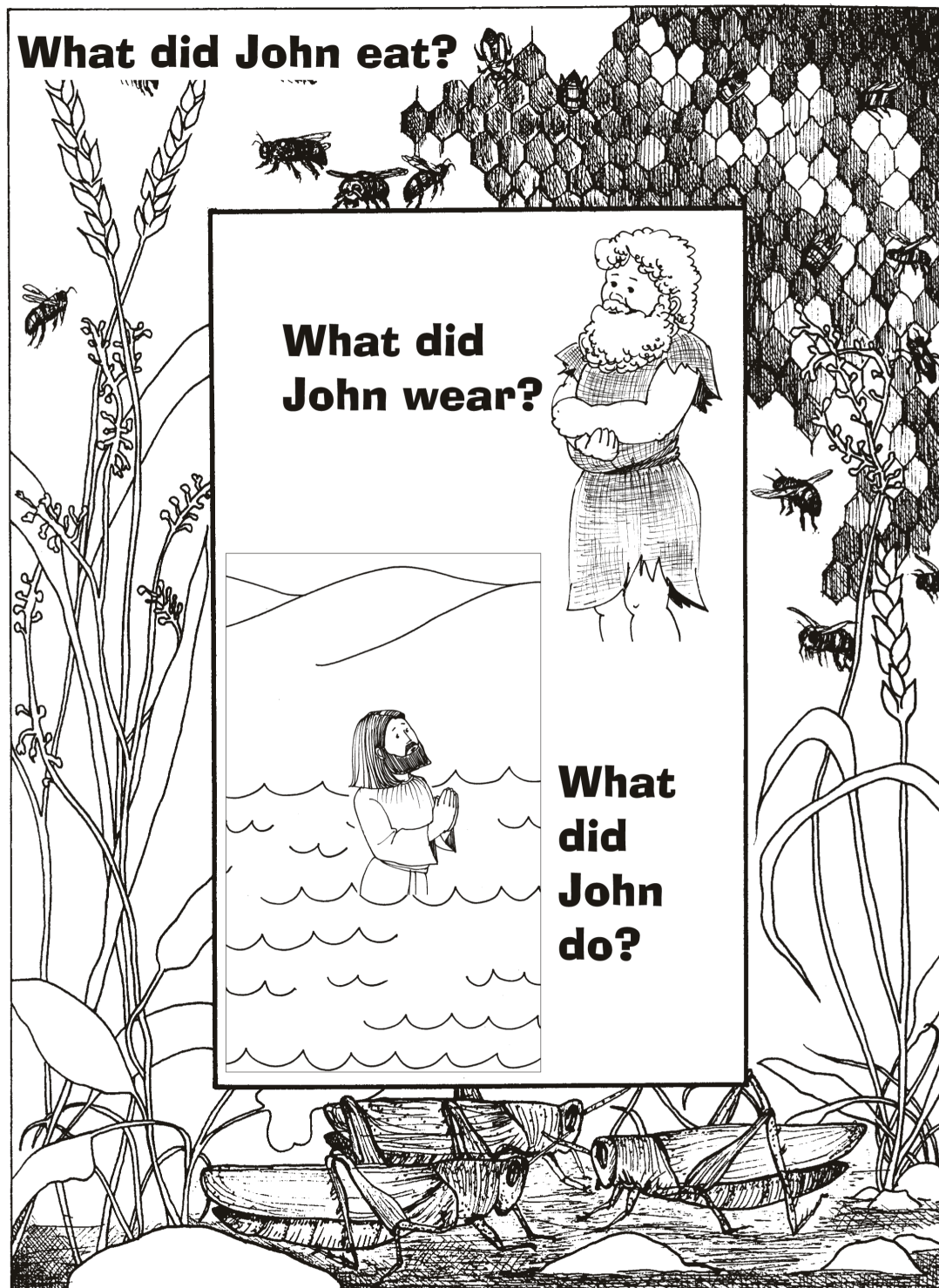
	"I must be about My Father's business." (Luke 2:49).
	"I believed and therefore I spoke." (2 Corinthians 4:13).





John the Baptist

Matthew 3:1-12;
14:1-12;
Mark 1:1-8;
Luke 3:1-20; 9-28



Memory Verse

	"Godly sorrow produces repentance." (2 Corinthians 7:10).
	"We are ambassadors for Christ." (2 Corinthians 5:20).





Jesus baptised and tempted

Matthew 3:13-17;
4:1-11;
Mark 1:9-13;
Luke 3:21-22;
4:1-13; John 1:29-34

Draw a dove to represent the Holy Spirit coming down on Jesus, and colour the picture.



Memory Verse

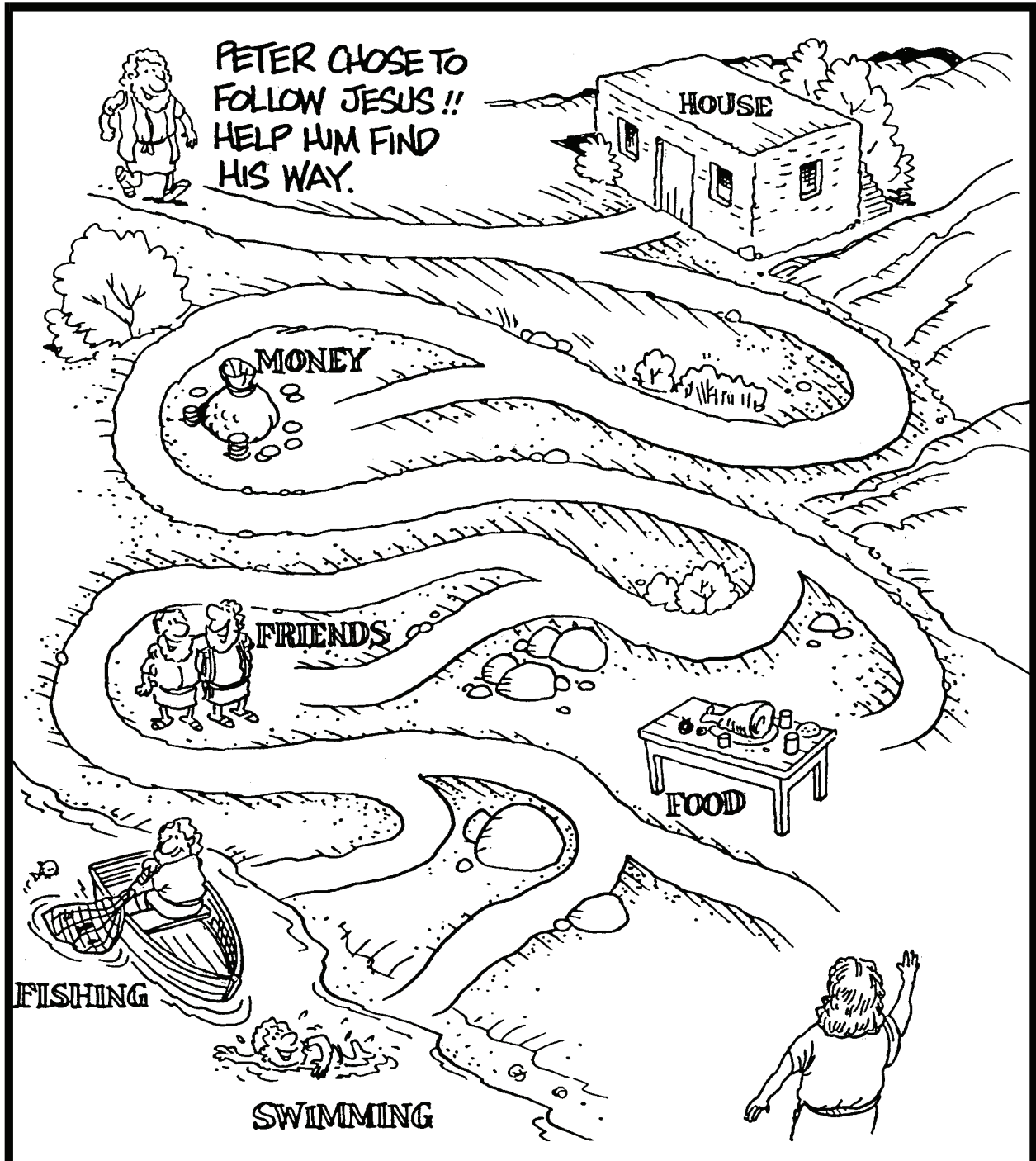
	"He will give you another Helper." (John 14:16).
	"Blessed is the man who endures temptation." (James 1:12).





The call of the disciples

John 1:35-51;
Matthew 10:1-4;
Luke 10:1-12



Memory Verse

	"Follow Me." (Matthew 9:9).
	"But You, O Lord, know me." (Jeremiah 12:3).





Water turned to wine

John 2:1-11

How many pots of water did Jesus turn into wine?
Can you draw over and colour the dotted pots?



Memory Verse

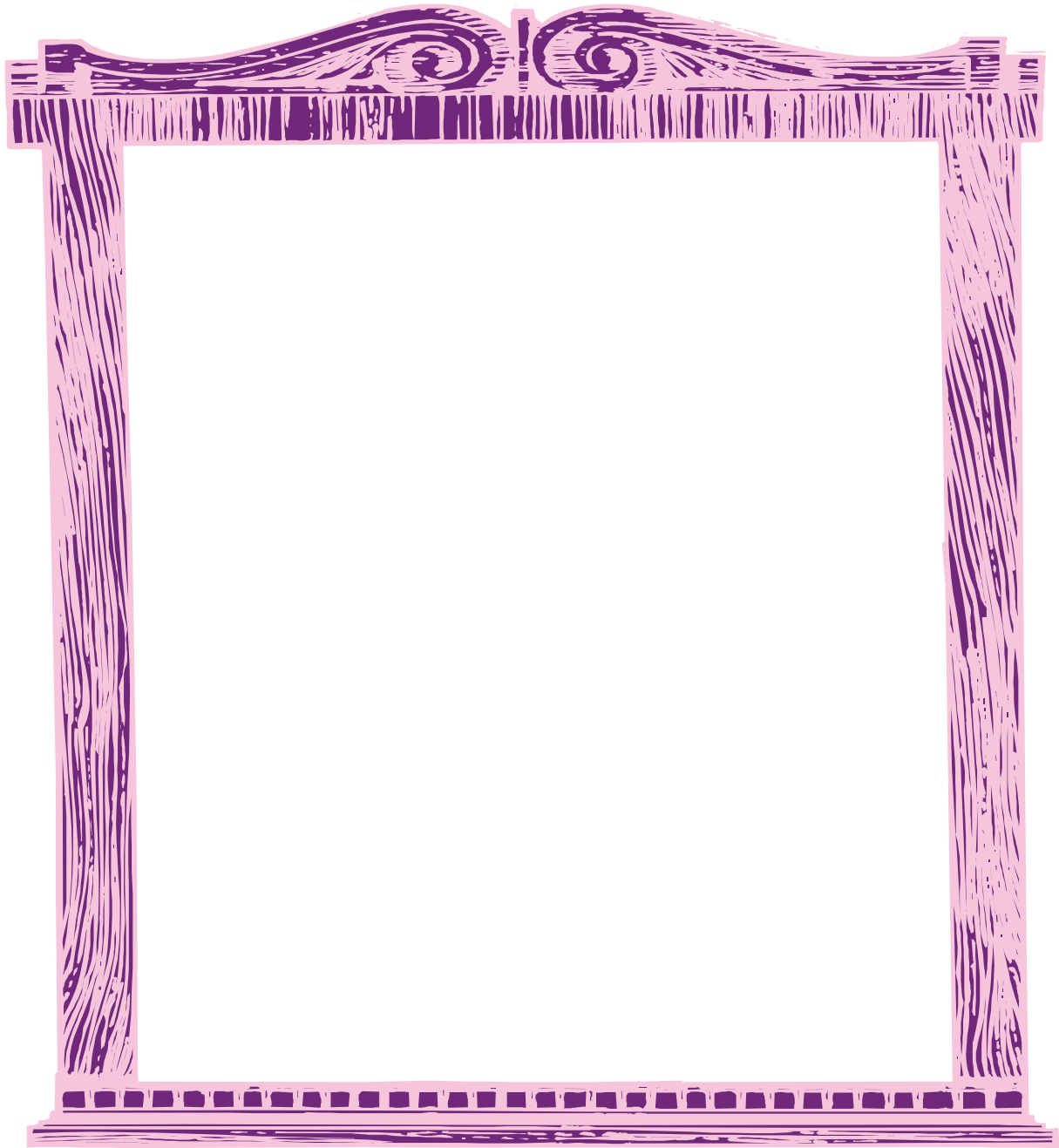
	"The Lord is my helper." (Hebrews 13:6).
	"Obey the voice of the Lord." (Jeremiah 38:20).





The temple cleansed, Nicodemus

John 2:13-22; 3:1-21



Jesus made a whip and chased the money changers and animals out of the temple Can you draw a picture of this happening?

Memory Verse

	"You must be born again." (John 3:7).
	"You are the temple of God." (1 Corinthians 3:16).

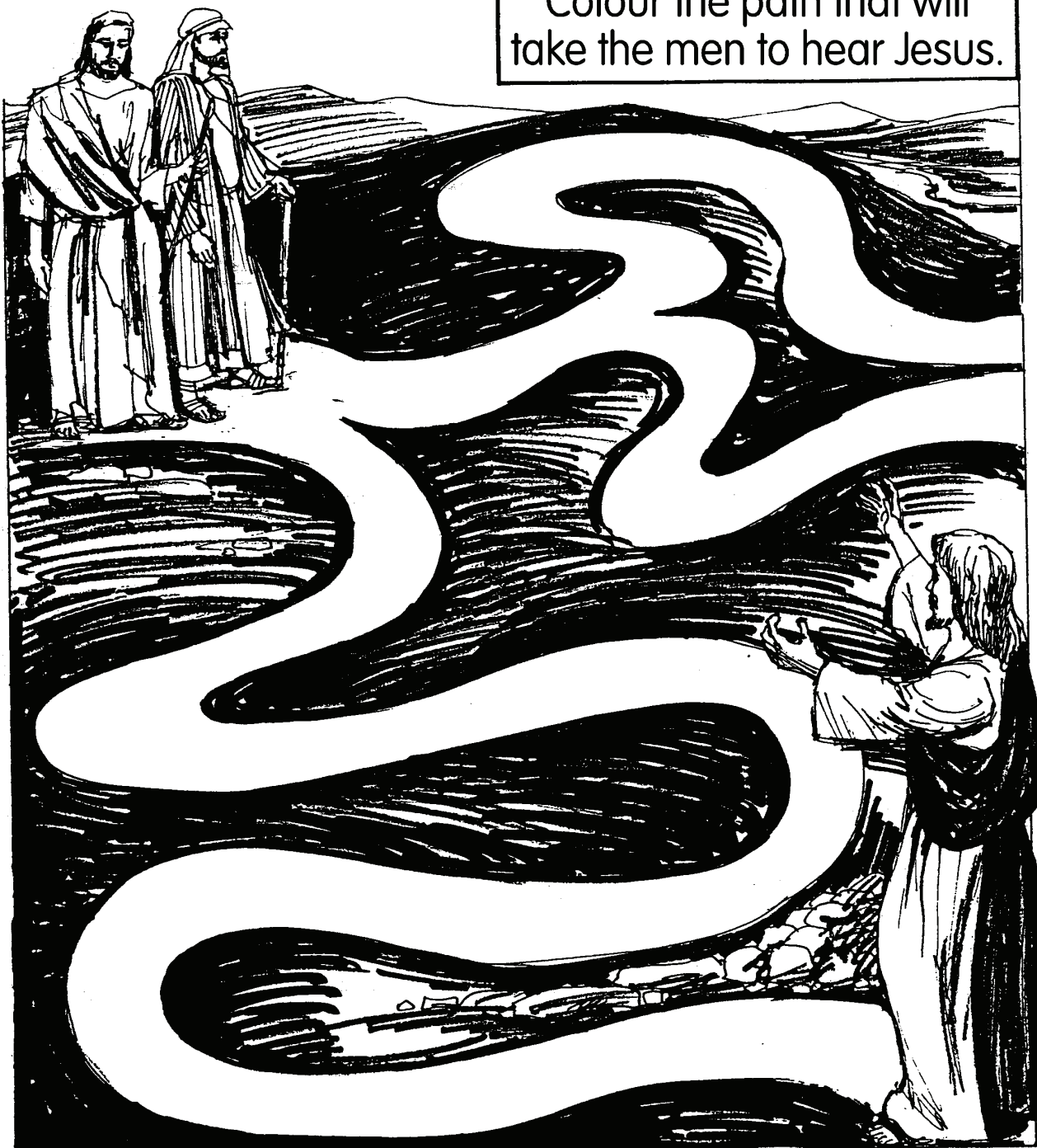




The woman at the well

John 4:3-42

Colour the path that will
take the men to hear Jesus.



Memory Verse

	"Worship the Father in spirit and truth." (John 4:23).
	"You, O Lord, know me." (Jeremiah 12:3).

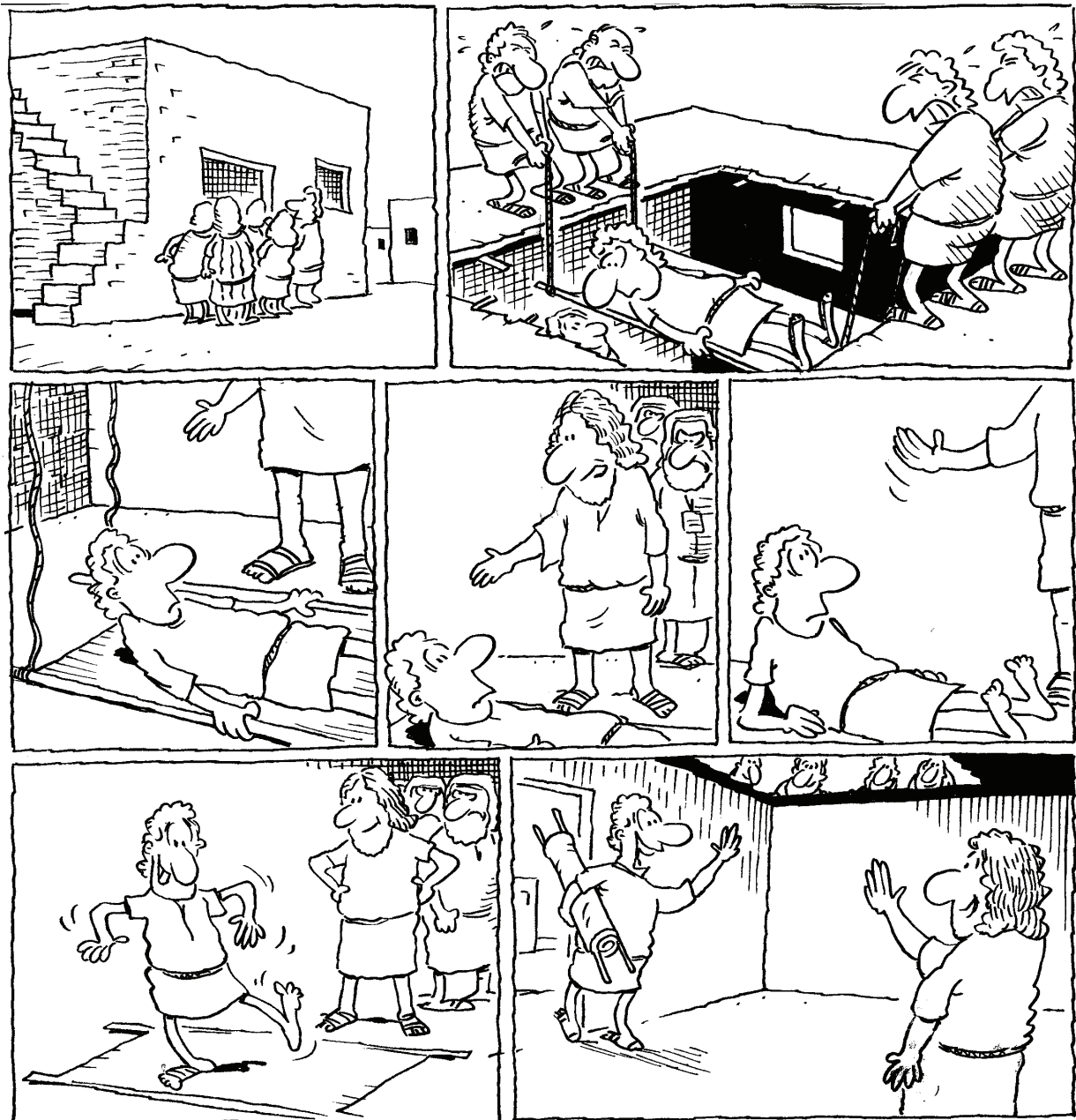




Healing of the paralysed man

Mark 2:1-12;
Matthew 9:1-8;
Luke 5:17-26

Look at the pictures.
Can you tell the story of the paralysed man?
Colour the pictures.



Memory Verse

	"Power belongs to God." (Psalm 62:11).
	"Let us love one another." (1 John 4:7).

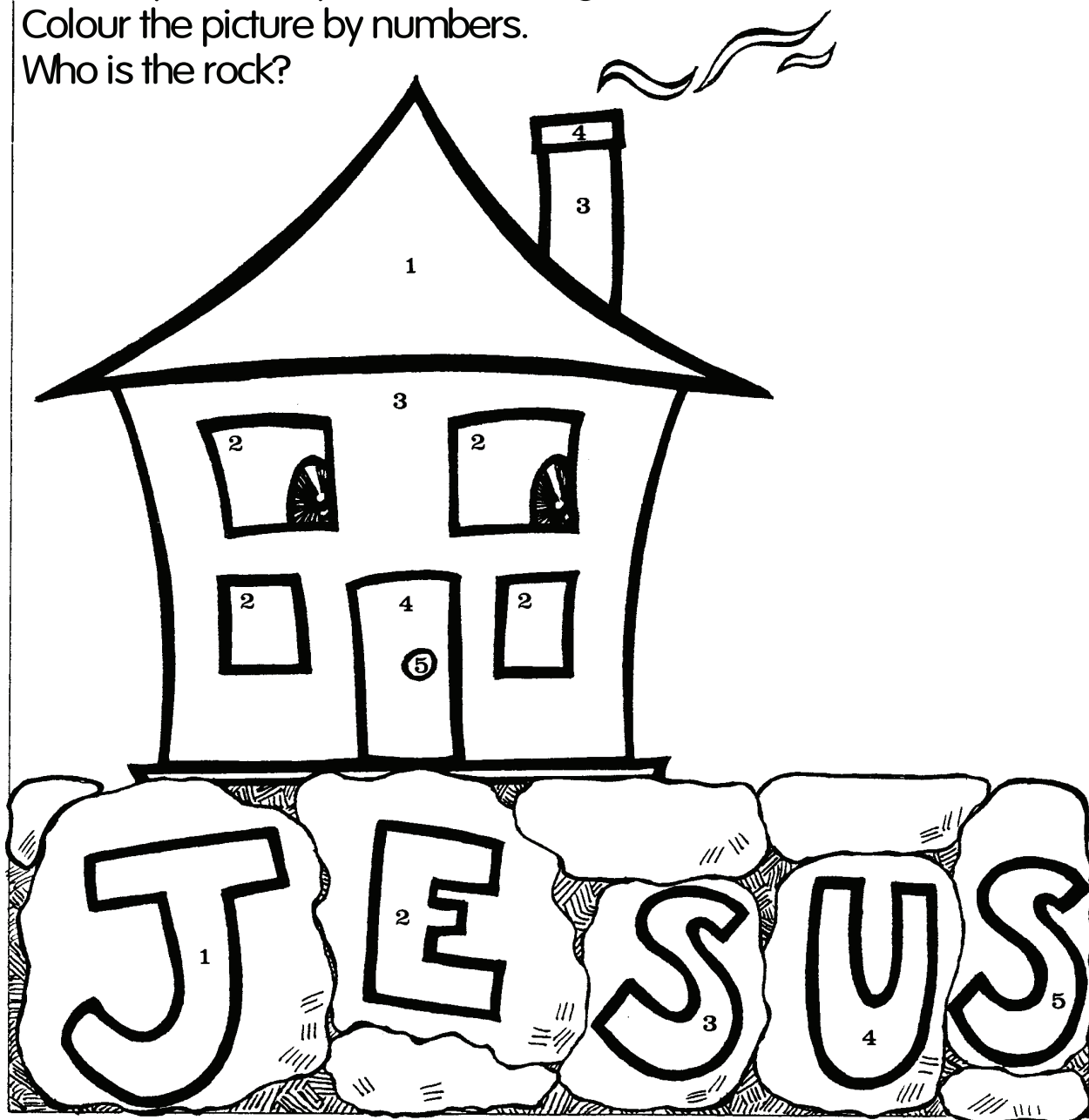




The house built on the rock

Matthew 7:24-29;
Luke 6:46-49

Draw a picture of yourself standing on the rock.
Colour the picture by numbers.
Who is the rock?



1. Yellow 2. Blue 3. Red 4. Orange 5. Green
Colour the rocks brown

Memory Verse

	"Be doers of the word." (James 1:22).
	"The Lord is my rock." (Psalm 18:2).





Jesus stills the storm

Mark 4:35-51;
Matthew 8:18,23-27;
Luke 8:22-25

Add extra waves to the sea and paste cotton wool on the clouds to create a storm.



Memory Verse

	"He cares for you." (1 Peter 5:7).
	"Faith without works is dead." (James 2:20).

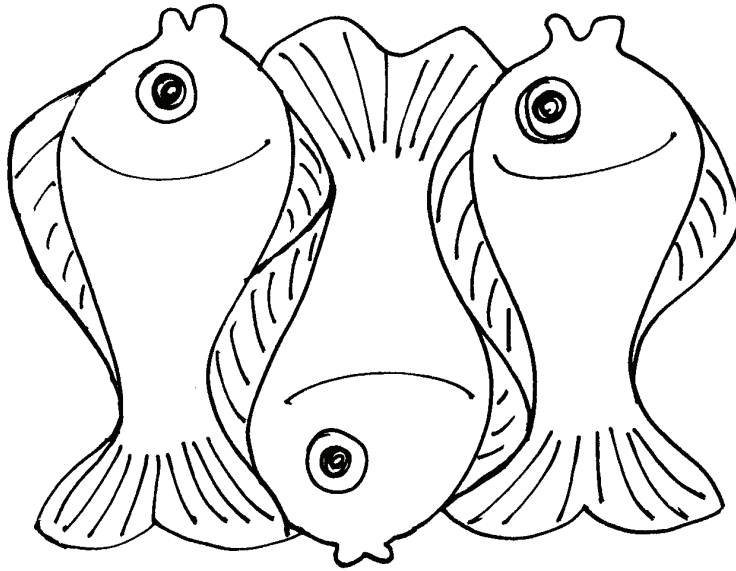




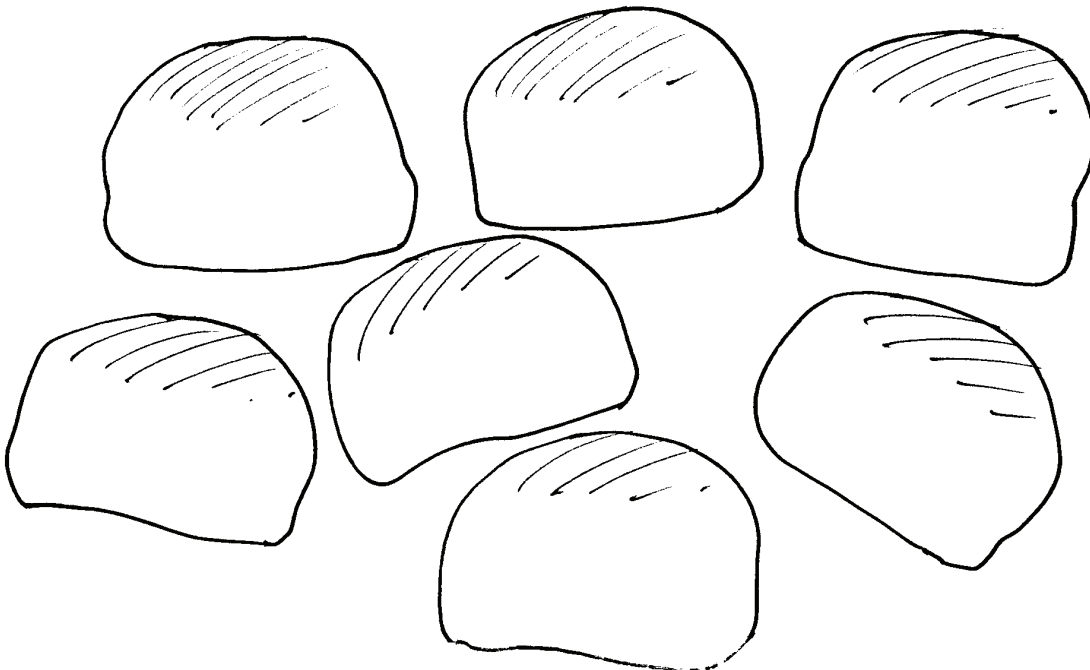
John 6:1-14;
Matthew 14:13-21;
Mark 6:34-44;
Luke 9:10-17

The feeding of 5000

**How many fish and loaves of bread did the boy have?
Colour the correct number of each.**



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Memory Verse

	"God shall supply all your need." (Philippians 4:19).
	"God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7).



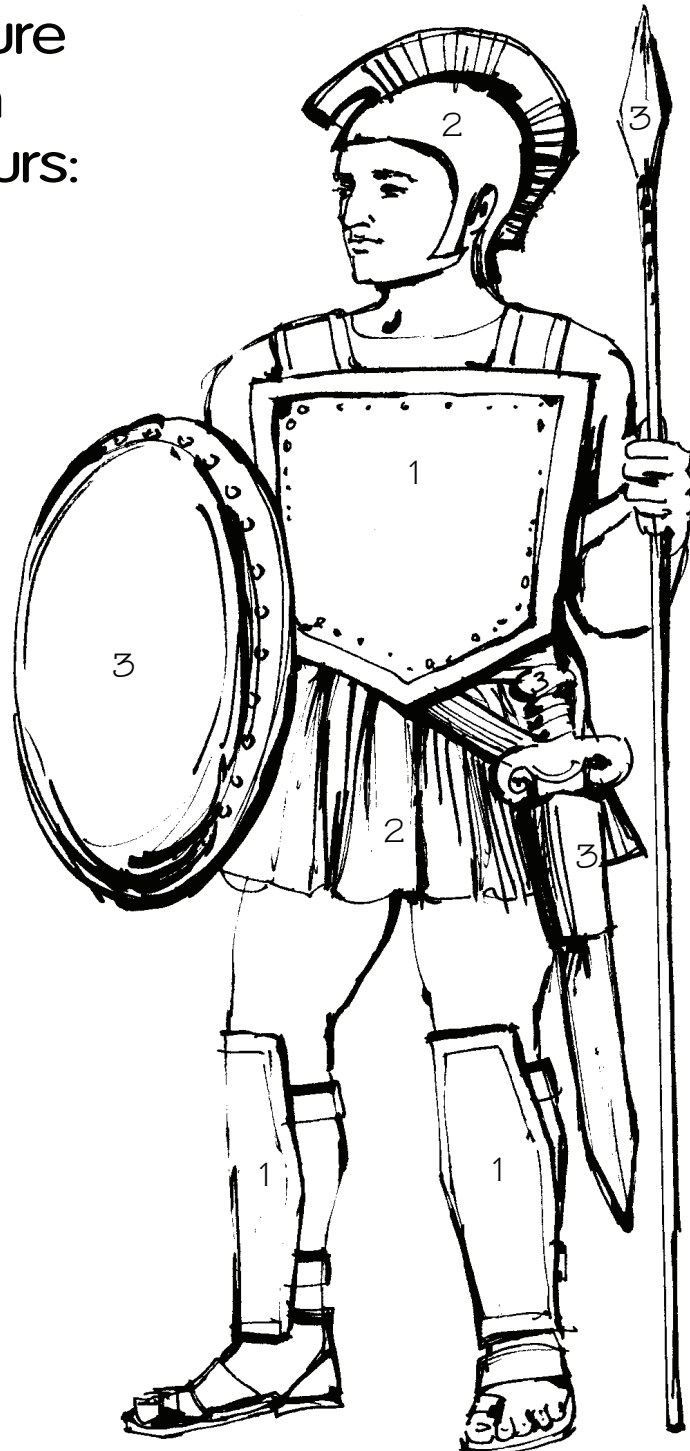


The centurion's servant

Luke 7:1-10;
Matthew 8:1-13

Colour this picture
of the centurion
with these colours:

1. Red
2. Blue
3. Yellow



Memory Verse

	"Ask in faith, with no doubting." (James 1:6).
	"Be clothed with humility." (1 Peter 5:5).

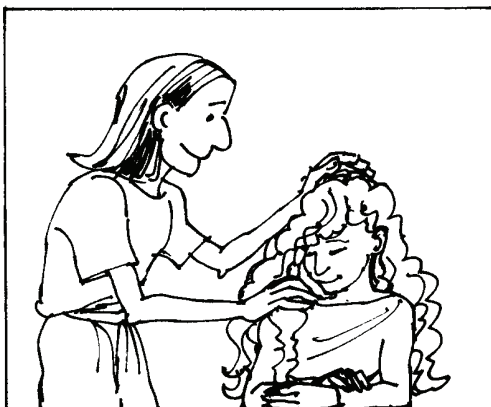
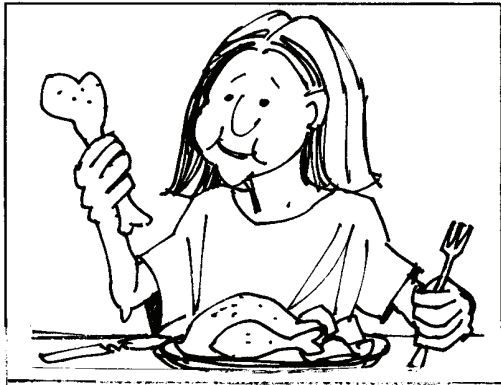




Forgiveness in Simon's house

Luke 7:36-50

Colour the picture that shows what happened in this week's story.



Memory Verse

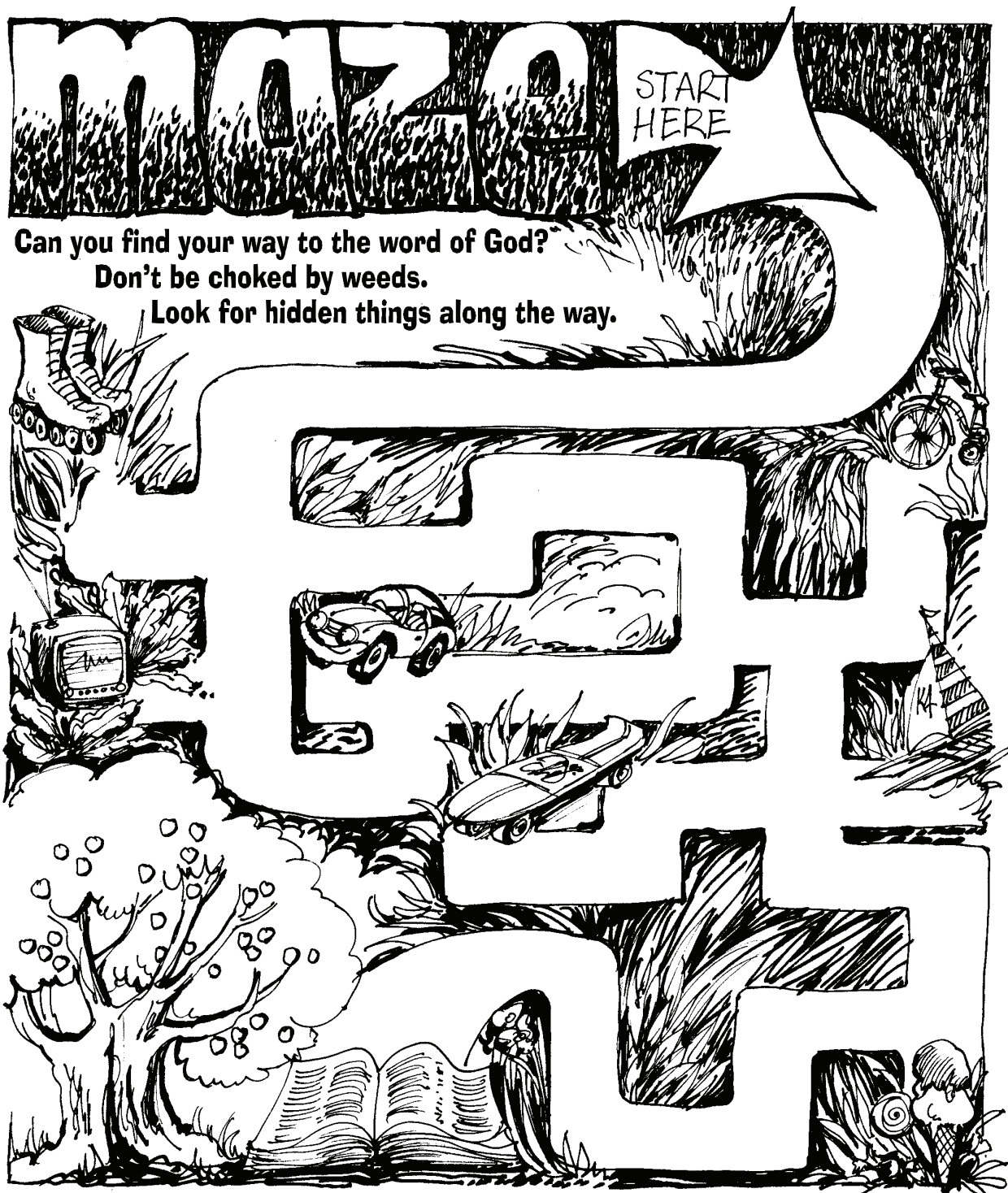
	"Show mercy and compassion." (Zechariah 7:9).
	"Your sins are forgiven." (Luke 7:48).





The sower and the seed

Matthew 13:1-23;
Mark 4:1-20;
Luke 8:4-15



Memory Verse

	"Hear the word." (Mark 4:18).
	"I rejoice at Your word." (Psalm 119:162).





Sonseekers Curriculum

Unit One <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Creation 1 Creation 2 Adam and Eve The fall Cain and Abel Noah builds an ark The flood, Noah and his sons The tower of Babel Abram called, Abram and Lot The covenant with Abraham Ishmael and Isaac Sodom and Gomorrah The sacrifice of Isaac Rebekah, Isaac's bride Jacob and Esau Jacob's ladder, Leah and Rachel 	Unit Two <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Jacob becomes Israel Joseph, the favourite son Joseph goes to Egypt Joseph interprets the dreams Joseph's brothers Israel in Egypt Israelite slaves, Moses born Moses flees and returns to Egypt "Let My people go" The first passover, Israel delivered Crossing the Red Sea Manna, water from the rock Sinai and the ten commandments Moses and the tabernacle The golden calf Twelve spies, 40 years of wandering 	Unit Three <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Aaron's rod Moses hits the rock The bronze serpent Balaam and his donkey Joshua and Rahab Crossing the Jordan, Jericho The sin of Achan The sun stands still Gideon's fleece Gideon and his army Samson Samson and Delilah Ruth, Naomi and Boaz Hannah Samuel hears God speak Eli, Hophni and Phinehas 	Unit Four <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Saul chosen Saul and the Amalekites David chosen David and Goliath David and Jonathan David and Saul David crowned David and the ark Absalom Solomon becomes king Solomon's temple Israel divided, Rehoboam and Jeroboam Elijah and the widow Elijah on Mount Carmel Good King Jehoshaphat Elisha and the double portion
Unit Five <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The widow's oil, a boy raised Naaman Famine in Samaria Jonah The captivity of Israel (the northern kingdom) Hezekiah and Sennacherib Isaiah Josiah Jeremiah The captivity of Judah (the southern kingdom) Daniel interprets the king's dream The fiery furnace The writing on the wall Daniel in the lions' den Esther Restoration 	Unit Six <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Zacharias, Elizabeth, Mary and John The birth of Jesus Jesus in the temple John the Baptist Jesus baptised and tempted The call of the disciples Water turned to wine The temple cleansed, Nicodemus The woman at the well Healing of the paralysed man The house built on the rock Jesus stills the storm The feeding of the 5000 The centurion's servant Forgiveness in Simon's house The sower and the seed 	Unit Seven <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Jairus' daughter, a woman touches Jesus Jesus walks on the water Miracles of healing The transfiguration A boy is healed The unmerciful servant A man born blind The good Samaritan Prayer The raising of Lazarus The lost sheep, coin and son Attitudes of a servant The marriage of the king's son The ten lepers The ten virgins The talents 	Unit Eight <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Palm Sunday The last supper and Gethsemane The crucifixion The resurrection Peter restored The risen Christ and His ascension The day of Pentecost Peter and John Peter and the Gentiles Stephen Philip Paul's conversion Paul's first missionary journey Paul's second and third missionary journeys Paul's capture and imprisonment Paul's final journey

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