

STUDENT
HANDBOOK

UNIT 1

From Creation to Jacob's Ladder

LEVEL ONE

SON SEEKERS

AGES 5-6

Creation
In the beginning
God created ...

**NOAH
AND THE
FLOOD**

Name:

Learning to serve ...
REBEKAH

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

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 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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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!**

Creation 1

Genesis 1 & 2



NOTE TO PARENTS:

As an extension of this Sunday School lesson, you could try the following activities one evening:

- Allowing your child to turn lights on and off.
- Finding their way, or finding a toy in a dark room.
- Playing with a torch.
- A slide projector can also illustrate a dramatic dark/light contrast and strong shadows for shadow plays.

Memory Verse

	<i>"You created all things." (Revelation 4:11).</i>
	<i>"He spoke, and it was done." (Psalm 33:9).</i>





Creation 2

Genesis 1 & 2

There are no animals or birds in this picture.
Colour the picture and draw some small pictures of animals, fish
and birds.



Memory Verse

	"He cares for you." (1 Peter 5:7).
	"Be rich in good works." (1 Timothy 6:18).





Adam and Eve

Genesis 1:26 - 2:25

God made all the earth, animals and birds, then He made man.

Draw in the missing parts of the animals.

In the blank space, put a photo or drawing of yourself.



Memory Verse

	"So God created man in His own image." (Genesis 1:27).
	"He created them male and female." (Genesis 5:2).





The fall

Genesis 3

Adam and Eve were afraid and hid from God.
In this picture, can you find Adam, Eve, the serpent and two
pieces of fruit?

When you have found them, colour them in.



Memory Verse

	<i>"Watch and pray." (Matthew 25:41).</i>
	<i>"Through one man sin entered the world." (Romans 5:12).</i>





Cain and Abel

Genesis 4

One of these pictures is of Cain and the other shows Abel. Write which one is which.

Can you find five differences between the two pictures? Show them with an arrow (→).



Memory Verse

	<i>"Whom the Lord loves He corrects." (Proverbs 3:12).</i>
	<i>"Godly sorrow produces repentance" (2 Corinthians 7:10).</i>

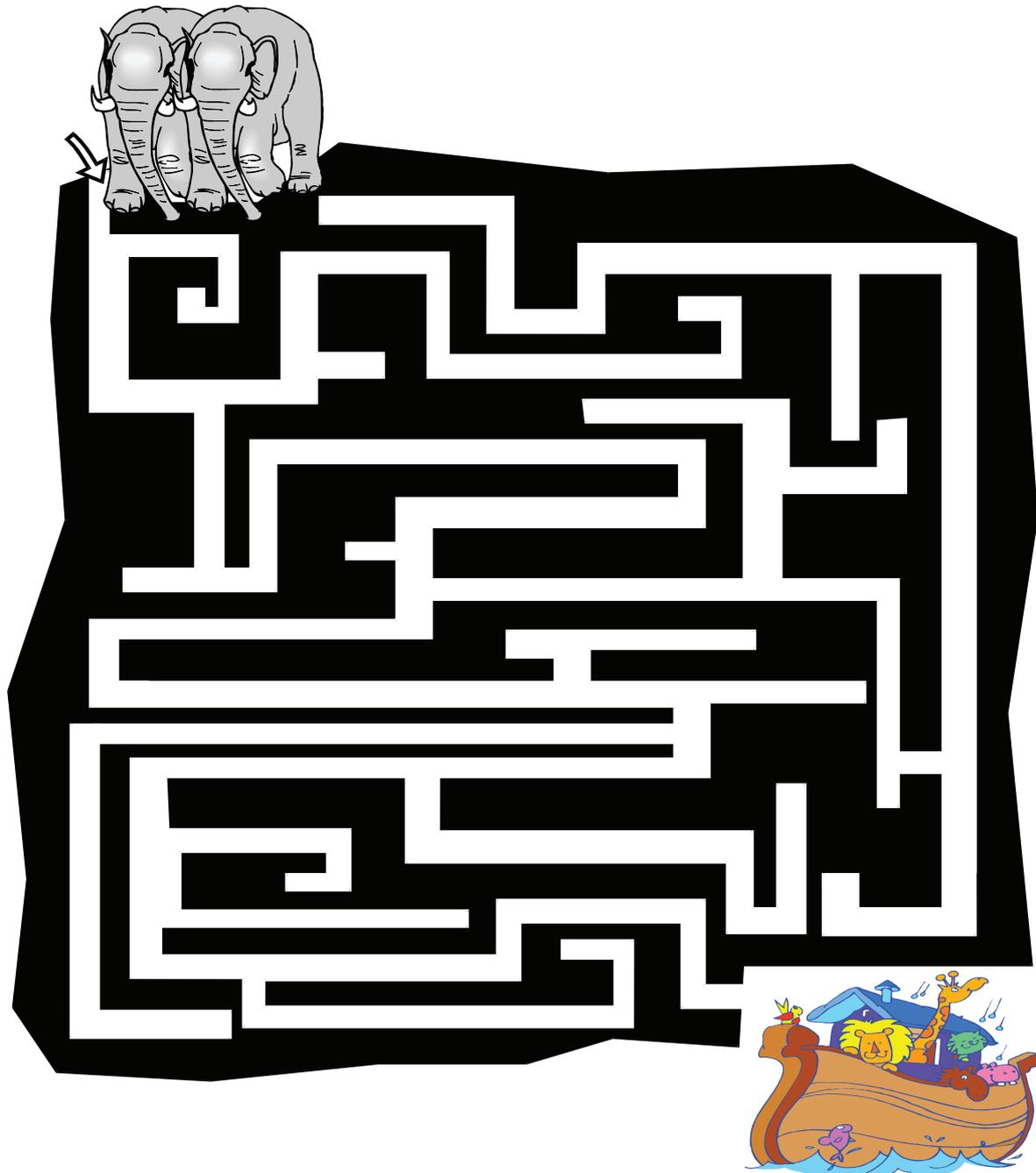




Noah builds an ark

Genesis 6:1 - 7:16

Help the elephants find the ark.



Memory Verse

	"Noah was a just man." (Genesis 6:9).
	"Abide in Me." (John 15:4).

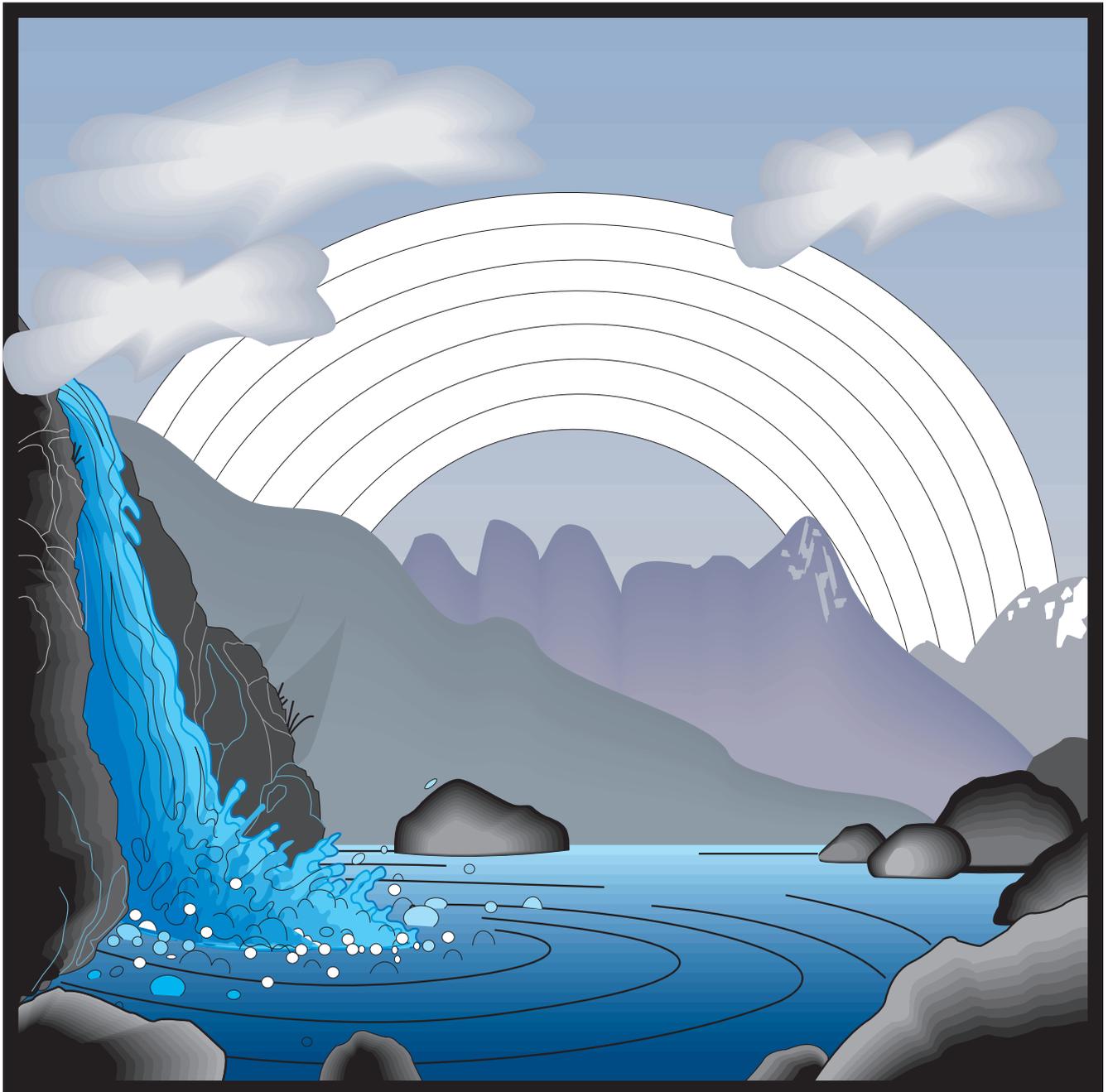




The flood, Noah and his sons

Genesis 7:17 - 9:29

Colour in the rainbow.



Memory Verse

	<i>"We are members of His body." (Ephesians 5:30).</i>
	<i>"I make all things new." (Revelation 21:5).</i>





The tower of Babel

Genesis 11:1-9

The tower of Babel was made up of mud bricks. Tear bricks out of brown paper and stick them on to the tower. If you have no brown paper, draw in your own bricks.



Memory Verse

	<i>"God resists the proud." (1 Peter 5:5).</i>
	<i>"The Most High rules." (Daniel 4:17).</i>

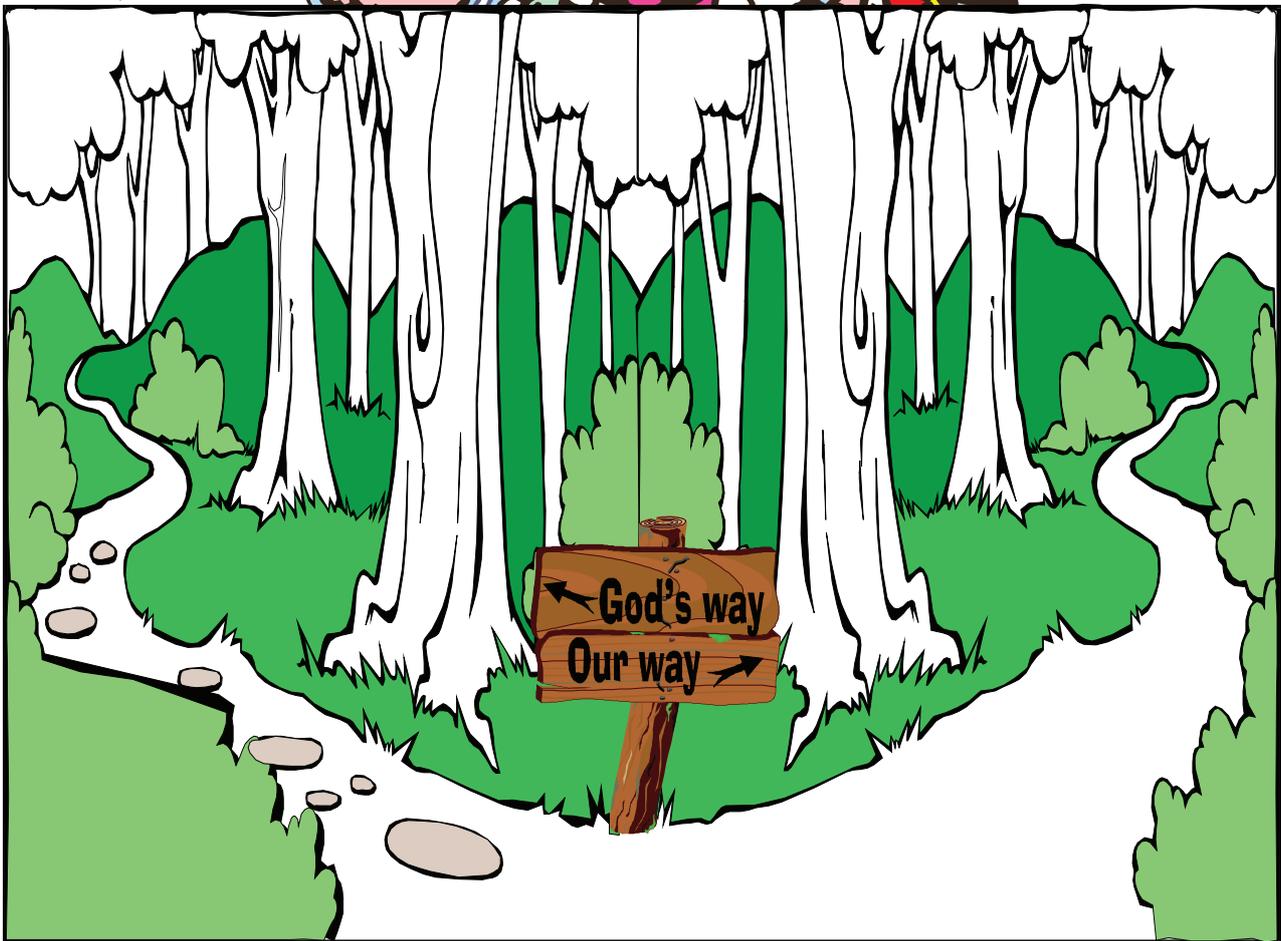




Abram called, Abram and Lot

Genesis 12 - 14

Lot chose what looked best, while Abraham chose God's way.
Which way will we choose? God's way or our way?



Colour the trees and draw yourself on the right road.

Memory Verse

	"Trust in the Lord." (Poverbs 3:5).
	"Set your mind on things above." (Colossians 3:2).

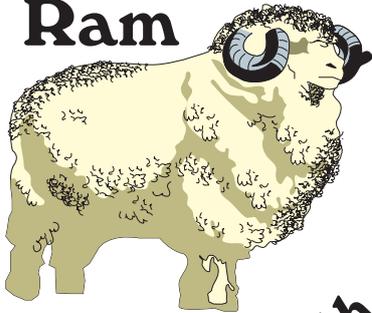




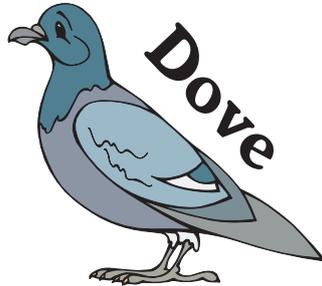
The covenant with Abraham

Genesis 15 - 17

Ram



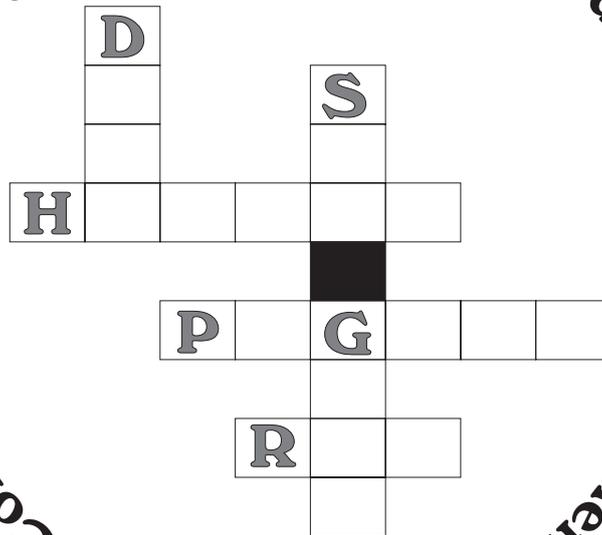
Dove



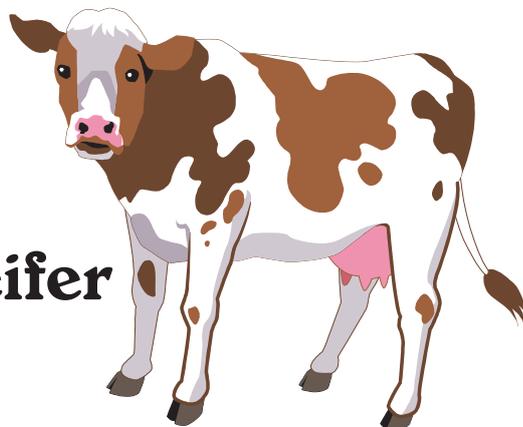
She goat



Complete the names of the animals God told Abraham to gather.



Heifer



Pigeon



Memory Verse

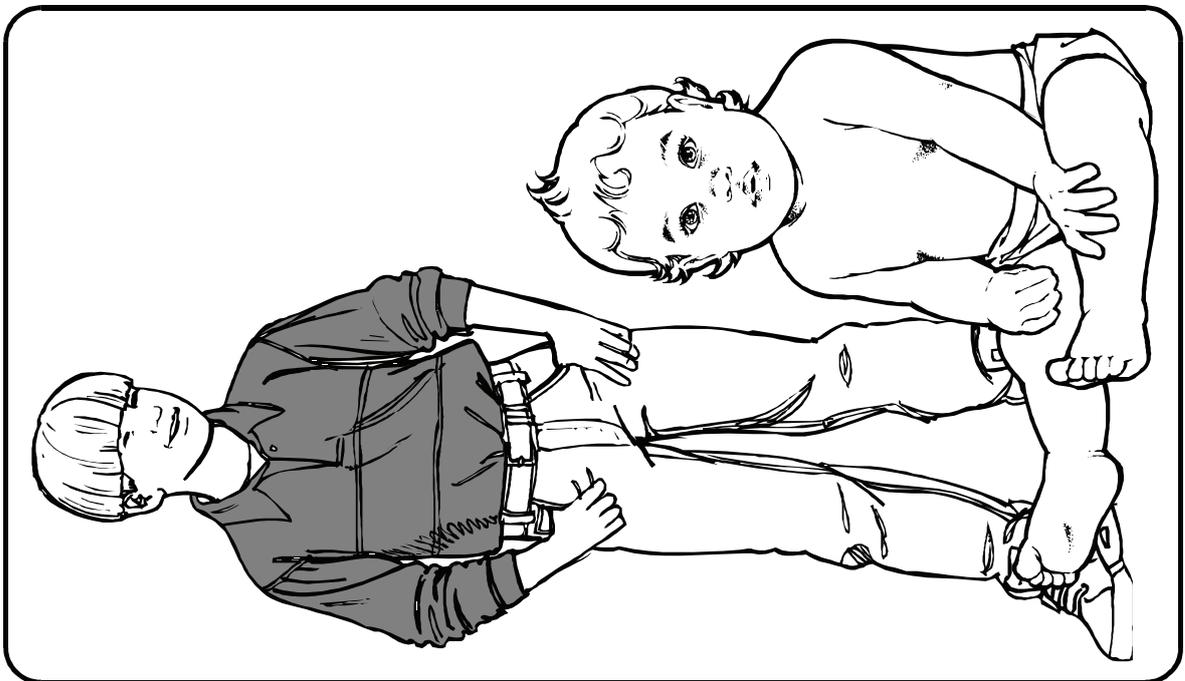
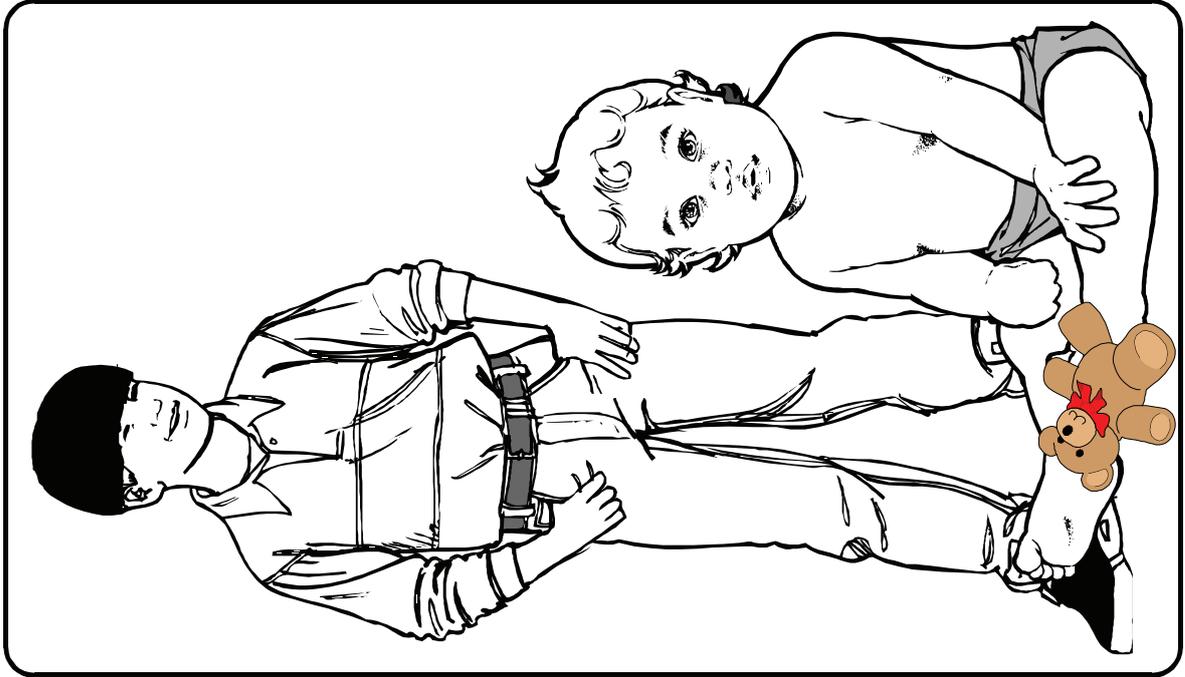
	"He who promised is faithful." (Hebrews 10:23).
	"Abraham believed God." (Romans 4:3).





Ishmael and Isaac

How many differences can you find between these two pictures of two brothers?



Memory Verse

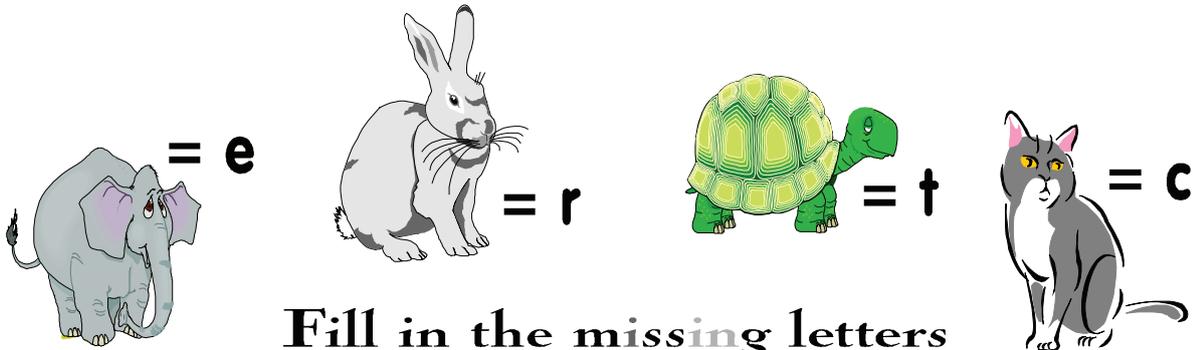
	"Is anything too hard for the Lord?" (Genesis 18:14).
	"You also be patient." (James 5:8).





Sodom and Gomorrah

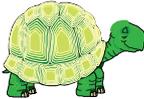
Genesis 19



Fill in the missing letters
using the secret code.

Proverbs
15:29

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is fa _____ f _____ om




_____ h _____ wi _____ k _____ d.






Memory Verse

	"Do not love the world." (1 John 2:5).
	"The Lord is merciful and gracious." (Psalm 103:8).





The sacrifice of Isaac

Genesis 22

To see what this is a picture of, colour all the sections that have a "B" in them with blue, all those with "Br" in them brown, all those with "G" in them green, and leave all the blank sections white.



Memory Verse

	"Obey My voice." (Jeremiah 11:4).
	"Trust in the Lord." (Psalm 37:3).

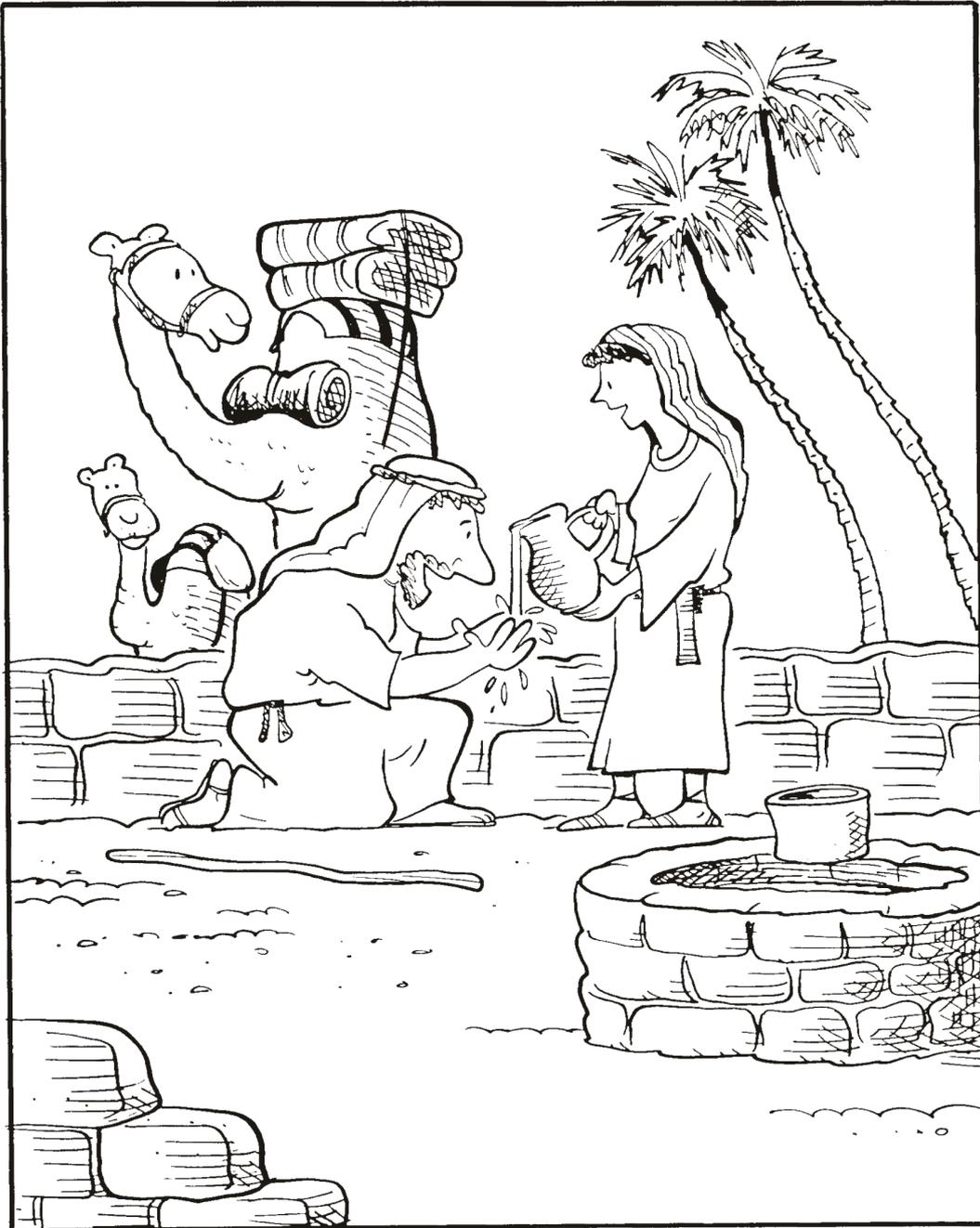




Rebekah, Isaac's bride

Genesis 24

**Colour this picture of Rebekah
being willing to serve.**



Memory Verse

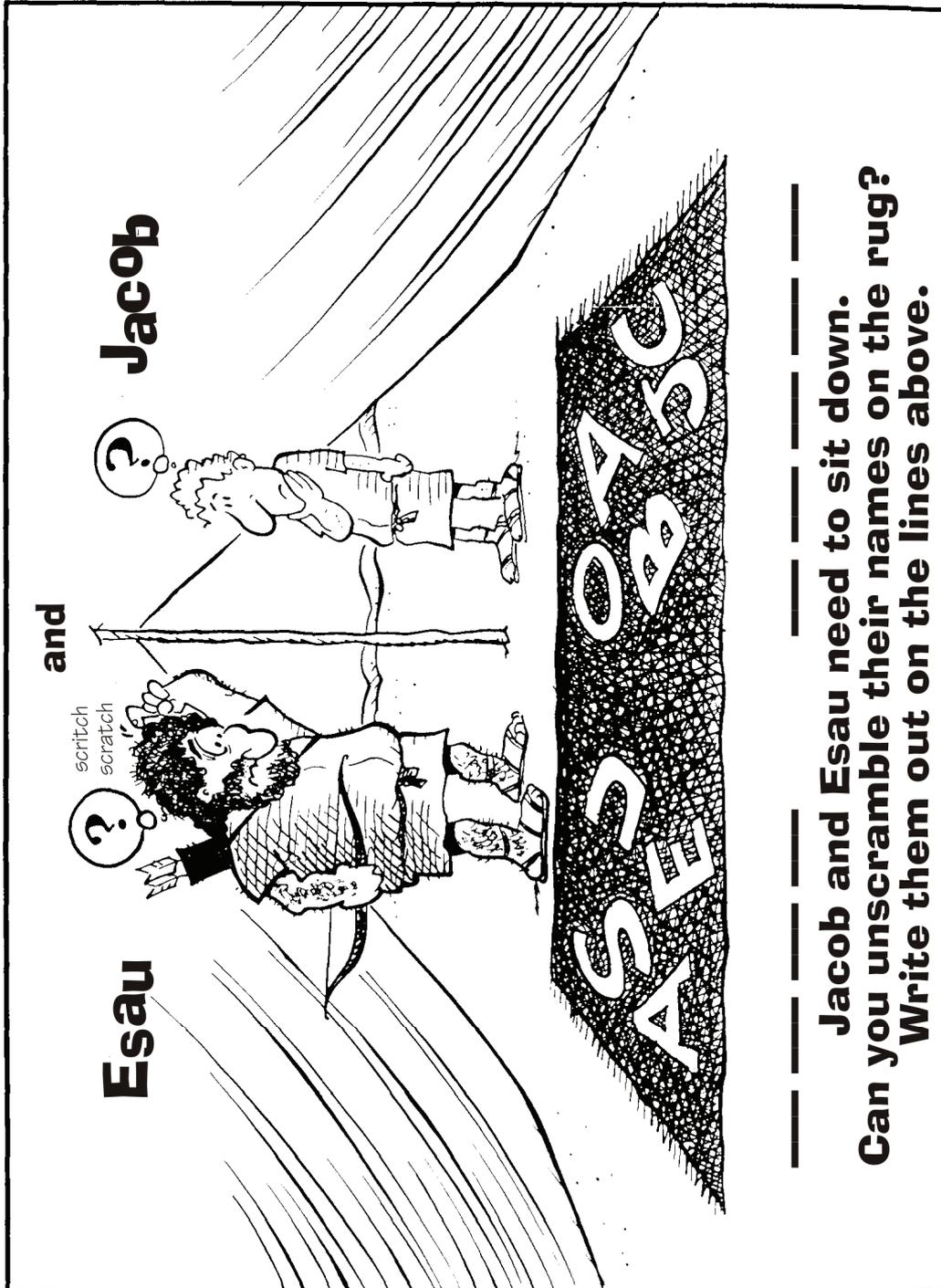
	"God gives wisdom." (Ecclesiastes 2:26).
	"Be ready." (2 Timothy 4:2).





Jacob and Esau

Genesis
25:19-34; 27



Memory Verse

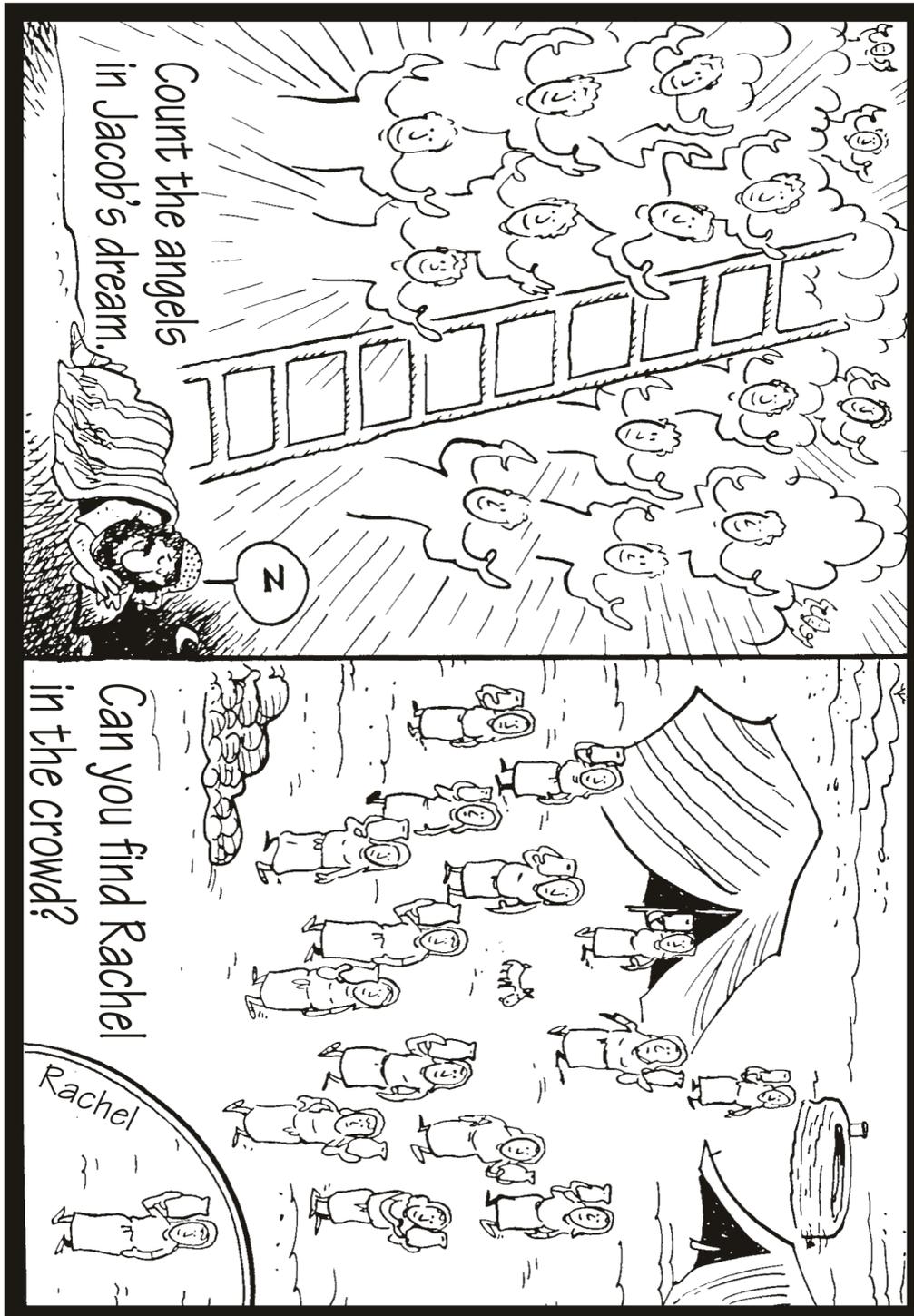
	"Hold fast what is good." (1 Thessalonians 5:21).
	"Do not lie to one another." (Colossians 3:9).





Jacob's ladder, Leah and Rachel

Genesis 28 - 30



Memory Verse

	"You have need of endurance." (Hebrews 10:36).
	"You also be patient." (James 5:8).





Sonseekers Curriculum

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<p>Unit Five</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 	<p>Unit Six</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 	<p>Unit Seven</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 son 108. Attitudes of a servant 109. The marriage of the king's son 110. The ten lepers 111. The ten virgins 112. The talents 	<p>Unit Eight</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 113. Palm Sunday 114. 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

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