



Family Craft & Activity Pack

Aimed at families with Children
but fun for all ages!

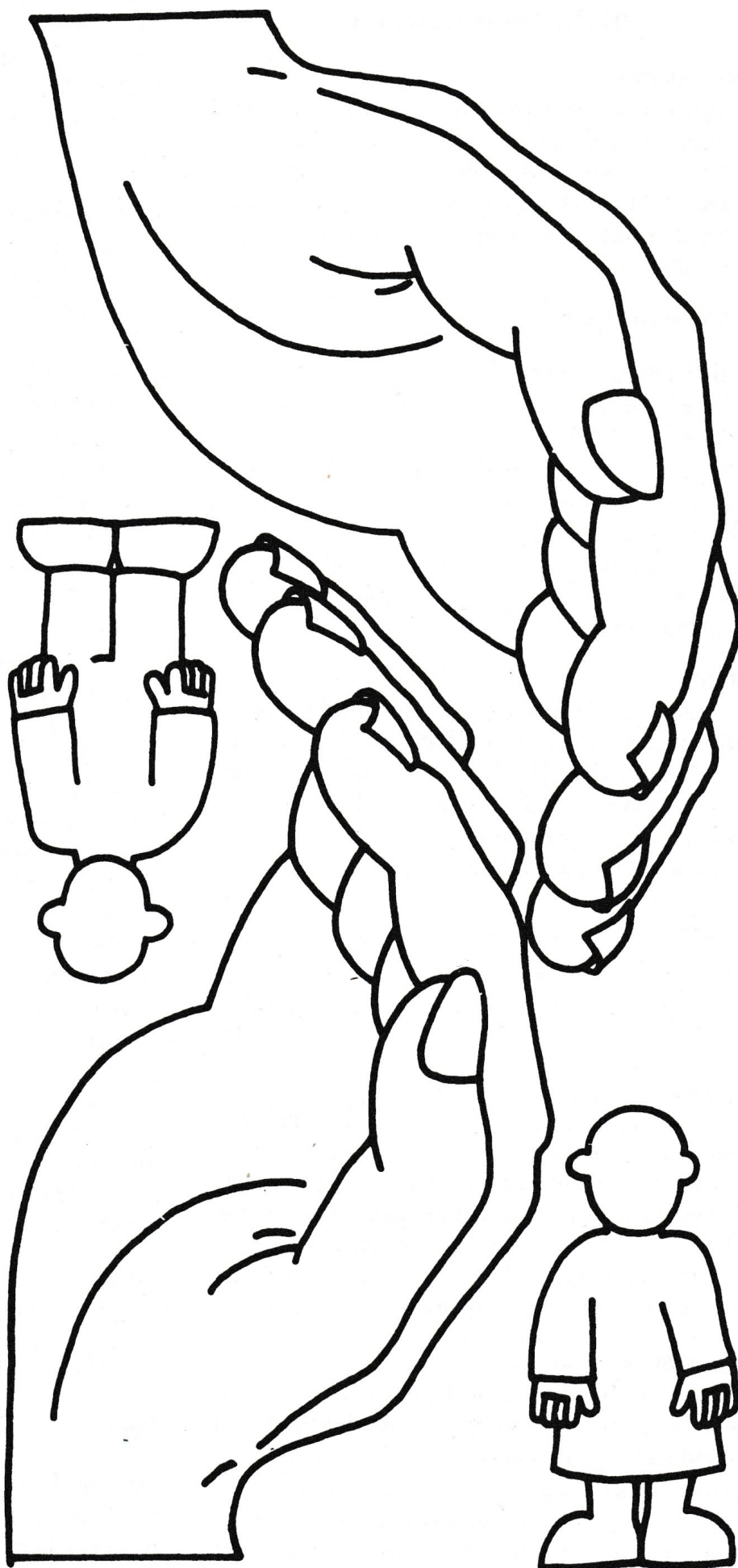
WEEK 14

Proper 7 - Year A



**“Trust God and
take Mary as
your wife”**

**Do not be afraid:
Put yourself in God's hands**



Trinity 2 - Year A (proper 7) Matthew 10: 24-39.

Jesus summoned the twelve and sent them out with the following instruction: 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground unperceived by your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.'

It is not always easy to follow Jesus

When our Lord taught his disciples, he wanted them to know that following him is not always going to be easy. For when we follow someone like Jesus, we try to be like them and make decisions based on their teaching. Jesus is a good person who loves and forgives others and by following his example we are Christians—followers of Christ. Jesus was also willing to live out his love even to death upon a cross. He was willing to love us so much that he would take the whole burden of our sins, our failings—the times we have been far from God—upon his own shoulders on the cross. His arms were open in embrace. To follow Jesus means we accept his love and all that he has done for us upon the cross. So true followers of Jesus will be the same, as we show love for others and pray to God the father who knows us, our needs, our challenges, indeed every hair upon our heads. God loves us. By following Jesus we will be so full of God's love that we will be willing to give up our own selfishness and to do what Jesus would do. We don't put ourselves first but we seek to help others. What could you do today to help someone else?

Prayer

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: your Son Jesus calls us to follow you like your first disciples and you love us. Help us to put others first and to help other people in all that we do. We ask this, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



My name is _____

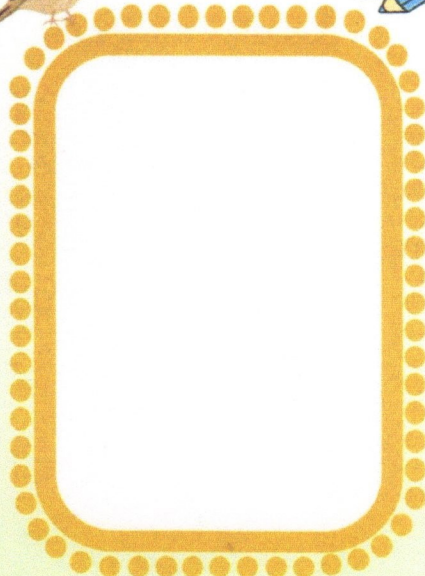
JESUS IS ON OUR SIDE!

How many hairs?

Can you count how many hairs this boy has on his head?



Guess how many hairs are on your head. Do you love anyone enough to try to count the hairs on their head? Give it a go!



Draw yourself and your hairstyle here.

In Jesus' time you could buy two sparrows for a penny. God knows all about the sparrows and cares for them, even though they are so cheap to buy. God says we are worth more than hundreds of sparrows. He must love us very much! He knows us so well he has counted every hair on our heads. We need never be afraid.

Dot to dot

You are worth more than hundreds of these!



Jesus' special message

Work out the important message Jesus has for you today.



a= [orange square] b= [green plus] d= [red circle] e= [blue cross] f= [red heart]
i= [green square] n= [blue asterisk] o= [red diamond] r= [yellow triangle] t= [blue diamond]



How many sparrows?

How many sparrows can you find hidden on this page?



A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you, Lord, for loving me so much. I will not be afraid because I know you are with me, supporting me. Amen.

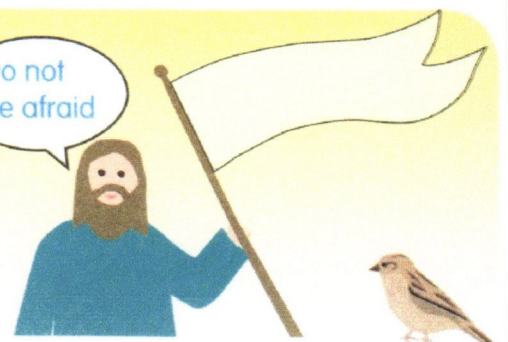


My supporter

The Gospel today tells us that Jesus is on our side.

Write your name on Jesus' banner, to show he supports you.

Do not be afraid



Jesus Chooses Twelve Disciples

Crowds followed Jesus from town to town as he taught and healed the people. One day Jesus chose twelve of these followers to be his special helpers.

Find the answers to questions 1 and 2 in the puzzle below. To find the answer to question 1, begin at the top arrow and write down each letter you come to. Then begin at the bottom arrow to find the answer to question 2.

1. What did Jesus do before he chose the 12?

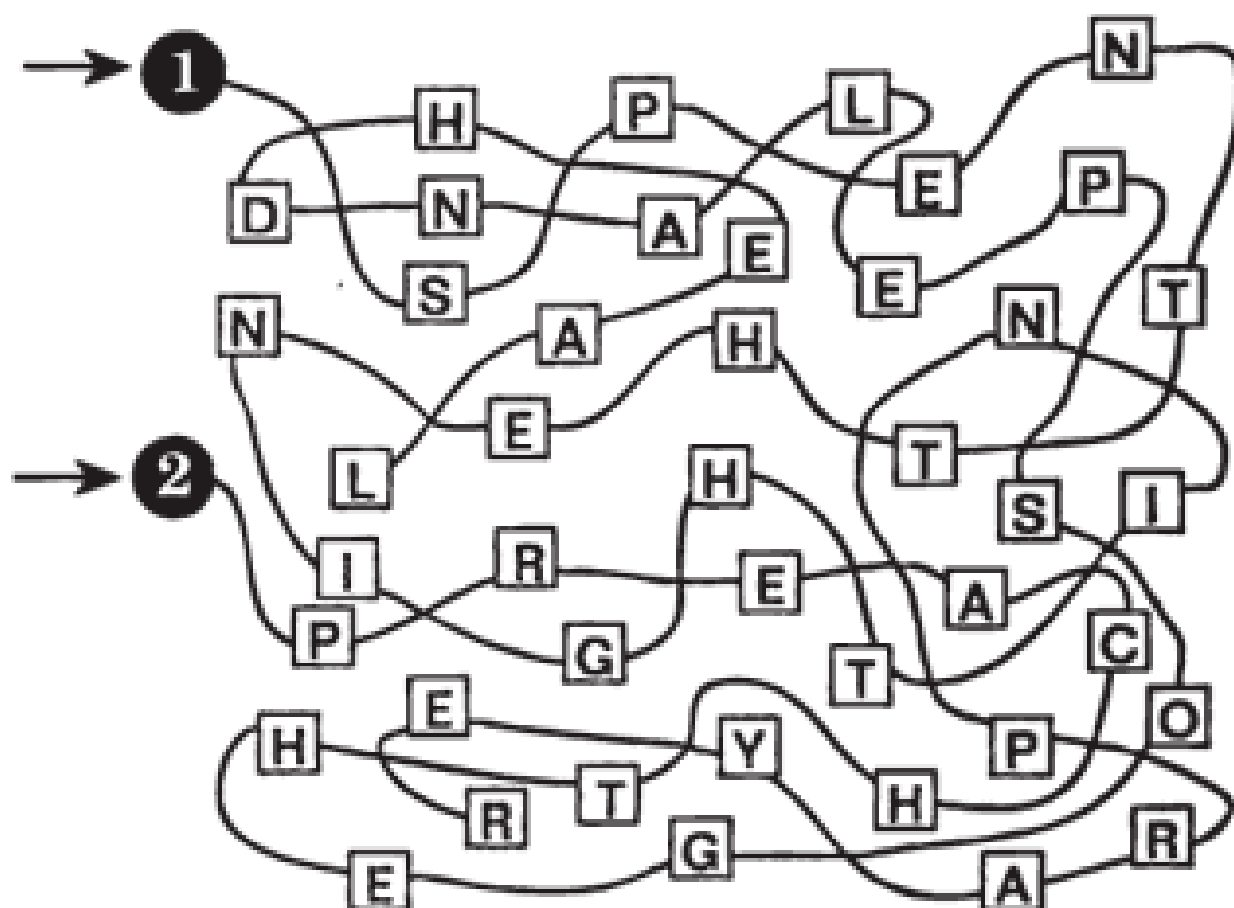
To think about:

What should you do before you make an important decision?

2. What did Jesus tell the disciples to do?

To think about:

What special work has Jesus called you to do?





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Peter

Andrew

James

John

Philip

Bartholomew

Mathew

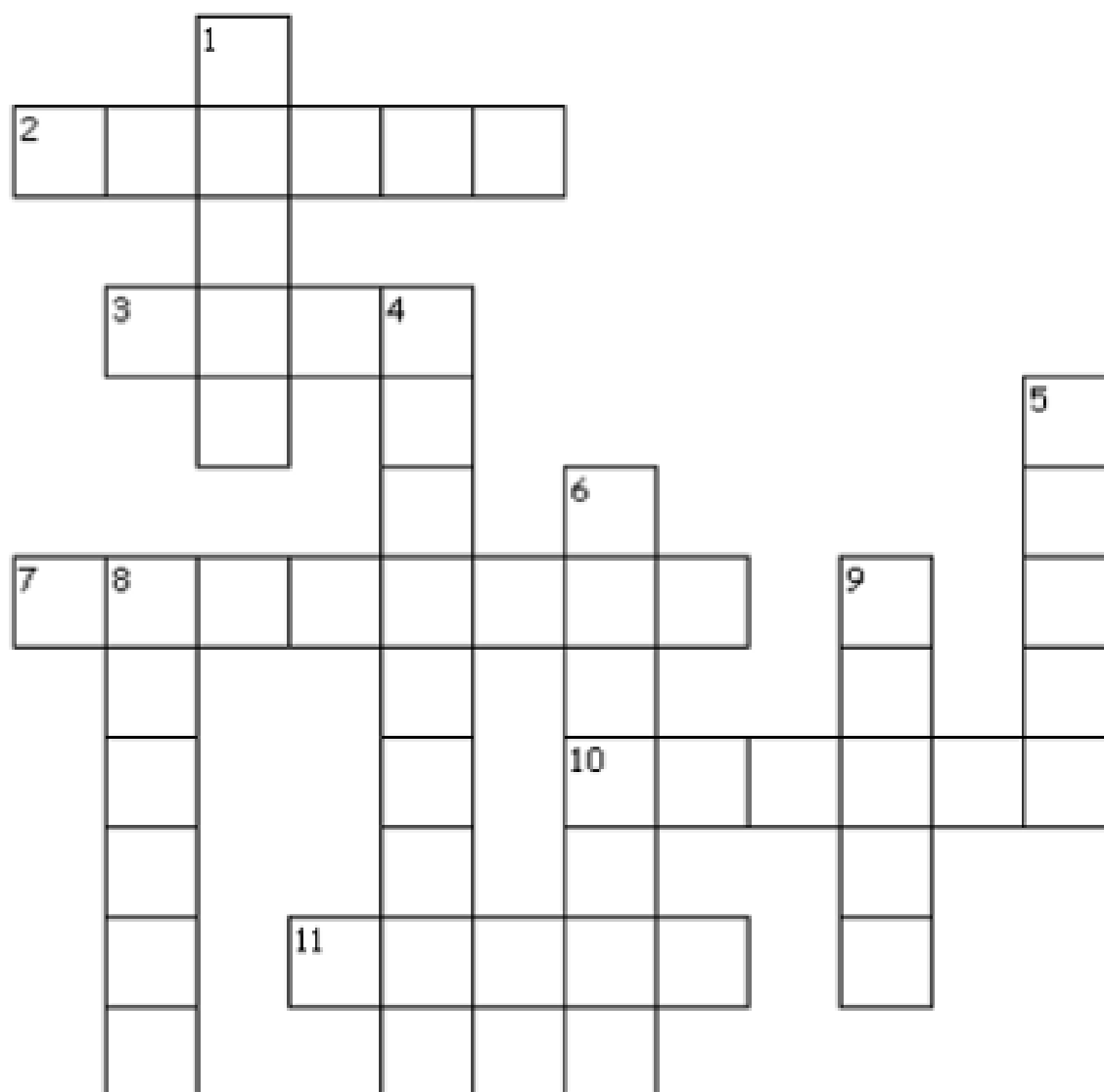
Thomas

James Alphaeus

Simon

Judas

Judas Iscariot



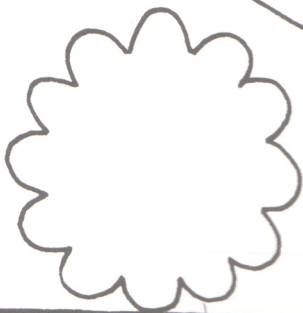
Across

2. Asked Jesus to show him the Father.
(Read John 14:8-9)
3. Jesus told him to care of His mother, Mary.
7. Replaced Judas Iscariot
10. Doubting _____
11. He denied Jesus after the rooster crowed

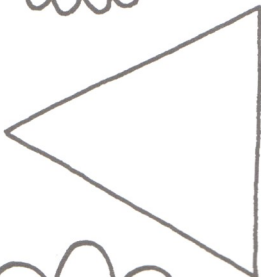
Down

1. Another name for Peter
4. Philip told him he had found Jesus.
Jesus said He saw him under a tree.
5. _____ Iscariot
6. Tax collector
8. Peter's brother
9. Son of Zebedee, brother of John

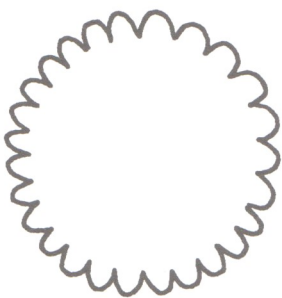
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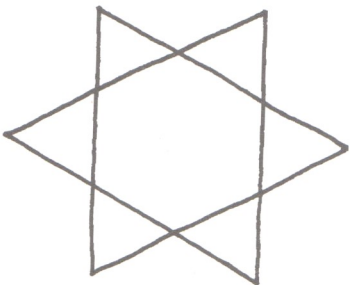
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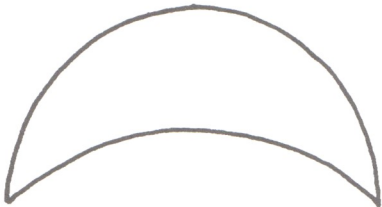
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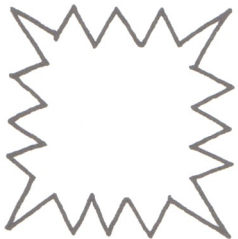
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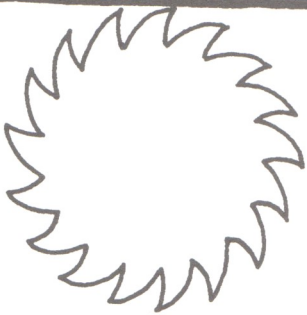
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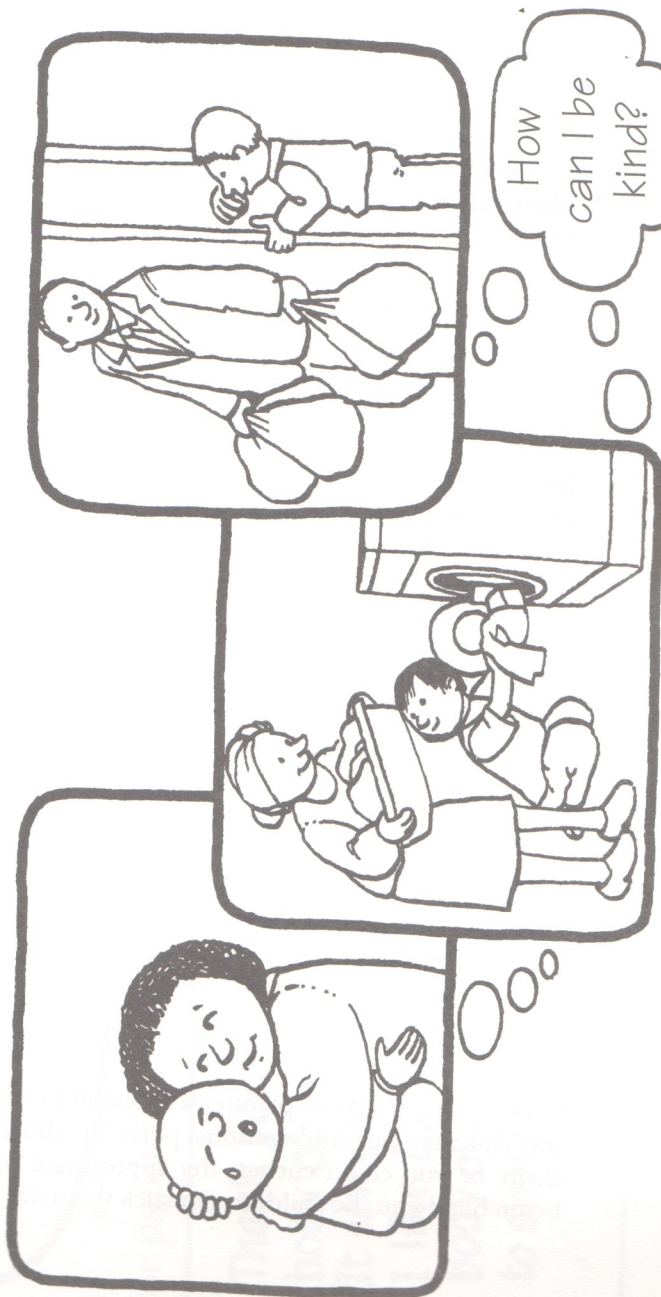
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Saturday

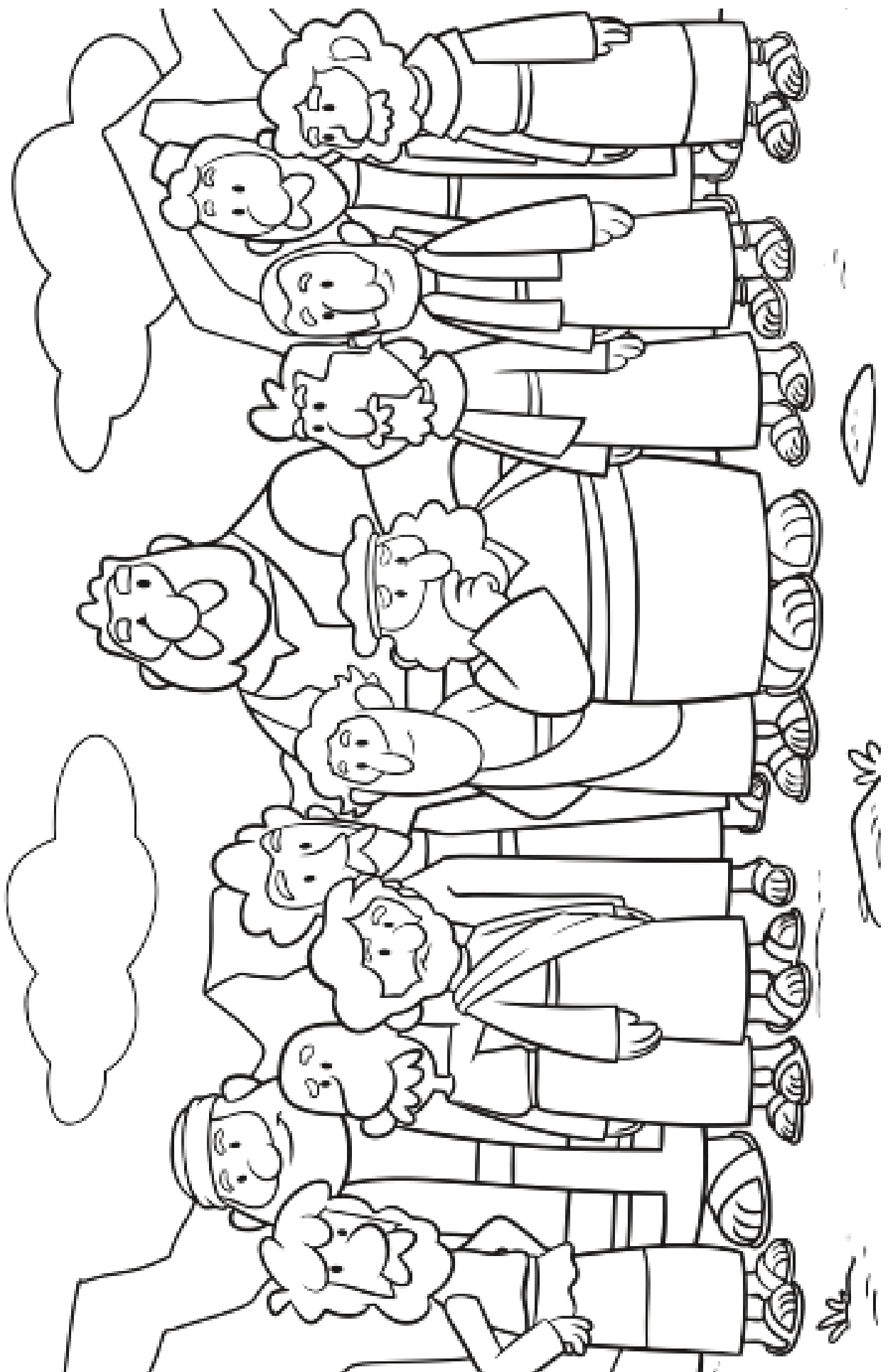


It's good to be kind! See me being kind this week!



For parents to pray with your child

Dear Jesus,
you gave up everything for
us because you love us.
Help us to do loving things
for one another even if
they are hard work.
Amen.



To pray this week

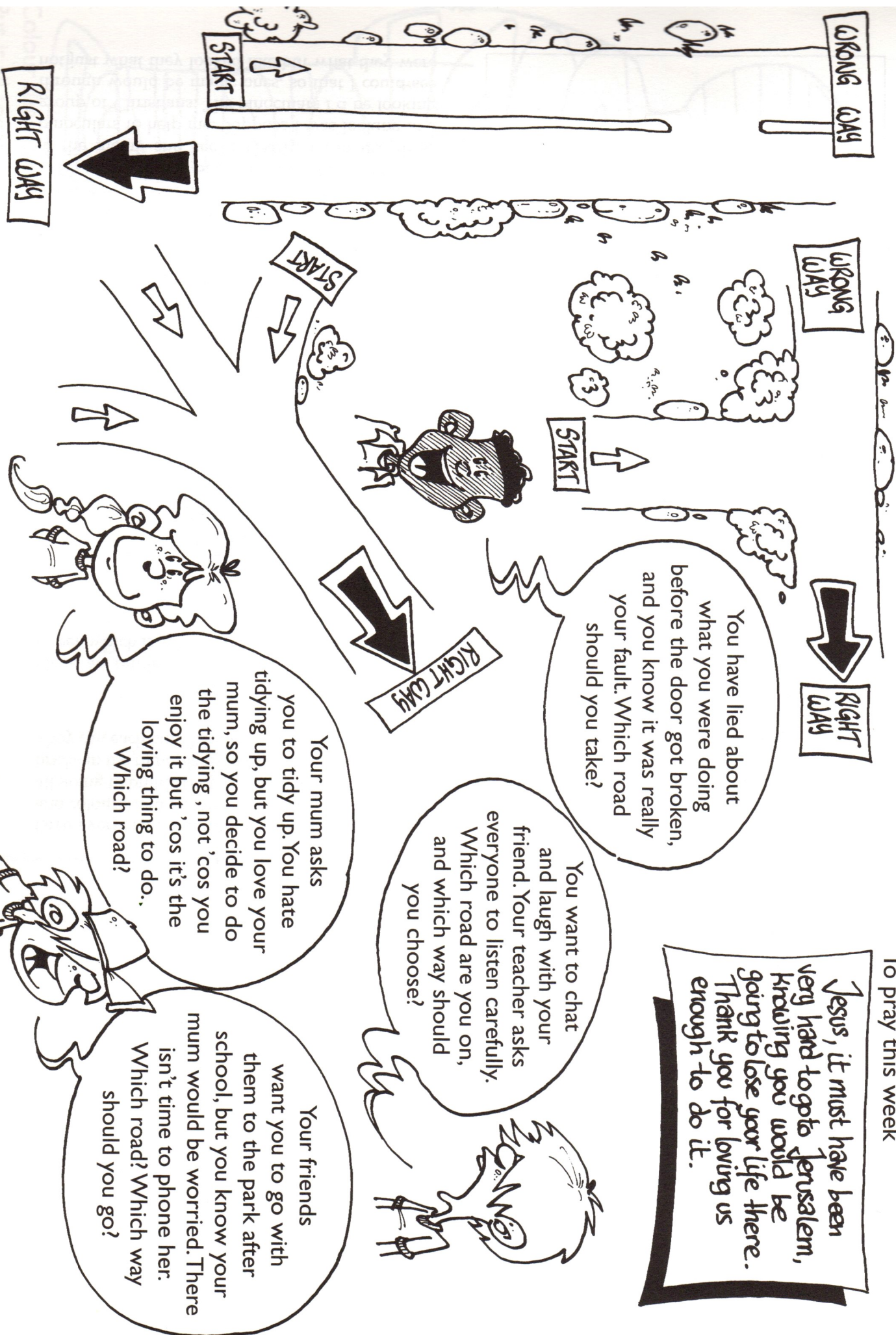
Jesus, it must have been very hard to go to Jerusalem, knowing you would be going to lose your life there. Thank you for loving us enough to do it.

You have lied about what you were doing before the door got broken, and you know it was really your fault. Which road should you take?

You want to chat and laugh with your friend. Your teacher asks everyone to listen carefully. Which road are you on, and which way should you choose?

Your mum asks you to tidy up. You hate tidying up, but you love your mum, so you decide to do the tidying, not 'cos you enjoy it but 'cos it's the loving thing to do. Which road?

Your friends want you to go with them to the park after school, but you know your mum would be worried. There isn't time to phone her. Which road? Which way should you go?



Twelve Disciples Coloring Activity

Jesus' disciples were twelve men he picked to travel with him and learn from him.

1. Color the twelve disciples and read their names.
2. Peter and Andrew were brothers. Draw a circle around both of them together.
3. James and John were brothers. Draw a circle around both of them together.
4. Peter, John, and Matthew all wrote books of the Bible. Put a check mark next to each of them.
5. Judas turned against Jesus and betrayed him. Draw a big X to cross out Judas.



Peter



Andrew



James
(brother of John)



John



Philip



Bartholomew



Thomas



Matthew



James
(son of Alphaeus)



Thaddaeus



Simon



Judas

A disciple is someone who learns from Jesus. How can you learn from Jesus?