

Jesus in the Temple

*Have you ever been lost?
How did you feel?*



Can you find the answers in the story?

Where was Jesus visiting with his family?

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How many days did it take Jesus' family to find him?

Where was Jesus' home town?

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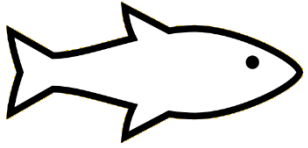


In the story everybody was amazed about how much Jesus knew about God and the writing in the Old Testament.

What can we do to help us learn more about God and the Bible? Write or draw your ideas here.



Why not pray and ask God to help you to learn even more about him during Lent this year.



Jesus' first followers

Who are your friends?
What makes a good friend?



Can you find the answers in the story?

What were the fishermen doing when Jesus arrived?

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What was the name of James and John's dad?

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How many disciples followed Jesus in the story?

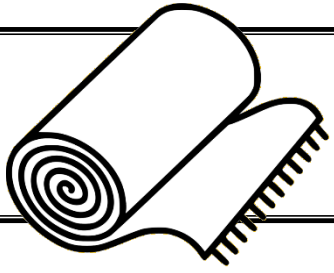


Jesus chose his disciples to follow him and learn from his example. It is good to have friends around us who help us to live for God and help us grow closer to him.

Draw some of your friends in this box, pray for them that they would grow closer to God and learn more about him.



Just like the disciples we can be "fishers of men" and share with others that God loves them. Pray and ask God who you should share his love with today.



Jesus heals and forgives

Do you find it easy to forgive other people?

Who helps you when you are sick?



Can you find the answers in the story?

What three places did the story say that the pharisees and teachers of the law had come from?

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In the story the friends helped the man who could not walk come to Jesus. How can you help your friends this week and encourage them in their faith?

Write or draw a message to encourage a friend here and ask a grown up to help you share it with them.

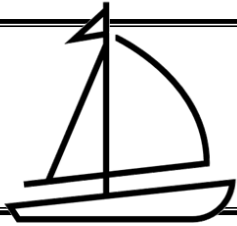


Just like the man in the story we can be forgiven for all our sins.

Is there anything you need to say sorry to God for today?



Who do you know that is sick at the moment who you could pray for?



Jesus calms a storm

What are some of the things that worry or scare you?

Who do you talk to when you are scared?



Can you find the answers in the story?

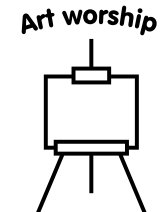
What was Jesus doing when the storm came down?

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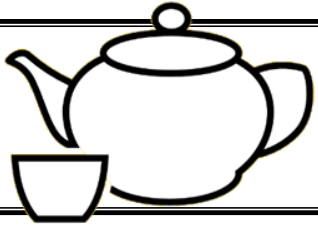
Do you know the name of the lake that Jesus and his friends were on?
(Clue: It's the same lake where Jesus first met his friends... sometimes it was called a sea!)

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Jesus asked the disciples "where is your faith"? There are lots of ways to grow our faith so that we know we can trust God in difficult situations. Which of these faith building activities do you find easy and hard? Colour the ones you find easy in green, colour the ones you find hard red. Colour the ones you aren't sure about in yellow and the ones you have never tried in blue!



The Bible says in 1 Peter 5v7 that we can give all our worries and fears to God.
Pray and ask God to help you with anything you are worried or scared about this week.



Jesus with two sisters

Just like Mary we can spend time listening to Jesus. What does Jesus want to say to you today? Write or draw anything you hear.

How do you like to show love to others?

cooking and sharing food



listening



playing together



giving gifts



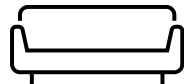
kind words



helping



hanging out



hugs



sending post



Just like learning anything, the more we practice listening to God the better we become. We must have faith and trust that what we hear is God speaking to us.



Jesus and the children

Who are some of the people who help you learn more about Jesus?



Can you find the answers in the story?

Who tried to stop the children coming close to Jesus?

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What did Jesus say belonged to people like the little children?

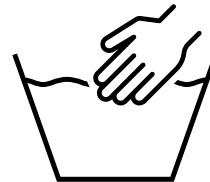
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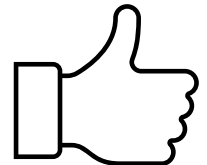


In the story people wanted Jesus to place his hands on their babies. We can use our hands to share God's love and to pray. Why not try some of these activities. Colour them in as you complete them.

Wash your hands to keep others safe. While you wash your hands pray and ask God to be your protection.



Give somebody a thumbs up and some encouragement today.

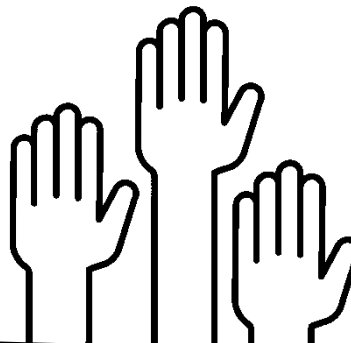


Put your hands together and pray for a friend. Ask God to help you feel close to them even if you cannot meet.



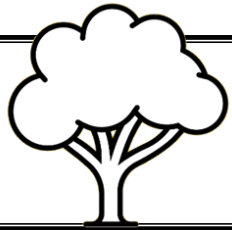
Use your hands to perform an act of kindness and help somebody.

Reach up high and say a thank you prayer to God!



We clap our hands to congratulate people, who could you congratulate for something they have achieved today?





Zacchaeus the Tax Collector

What should we do if we make a mistake or do something wrong?



Can you find the answers in the story?

What city was Jesus visiting?

J _ _ _ _ _

What was Zacchaeus' job?

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What type of tree did Zacchaeus climb?

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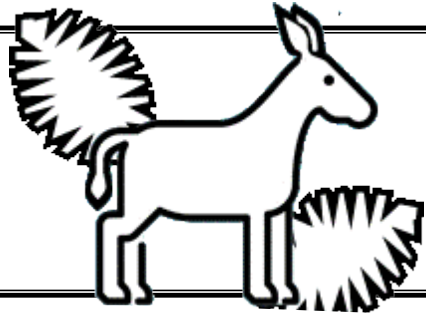


Zacchaeus was a sinner, he had made lots of mistakes but Jesus still wanted to meet him and visit his house for tea.

Are there any areas in your own life where you find it hard to live in a way that pleases God? Write or draw them here:



Is there anything you need to say sorry for in your own life? Why not ask God to help you apologise.



Jesus comes to Jerusalem as King

The people in the story
shouted their praises to
God. What thank you
prayers and praise could
you shout today?



Can you find the
answers in the story?

What is a baby donkey called?

C _ _ _

What did the people in the story
put on the ground?

C _ _ _ _

What do we call the day when
we remember this story??

P _ _ _ S _ _ _ _ _



In the story everybody was celebrating the
arrival of Jesus. If you were organising a party
for Jesus what would it look like? Draw it here:



Jesus' last supper

In his letter to the Corinthians Paul said we should look into our own hearts before we take communion.

Pray and ask God to show you if there is anything you need to say sorry for or unforgiveness in your heart.



Can you find the answers in the story?

What festival was Jesus celebrating?

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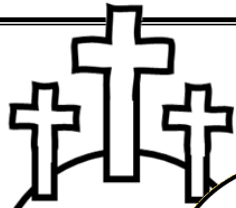


Jesus told his disciples to use the bread and wine to remember him.

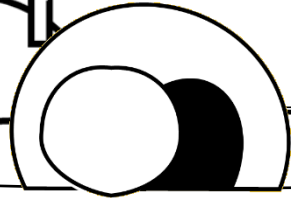
We share communion in churches and remember Jesus and his love for us. What other church traditions and activities can you think of that help us remember God's love for us and who Jesus is? Write or draw them here:

What did Jesus say was like his body? Draw it here:

What did Jesus say was like his blood? Draw it here:



Jesus dies and Jesus is alive again



When the women arrived at the tomb they were amazed to hear that Jesus was not dead but alive! How would you share the good news of Easter with somebody else? Write or draw it here:

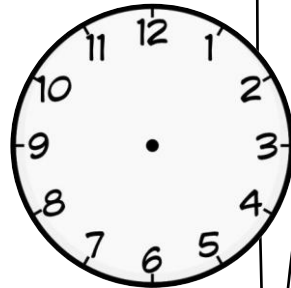


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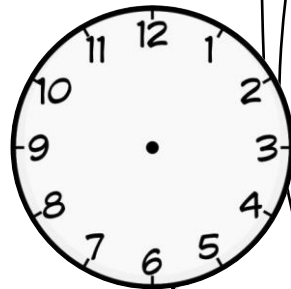
What did they call the place where Jesus was killed?

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What time does the story say that the sky went dark. Draw the time on the clock.



What time does the story say that the darkness ended? Draw the time on the clock.



Jesus died on the cross to take the punishment for every mistake we will ever make so that nothing can stop us being close to God. We can all receive forgiveness from God and be his friends. If you have never said a prayer thanking God for his forgiveness and asking to be his friend and if you would like to you could use this simple prayer today.

Thank you, God, that you sent Jesus to die on the cross and to take the punishment for my sins. I am sorry for the times when I haven't lived for you.

Today I choose to live my life for you as your friend and to share your love with those I meet.

Amen

