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Jesus hears our prayers

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What are your prayers today? Write or draw them here.



Thank you, God, for loving all of us. Amen

This week

Do something different with your family each night of the week. Take turns deciding what that will be.

Kids Celebrate

Fifth Sunday of Easter



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Welcome to worship. Today is the fifth Sunday of Easter. Look at all the people sitting around you. They are all very different, they all enjoy doing different things, and God loves each of them.

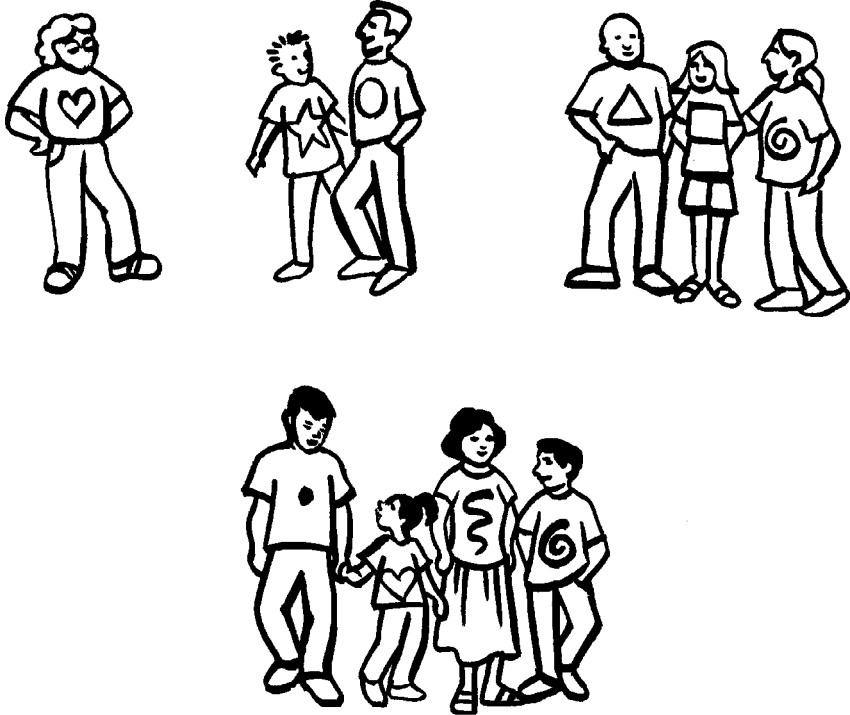


Connect the people with something that will help them be able to do what they enjoy doing.

Jesus is the true vine

John 15:1-8

Jesus taught his disciples many things when he was with them.



Match the shapes below to the shapes on the people's shirts above, then write that shape's letter below the person. With all the letters written, find out what Jesus said about himself.



Healthy vine, healthy fruit

Fruit cannot grow unless it is connected to a vine.

Fill this vine with all kinds of healthy fruit.



Celebrate the differences of every person in your family.

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| DEAR GOD, THANK YOU FOR... | DEAR GOD, I AM ASKING YOU TO HELP ME WITH... |
| DEAR GOD, I AM SORRY FOR... | DEAR GOD, I AM ASKING YOU TO HELP THIS PERSON... |



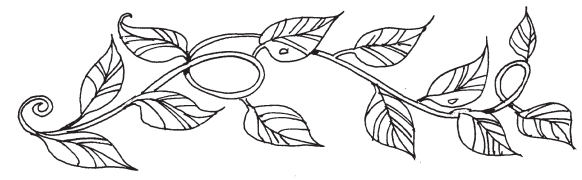
READER

Easter 5

- Today is the **5th Sunday** in Easter.
- During the Easter season, Jesus **changes our lives**.
- Jesus is **always** with us.

Jesus Loves Us

The Bible uses many different images to help us know about Jesus and his love for us. What does each image tell you about Jesus? Write or draw below.



It's All about the Love

The book of 1 John is all about God's love. "We love God because he first loved us" John says in chapter 4, verse 19. How can we love others?

Look up 1 John 4:7-21 to learn more about God's powerful love! Then, unscramble the words in the hearts below to complete each message of love.

"If we **leov** one **atonerh**,
God **lisev** in us, and his love
is **peercteld** in us."
1 John 4:12

"The **atomcnmnde** we have
from him is **htis: teosh** who love
God must love their **robresth**
and **stsrse** also."
1 John 4:21

"**delbove**, let us love one another,
because **olve** is **omfr** God;
eynveore who loves is **ronb** of
God and **nskow** God."
1 John 4:7

During Bible times, many followers of Jesus were skilled travelers. Sharing the gospel took them all over Jerusalem, Palestine, and Syria. In today's reading, an Ethiopian official traveled to Jerusalem. His journey was over 1,000 miles! Can you imagine traveling over 1,000 miles to hear the good news?



Healthy Fruit, Healthy Vine

Jesus is the vine and we are the branches. Fruit cannot grow unless it is connected to a vine. We can't grow unless we are connected to God!

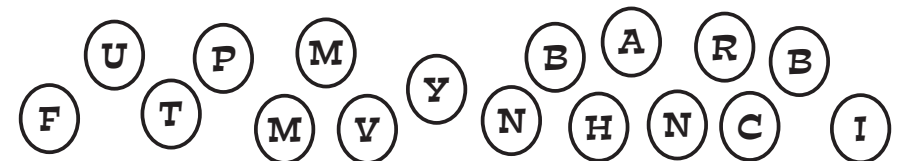
What are your strengths? Fill this vine with your strengths—thank God for giving you these gifts!



Jesus says he is the true vine of this world. Search the fruit of the vine to find the letters missing from the memory verse below.



"I a ____ the ____ ine, ____ o ____ are
the ____ ra ____ ____ hes. Those who a ____ ide in
____ e and ____ n them be ____ ____ much ____ rui ____ , because
a ____ art from me you can do ____ of ____ ing." —John 15:5



A creed is something that tells what you believe. Christians say creeds to share what they believe about God.

Listen to the Apostles' Creed in worship. Then draw pictures to make your own creed. What will your pictures tell about God?

I believe in God who made everything.

I believe in Jesus who died and rose again.

I believe in the Holy Spirit who is with me all the time.

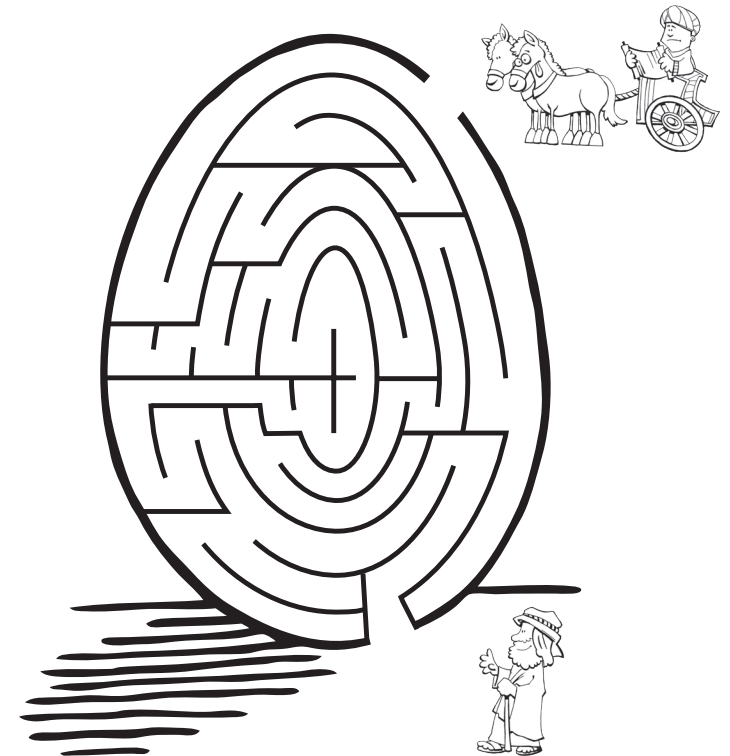


PRE-READER

Easter 5

- Today is the **5th Sunday** in Easter.
- An important word during Easter is **Alleluia**.
- Alleluia means **Praise God!**

Many stories in the Bible happen on a road! The Ethiopian man met Philip on a desert road. The man was a long way from home. The Ethiopian man rode in a chariot. Philip walked on the road. When they met, Philip talked with him about Jesus. Do the maze to connect them to each other.





Philip baptized the man, and God's love filled the man's heart.

The Ethiopian man learned about Jesus from Philip. He promised to share the good news of Jesus. During this time, lots of people learned the good news!

Connect all of God's children together to make a chain of storytellers. Mark each person with the sign of the cross. We can all share God's love!

