

BOAST IN THE LORD



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BE A LIVING REMINDER

Before we can begin there are two words we need to make sure we all understand. They are **testimony** and **boast**.



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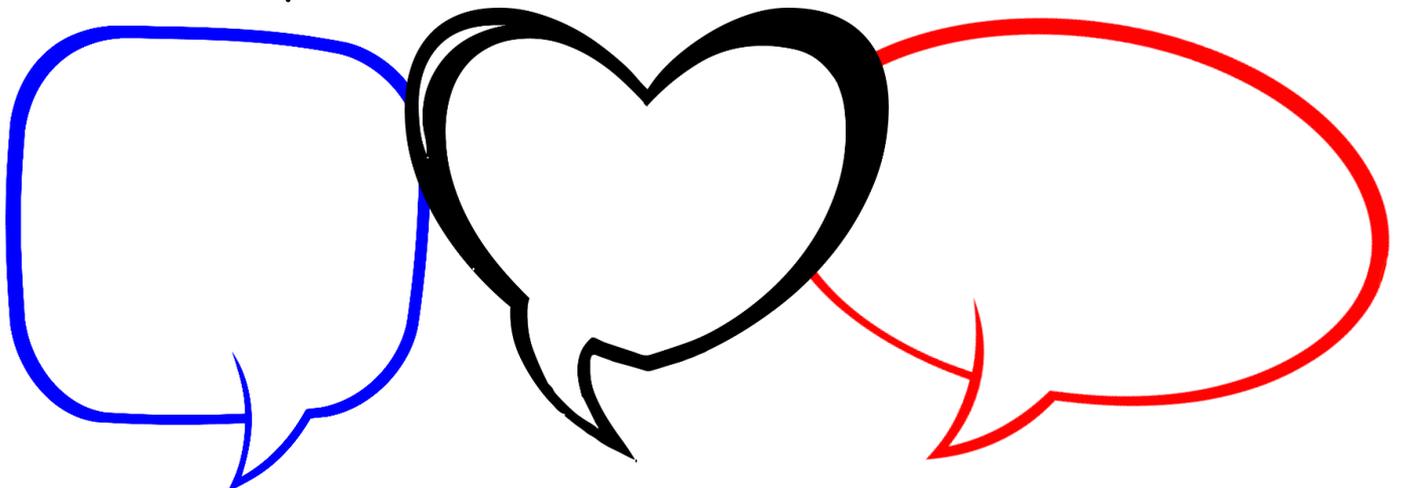
Giving all the true facts about what you saw, heard and know happened, would be your **testimony**.

To **boast** is to say how great and how much better something is. The Bible teaches us in

1 Corinthians 1:31 that if we are going to boast let it only be about the **LORD**.



What would you boast about God?



What does this picture make you think about?



Look how 2 groups of people who saw this golden box reacted.

The Israelites were the people that love and follow God. When they saw this box they jumped up and down for joy, cheering, all happy and excited.

DRAW IN THE ISRAELITES

The Philistines were the Israelites enemies who did not love and follow God. When they saw this box they fell on the floor crying, worried and panicked.

DRAW IN THE PHILISTINES

So what is this box and why did the people act so differently when they saw it?

God told Moses to make this special box called the Ark of the Testament, also known as the Ark of the Covenant.



The Ark was seen as the most important object in Israel. It reminded everyone of how great God is. The lid was known as the mercy seat. This is where God would meet with the high priest once a year and the people were forgiven of their sins. **The seat reminded them that God was present.**

Inside the Ark were 3 items.

Aarons rod - This stick was the one that God changed into a snake and that ate all the other snakes (Exodus 7:8-10). It was the one God used to part the red sea. It was also the stick that God made fruit grow on when the tribes of Israel were complaining about who should be in charge. **The rod reminded them that God was powerful, He protected them and led them.**

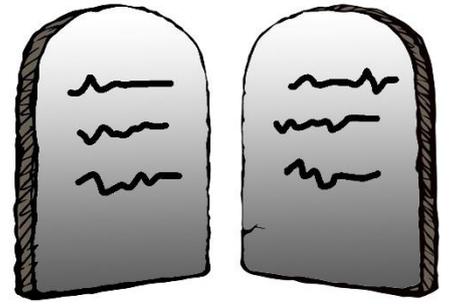


A jar of manna - Manna was the bread that God had made fall from Heaven to feed the Israelite people when He saved them from Egypt.

The manna reminded them that God looked after them and gave them life.



The stone tablets that God had written all the rules on Himself were also inside. We know them as the 10 commandments. These stones from God reminded them of the promises God had made and how they needed God to be forgiven.

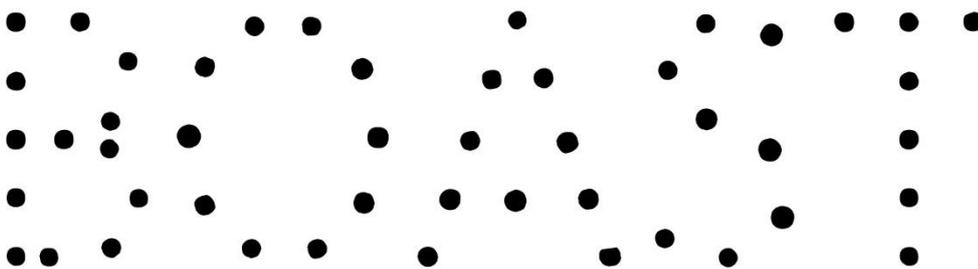


treasure
POWERFUL
servants water
PROTECTS gold
provides
present
trees promises



Circle all the words starting with the letter "P" to find out what the Ark reminded people about God.

God wants us to be like this Ark. He wants others to see that He lives inside of us. When people see us and hear our testimonies (true stories about Him), He wants them to remember and celebrate how great He is. Are you ready to...



Join the dots

IN THE LORD

BOAST THROUGH PRAISE

Unscramble the letters to find out what the verse says.

--- everything ---
(letL) (ttha)

--- breath praise ---
(hsa) (eth)

LORD. Praise the LORD!

Psalms 150:6

To praise someone means to **ADMIRE**, **RESPECT** and **THANK** them for all the things they have done and to tell them how important they are to you.

Do you think we should tell God how amazing He is and thank Him for all the things He has done for us?

Circle your answer.

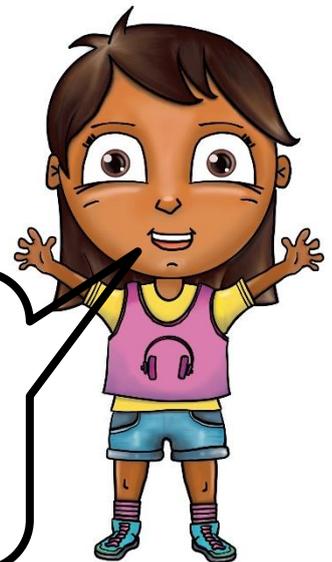


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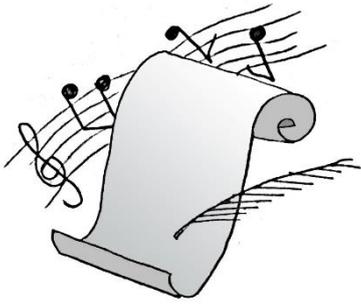


Lee, how do we praise God? Is it only through singing songs? I'm not a good singer.



No Thabo. There are many ways we can praise God. Look on the next page for some of the different ways we can praise God.

Draw a line to match the picture and words



Making music with instruments

Singing

Writing songs, poems or a letter to God

Creating things like pottery

Dancing for God

Bowing or kneeling before God

Praying and speaking to God

Painting or drawing to show God you love Him

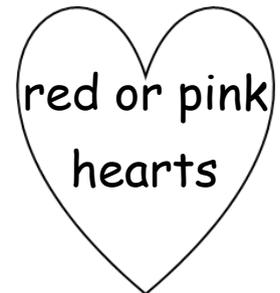
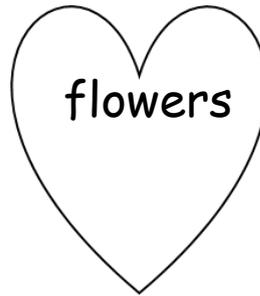


BOAST BY PRAISING GOD

BOAST IN GOD'S LOVE

Have you ever thought about what love is?

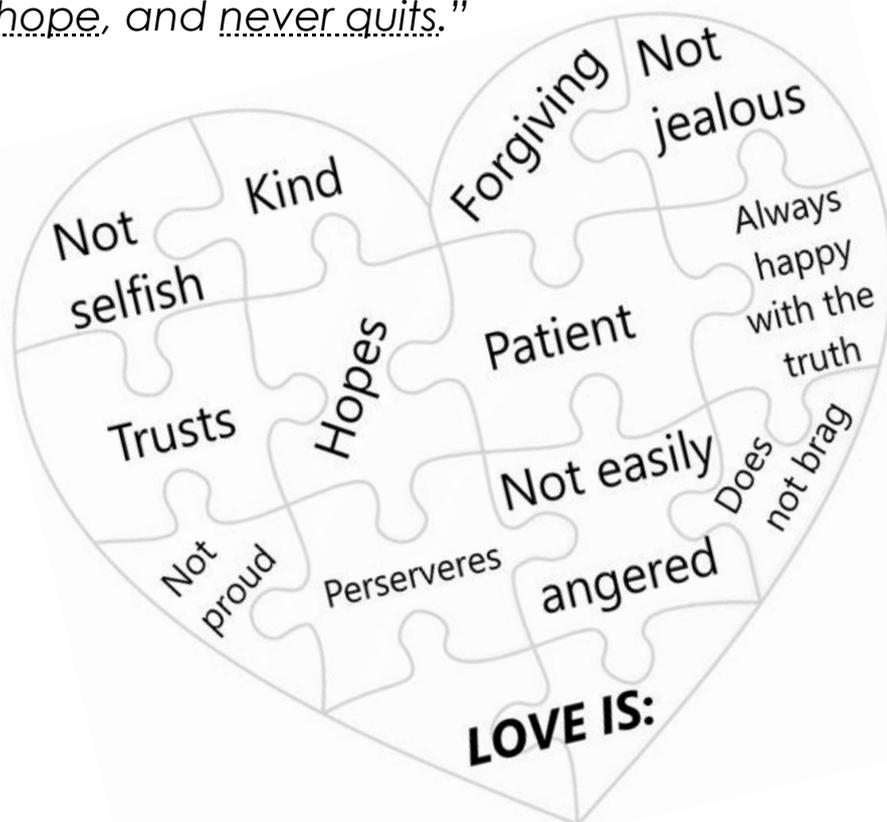
Cross out all the things that love is **NOT**.



Love is not Valentine's day, or hearts or a feeling or flowers. Flowers and hearts are sometimes symbols of love, but they are not what love is.

Let's read what the Bible says love is:

1 Corinthians 13:4 -7 "Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous, it does not brag, and it is not proud. ⁵ Love is not rude, it is not selfish, and it cannot be made angry easily. Love is forgiving. ⁶ Love is never happy when others do wrong, but it is always happy with the truth. ⁷ Love never gives up on people. It always trusts, never loses hope, and never quits."



Colour in the puzzle pieces if you love perfectly in that way. If you are **ALWAYS** kind, then colour in the puzzle piece "kind".

As **people**, we make mistakes and sometimes our love doesn't measure up to what the Bible tells us about love.

But **God's** love is *perfect* because He is perfect (Matthew 5:48b).



The Bible says that God *is* love.

I WILL BOAST IN GOD'S LOVE BECAUSE HIS LOVE IS _____

God wants us to understand how much love He has for us.

Ephesians 3:18

"And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep His love is."



If you were to measure how high God's love is, how high do you think it would go?

Psalms 108:4

"Your faithful love is higher than the highest clouds in the sky!"

I WILL BOAST IN GOD'S _____ BECAUSE HIS _____ IS NEVER ENDING!

God loves us so much that he gave up Jesus, His only son, to die on the cross for all of our sins so that , when we believe in Jesus, we can have eternal life with God (John 3:16). That means that we have forever and ever, to experience God's love! And do you know what? We don't even have to do anything to earn God's love! Romans 5:8 says, "But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners." That means that God loves us before we do anything. ANYTHING! Even before we choose to follow Him He loves us!

**I WILL BOAST IN GOD'S LOVE BECAUSE I DON'T
HAVE TO DO _____ TO EARN IT!**

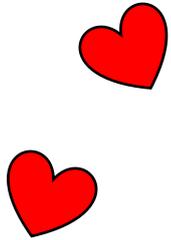
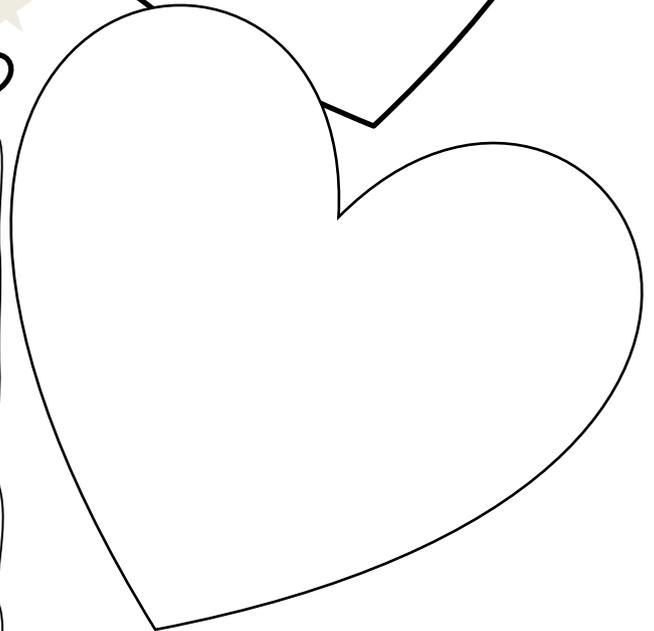
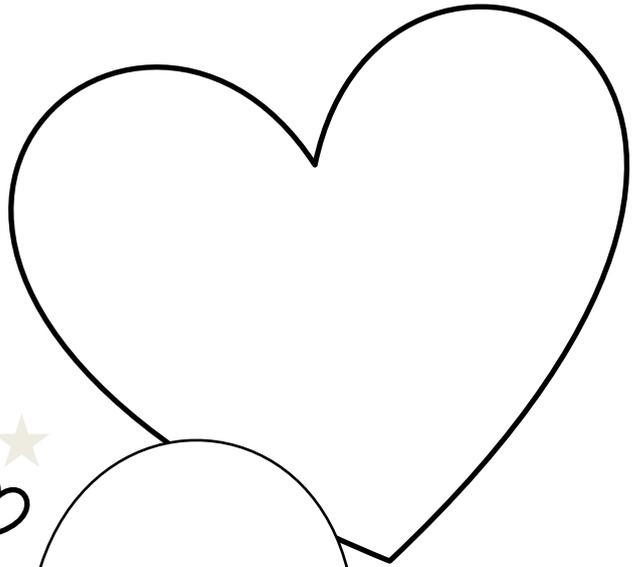
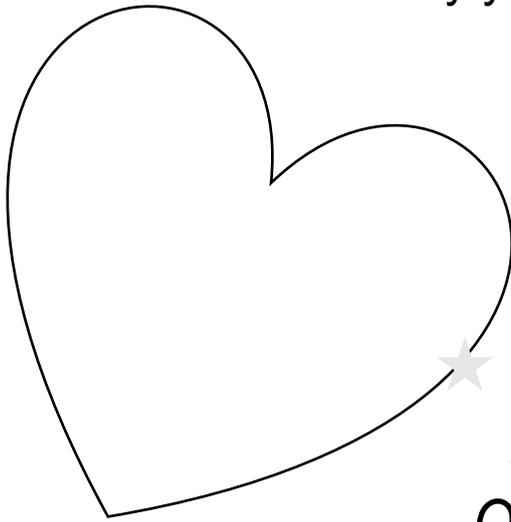
Romans 8:38 - 39

" And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord."

**I WILL BOAST IN GOD'S LOVE BECAUSE _____ CAN
SEPARATE ME FROM GOD'S LOVE.** 

God's love is so amazing that it is easy for us to boast in His love. God wants us to tell everyone about His love, and share His love with others. God has even given us the Holy Spirit to help us show love to others. The Holy spirit helps us be kind, patient and to love others like God does.

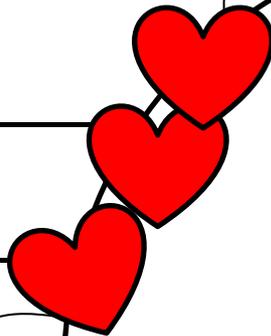
Write in each heart a reason why you can boast about God's love?



Write your favourite scripture about God's love.

Draw what God's love means to you

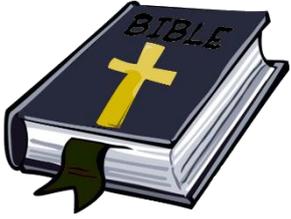
God is love



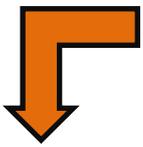
BOAST IN THE LORD'S PLANS

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord,
"plans to **PROSPER YOU** and **NOT TO HARM YOU**, plans to
give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11



God has given us a promise that no matter what happens in our lives He ALWAYS has a good plan.

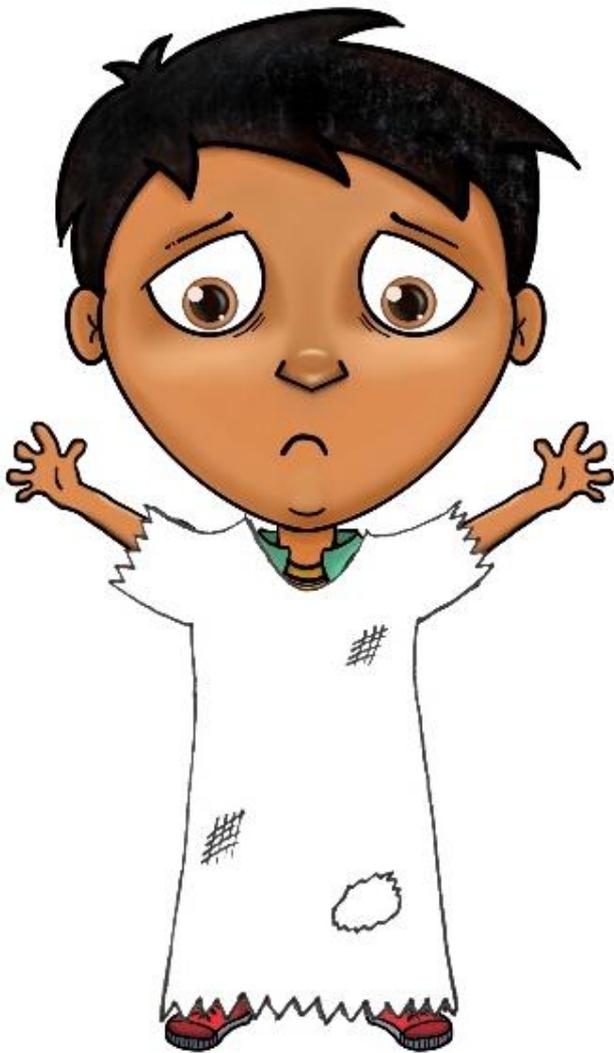


This is Morgan and He is going to pretend to be Joseph in our story. Throughout the story colour in his different outfits.



God gave Joseph 2 dreams about the plans and future God had for his life. In his dreams Joseph saw himself as a great and powerful man. So great that his older brothers and his parents actually bowed down to him.





Joseph's brothers weren't happy with what he was saying, and they decided to throw him into a pit and sell him as a slave.

DO YOU THINK GOD'S PLAN WAS RUINED?

No

Joseph worked for a man named Potiphar.

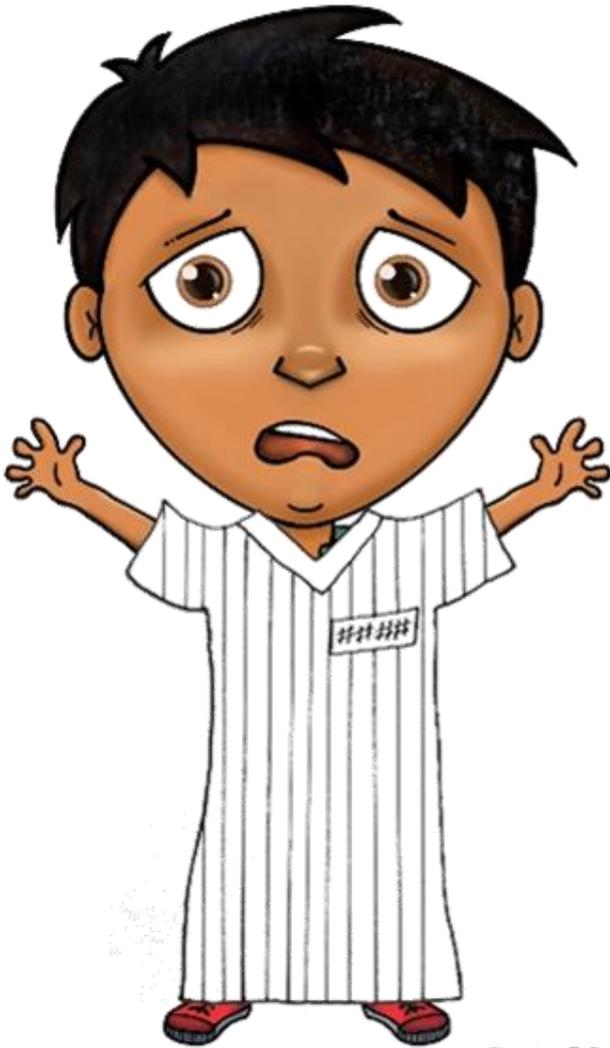
Potiphar could see that God gave him success with everything he did and so Potiphar soon put Joseph in charge of the entire house.

But one day Potiphar's wife told a lie about Joseph and had him thrown into prison.



DO YOU THINK GOD'S PLAN WAS RUINED?

No



While in prison Joseph met and helped to explain a man's dream. This man worked for Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. When this man left prison, Joseph asked him to please remember about him and help him get out of prison. Sadly, the man forgot about Joseph for 2 years. But God was still with Joseph and the guard put Joseph in charge of all the other prisoners.

DO YOU THINK GOD'S PLAN
WAS RUINED?

No

One day the king had a dream and they called Joseph to explain the dream to him. The king's dream was a warning that for 7 year there would be lots of crops, but then for 7 years there would be no crops. The king saw that God was with Joseph and he decided to make Joseph second in charge of the land.



During the 7 years of no crops Joseph's brothers travelled to Egypt to buy some food. They didn't recognise Joseph. All they saw was a great and powerful man and they bowed down in fear and respect to him. God's plan and dream for Joseph had finally been fulfilled.

DO YOU THINK GOD HAS A
PLAN
FOR YOUR LIFE?

Circle your answer.



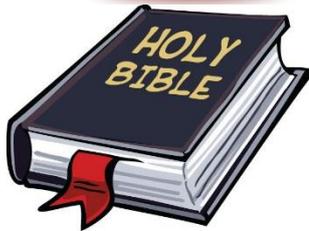
YES

NO

In life things happen that are difficult and can be very scary but remember that God is with you every step of the way! Even in those hard situations God wants to use you so that your life is a testimony about how great He is.

BOAST HOW GOD HAS PROTECTED YOU

BOAST IN GOD'S GRACE



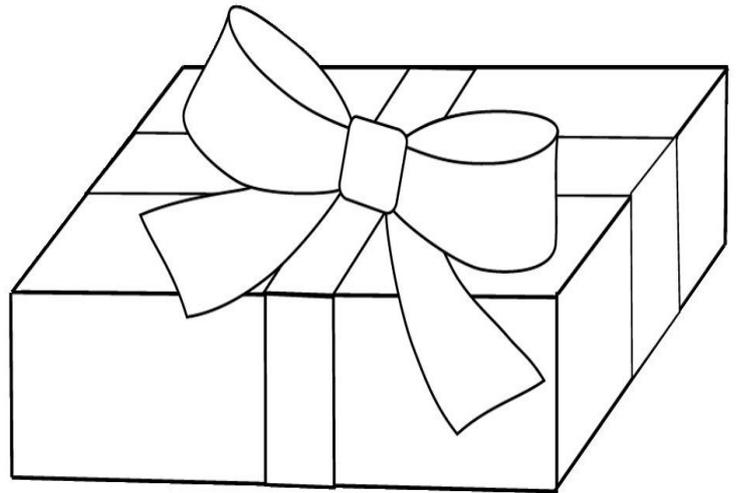
What is GRACE?

Grace is when you are given something wonderful even when you don't deserve it. Let's look in the Bible what it says...

Ephesians 2:8 "God saved you by His

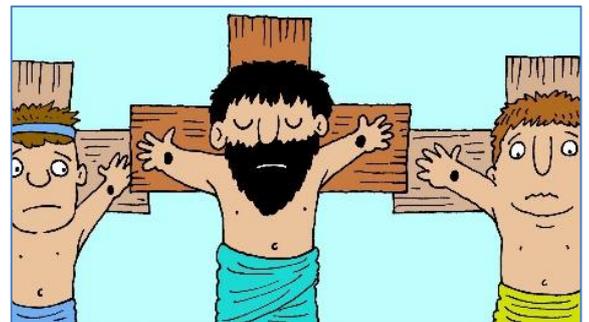
GRACE

when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God."

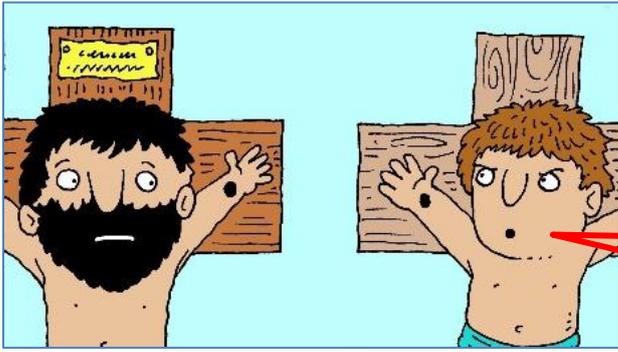


THE **CRIMINAL** ON THE CROSS (Luke 23:33,39-43)

When Jesus was on the cross, there were two other men also being put to death, they were criminals. People in the crowd shouted insults at Jesus saying



If He is God's Chosen One, the Messiah, then let Him save Himself. He saved others, didn't He?



One of the criminals hanging on the cross next to Jesus, began to shout insults

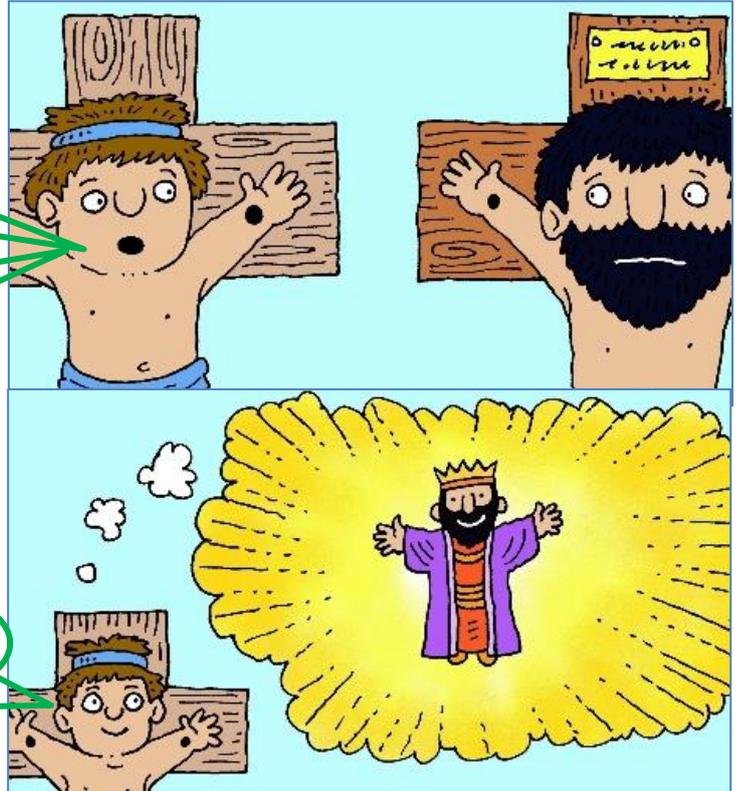
**Aren't you the Messiah?
Then save Yourself, and
save us too!**

But the other criminal stopped him.

**You should fear
God. You and I
are guilty.**

**We did wrong. But
this man, Jesus, has
done nothing**

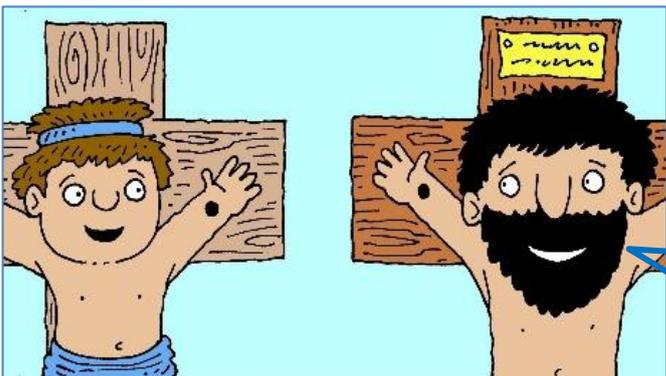
**Jesus, remember me when
you begin ruling as king!**



He believed that Jesus could save him, even with all he had done wrong. Then Jesus said to him

**I promise you, today
you will be with me
in paradise.**

The man was forgiven and his heart was filled with peace and joy because he believed in Jesus. He accepted the gift of God's grace right there on the cross.

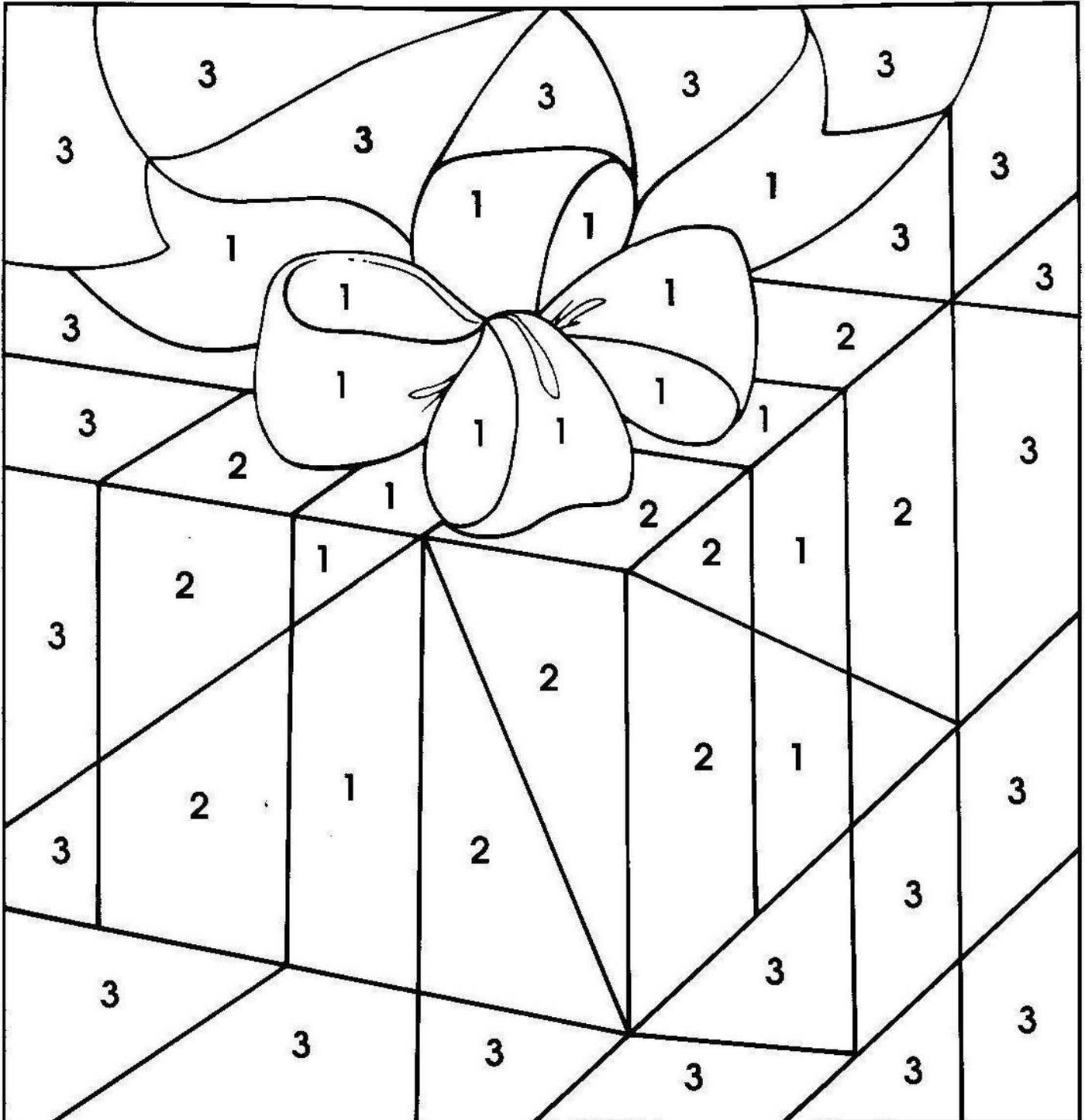


Colour by number to reveal a picture that will help you complete the verse on the next page; you can unscramble the word in brackets.

1: Red

2: Green

3: Blue



EPHESIANS 2:8

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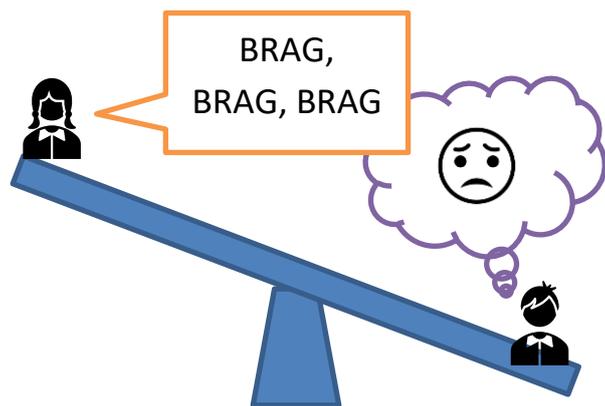
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FROM GOD.

BOAST ABOUT HOW GOD SAVED YOU

BOAST ABOUT THE LORD, NOT OURSELVES



Think of being on a seesaw... When I boast about all the things I have done, then I lift myself above other people and even God. Bragging and boasting about ourselves makes others feel bad and doesn't lift up God like we should.

James 4:16 says "But now you are proud and you brag. All of this bragging is wrong." (ICB)

The Bible tells us instead to boast about the Lord! When we tell everyone about all the things God has done for us, we lift Him up instead! We can boast about all the gifts He has given us so that we can fulfil the plans He has for our lives because that lifts up God and not ourselves!

1 Corinthians 1:31

"Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord!"



Write down or draw some things that God has done for you and some of the gifts He has given you.



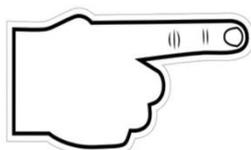


In Daniel 4, in the Bible, we read about King Nebuchadnezzar. He ruled over the Kingdom of Babylon but he did not worship God. He was very proud of himself and was always bragging about how great and successful he was.

Who was the king boasting about?



Colour in the correct block.



Himself

God



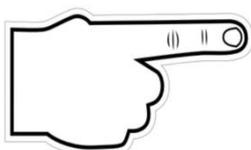
Daniel was a Israelite man who served in the royal palace. He had always worshipped God, even when it was difficult and put him in danger. God had given Daniel the gift of interpreting dreams. Daniel knew he could not do this without God's help.



Who did Daniel give glory to for this gift?

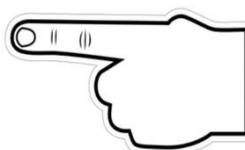


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Himself

God



Draw the King's dream in the picture.



One night the King had a dream. The dream was about a giant tree, full of green leaves and fruit growing so big that everyone could see it. Even animals came to live by it. Then a holy messenger came and the tree and all its fruit and leaves were destroyed. Only the stump was left

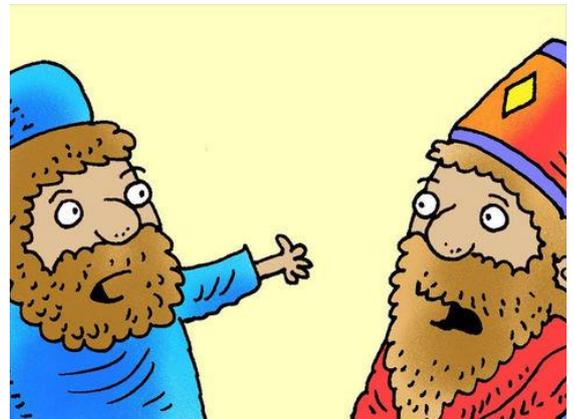
and it would stay like that for 7 years.

The King woke up afraid of the dream and he called Daniel to come and tell him what it meant.

Daniel loved God and knew God was not pleased about how the king had been boasting about himself.

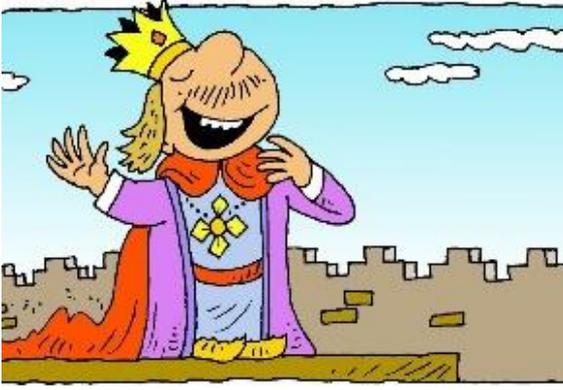
Remember that the Bible tells us if we want to boast about anything,

then we should boast about knowing the Lord.



So Daniel told the King that the dream was a warning from God to stop all his boasting and bragging or he would be punished!



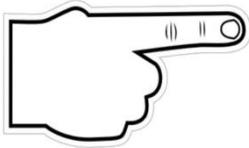


Clearly, the king was not too bothered about the warning from God. He continued to be boastful and proud. One day he was walking along, talking about his "great kingdom" and his own "strength".

Who was the king boasting about?



Colour in the correct block.



Himself

God



At that moment the king was struck by madness! He began to bark and howl like an animal. And just like Daniel said, he went off to live in the wild with the animals for seven years! Just like in the dream...

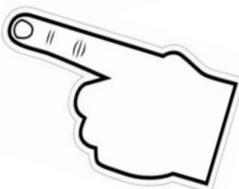
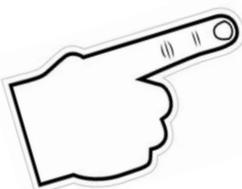


After the 7 years, the king was very sorry for the way he had been. He gave God all the glory and went back to being the king, only now he was more humble and worshipped God.

Who did the King boast about then?



God



BOAST IN GOD'S STRENGTH

The Israelites were God's chosen people and He loved them very much. God sent an angel to tell a man and wife that they were going to have a baby boy.

God would give their son super-strength so that he could beat their enemy - the Philistines.

The angel told them that the boy had to obey some rules.



One of these rules was that he could **never** cut his hair! If he did he wouldn't be strong anymore! The boy was born and they named him Samson.

Here are a few of the things that his strength from God helped him do.



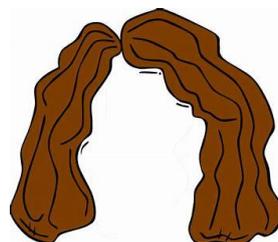
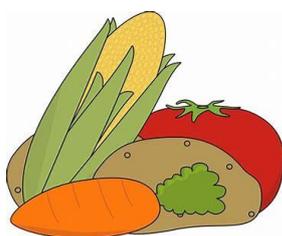
- He was so strong that he tore a lion to pieces with his bare hands.
- He killed 1000 Philistines, who had spears and shields, with **ONLY** a donkey's jawbone.

The Philistines didn't like it that Samson was so strong. They could see this was going to be a big problem for them. They had to find out where his strength came from.

Where did Samson's strength come from?

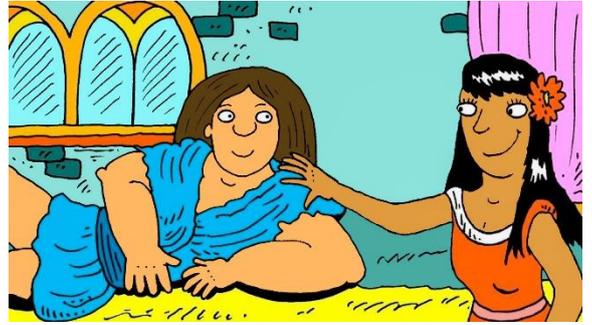


Circle your answer.



GOD

Samson loved a lady named Delilah. The Philistines plotted to find out where Samson's strength came from by giving Delilah money.



Delilah nagged and nagged and nagged. Samson kept telling her the wrong thing until he eventually told her. Oh no! When she cut his hair he was as weak as a normal man. God's rule had been broken.

Samson was taken prisoner and the Philistines chained him between two pillars in the temple and made fun of him.

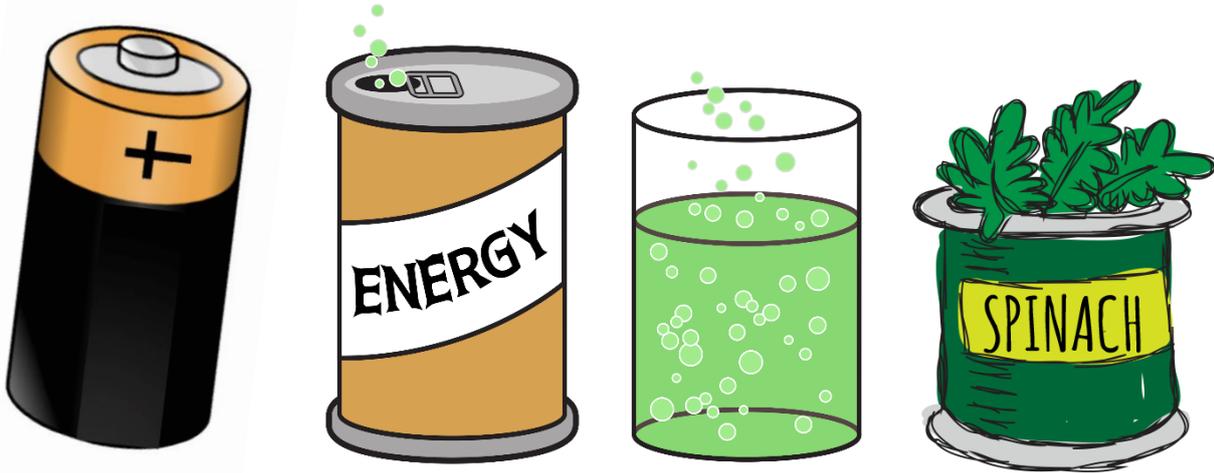


But the Philistines had made one big mistake! They had thought Samson's strength came from his hair.

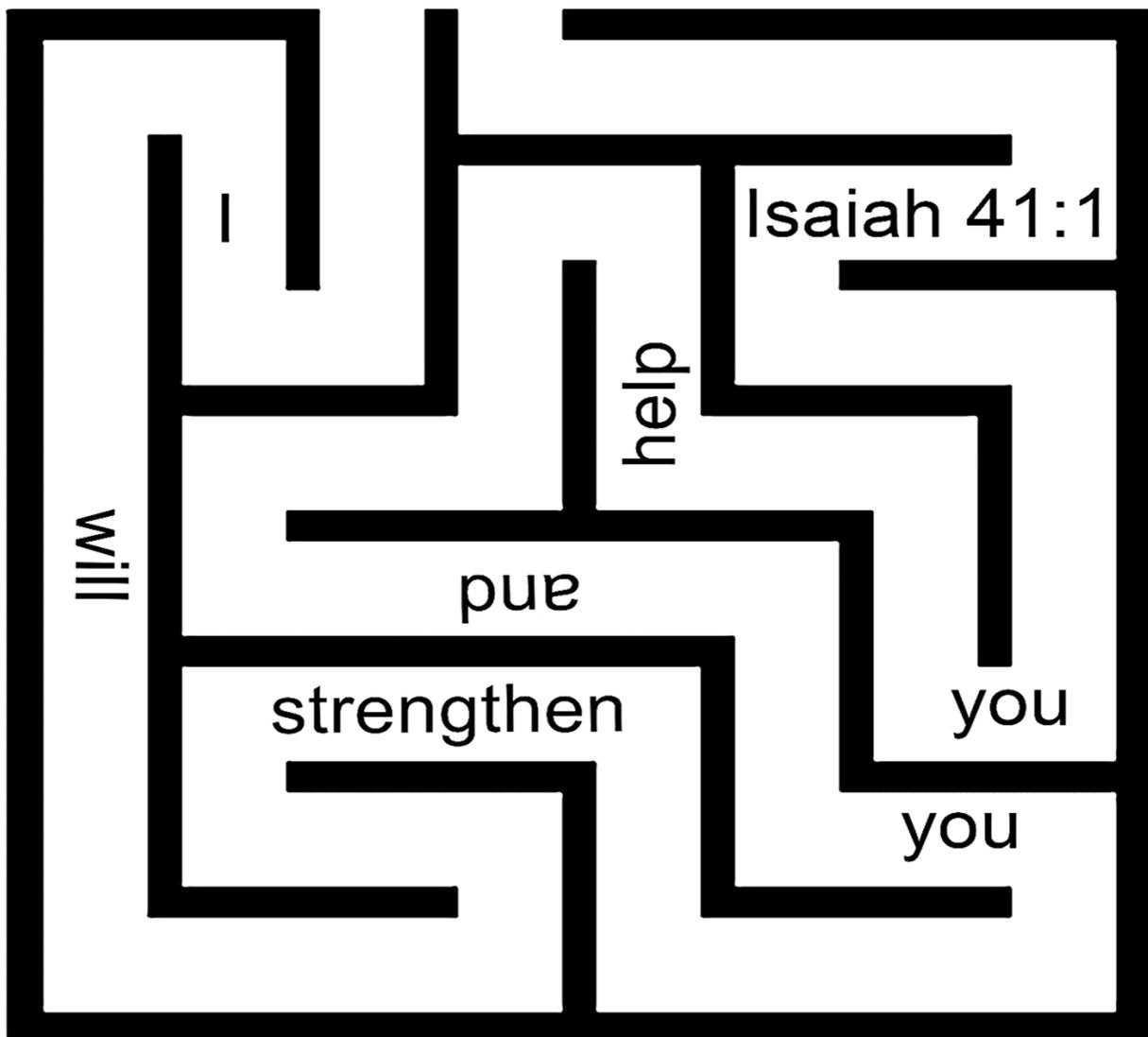
When Samson prayed and asked God for his strength to return to save his people - God did just that! With the strength from God Samson broke the giant stone pillars and the whole temple came crashing down. He had beat the enemy just like God had planned.

Draw what you think Samson could have lifted all at once.





These things might give you energy but when you need to do something really hard or important, you don't need this kind of strength. Go through the maze to see what God says about where to get your strength from. _____



BOAST ABOUT YOUR WEAKNESSES

In the days of Paul from the Bible, a Jew was someone that loved and followed God. The people back then decided if you were a good Jew or not by a few things...

The family you were born into



The rules and ceremonies you had done



The teaching you had



The work or things you had done as a Jew



The better these things were the more you could boast about. Let's see if Paul could boast about any of these?



Paul was a Hebrew and was even from tribe of Benjamin. That meant people like King Saul, Queen Esther and even Joseph were all his relatives.

Could he boast?

YES

NO



Paul did all the ceremonies that a Jew had to follow, even from the age of 8 days old. He followed every rule that there was in the Jewish law. He even joined the

Could he boast?

YES

NO

Pharisees which made sure others followed the law too.



Paul was trained really well. He knew how to read and write Hebrew and he also knew all the Jewish laws off by heart. That's a lot!

Could he boast?

YES

NO



Paul worked very hard. Doing his work he had even been shipwrecked, whipped, stoned, jailed, robbed and gone hungry.

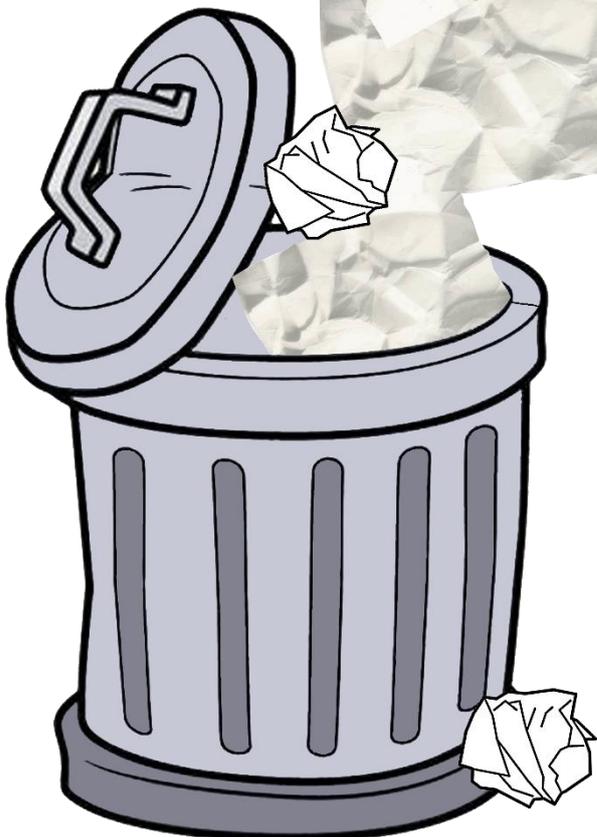
Could he boast?

YES

NO



All of these things would have given Paul lots to boast about but instead he said, compared to knowing Jesus these things were like **GARBAGE**.



Are there things that you could boast about? If you think they are like garbage compared to knowing Jesus write them on the pieces of paper and crumple them.

In 2 Corinthians 12:9 Paul did say there was one thing he was glad to boast about. Can you guess which one it was?

Paul wanted to boast about ...



Circle what you think Paul boasted about.

How good he could take a selfie



His singing voice



How many stamps he had in his passport



His weaknesses



His amazing ability to pronounce people's names



His money

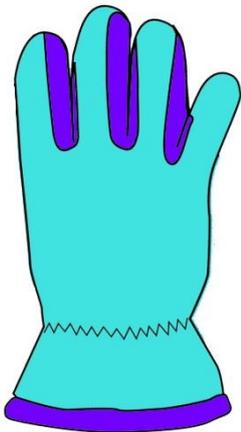


Unscramble the word missing from 2 Corinthians 12:9 to find the answer.

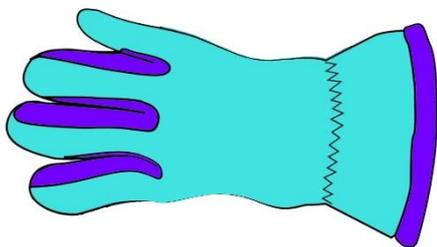
I am glad to boast about my _____,
S W E A N K E S E S

so that the power of Christ can work through me.

It seems real confusing to be boasting about your weaknesses. Let's use these gloves to help us understand.



Imagine this glove was as solid as a rock. We would say it is strong. It might be strong, but it would not be useful.



A weak, flexible glove can be used to do great things. Why? Is it because it is strong? No! It's because the person filling the glove is strong and can use the glove to do great things.

In the same way when we are weak and flexible, it is God who fills us. When we allow God to work through us, He can do greater things than we could ever imagine.

Who makes us strong when we are weak? _____

Colour in only the blocks with that have the letter "B" in.

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BOAST ABOUT YOUR WEAKNESSES

BOAST IN GOD'S PROTECTION

In the Bible, there are lots of stories about God protecting His People... this is the story about Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego .



These three friends had been exiled from Jerusalem by King Nebuchadnezzar. The three friends loved God. They continued to worship Him and serve Him.



Nebuchadnezzar was a very powerful and bossy king. "Everyone must bow down and pray to a big gold statue I have made. If you don't, you will be thrown into a big fiery furnace," said the king.

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego would not bow to the statue. They only worship the One True God.



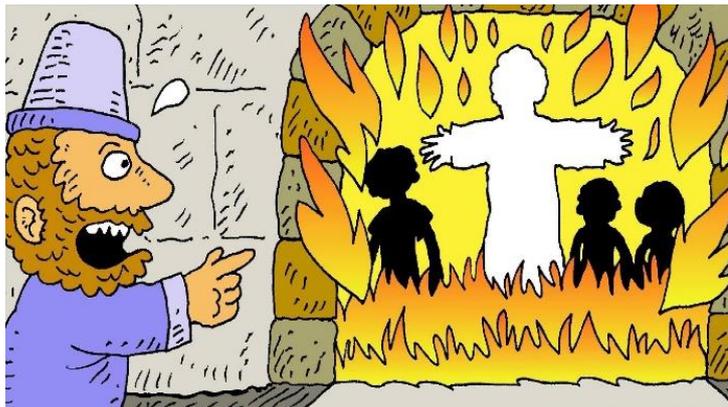
The king was very angry. "These men must be thrown into the fiery furnace," he said.



They said, "If you throw us into the hot furnace, the God we serve can save us. But even if God does not save us, we want you to know, King, we will not

worship the gold idol you have set up."

The king's soldiers threw the three friends into the fire. It was very hot but it didn't burn them! God protected them! Not even their clothes got burnt!



The king looked into the furnace and said "Look! I see four men walking around in the fire. They are not tied up and they are not burned. The fourth man looks like the son of God."

The king called them out of the fire. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego had trusted God to protect them and He did. The king even made a new rule that no one must say anything against God.

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego could boast about God's protection.



BOAST THAT GOD IS YOUR PROTECTOR

Use the secret code to complete the verse

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G	=	Ⓓ	T	=	⑦
H	=	Ⓕ	U	=	①
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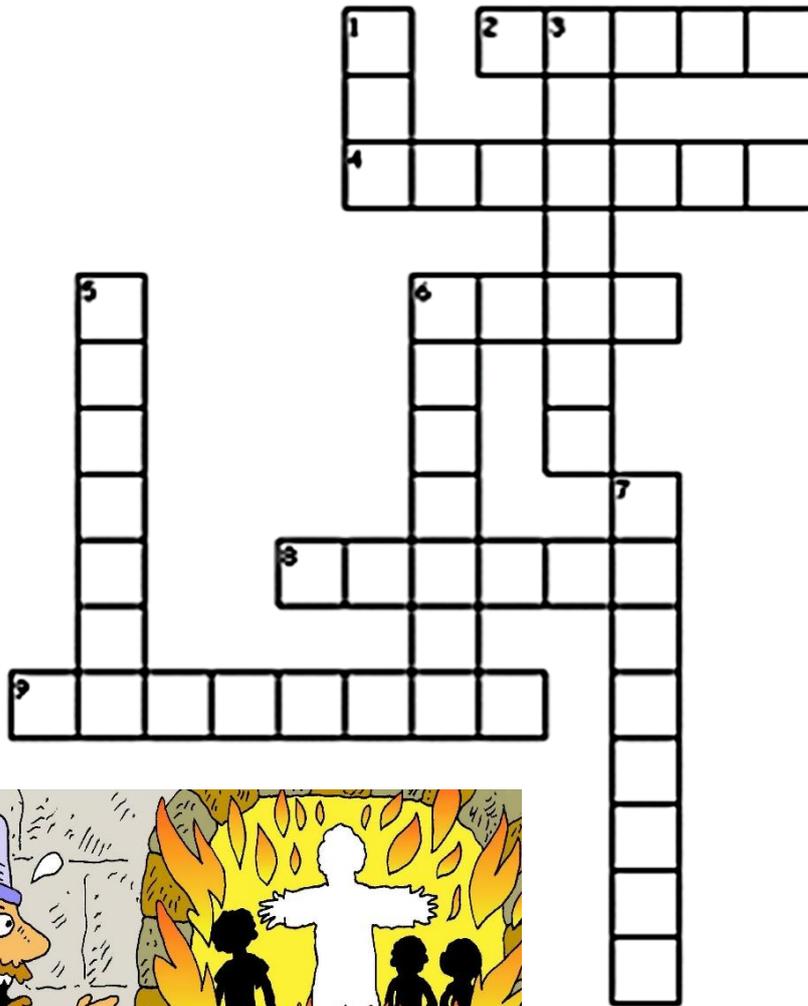
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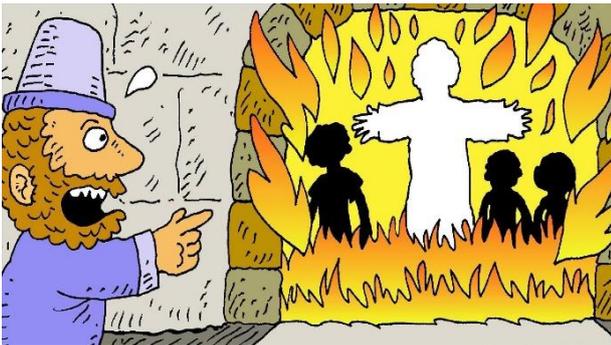
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Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego Crossword



<u>Word List</u>	
Babylon	Bow
Believed	Four
Furnace	Brave
Rescued	Statue
Unharmd	Worship



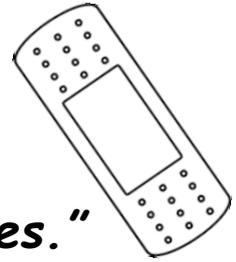
Across:

2. The three men were _____ because the furnace was very hot.
4. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego wouldn't do this to any other god.
6. Even though the king put three men in the furnace, he saw _____.
8. The king believed that his _____ was real and could hear him.
9. The three men were completely _____ as they came out of the hot furnace.

Down:

1. When the music started to play everyone was ordered to do this.
3. God did this so that the men wouldn't burn in the furnace.
5. The name of the place where the story took place.
6. The three men were thrown into a very hot _____ for not bowing to a statue.
7. The three men _____ that God was real and that He listens to them.

BOAST IN GOD'S HEALING



Sometimes we or someone we love gets sick.

But the Bible says in Matthew 8:17

"He took our sickness and removed our diseases."

That means that when Jesus died on the cross, not only did He take our sins upon Himself but also our sicknesses!

We can pray and have faith that Jesus will heal us.

Sometimes God chooses not to heal. That can be really hard for us to understand but remembering how much He loves us, how great His plans are for us and how perfect He is can help us to keep our faith in Him strong.

Here are 3 testimonies from the Bible of people Jesus healed. Look how much they teach us about boasting that Jesus is our healer.

1) The Centurion (Matthew 8: 5-11)

"I heard that Jesus was in Capernaum. One of my young servants was in bed paralyzed and in pain. I went to Jesus and told Him all about my servant. Jesus immediately said that He would come to my house and heal the servant. But I told Jesus that He didn't need to come all the way to my house. He has authority just like me! When I tell someone to do something, they do it! And so, if Jesus just said that my servant would be healed, I knew that he would be!"

Find five differences between the two pictures. Colour the pictures in.



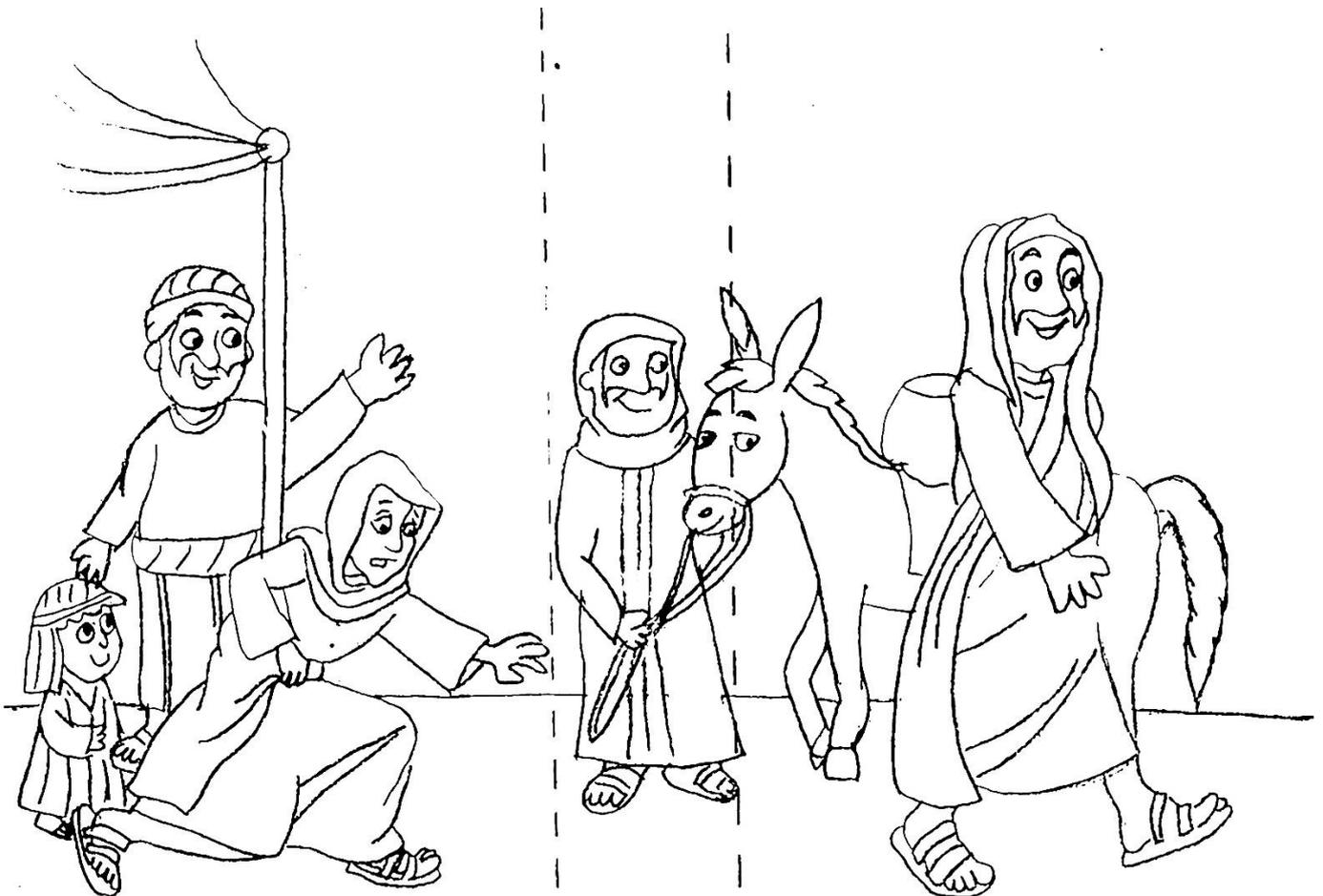
BOAST THAT JESUS CAN HEAL US FROM ANYWHERE!

2) *The lady with the blood issue (Mark 5:24-34)*

I had been sick for a very long and so when I heard about all the miracles Jesus had been doing, I had such faith that He could heal me too.

Nervously I pushed through the crowd and I thought, 'If I can just touch the hem of His cloak, I know I will be healed!' I didn't expect for Jesus to know that I had touched Him - there were so many people there - but He did! He instantly turned around to see who had been healed by Him. I nervously confessed that it was me and that I had touched His cloak... and do you know what He said? He was so kind! He told me that because of my faith in Him, I am healed!"

Fold on the dotted lines to see her touch Jesus' cloak. Colour in.



BOAST THAT JESUS HAS THE POWER TO HEAL!

3) *The friend who was lowered through the roof (Luke 5:17-20).*

"Well you see, I was paralyzed and my friends tried to get me into the house where Jesus was performing healing miracles. That day the house where He was, was very crowded and they could not even carry me through the door. So, they made another plan. They carried me up onto the roof, still on my mat, and made a hole in the roof so that I could be lowered down and placed right in front of Jesus. I am so glad they did because right there on my mat...
Jesus healed me!"

Find these six hidden objects in the picture below. Colour in.



Jesus wants to heal you of your sickness. More importantly Jesus wants your heart to be healed of sin and unforgiveness and only He can do this. When we believe we are forgiven and have eternal life in Heaven with Him. Why don't you pray for His healing now?

BOAST THAT JESUS HAS HEALED YOU!

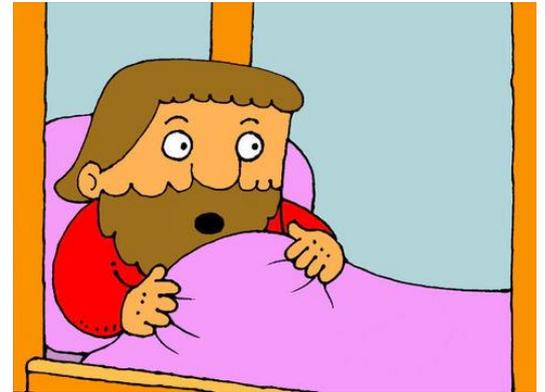
BOAST IN GOD'S WISDOM

The Bible tell us about a man named Solomon. It says he was the wisest man that ever lived. He was one of the kings of Israel.



Solomon loved God and he showed his love for God by making many sacrifices. This pleased God.

One night, God appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, ***"What do you want? Ask, and I will give it to you!"***

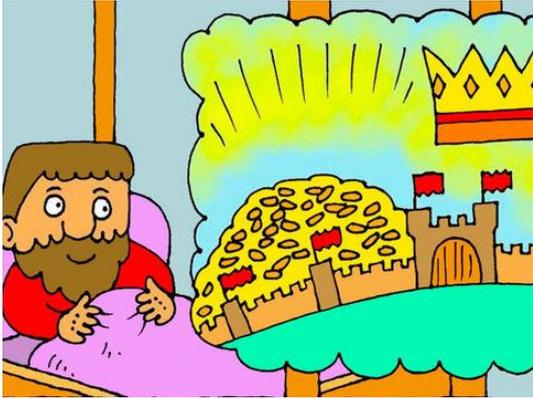


Solomon didn't ask for riches or power or victory over his enemies, although he could have. Solomon wanted to be a good king to God's people. He wanted to rule them well. For that, he needed to be wise.

Solomon understood that true treasure is God's wisdom. He recognised that only God is wise, and that only God could give him wisdom to be a great king. Proverbs 2:6 says that "the Lord grants wisdom! From his mouth come knowledge and understanding."

I WILL BOAST IN GOD'S WISDOM BECAUSE ALL WISDOM COMES FROM HIM.

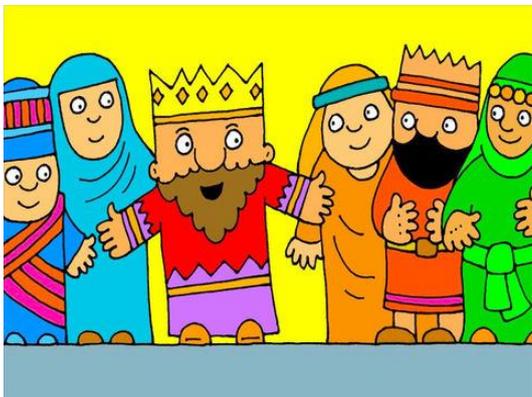
God was pleased that Solomon had asked for wisdom so God said, "I will give you what you asked for! I will give you a wise



and understanding heart such as no one else has had or ever will have!"

James 1:5

If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and He will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking.



God blessed Solomon with heavenly wisdom, not man's wisdom. People heard how wise and fair King Solomon was and that he knew what was right and what was wrong. They came to hear the wise words God gave him.

And because Solomon didn't ask for riches, or anything for himself, God also made him a very rich man. God blessed King Solomon.



Unscramble the words to see what the Bible says about God's wisdom. Look up James 3:17 NLT to help you.

But the wisdom from above is first of all (UREP)_____. It is also (CEEPA QIVOLN)_____, (EETLQN)_____ at all times, and willing to yield to others. It is full of (CRYME)_____ and the fruit of (GODO SEEDD)_____. It shows no favouritism and is always (REENSIC)_____.

I WILL BOAST IN GOD'S WISDOM BECAUSE HIS WISDOM IS PURE.

Look what God says in the Bible and compare them to these sayings that people think are wise.

1. Follow you heart

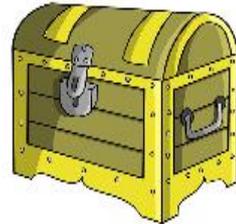
Colossians 3:20

2. Speak your mind

Proverbs 21:23

3. It's ok for you to brag about what you've done. You deserve it!

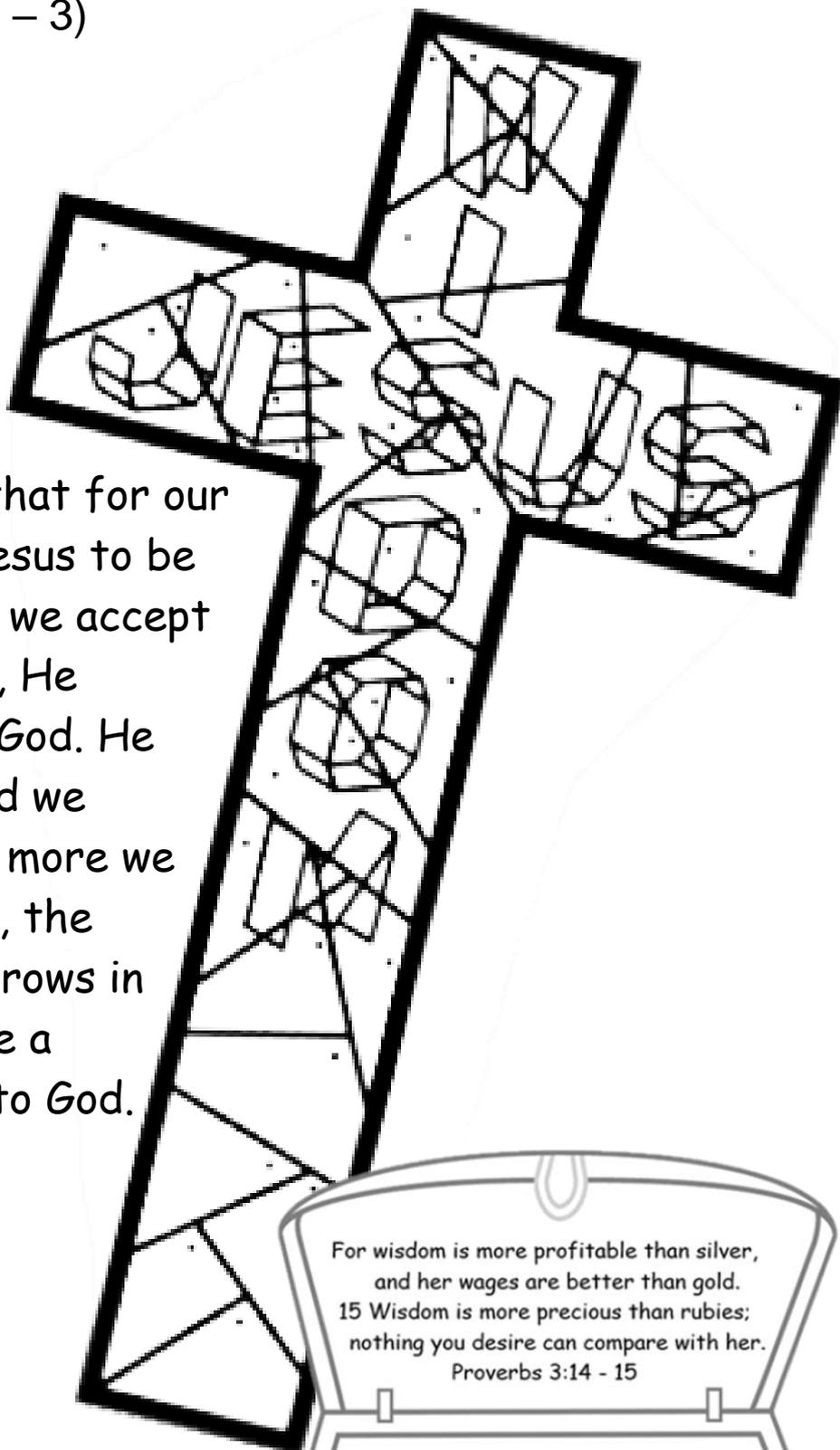
Jeremiah 9:23 - 24



God wants us to search for wisdom and understanding as though they were hidden treasures (Proverbs 2:4).

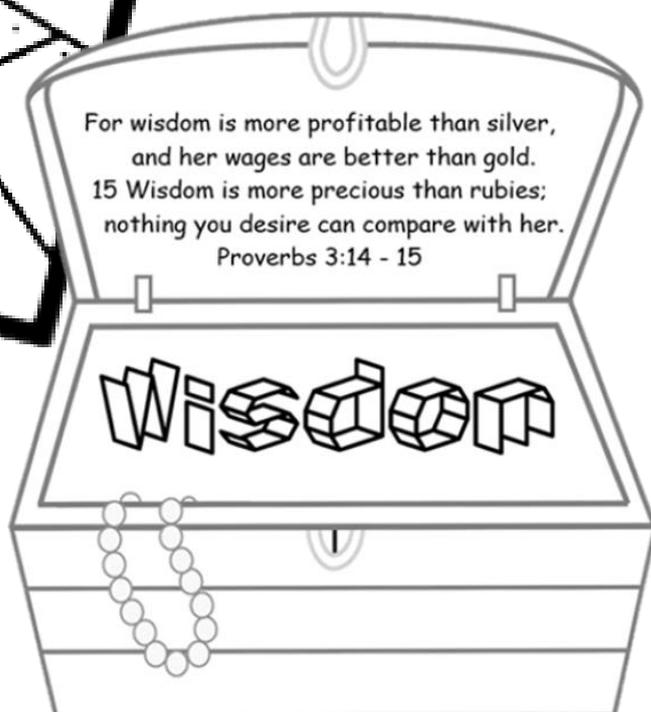
Colour in all the spaces with a ● Can you find the hidden words?
(Read Colossians 2:2 – 3)

The Bible also says that for our benefit God made Jesus to be wisdom itself. When we accept Jesus as our saviour, He makes us right with God. He frees us from sin and we receive wisdom. The more we spend time with Him, the more God's wisdom grows in us so that we can live a life that is pleasing to God.



For wisdom is more profitable than silver,
and her wages are better than gold.
15 Wisdom is more precious than rubies;
nothing you desire can compare with her.
Proverbs 3:14 - 15

Wisdom



BOAST BY TELLING OTHERS

Let's read John 9:1-4;6-7;11

9 ¹As Jesus was walking along, He saw a man who had been blind from birth. ² "Teacher," His disciples asked Him, "why was this man born blind? Was it because of his own sins or his parents' sins?"

³ "It was not because of his sins or his parents' sins," Jesus answered. **"This happened so the POWER of God could be seen in him."**

⁶ Then He spit on the ground, made mud with the saliva, and spread the mud over the blind man's eyes. ⁷ He told him, "Go wash yourself in the pool of Siloam" (Siloam means "sent"). So the man went and washed and came back seeing!



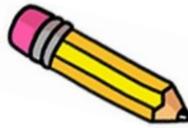
Imagine you were there, what would you tell a friend that happened?

Everyone was amazed that the man was no longer blind. When they asked him what had happened this is what he told them.

¹¹ "The man they call Jesus made mud and spread it over my eyes and told me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash yourself.' So I went and washed, and now I can see!"



Fill in the missing vowels



What the man said is called his T S T M N Y .

Can you see that it was nothing fancy. The man just said exactly what Jesus did. When you wrote what you would tell your friend, that was your testimony too.

Here are some tips to help you share your testimony.



Pray - ask God to help you. He has given you the Holy Spirit to help you know what, when and who to say it to.



Read - The Bible is filled with things about God and Jesus that you can share with others. Knowing who He is also helps you see what He is doing in your life too. God wants you to share all these things



Remember - Thinking about all the things that God has done for you makes it so much easier to tell others how great He is.

My testimony

I love Jesus because _____

I love to boast that Jesus _____

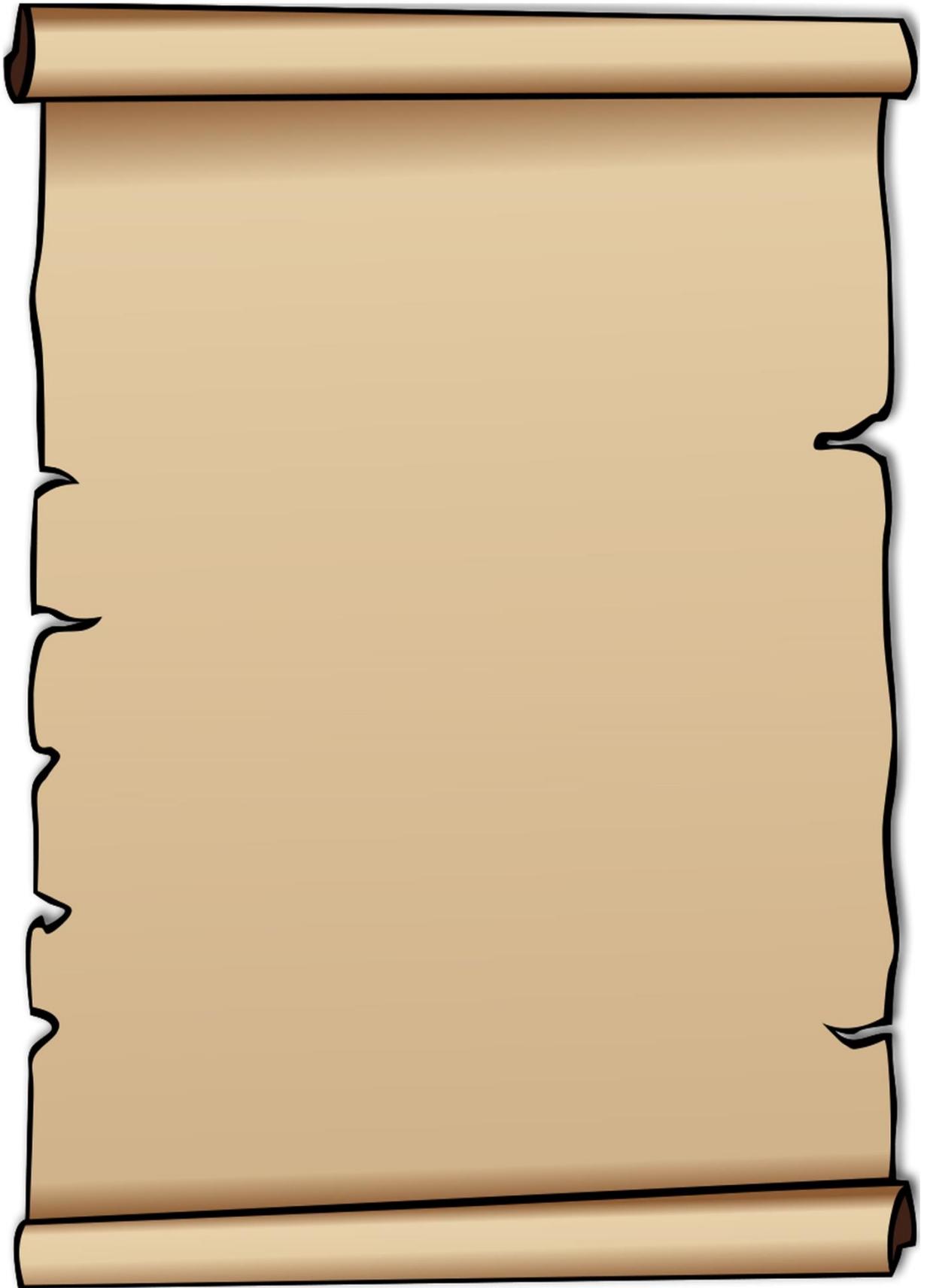
God helped me when _____

My favourite Bible verse is _____

I am going to share my testimony with

This is me when God

Write your testimony on the scroll. Cut along the dotted line and share it with someone else. Why not invite them



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