



500 EASTER PRINTABLES

Bible-Based Worksheets for Kids Ages 4 and Up

First Baptist Church of Auburndale
Children's Ministry

CROSSWORDS

MAZES

COLORING SHEETS

CRYPTOGRAMS

WORD PUZZLES

INTRODUCTION

Easter Activities & Printables

It's common knowledge that Easter is *the* most important holiday of our Christian calendar. Yet it's not always easy to present it as such to children! After all, Christmas has Santa, trees, lights, music, and wonderful foods. Easter can seem second-rate in comparison! Not only that, but it's kind of a scary story. How do we make kids understand and appreciate it?

We Got This One in the Bag!

We are here to help you out! Our *Easter Printables Activity Book* will help your students see Easter through the eyes of Jesus and all his friends. With 50 great activities from coloring to crosswords, kids will learn a little bit more about Easter from each fun page! From Palm Sunday to Resurrection Sunday to the Ascension, each activity will cover a small piece of the picture, complete with Scripture verses and facts about Easter. As your children color, connect, and fill in, you will hear them exclaim, "I never knew Easter was such an important time!"

What's in our Easter Activity Book

Fun activities will bring kids aged four to 12 to a greater knowledge of what happened during Holy Week and what it all means. For younger kids, we have *coloring pages, easier mazes, and word searches*. For older children, we have more difficult versions of mazes, word searches, tiles, and cryptograms – a variety that should fit every age group!

These will help children understand that the Resurrection is real, Jesus is alive and well, and we will all be together with him someday, thanks to everything that he accomplished during Holy Week!

Our activities include the following:

- Crosswords
- Word Searches
- Mazes
- Cryptograms
- Tile Puzzles
- Coloring Pages

Kids will color, draw, and fill in puzzles, all the while learning from:

- All four Gospel accounts of Holy Week, each with its own precious details.
- Old Testament prophecies about the Crucifixion and Resurrection that are astonishing in their accuracy.
- The hope which is ours, for eternity, thanks to the Easter story.

Our Activities are designed by Experts

Our coloring pages were created by illustrators that kids love best these days – those who draw superheroes for the biggest and most well-known comic book companies! Scriptures and activities have been selected by experts who have written more than a thousand Sunday school lessons for children. A Table of Contents can help kids find the activities they like best.

Making Learning Fun and Fantastic

The goal is to help bring the Easter message to life for kids, who may know little more about Easter than it's a day to get baskets of candy! Our unique activities will create lots of fun hours and will leave kids knowing lots more about the importance of Easter and the love of Christ!

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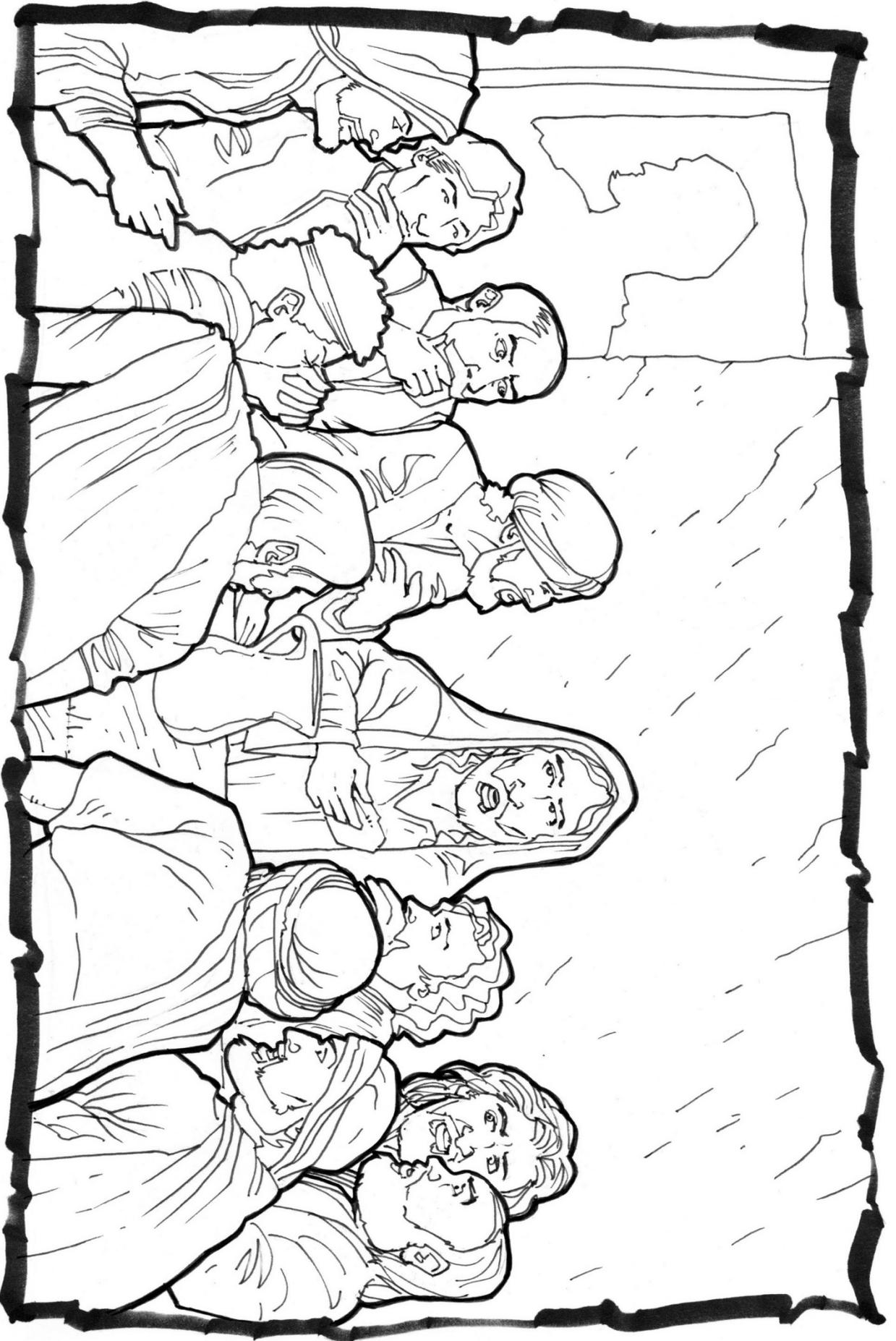
MARK 11:2-10 Jesus rode a donkey's colt into Jerusalem to shouts of "Hosanna" from the crowds of people.



MARK 11:15-16 Jesus entered the temple
and overturned the money changers tables.



LUKE 22:2-5 Judas agreed to deliver over Jesus to the chief priests and captains for a bag of silver.



LUKE 22:14-34 At the Passover supper, Jesus proclaimed the New Covenant, as well as his betrayal and Peter's denial.



JOHN 13:3-17 To demonstrate a servant's heart,
Jesus washed the disciples feet.



MATTHEW 26:36-45 Jesus asked the disciples to stand watch in the garden of Gethsemane while he prayed, but they fell asleep.



MARK 14:44-46 Judas betrayed Jesus with a kiss that signaled the soldiers to arrest him.



JOHN 18:10 An enraged Simon Peter attacked a soldier and cut off his ear.



LUKE 22:54 The soldiers bound Jesus and took him to the high priest.



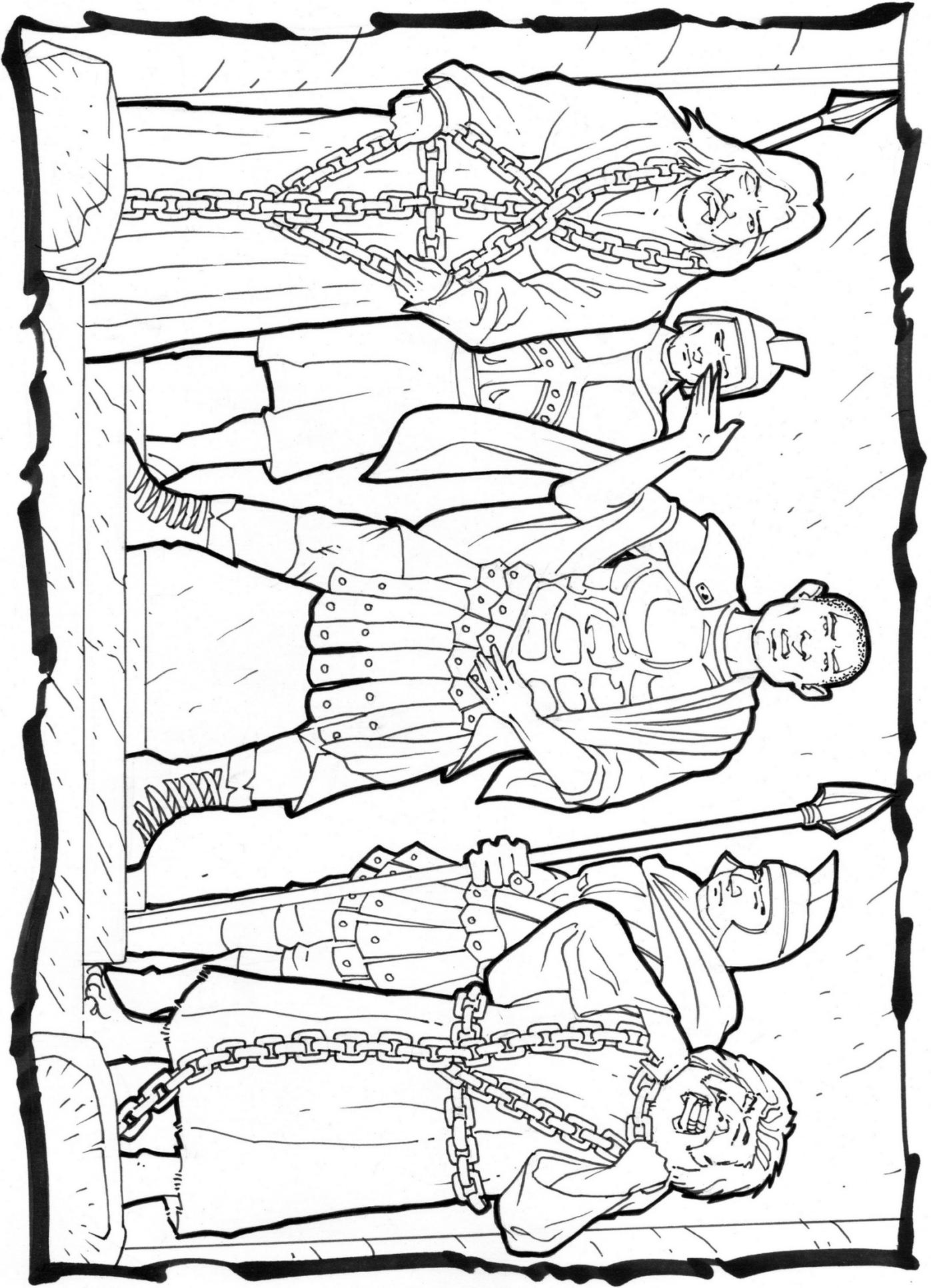
LUKE 22:54-62 When Peter denied he knew Jesus three times,
just as predicted, the rooster crowed.



JOHN 19:1 Pilate had the soldiers whip Jesus.



MATTHEW 27:3-5 Consumed with guilt
after having betrayed Jesus, Judas took his own life.



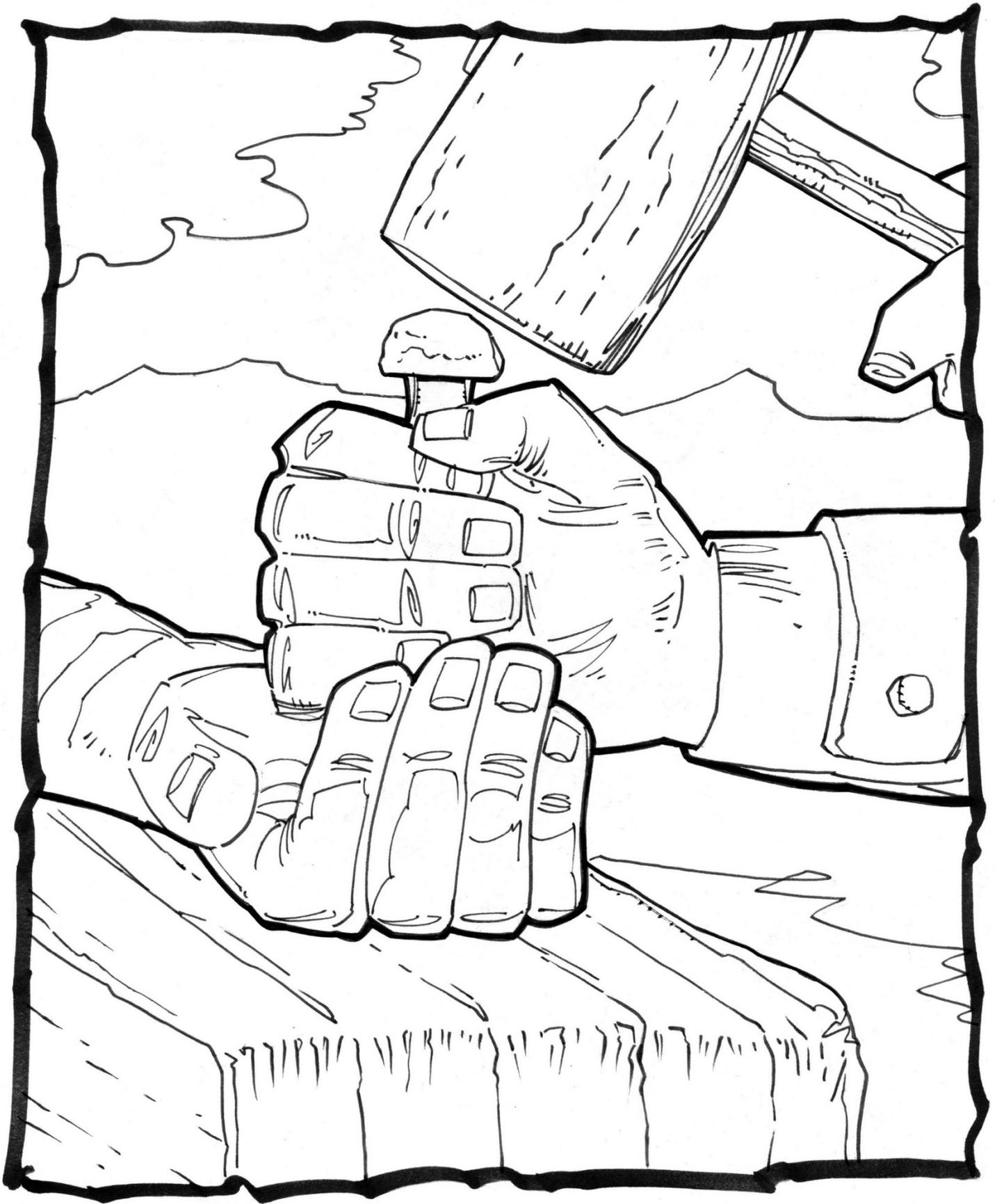
LUKE 23:17-23 Pilate gave the crowd a choice to release either Jesus or Barabbas, the murderer. They chose to release Barabbas and to crucify Jesus!



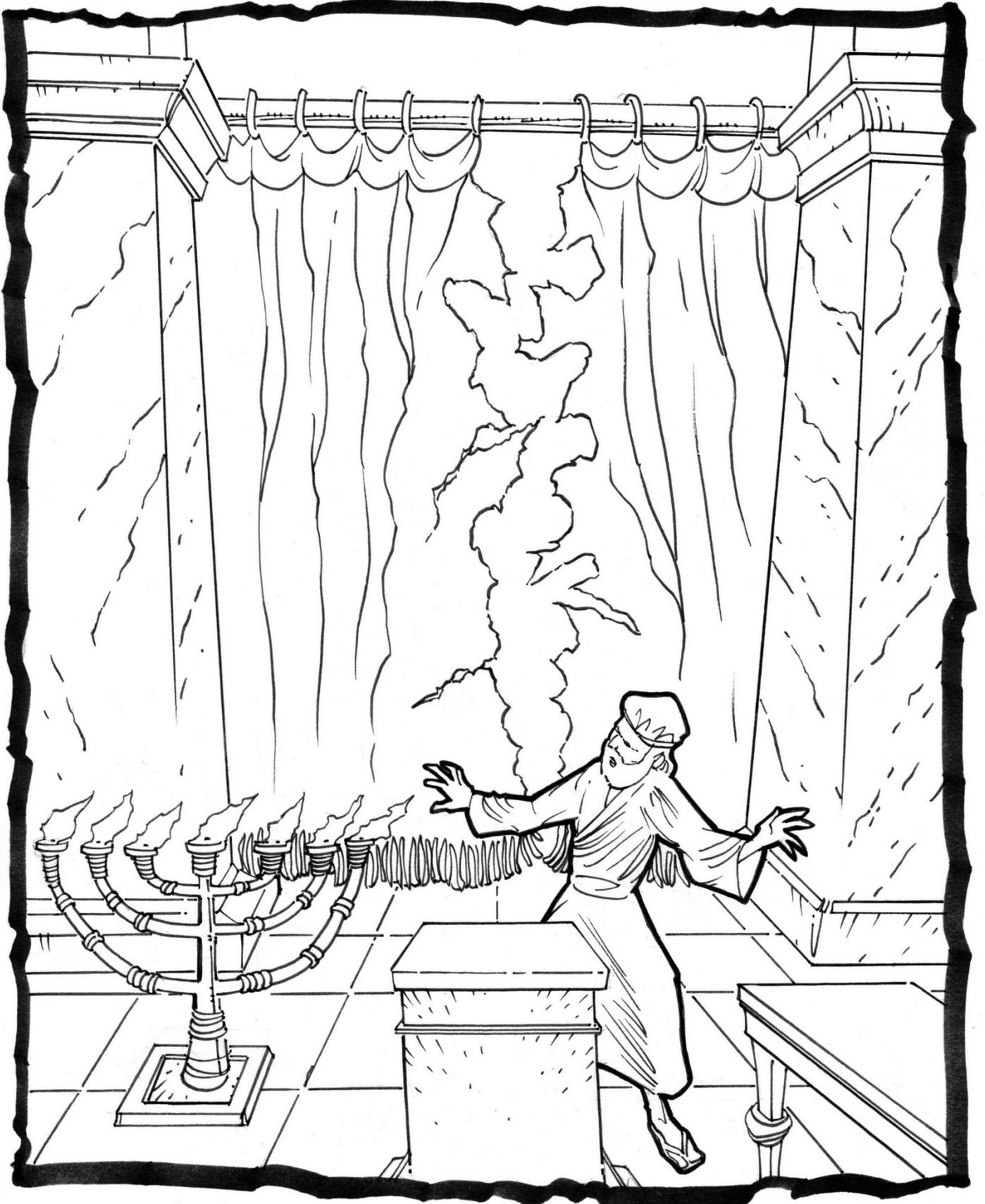
MATTHEW 27:29-31 The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on Jesus' head to mock him.



LUKE 23:26 The soldiers seized Simon of Cyrene and made him help carry Jesus' cross.



LUKE 23:33 At Golgotha, they crucified Jesus.



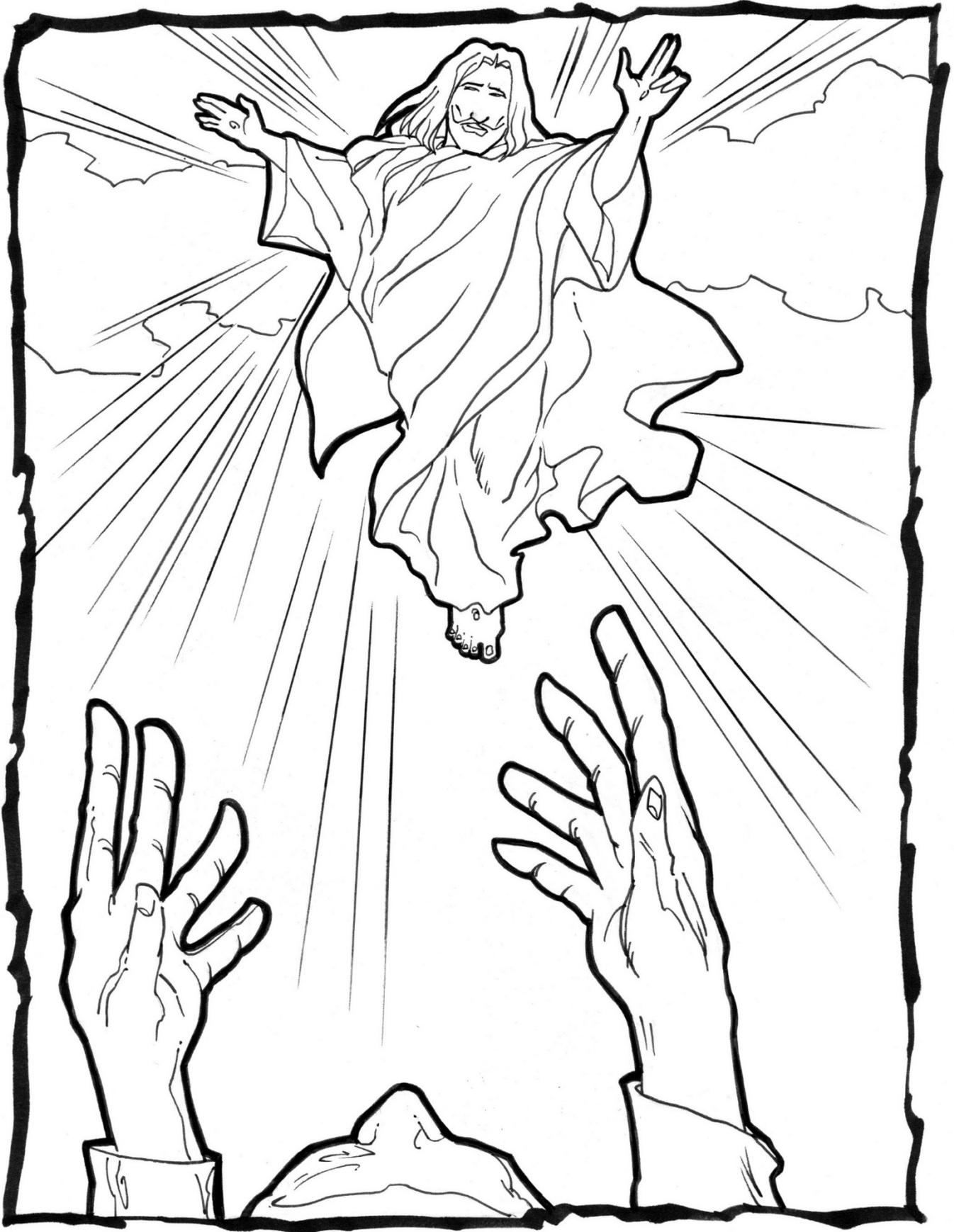
LUKE 23:45 When Jesus died, the curtain in the temple of the Holy of Holies was torn in two.



JOHN 20:14-15 The resurrected Jesus appeared to Mary Magdalene at the empty tomb.



JOHN 20:27-29 Jesus had Thomas inspect his wounds to prove he was actually alive and restore his faith.



LUKE 24:50-52 As Jesus blessed the disciples, he lifted his hands and was taken up into heaven!

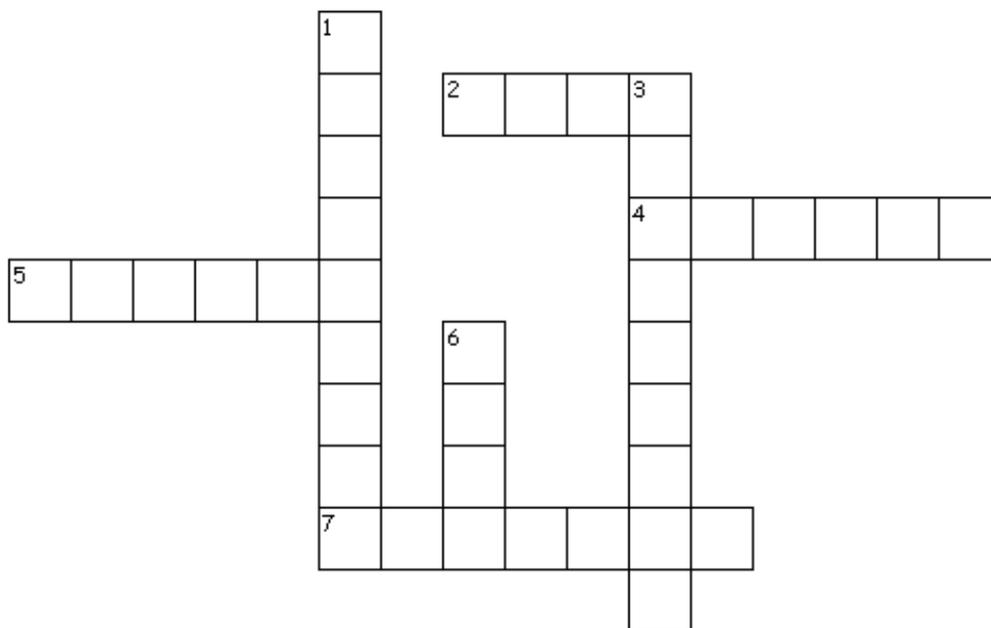
Triumphal Entry

Easter Week begins with Palm Sunday, when Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey! Kings used to arrive into big cities on horses if they were coming in war, and on colts and donkeys if they were coming in peace. Jesus arrived on a donkey, because he is the Prince of Peace! The verse below is from Matthew. Use it to finish the Crossword!

From Matthew 21:1-3

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will

find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once."



Across

2. They should say that WHO needs the donkey?
4. This happened on what day of the week?
5. Jesus and the disciples were near this mount
7. This is from which book of the Bible?

Down

1. Where Jesus and the disciples first drew near
3. Jesus sent two of these to a nearby village
6. A donkey and this were found tied up

The Children Shout for Jesus

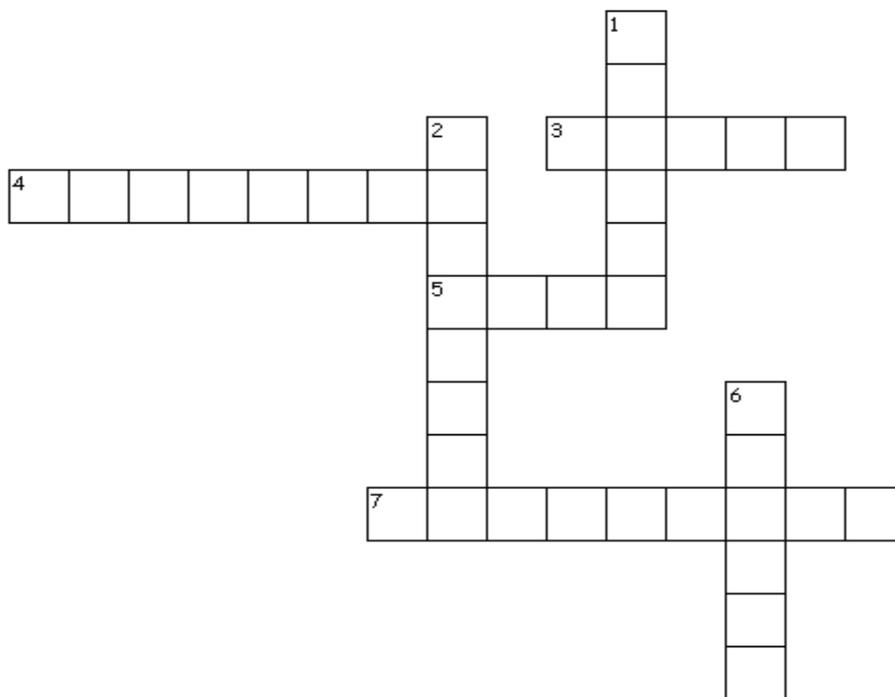
The children were among the happiest to see Jesus arrive in Jerusalem! They shouted "Hosannah!" to him, which means "hooray!" or "hurrah!" The religious leaders got upset by this, because they had enormous egos, and the children never made a fuss over them! Use that story, which is below, to finish the Crossword.

Matthew 21:14-16

The blind and the lame came to him at the temple, and he healed them. But when the chief priests and the teachers of the law saw the wonderful things he did and the children shouting in the temple courts, "Hosannah to the Son of David," they were indignant. "Do you hear what these

children are saying?" they asked him. "Yes," replied Jesus, "have you never read, "From the lips of children and infants you, Lord, have called forth your praise?"

(That last line is a prophecy from Psalm 8:2)



Across

3. Son of Whom?
4. Word that means "hooray!"
5. In the Temple, Jesus healed the blind and these.
7. How the religious leaders felt about the children shouting.

Down

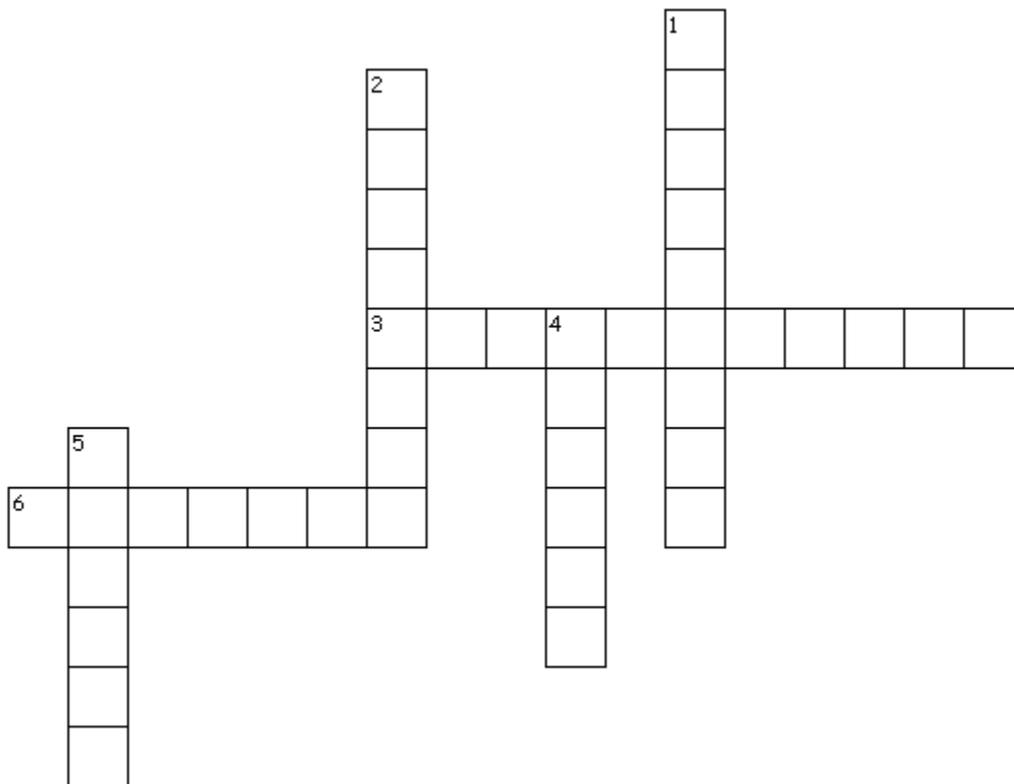
1. The Lord called forth this from children and infants.
2. These people shouted the most
6. Jesus quoted this book of the Old Testament to the religious leaders.

Evil Men Plot Jesus' Death

Hearing the children shout for Jesus was just one thing that upset the religious leaders. They were very jealous. They saw Jesus healing the sick and making people happy. They wanted all the praise and "hurrahs" for themselves. The high priest that year made this famous statement below, saying Jesus should die. He didn't know he was totally prophesying!

John 11:49-52

One of them, Caiaphas, the high priest that year, said to the other religious leaders: 'You fail to see that it is to your advantage that one man should die for the people, rather than that the whole nation should perish. He did not speak in his own person, but he was prophesying that Jesus was to die for the nation and not for the nation only, but also to gather together unto one the scattered children of God!'



Across

3. What Caiaphas was actually doing, while thinking he was just making a point.
6. The priests felt this emotion toward Jesus.

Down

1. This had happened to the children of God.
2. Name of the high priest...
4. High Priest says a whole nation would do this.
5. Jesus would die for the what?

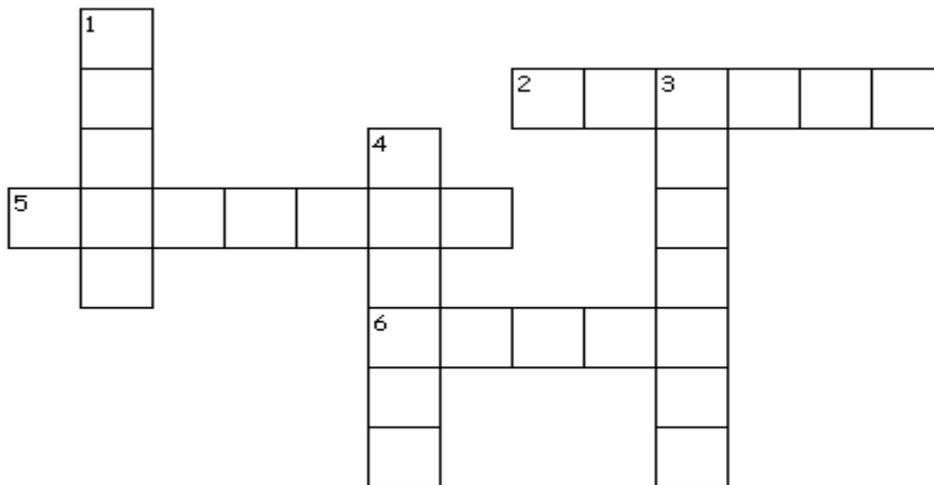
Last Supper and Jesus Sees the Future

The Last Supper brought Jesus into a time where he was predicting the near future in magnificent detail. How did he see the details, such as Peter denying him three times before a rooster crowed? Did he see the future like a 3-D movie playing in his head? Did God whisper it? We don't know. We do know that whatever happened, Jesus not only knew, but he was totally in charge, right up until he became "sin" on the cross. Use the prophecy below at the Last Supper to complete the crossword...and to glory in how much Jesus knows about OUR lives.

Matthew 26:20-25

When evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the Twelve. And while they were eating, he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me."

They were very sad and began to say to him one after the other, "Surely you don't mean me, Lord?" Then Judas, the one who would betray him, said, "Surely you don't mean me, Rabbi?" Jesus answered, "You have said so."



Across

2. How many were with Jesus
5. Book of the Bible this passage is from
6. What Judas called Jesus

Down

1. The one who would betray Jesus
3. Time of day of the Last Supper
4. What Jesus predicted one of them would do

The Arrest of Jesus

It's pretty amazing that men could be so messed up as to have the Son of God taken away in handcuffs. What were they missing about Jesus? Why were they missing it? Have you ever noticed that sometimes it's the nicest people who get picked on, and the bullies get all the respect? Some things never change! Use the verse below about the arrest of Jesus to finish the crossword... and vow not to be duped by power and confuse it with goodness!

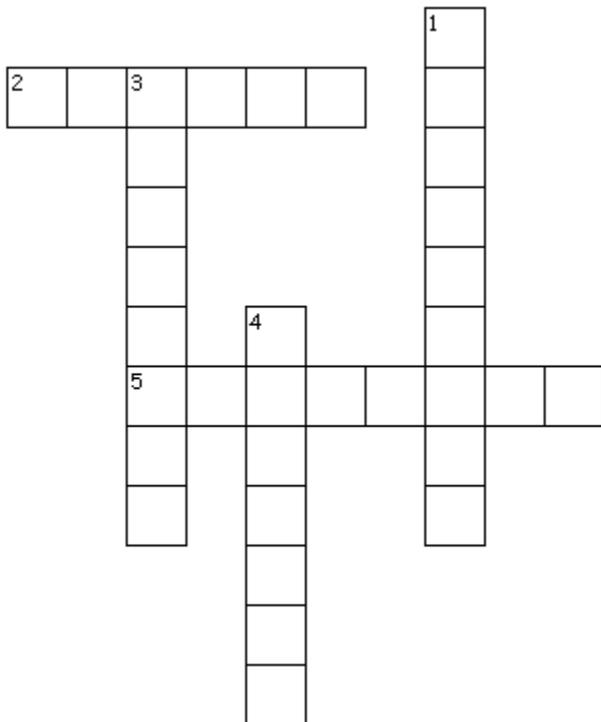
Mark 14:43 & 48-52

Just as he was speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, appeared. With him was a crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests, the teachers of the law, and the elders.

"Am I leading a rebellion," said Jesus, "that you have come out with swords and clubs to capture me? Every day I was with you, teaching in the

temple courts, and you did not arrest me. But the Scriptures must be fulfilled."

Then everyone deserted him and fled. A young man, wearing nothing but a linen garment, was following Jesus. When they seized him, he fled naked, leaving his garment behind.



Across

- 2. The mob was sent by the chief priests, teachers, and these...
- 5. What Jesus had been doing in public every day

Down

- 1. Jesus asked incredulously if they thought he was leading one of these
- 3. What everyone then did who had followed him
- 4. One follower was so scared he left this behind

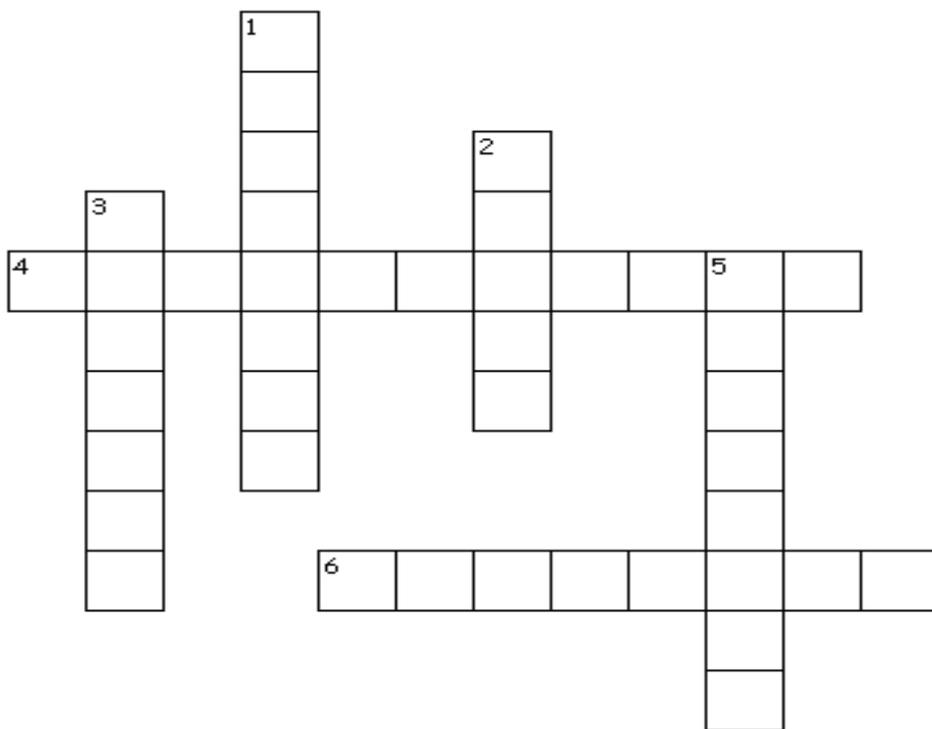
"I Have Overcome the World..."

Jesus made some promises for his disciples...and they are for us as well. They are for "all who believe" according to Jesus. Many Christians remember this famous passage in times of trouble. It was in one of the last conversations Jesus had with his disciples before the start of Holy Week. Read and remember and rejoice! (And do the crossword below also!)

Famous "Good News" John 14: 1-4, John 16:33

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many mansions; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? ...I will come back and take you to be with

me that you also may be where I am".... "These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world."



Across

- 4. A bad thing we will have in this world
- 6. What God's house has many of...

Down

- 1. Don't let your heart be this...
- 2. Jesus spoke these words so we might have this...
- 3. Jesus is going to do this for you
- 5. What Jesus has done in this world

Crossword Answer Sheet

Crossword #1 Answers

Matthew 21:1-4

Across

2. Lord
4. Sunday
5. Olives
7. Matthew

Down

1. Jerusalem
3. Disciples
6. Colt

Crossword #2 Answers

Matthew 21:14-15

Across

3. David
4. Hosanna
5. Lame
7. Indignant

Down

1. Praise
2. Children
6. Psalms

Crossword #3 Answers

John 11:49-52

Across

3. Prophecy
6. Jealous

Down

1. Scattered
2. Caiaphas
4. Perish
5. Nation

Crossword #4 Answers

Matthew 26:20-25

Across:

2. Twelve
5. Matthew
6. Rabbi

Down

1. Judas
2. Evening
6. Betray

Crossword #5

Mark 14:43&48-52

Across:

2. Elders
5. Teaching

Down

1. Rebellion
3. Scattered
4. Garment

Crossword #6

Famous Excerpts John 14 & 16

Across

4. Tribulation
6. Mansions

Down

1. Troubled
2. Peace
3. Prepare
5. Overcome



Everyone Turns on Jesus

Think you've ever seen the worst of "bystander syndrome" or "mob mentality?" They existed in Jesus' time! Worse, they were largely responsible for his death. Some of the people below meant to hurt Jesus—like the chief priests, Judas Iscariot, and the high priest Caiaphas. Others just got caught up in the madness. Find all the people named in Matthew 26& 27 who turned on Jesus.

D U S V D K E I R Q T Z D S C
S I W R B L S L A E S H E E A
E V S X E C F P D W T S Q B I
M K A C A I A I F E S E H I A
A M J R I H D L T E R I P R P
J Q I O E P H L N L Z S U C H
S O Y R H H L T O Q X D R S A
T F O E T N I E D S A D U J S
P D M A V W P J S V G V D C R
I C H I E F P R I E S T S E S
L U Q S A B B A R A B N T T R
O U L R O B B E R S O S L I H
T A C R O W D B H M O W O Q V
F U M E P V U H I O C O S F N
D A J A Z L K S R D B E Q R G

BARABBAS
CAIAPHAS
CHIEF PRIESTS
CROWD
DISCIPLES
ELDERS
FALSE WITNESSES

HEROD
ISCARIOT
JAMES
JOHN
JUDAS
PETER
PILOT

ROBBERS
ROOSTER
SCRIBES
SIMON
SOLDIERS

What Would You Have Done?

We all like to think that if we'd been at that mob that killed Jesus, we would have been the special people who defended him. However, the nature of mankind indicates we probably would have been just as guilty as everyone there. Romans 3:23 says that we ALL fall short of God's glory and it is only THROUGH CHRIST that we understand who God is. As Christians, let's work hard not to be bystanders or part of mobs who hurt others! Find the words below that people didn't do and should have!

D T S C O N S I D E R P S D P
R U C X D I B N H U R Y P L R
A H Q A I K E E M O M H R E E
U H E L P I R Z T P L X A I S
G D P F R U M E A O O I Y H E
E A N F C J C T P A E L K S R
F N E E L T H G H T C N W E V
A B S O F I E Z I H T A P M E
S C V U Z E T R O F M O C G I
Y E Z E Z M D V P L H X E S B

ACT
CONSIDER
HELP
LOVE
PROTECT
SHIELD

BEFRIEND
DEFEND
LEAP
PRAY
SAFEGUARD
SYMPATHIZE

COMFORT
EMPATHIZE
LIKE
PRESERVE
SECURE

Journey of Christ in Holy Week

Holy Week was the most amazing week in the history of mankind to date! It was full of twists and turns and surprises. It went from Palm Sunday and Jesus being almost crowned king, to his surprising death, to his even more surprising resurrection! Find all the words below that describe the story of Holy Week as told in Matthew 21-28.

T N A E S P I L C E R F T N D E C D
M O N E Y C H A N G E R S P N S R E
E A R T H Q U A K E P P Q A H S U D
R E V O S S A P R D P V M R E E C L
E T E R N I T Y D I U E K A A N I A
S N O I T C E R R U S E R B L D F R
G N I L L E Y I G H T E T L I A I E
T E A C H I N G T B S O E E N L E H
B A N O I S N E C S A N R S G G D G
A R I S I N G Y O J L S C R I B E S

ARISING
EARTHQUAKE
GETHSEMANE
HERALDED
MONEY CHANGERS
PHARISEES
TEACHING

ASCENSION
ECLIPSE
GLADNESS
JOY
PARABLES
RESURRECTION
YELLING

CRUCIFIED
ETERNITY
HEALING
LAST SUPPER
PASSOVER
SCRIBES

Jesus is Risen!

The first people to see the risen Lord were Mary Magdalene and her girlfriends. The passage from Matthew 28:1-6, which is below, tells what happened. Find all the important words from that famous passage below in this word search:

S H K P R R E A G K L E G N A B F I
E M T L O M O N P I J F T D L B K U
H A D A O Y I L G P H E A V E N F H
T G A C B K N H L D E I F I C U R C
O D E E O B T B K E W A A W I R P G
L A D O R N A O M E D F R E E A Y U
C L L Z I I O S E O R W W A N S U A
G E O N H H S K G A T K J F N O V R
B N G U S F H E I J E S U S L C T D
O E Y R A M J D N O R X K K H W E S

AFRAID
CLOTHES
DEAD
JESUS
MAGDALENE
RISEN
SHOOK
WEEK

ANGEL
COME
GUARDS
LIGHTNING
MARY
ROLLED
STONE
APPEARANCE

CRUCIFIED
HEAVEN
LOOKING
PLACE
SABBATH
TOMB

After the **Sabbath**, at dawn on the first day of the **week**, Mary **Magdalene** and the other **Mary** went to look at the **tomb**.

There was a violent earthquake, for an **angel** of the Lord came down from **heaven** and, going to the tomb, **rolled** back the **stone** and sat on it. His **appearance** was like **lightning**, and his **clothes** were white as snow. The **guards** were so **afraid** of him that they **shook** and became like **dead** men.

The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are **looking** for **Jesus**, who was **crucified**. He is not here; he has **risen**, just as he said. **Come** and see the **place** where he lay....”



The Ascension

After Jesus' resurrection, more than 500 people saw him alive, according to 1 Corinthians 15:6. When Jesus ascended into heaven, it was to prepare a place for all of us! Read the story below and find the important words in the Word Search!

C E W W I A S N H A D J F A T P K N
 E R R I O T E O P F D E I S I O X O
 L O D C T V I O M U D R N K M W P I
 P T E A A N S R O E A U Q I E E S Y
 O S H E T T E L I M D S W N A R D Q
 E E H U L E C S A P D A T G A R J X
 P R J E S U S S S S L Y E F U T X
 R G S R E T U R N E O E L O D X D S
 E A U T H O R I T Y S M R E H T A F
 A U G N I H C T A W W G A L I L E E

APOSTLES
 CLOUD
 GALILEE
 JERUSALEM
 PEOPLE
 RETURN
 SPIRIT
 WATCHING

ASKING
 DATES
 HEAVEN
 JESUS
 POWER
 SAMARIA
 STRAINED
 WITNESSES

AUTHORITY
 FATHER
 ISRAEL
 JUDEA
 RESTORE
 SOMEDAY
 TIME

Acts 1:6-11: So when the **apostles** were with Jesus, they kept **asking** him, "Lord, has the **time** come for you to free **Israel** and **restore** our kingdom?" He replied, "The **Father**

alone has the **authority** to set those **dates** and times, and they are not for you to know. But you will receive **power** when the Holy **Spirit** comes upon you. And you will be my **witnesses**, telling **people** about me everywhere—in **Jerusalem**, throughout **Judea**, in **Samaria**, and to the ends of the earth.” After saying this, he was taken up into a **cloud** while they were **watching**, and they could no longer see him. As they **strained** to see him rising into **heaven**, two white-robed men suddenly stood among them. “Men of **Galilee**,” they said, “why are you standing here staring into heaven? **Jesus** has been taken from you into heaven, but **someday** he will **return** from heaven in the same way you saw him go!”



Looking Back

There may be as many as 300 prophecies, or more, in the Old Testament that refer to Jesus Christ. Most everyone agrees there are nearly a hundred, and they are spread out over the writings of prophets for thousands of years! Find the Old Testament books below, which contain prophecies that most Christians agree are about the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus:

Z J I D I S G D U G H Y E B T
I E H P D E U T E R O N O M Y
S R C L S L S N D S N J T L E
A E A H V A E R U S A M U E L
I M L M A S L D W H A H C I M
A I A O I R O M K W M W G D H
H A M S O X I G S R L Z Z P A
L H R N E D A A S R E B M U N
W E X E A E Y B H L I E A D O
A X I N S Q X A H H X H X P J
S E I K D W H G R X N N D Y H
Y E S G E R Z K M Q P I N L U
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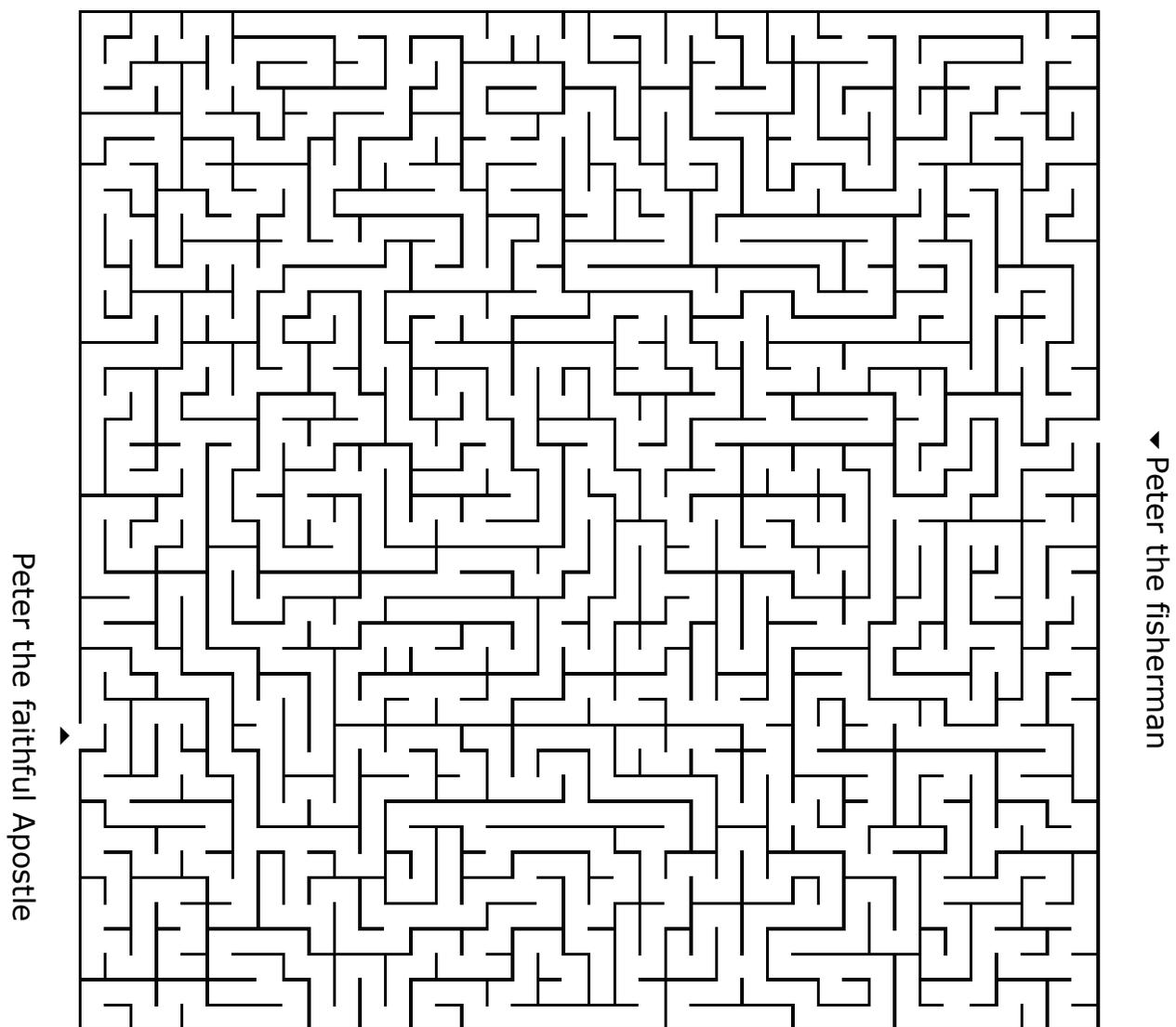
DANIEL
EZEKIEL
ISAIAH
JONAH
NUMBERS
ZECHARIAH

DEUTERONOMY
GENESIS
JEREMIAH
MALACHI
PSALMS
EXODUS

HOSEA
JOB
MICHAH
SAMUEL

Peter: Supporter, Betrayer, Faithful Follower

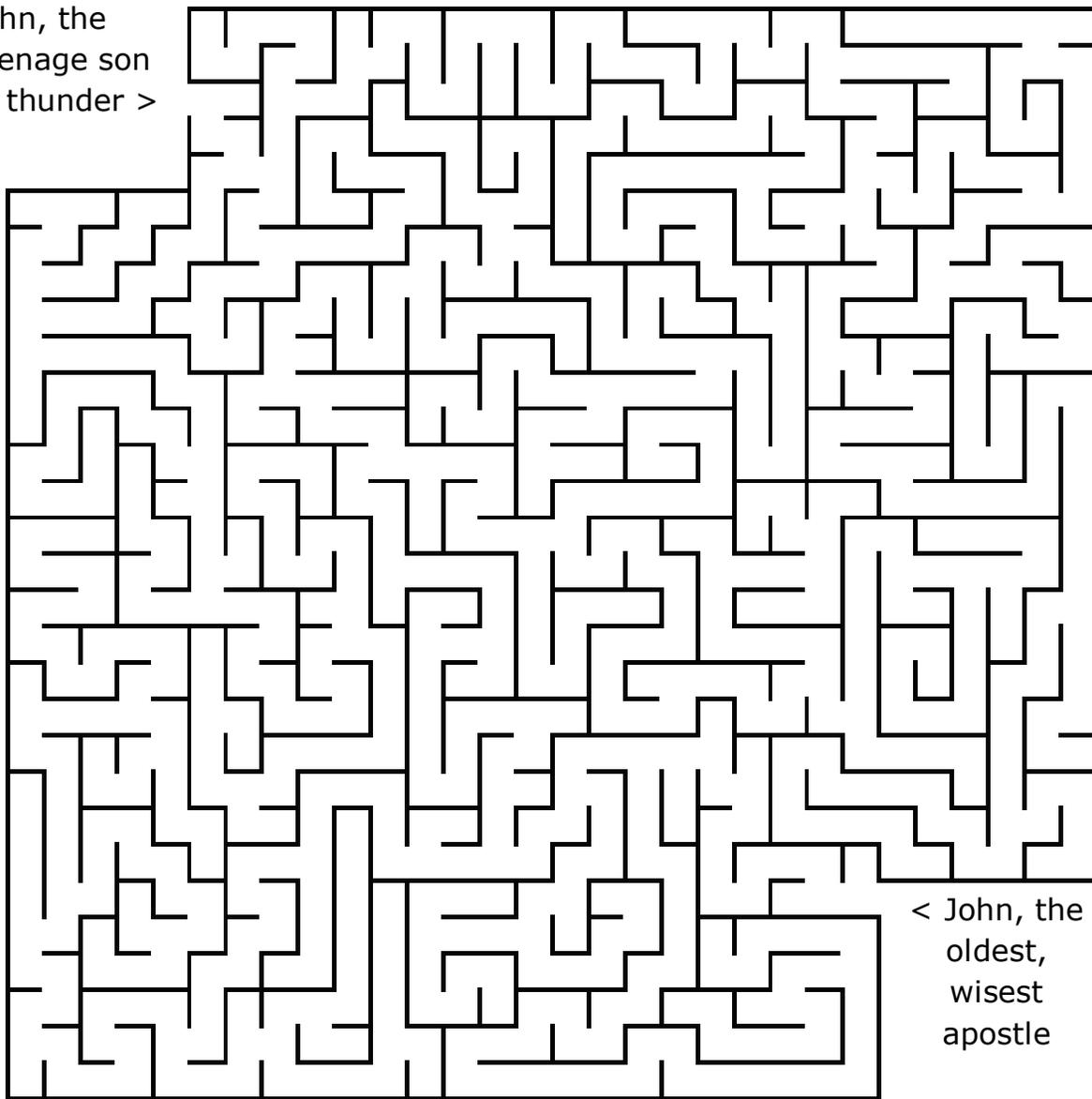
Peter was considered by many to be Jesus' foremost disciple. He was the one who first identified Jesus as Messiah and of whom Jesus said, "Upon this rock, I will build my church." But he was also the one who spoke out of turn the most, the one whom Jesus most often corrected, and the one who denied him three times after his arrest. His was a journey from fisherman to foremost of the faithful! Go with him on this wild journey below!



John: Favorite Servant, Scared Follower, Caretaker

John was the youngest of the Apostles, most likely a teenager when he first met Jesus. Jesus called him and his brother James “sons of thunder,” probably for their ability to mouth off and get passionate about their opinions in public. Yet John served Jesus the longest, into his 90s, it is thought, and he wrote five books in the New Testament, including the famous Revelation. Follow John on this remarkable journey from unstable teenager to oldest and wisest Apostle.

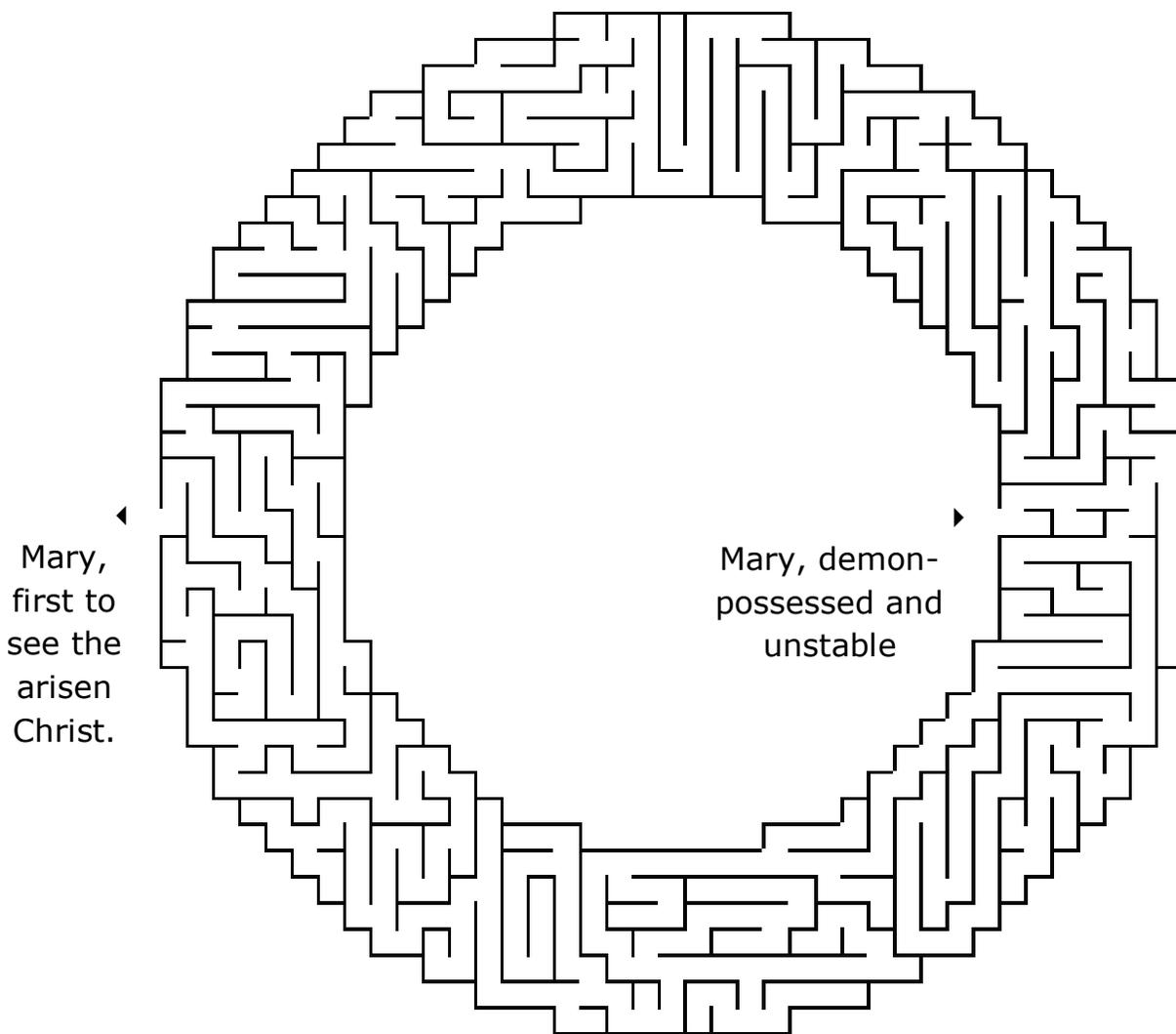
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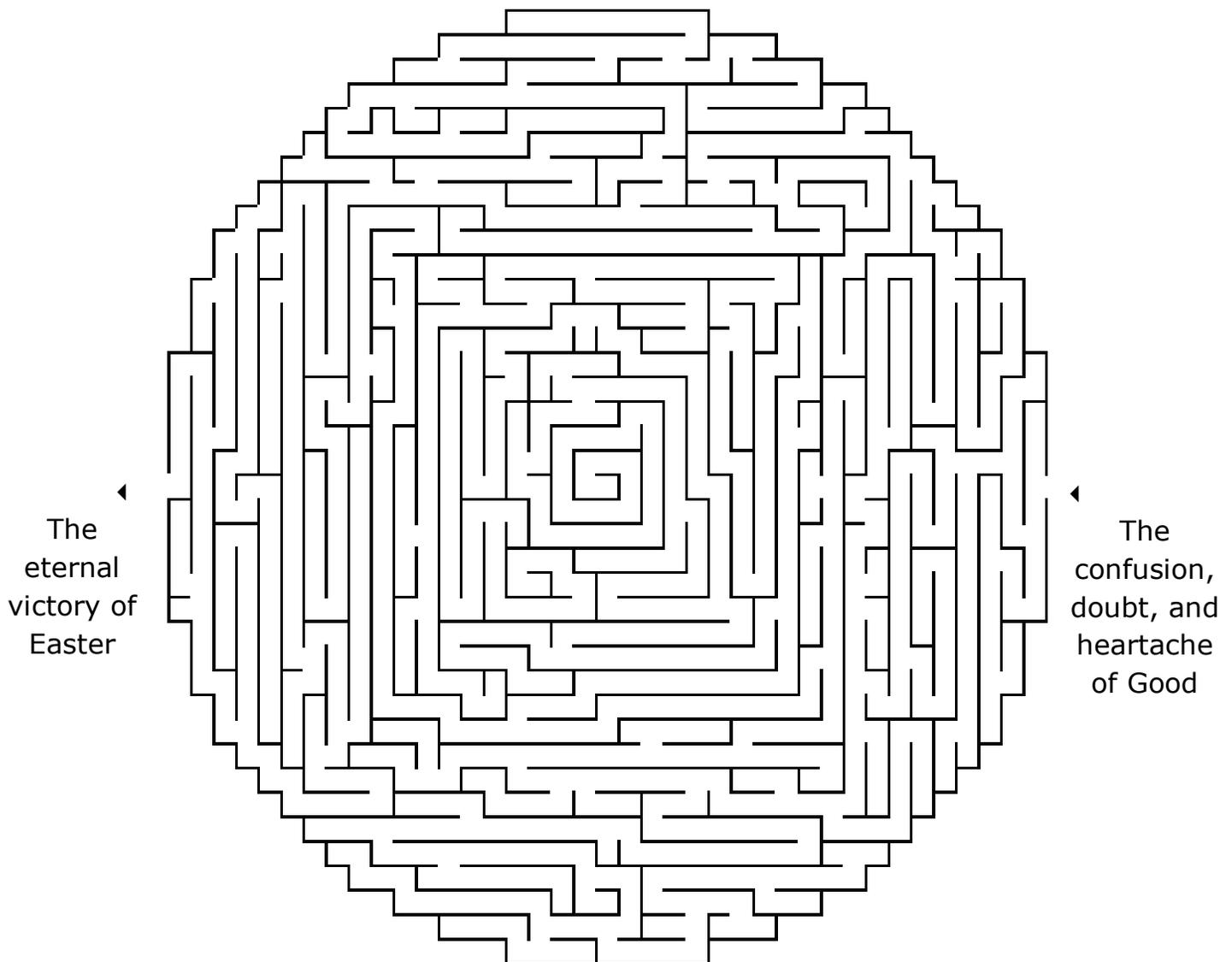
Mary Magdalene: Demon possessed to 1st to see Jesus

Jesus cast seven demons out of Mary Magdalene early in his ministry, and then she began to thrive. Sometimes considered the 13th disciple, she was often with Jesus to serve his ministry. She led a group of women to the tomb of Christ, and was the first to see and touch the risen Lord. Follow Mary on this journey from demon-possessed person to almost-disciple.



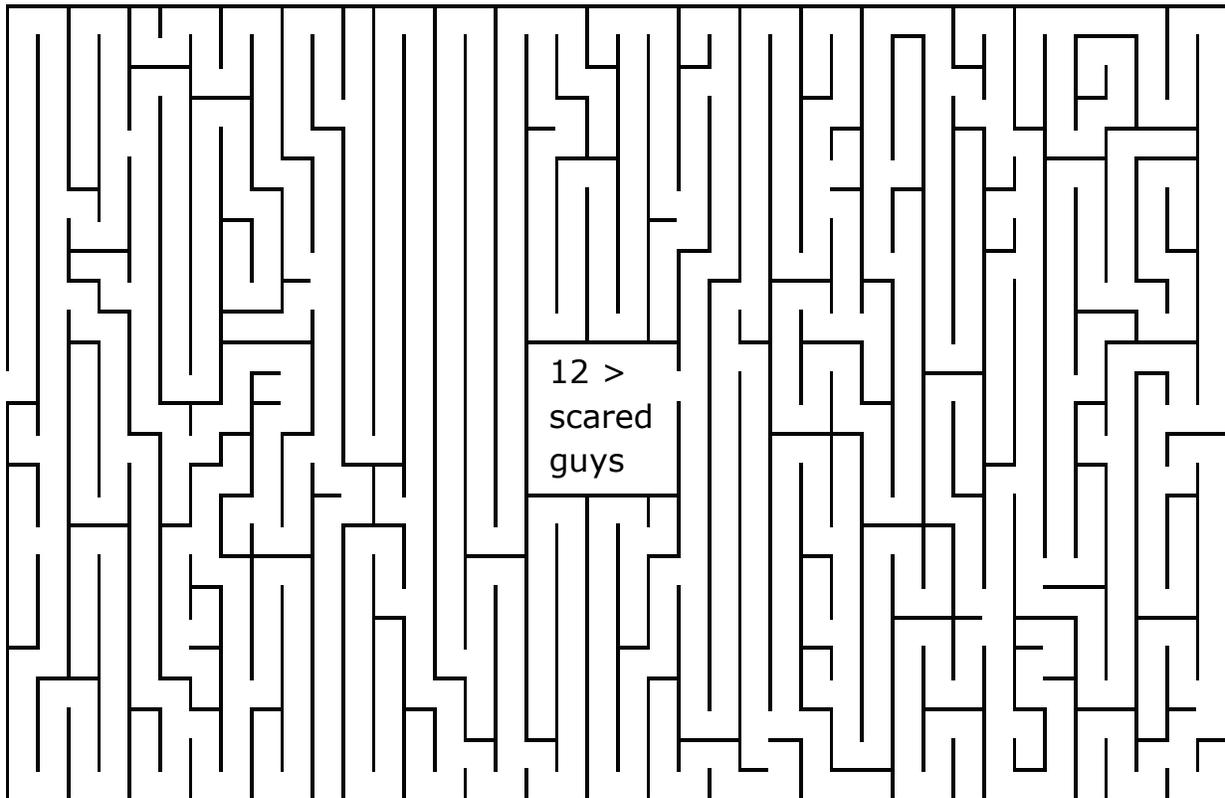
Satan: Liar, Thief, and Killer to Condemned

Satan appeared to have made a great victory on Good Friday; it appeared that he had managed to get the Son of God killed. However ... God had it in mind to die for the sins of mankind through his only begotten son, and "by his stripes, we are healed" (Isaiah 53:5). Stripes are another word for wounds from being whipped. Healed is another word for salvation when you believe Jesus served as a sacrifice for sins. Hence: Satan only moved along God's will! Follow this labyrinth from Satan causing confusion, to Satan losing to God's almighty plans for us!



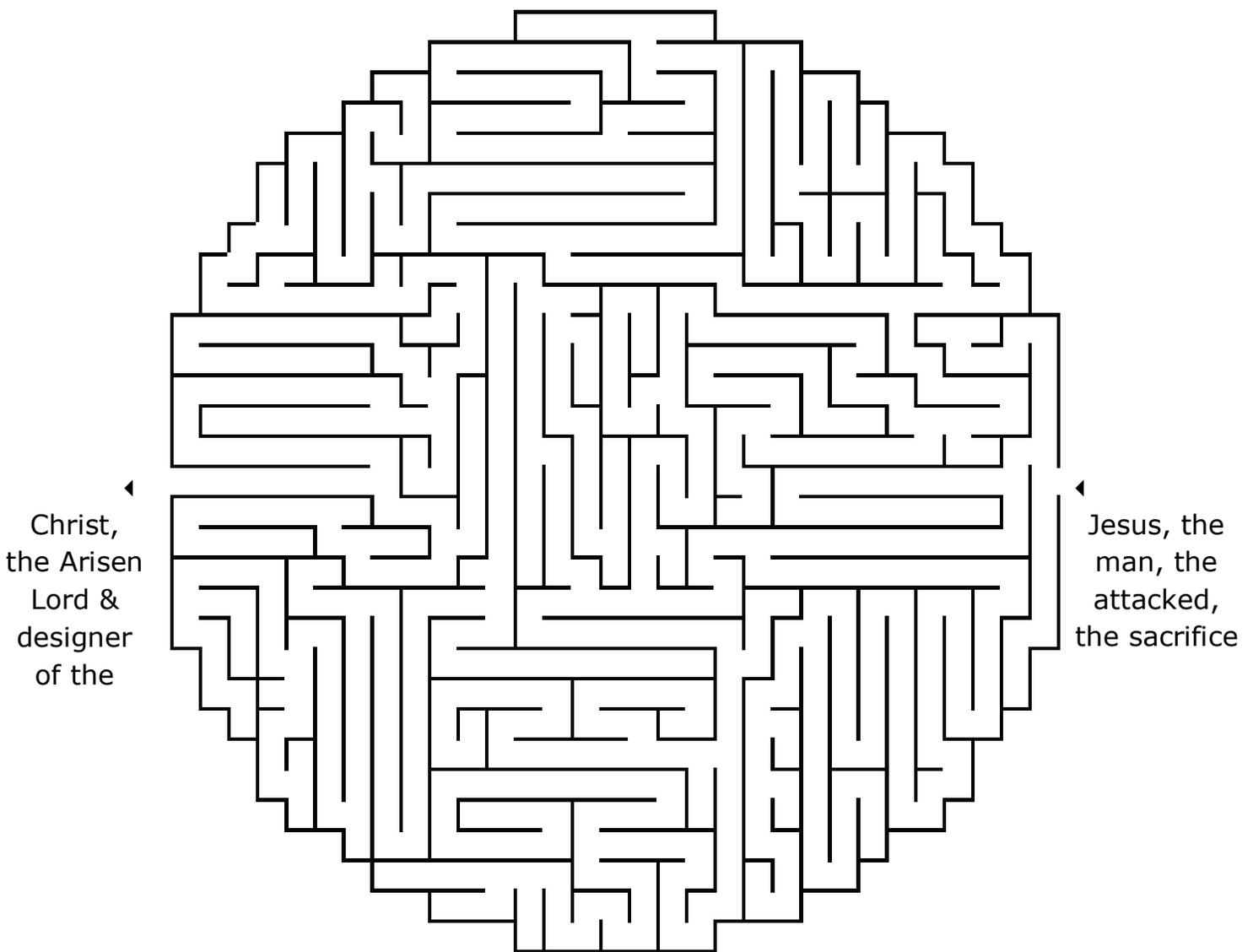
The Disciples: Scared, Scattered, and Anointed

No one was probably more confused on Good Friday than Jesus' Twelve. He had told them over and over that he would be crucified and rise from the dead. But they just couldn't wrap their brains around it. At Christ's arrest in Gethsemane, they scattered and hid. Perhaps the only one to come to the crucifixion was John. Then Jesus met with them all after his resurrection, and on Pentecost, they became magnificent preachers who spread the Gospel across the known world. Follow this journey with the Twelve, from Scared to Anointed, to Judges for Christ at this Second Coming.



Jesus: Crucified & Betrayed to Arisen Lord

Jesus knew exactly what was going down—in heaven and on earth—throughout the Crucifixion, until he reached a point where he “became” sin for mankind. At that point, he said to the Father, “Why have you forsaken me?” No one will deny that crucifixion is probably the most terrible way to go ... but it was only the beginning. Jesus began his kingdom by setting captives free. Today he is preparing places for all those who follow him. That includes us! Let’s follow Jesus from shadows and earthquakes and violence to being heralded as the Prince of Peace by all of mankind who choose to believe.



Palm Sunday

**The New Testament Says:
Matthew 21:1-2**

As they approached Jerusalem and came to the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me."

**The Old Testament Says:
Zechariah 9:9 (NIV)**

Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!
Shout, Daughter Jerusalem!
See, your king comes to you,
Righteous and victorious...



Solve the cryptogram to find out what else...
If you are struggling, look up the NIV version!

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The Crucifixion of Jesus

The New Testament Says:

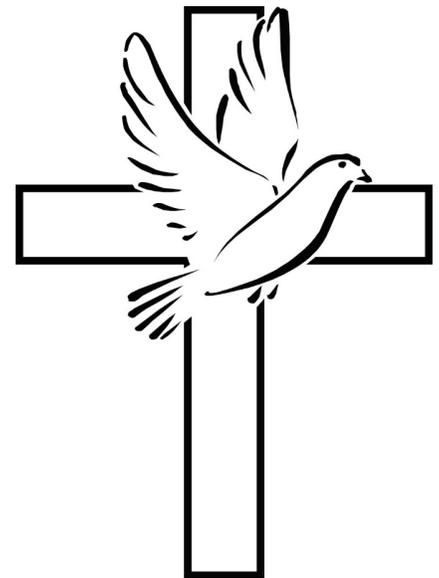
Matthew 27:45-46

From noon until three in the afternoon darkness came over all the land. About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

The Old Testament Says:

Psalm 22:1

Solve the cryptogram below to find out what Psalm 22:1 says, which was written around 1000 years before Christ was born....



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Judas Betrays Jesus

**The New Testament Says:
Matthew 26:14-15**

The traitor to Jesus among the disciples, Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests and asked, "What are you willing to give me if I deliver him over to you?" So they counted out for him thirty pieces of silver.

The Old Testament Says:

Solve the cryptogram below to find out what Zechariah 11:12 says, which was written at least 500 years before the birth of Jesus (and lookup the World English Bible translation of this passage if you are struggling!):



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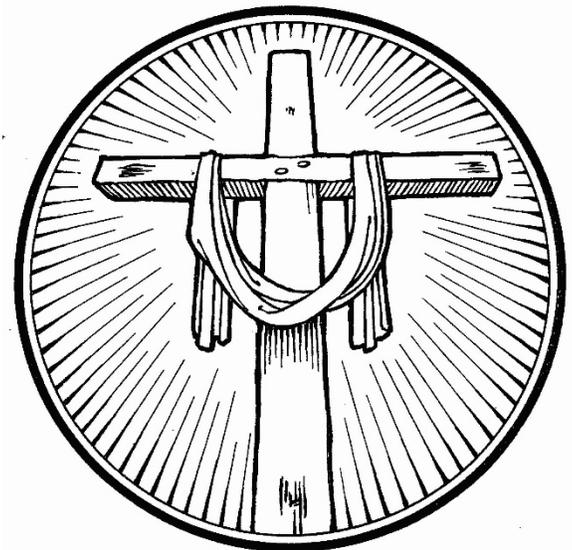
The Crucifixion of Jesus

**The New Testament Says:
Mark 15: 22-30 excerpts**

Then they brought Him to the place Golgotha, which is translated, Place of a Skull. They tried to give Him wine mixed with myrrh; but He did not take it. And they crucified Him... Those passing by were hurling abuse at Him, wagging their heads, and saying, "Ha! You who are going to destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save Yourself, and come down from the cross!"

The Old Testament Says:

Solve the cryptogram below to find out what Psalm 22:16 says, which was written at around 1,000 years before the birth of Jesus (*and lookup the NIV passage if you are struggling!*).



*For dogs have surrounded me;
A band of evildoers has encompassed me;*

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The Resurrected Christ

The New Testament Says:

Acts 1:9-11

And after He had said these things, He was lifted up while they were looking on, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. And as they were gazing intently into the sky while He was going, behold, two men in white clothing stood beside them. They also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven."

The Old Testament Says:

Solve the cryptogram below to find out what Psalm 68:18 says, which was written at around 1,000 years before the birth of Jesus (and lookup the NIV passage if you are struggling!).

*When you ascended on high, you took many captives;
you received gifts from people, even from the ...*



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Cryptogram Answer Sheet

Cryptogram #1

lowly and riding on a donkey,

Cryptogram #2

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Cryptogram #3

So they weighed out for my wages thirty pieces of silver.

Cryptogram #4

They divide my clothes among them and cast lots for my garment.

Cryptogram #5

They pierce my hands and my feet.

Cryptogram #6

Rebellious – that you, Lord God, might dwell there.

The Women Who Worked for Jesus: Mark 16:1-6

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back – it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed.

And an Angel said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified...

Unscramble the tiles to reveal the rest of the message.

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Bonus Question:

Who do you think the "young man" was, who was sitting in the tomb?

Circle your answer

Angel Soldier Devil Just Some Guy

Friends of the Disciples: Luke 24: 36-43 excerpts

As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. And he said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?"

They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and ...

Unscramble the tiles to reveal the rest of the message.

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Bonus Question:

Would ghosts eat?? Why or why not?

Two of the Disciples: Luke 24: 13-25 excerpts

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad.

And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Unscramble the tiles to reveal the rest of the message.

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Bonus Question:

How is it that the men did not recognize Jesus?

Doubting Thomas: John 20:24-27

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

Then he said to Thomas...

Unscramble the tiles to reveal the rest of the message. Hint: The blank space goes at the end

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The 11 Disciples: Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.

"And behold...

Unscramble the tiles to reveal the rest of the message. Hint- The blank space goes at the end.

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Bonus Question:

Is Jesus with ALL of us until the end of the age? Have you ever felt Jesus with you? Tell about it?

Triumphal Tiles Answer Sheet

Answer #1

...He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him."

Bonus Answer: Angel

Answer #2

...he took it and ate before them.

Bonus Answer: Spirits do not eat. They do not have a body and therefore do not get hungry.

Answer #3

Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?

Bonus Answer: It was probably due to his head covering being pulled all around his face.

Answer #4

"Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."

Bonus Answer: It just means to share your enthusiasm about Jesus when you feel led. Your dog or cat will not understand Jesus based on your preaching, and your teacher will not appreciate the interruptions to her job!

Answer #5:

"Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe."

Answer #6:

I am with you always, to the end of the age."