GOD AND METIME



6 DAYS IN
THE BOOK OF JOHN

Read John 1:1-18! Can you find the words below in the find-a-word?

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Can you match the words/phrases on one side to the words/phrases on the other? If you read the passage, (John 1:1-18) it might give you some clues!

MAN SENT FROM GOD THE WORD **JESUS CHRIST** THE WORD **BORN BECAUSE OF WHAT CHILDREN OF GOD GOD DOES** HIS OWN PEOPLE DID NOT AC-WITH GOD IN THE BEGINNING **CEPT HIM JOHN** LIGHT FOR ALL PEOPLE **GRACE AND TRUTH COME TO** LiFE US

WHO ARE YOU?

JOHN 1:19-34

- 19 The Jewish leaders in Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to ask John who he was. John spoke the truth to them. 20 He did not try to hide the truth. He spoke to them openly. He said, "I am not the Messiah." 21 They asked him, "Then who are you? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet we've been expecting?" they asked. "No," he answered.
- 22 They asked one last time, "Who are you? Give us an answer to take back to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" 23 John replied, using the words of Isaiah the prophet. John said, "I'm the messenger who is calling out in the desert, 'Make the way for the Lord straight.'
- 24 The Pharisees who had been sent 25 asked him, "If you are not the Messiah, why are you baptizing people? Why are you doing that if you aren't Elijah or the Prophet we've been expecting?" 26 "I baptize people with water," John replied. "But someone is standing among you whom you do not know. 27 He is the one who comes after me. I am not good enough to untie his sandals."
- 28 This all happened at Bethany on the other side of the Jordan River. That was where John was baptizing.
- 29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him. John said, "Look! The Lamb of God! He takes away the sin of the world! 30 This is the one I was talking about. I said, 'A man who comes after me is more important than I am. That's because he existed before I was born.' 31 I did not know him. But God wants to make it clear to Israel who this person is. That's the reason I came baptizing with water."
- **32** Then John told them, "I saw the Holy Spirit come down from heaven like a dove. The Spirit remained on Jesus. **33** I myself did not know him. But the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'You will see the Spirit come down and remain on someone. He is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' **34** I have seen it happen. I am a witness that this is God's Chosen One."

What was John the Baptist like?

What groups of people asked John who he was?

Who did they think he was?

Why does John say he was sent?

How does John describe Jesus?

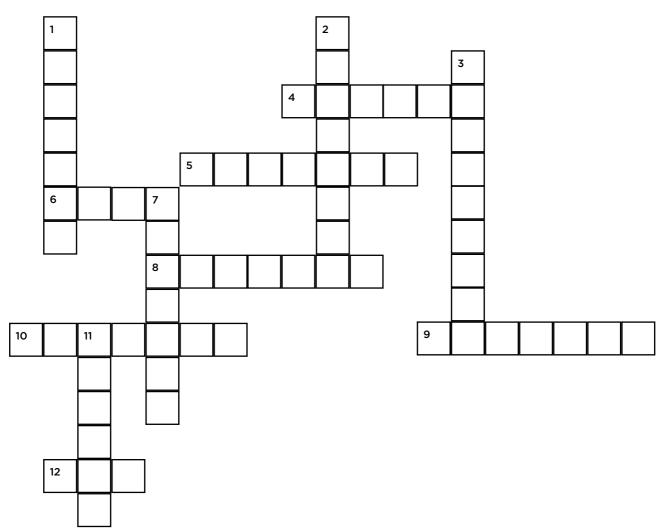
How does John know Jesus is God's chosen one? Do you believe Jesus is God's chosen one?

Spend some time thanking God that Jesus came.

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Can you solve the crossword using the clues and the Bible passage?



ACROSS

- 4 John uses the words of this Old Testament person
- 5 What John is to the fact that Jesus is God's Chosen One
- 6 An animal that is part of the name John calls Jesus when he sees him
- 8 The Jewish leaders ask if John is this kind of Old Testament follower of God
- 9 The area next to the Jordan River where the story happens
- 10 One of the types of people John says he is not
- 12 What John says Jesus takes away

DOWN

- 1 The shoes that John says he is not worthy to until from the person coming after him
- 2 What John says he is when he uses the words of the Old Testament person
- 3 One of the kind of Jewish leaders send to question John
- 7 What came down from heaven like a dove
- 11 What John is doing with water

JESUS CALLS HIS DISCIPLES.....

JOHN 1:35-49

35 The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. **36** He saw Jesus walking by. John said, "Look! The Lamb of God!" **37** The two disciples heard him say this. So they followed Jesus. **38** Then Jesus turned around and saw them following. He asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi, where are you staying?" Rabbi means Teacher. **39** "Come," he replied. "You will see."

So they went and saw where he was staying. They spent the rest of the day with him. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon.

- **40** Andrew was Simon Peter's brother. Andrew was one of the two disciples who heard what John had said. He had also followed Jesus. **41** The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon. He told him, "We have found the Messiah." Messiah means Christ. **42** And he brought Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon, son of John. You will be called Cephas." Cephas means Peter, or Rock.
- **43**The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." **44** Philip was from the town of Bethsaida. So were Andrew and Peter. **45** Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one whom Moses wrote about in the Law. The prophets also wrote about him. He is Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." **46** "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip.
- **47** Jesus saw Nathanael approaching. Here is what Jesus said about him. "He is a true Israelite. Nothing about him is false." **48** "How do you know me?" Nathanael asked. Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree. I saw you there before Philip called you."
- **49** Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God. You are the king of Israel."

List all of the things Jesus is called.

Why does Nathanael follow Jesus? List the order in which people realised who Jesus was.

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Do you follow Jesus?

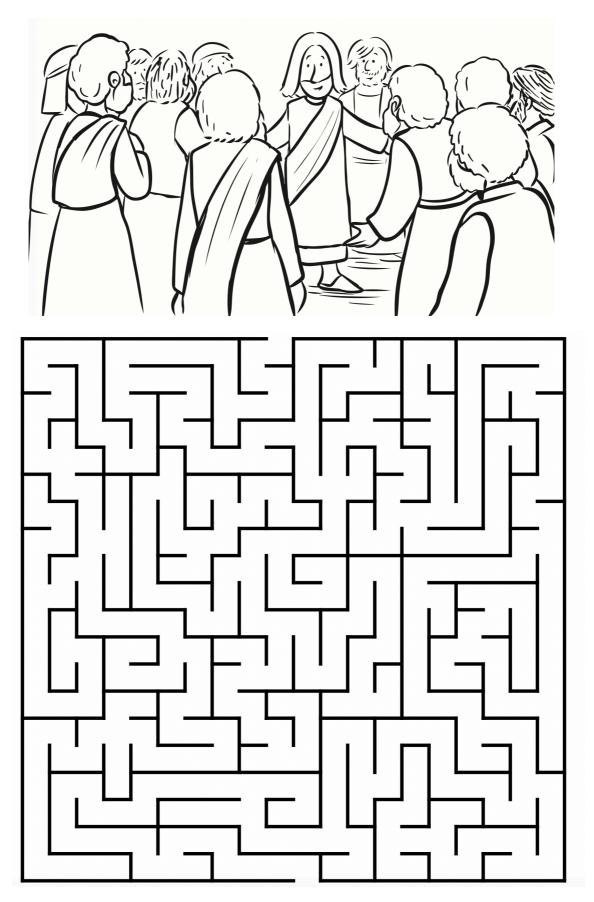
Why does Philip follow Jesus?

Spend some time praying thanking Jesus that we can follow him and know him!

Can you unscramble the letters to find the words? (hint they're related to **John** 1:35-51)

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Jesus has called his disciples, can you help them answer the call and follow Jesus by making it through the maze?



JESUS TURNS WATER INTO WINE

JOHN 2:1-11

1 On the third day there was a wedding. It took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there. 2 Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

4 "Dear woman, why are you telling me about this?" Jesus replied. "The time for me to show who I really am isn't here yet." **5** His mother said to the servants, "Do what he tells you."

6 Six stone water jars stood nearby. The Jews used water from that kind of jar for special washings. They did that to make themselves pure and "clean." Each jar could hold 20 to 30 gallons. 7 Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the top. 8 Then he told them, "Now dip some out. Take it to the person in charge of the dinner."

They did what he said. **9** The person in charge tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He didn't realize where it had come from. But the servants who had brought the water knew. Then the person in charge called the groom to one side. **10** He said to him, "Everyone brings out the best wine first. They bring out the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink. But you have saved the best until now."

12 What Jesus did here in Cana in Galilee was the first of his signs. Jesus showed his glory by doing this sign. And his disciples believed in him.

Draw what is happening in this story.

Why does Jesus' mother tell him there was no more wine? Could anyone change water into wine?

How does Jesus show his glory?

Spend some time thanking God that he is powerful.

Can you find the words below in the find-a-word?

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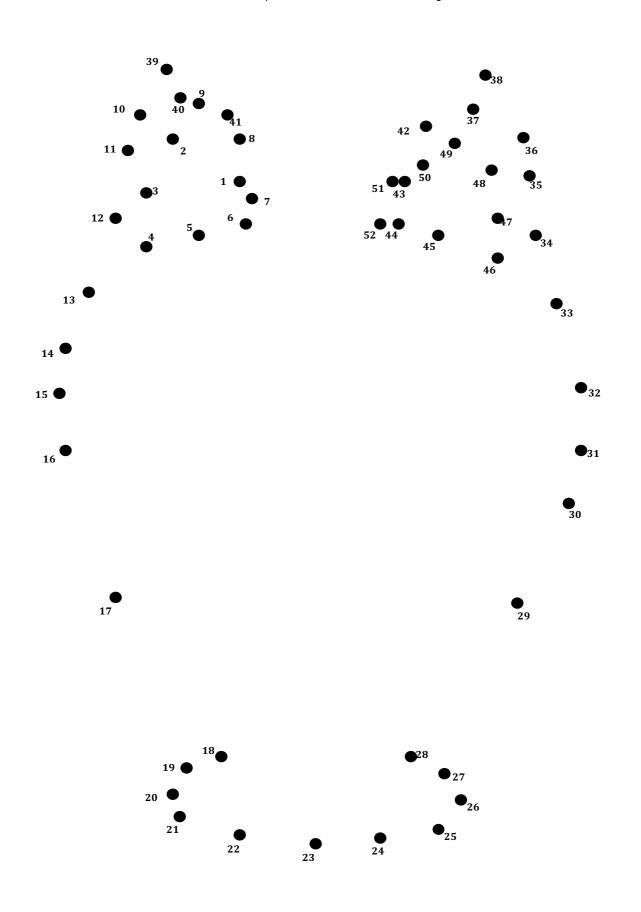
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Can you join the dots to find an object important to the story?



JESUS TURNS THE TABLES

JOHN 2:13-22

13 It was almost time for the Jewish Passover Feast. So Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14 In the temple courtyard he found people selling cattle, sheep and doves. Others were sitting at tables exchanging money. 15 So Jesus made a whip out of ropes. He chased all the sheep and cattle from the temple courtyard. He scattered the coins of the people exchanging money. And he turned over their tables. 16 He told those who were selling doves, "Get these out of here! Stop turning my Father's house into a market!" 17 His disciples remembered what had been written. It says, "My great love for your house will destroy me." (Psalm 69:9)

- 18 Then the Jewish leaders asked him, "What sign can you show us to prove your authority to do this?"
- 19Jesus answered them, "When you destroy this temple, I will raise it up again in three days."
- 20 They replied, "It has taken 46 years to build this temple. Are you going to raise it up in three days?" 21 But the temple Jesus had spoken about was his body. 22 His disciples later remembered what he had said. That was after he had been raised from the dead. Then they believed the Scripture. They also believed the words that Jesus had spoken.

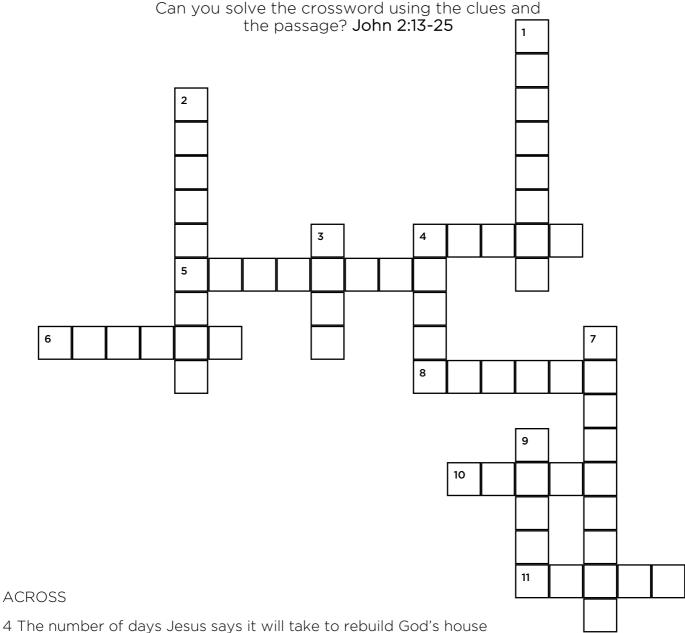
List what things the people were selling in the temple.

When does Jesus rise something in three days? (hint vs 21) You might have heard about the temple in our Friday kid's talk. It was a special place. Before Jesus died for us and allowed us to know God, the temple was the place where people who loved him went to speak to him. Why do you think Jesus chases people out of there?

Can you find vs 17 in Psalm 69?

Isn't it cool that the Bible is all one book!

Spend some time praying thanking God that Jesus spoke the truth! That he came back to life 3 days after he died and is still alive today.



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- 5 The feast that is happening during this story
- 6 A place to sell things that people have set up in God's house
- 8 The place Jesus describes as God's house
- 10 The objects scattered when Jesus overturns the table
- 11 One of the animals being sold

DOWN

- 1 What people did when they saw what Jesus was doing
- 2 The name for people who followed Jesus (his friends)
- 3 What Jesus says is really God's house (hint: not a building)
- 4 What Jesus couldn't do because he could see into people's hearts
- 7 The city where this story happens
- 9 What Jesus did after being at God's house

Can you use the code key to solve the code? John 2:13-25

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JESUS MEETS A MAN NAMED NICODEMUS PT. 1

JOHN 3:1-7

1 There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus. He was one of the Jewish rulers. 2 He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. We know that God is with you. If he weren't, you couldn't do the signs you are doing."

3 Jesus replied, "What I'm about to tell you is true. No one can see God's kingdom unless they are born again."

4 "How can someone be born when they are old?" Nicodemus asked. "They can't go back inside their mother! They can't be born a second time!"

5 Jesus answered, "What I'm about to tell you is true. No one can enter God's kingdom unless they are born with water and the Holy Spirit. **6** People give birth to people. But the Spirit gives birth to spirit. **7** You should not be surprised when I say, 'You must all be born again.'



Who was Nicodemus?

How can you see God's kingdom?

Have a go at drawing how Nicodemus might have felt at this different part of the story in the circles...

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What are some of the 'signs' Jesus did?

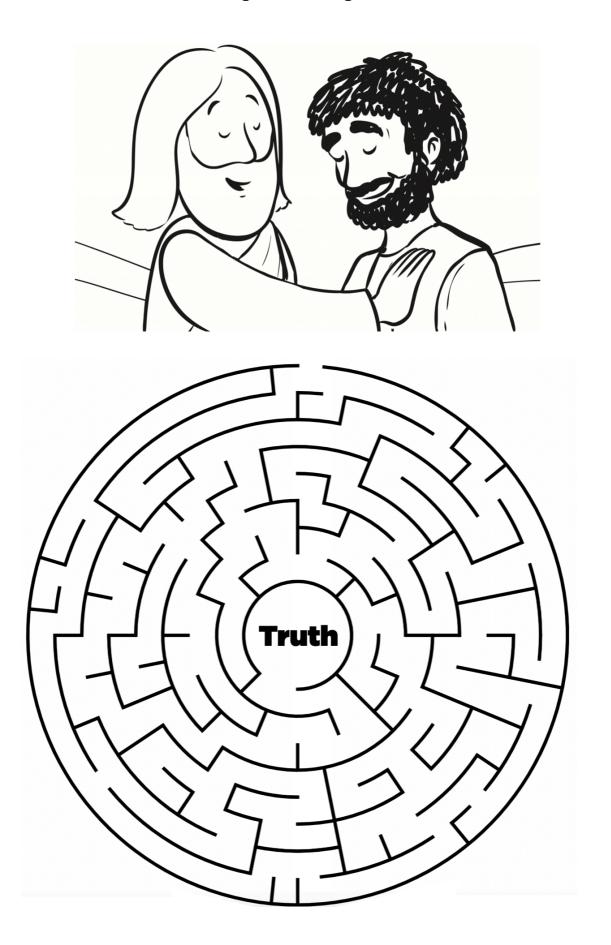
Have you been 'born again'?

Do you want to be?

Nicodemus is confused about what it means to be born again. It is when you become a Christian, stop living the way you want to live and live like Jesus.

Spend some time praying and thanking Jesus that we can enter God's kingdom through the Holy Spirit.

Can you help Nicodemus to listen to Jesus and find the truth about seeing God's kingdom?



JESUS MEETS A MAN NAMED NICODEMUS PT. 2 JOHN 3:8-21

8The wind blows where it wants to. You hear the sound it makes. But you can't tell where it comes from or where it is going. It is the same with everyone who is born with the Spirit."

9 "How can this be?" Nicodemus asked.

10"You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus. "Don't you understand these things? 11 What I'm about to tell you is true. We speak about what we know. We are witnesses about what we have seen. But still you people do not accept what we say. 12 I have spoken to you about earthly things, and you do not believe. So how will you believe if I speak about heavenly things? 13 No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven. He is the Son of Man. 14 Moses lifted up the snake in the desert. In the same way, the Son of Man must also be lifted up. 15 Then everyone who believes may have eternal life in him."

16 God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son. Anyone who believes in him will not die but will have eternal life. 17 God did not send his Son into the world to judge the world. He sent his Son to save the world through him. 18 Anyone who believes in him is not judged. But anyone who does not believe is judged already. They have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. 19 Here is the judgment. Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light. They loved darkness because what they did was evil. 20 Everyone who does evil deeds hates the light. They will not come into the light. They are afraid that what they do will be seen. 21 But anyone who lives by the truth comes into the light. They live by the truth with God's help. They come into the light so that it will be easy to see their good deeds.

Try memorise this verse John 3:16 God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son. Anyone who believes in him will not die but will have eternal life.

RECAP what happened in part 1?

How can we live by the truth? (hint vs 21) Why is Nicodemus Israel's teacher?

What can we do to show we are in the light? (hint vs 21) Who is the Son of Man?

Do you believe in the Son?

Spend some time praying to God and thanking him that he loved us so much that he sent his son to die so that anyone who believes in him will have eternal life with him! You could think about some people you want to share this good news with and pray for them too.

Can you unscramble the letters to find the words?

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