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What is Faith?

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." (Hebrews, Chapter 11, Verse 1)

Faith is something not gained by our own doing, it is given to us by God. What we do with this faith is up to us as individuals. We can treasure this blessing or we can toss it aside.

A good example of what can happen to our faith can be found in the parable of the sower where the sower went out to sow the seed (the word of God).

The explanation of this parable can be found in the Bible (Luke, Chapter 8, verses 12-15.)

"Those by the wayside are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience."

As we can see, we should strive to be the seed that fell on the good ground. We should pray to God every day that we don't let the devil or the evil one into our lives and rob us of our faith.



"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding."
Proverbs 3:5 (KJV)

SOLOMON, THE WISE GUY!

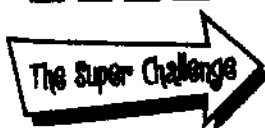


1 Kings 3:1-15

Starting with the white G, follow the building blocks around the Temple, writing down every other letter. When you've worked your way around, go back by starting at the G on the bottom. When you've been around the Temple twice, you will have written Solomon's prayer.

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Solomon's Prayer:



On the Temple floor, find these words describing wise ways to live:

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|----------|-----------|----------|-------|--------|
| faith | gratitude | humility | joy | love |
| patience | peace | trust | truth | wisdom |

God protects Daniels's friends in a furnace.

Daniel Chapter 3 verses 1-30

King Nebuchadnezzar built a tall, tall statue. King Nebuchadnezzar wanted everyone to bow down and worship his statue. A herald cried aloud, "And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace."

Some men who worked for the King, called Chaldeans, accused Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego of not bowing down to the King's statue. They did not bow down because they knew they should only worship God, not a statue.

King Nebuchadnezzar commanded to heat the furnace seven times hotter than before and for the most mighty men in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego and cast them into the fiery furnace.

After the men were placed in the furnace King Nebuchadnezzar rose up and saw 'four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.'

Then Nebuchadnezzar came to the mouth, or the edge, of the fire and called the men over to him and said "Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him and have changed the King's word."

We can see the power of God who protected those men who placed their faith and trust in him.

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in a furnace.**

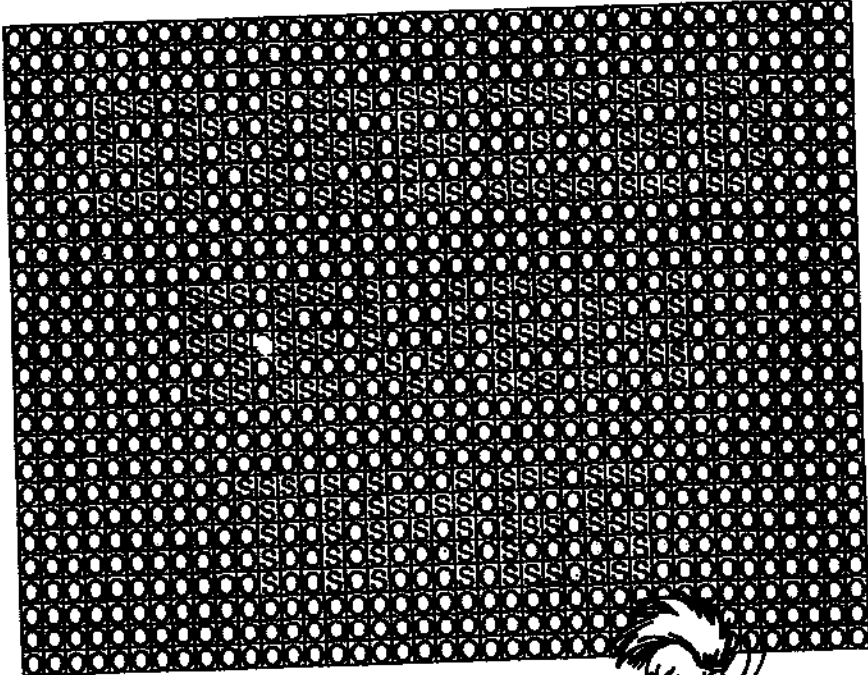
Daniel 3:1-30





God Answers Elisha's Prayer

The Shunammite woman's son had died.
Elisha went into the room where the boy was
and prayed to the Lord. When God healed the boy, the boy did something.
Color in all the spaces that contain the letter S to find out what the boy did.



AND OPENED HIS EYES.



The Clever Monkey

Once there were two cats who were very fond of eating cheese. On a fine day when the women were busy talking together, the cats stole some cheese. Then came the problem of dividing it into equal shares. The cats eyed one another with suspicion each thinking that the other would take the bigger portion.

At last one cat said, "Let us ask a monkey to divide the cheese for us." The other agreed willingly and they approached a monkey, who just as willingly took the cheese.

"Fetch some scales," the monkey said to the two cats.

When the cats returned, the monkey took a knife and cut the cheese into two pieces. However, one piece was clearly much bigger than the other.

"Dear me!" said the monkey. "This will never do. I will eat part of the big piece of cheese to make it weigh the same as the other."

Before the cats could object, the monkey ate part of the cheese and, of course, he ate too much.

"Dear me!" he said. "Now this piece is smaller. I have to eat some of the other cheese to make the two pieces the same size."

By this time the cats realized that the monkey intended to eat all the cheese.

"Please do not bother with our affairs further." They said. "Give the cheese back to us and we will divide it ourselves."

The monkey continued to nibble at the cheese.

"I could not do that," he said. "You would start quarrelling again for sure.

Then the king of all the animals would blame me for the conflict between you. No, I must continue to bite first this piece of cheese and then that piece, until they are exactly the same weight. If in the course of my efforts all the cheese is eaten, then that is fate and you must accept it."

The cats saw that the cheese would never be returned to them and turned away. The monkey laughed and called after them, "You have learned a lesson. Never let greed lead you into foolishness."

He finished enjoying the cheese

SOW A SEED

Mark 3:1-20



Find a message by writing the letters from the seeds in the blanks below.

	1	2	3	4
1	D	W	I	R
2	N	E		H
3	V	G	K	O
4	T	L	S	U

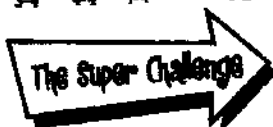
Illustrations: A bird is perched on the 'W' seed in row 1, column 2. A bird is perched on the 'O' seed in row 3, column 4. A caterpillar is on the 'T' seed in row 4, column 1. Another caterpillar is on the 'L' seed in row 4, column 2. There are small 'M' marks scattered around the grid.

W

1-3 2-4 2-2 2-1 1-3 2-2 3-3 2-1 3-4 1-2 3-2 3-4 1-1 4-5

1-2 3-4 1-4 1-1 1-5 4-1 4-3 2-4 3-4 1-3 4-5 1-3 2-1

3-4 4-4 1-4 4-2 1-3 3-1 2-2 4-3



Put coins on all the seeds except the one without a letter. Choose a coin to jump over another coin into the blank seed. Keep jumping coins until you have only one or two left.

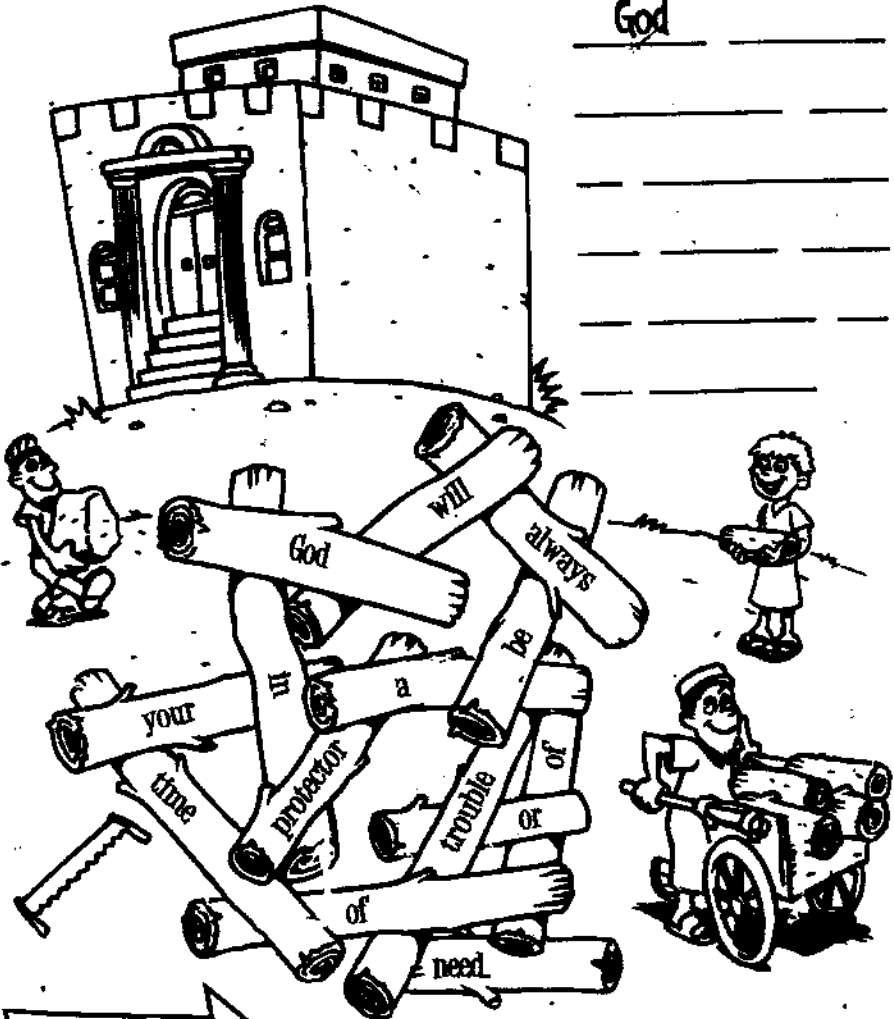
PICK-UP STICKS!

1 Kings 5-8

The Challenge

The builders of the Temple used a lot of logs to build the Temple. To solve this puzzle, pretend you're playing Pick-up Sticks. "Pick" up the log that's on top of the pile. Write the word on it in the first blank below. If you pick up the logs in the correct order, you'll spell out why we can worship God. (The first one is done for you.)

God



The Super Challenge

How many squares can you find on the Temple? _____



Trusting God

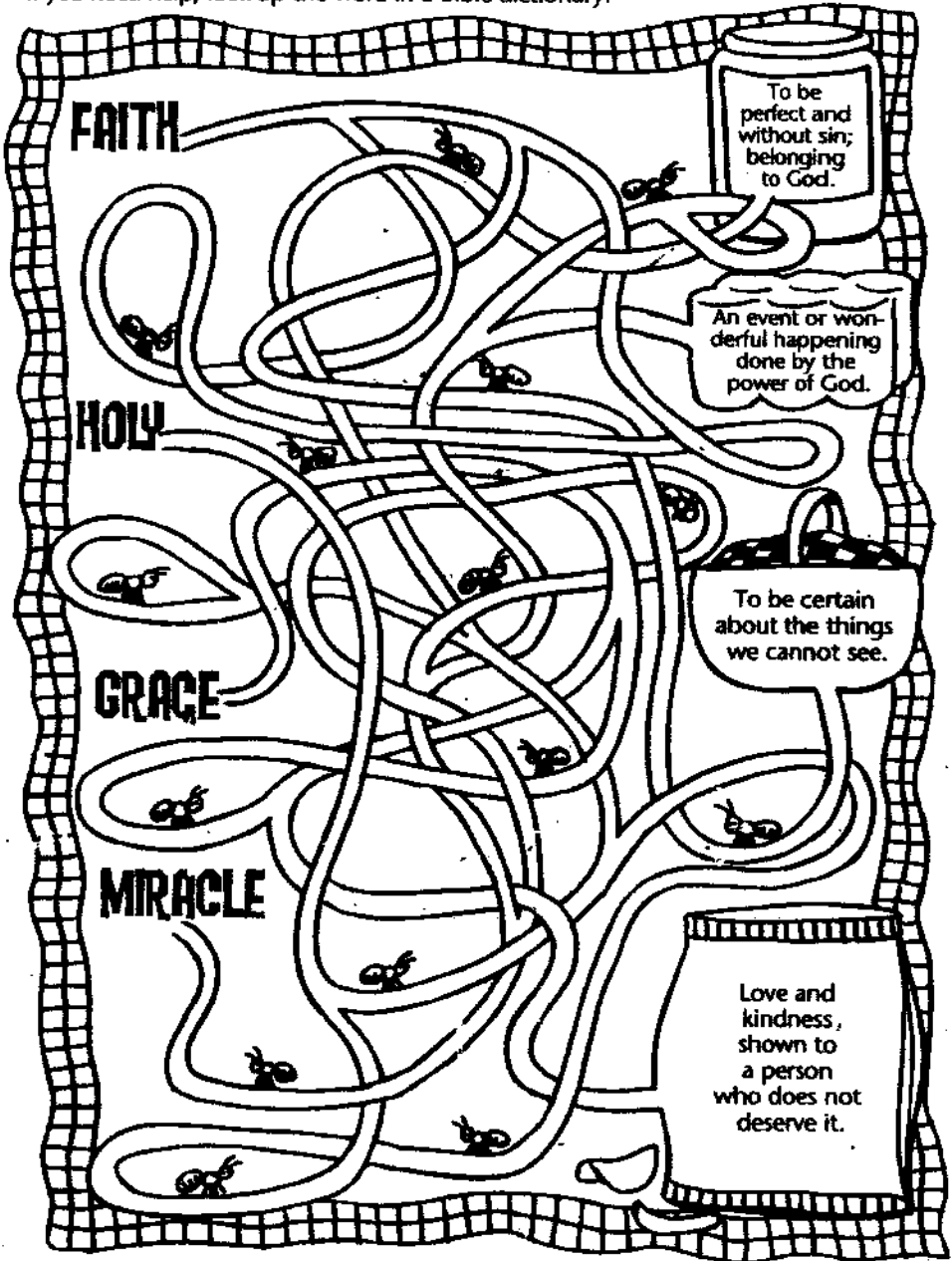
Paul and Silas were beaten by the Roman officers and thrown into jail. Instead of complaining, Paul and Silas did something very strange.

Color in all the solid bars of the jail. Don't color the bars with broken lines. When you are finished, you'll see what Paul and Silas did.



AMAZING WAYS

Find your way through the maze to match each word with its definition.
If you need help, look up the word in a Bible dictionary.





"Be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord."
1 Corinthians 15:58 (KJV)

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