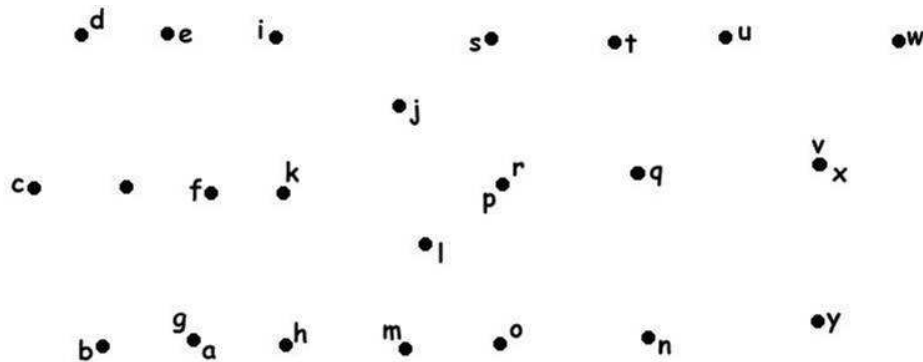


God had a special work for Saul – but Saul refused to obey.
 God had a special work for David.
 God has a special work for you too. Will you do what the dot-to-dot says?



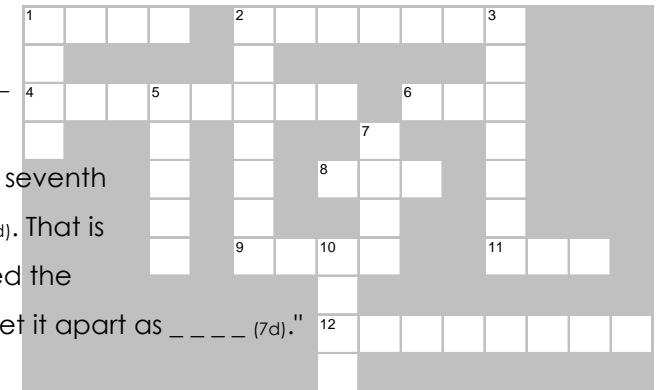
A New King is Chosen

Sabbath

- Have you ever wished someone would hurry up? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 Have you ever been impatient? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 Have you ever thought that something was too good to throw out?
☐ Yes ☐ No
 Have you ever done something a different way than you were told to?
☐ Yes ☐ No
 Have you ever begged to have your punishment changed?
☐ Yes ☐ No

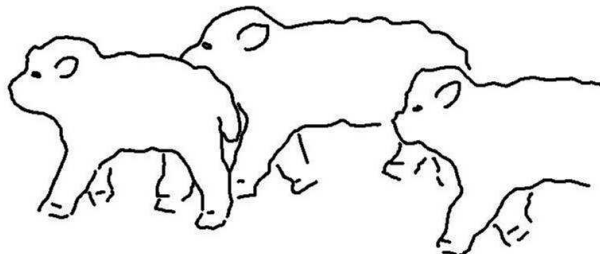
Use Exodus 20:8-11_{NLT} to solve the crossword.

"_____ (12a) to observe the _____ (2a) day by keeping it _____ (9a). You have _____ (11a) days each week for your ordinary _____ (1a), but the seventh day is a _____ (2d) day of rest dedicated to the _____ (10d) your _____ (8a). On that day no one in your household may do any _____ (1d). This includes you, your sons and daughters, your male and female servants, your livestock, and any foreigners living among you. For in six days the Lord made the _____ (3d), the _____ (5d), the _____ (6a), and everything in them; but on the seventh day He _____ (4d). That is why the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and set it apart as _____ (7d)."



Listen to my instruction and be wise.

Don't ignore it. Proverbs 8:33_{NLT}



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Refer: 1 Samuel 15-16:13_{NLT}

Sunday

Remember how King Saul had offered the sacrifices himself because he wanted the Lords blessing on his army, when he should have waited for Samuel? Samuel said, "You have not listened to God! Now He has chosen another leader for His people!"

One day, Samuel said to Saul, "The Lord has commanded that you totally destroy the Amalekites who have caused so many problems for you; everything must be destroyed."

So Saul took his army and attacked as commanded, but they captured the Amalekite king and saved the best of their animals.

When Saul saw Samuel the next day, he made excuses saying, "The animals are to be a sacrifice." But Samuel told him, "Obedience is better than sacrifice;

because you have rejected the commands of the Lord, He has rejected you and chosen a new king."



When Saul heard this he finally admitted that he had sinned and asked to be forgiven; he begged Samuel to return and worship the Lord with him. Samuel turned to go and Saul grabbed his coat and it tore. Then Samuel said, "The Lord has torn this kingdom from you and given it to someone who is better than you."

Samuel did return with King Saul, they worshipped the Lord and then Samuel executed the Amalekite King, Agag. After that they each returned to their separate home towns and Samuel never met with King Saul again.

Friday

Have ever heard of someone having a test in obedience or honesty? A banker might leave someone who is asking for a job sitting in a room with some money, and then watch on a camera to see what they do; sometimes a boss will dress up as a customer, or have a friend pretend to be a customer to make sure the workers do the right thing. Perhaps the Sabbath is a test to see if we obey even if we don't understand.

John the apostle had many vision about what would happen in the future. In one of his visions he saw three angels flying with important messages for the world; these angels would come not long before the Second Coming. Read the following verses use different coloured highlighters to colour code to underlined sections that match, then fit the underlined words into the grid.

Genesis 2:3^{NIV}, "Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it He rested from all the work of creating that He had done."

Exodus 20:8-11^{NIV}, "Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work... For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy."

Revelation 14:7^{NIV}, "Fear God and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come. Worship Him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water."

God the Creator who made everything has commanded us to worship Him on Sabbath – will you obey Him?

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Thursday

Have you ever noticed that many of the laws of the land are based on the Commandments, like the laws about stealing and killing?

I'm sure parents want their children to honour them and it's easy to see that adultery, lying and coveting hurt people too.

The first four Commandments help us to build and keep a close relationship with God, but although all Christians agree that spending regular time with God is important, some ask why the Sabbath? Or more to the point, why Saturday?

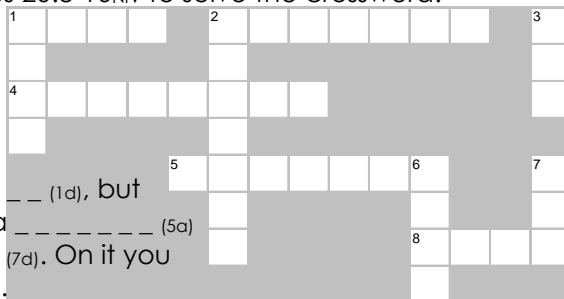
Some say, "I'm going to have Sabbath everyday, not just on Saturday." But what does God tell us we should be doing on the other six days? Read Exodus 20:8-11 if you can't remember.

Can you imagine what it would be like if you celebrated your Birthday every day of the year? It might be great a first, but would it still feel special after a month, or after a year. It would become normal rather than special.

Other people say, "I believe it is important to have a special day with God, but it doesn't really matter what day." What if someone important was coming to visit at your church or school and you said, "It doesn't matter what day I go to meet them." If you didn't go on the day they tell you to, you would miss out.

The reason for the details of most of the other Commandments seems obvious and logical – they make sense. The reason why Sabbath must be Saturday is unclear except that, that is what God said to do. We obey God because we love Him, not because we understand or even agree with what He wants. Use the missing words from the first half of Exodus 20:8-10^{NIV} to solve the crossword.

"_____ (4 across) the
_____ (2d) day by
keeping it _____ (6d).
____ (3d) days you shall
labour and do all your _____ (1d), but
the _____ (2a) day is a _____ (5a)
to the _____ (8a) your _____ (7d). On it you
shall not do any _____ (1a).



Monday

Then the Lord told the prophet Samuel, "Take your flask of oil and go to the town of Bethlehem; I have chosen one of the sons of Jesse to be the next king."

So Samuel travelled to Bethlehem.

When Samuel saw Jesse's eldest son, Eliab, he thought, "This must be the man the Lord has chosen!"

But the Lord said to him, "Don't judge him by his looks. I have looked at his heart and have not chosen him."

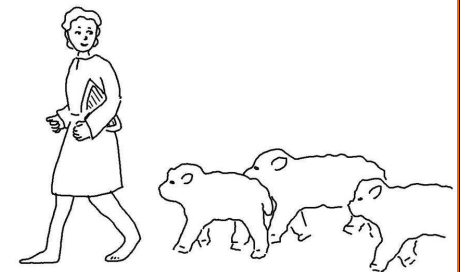
Then Samuel met Abinadab; but again God said "He is not the one." God said the same thing for each of Jesse's seven sons.

Finally Samuel asked, "Do you have any other sons?"

"Only the youngest," said Jesse.

"He is watching the sheep."

Samuel said, "Send for him."



When David arrived, Samuel took the flask of olive oil and anointed David, and David was filled with the Holy Spirit from that day on.

Samuel told Saul that obedience to God is better than sacrifices to God. This term we have been learning more about the Ten Commandments. What does John 14:15 say? Write it in your own words:

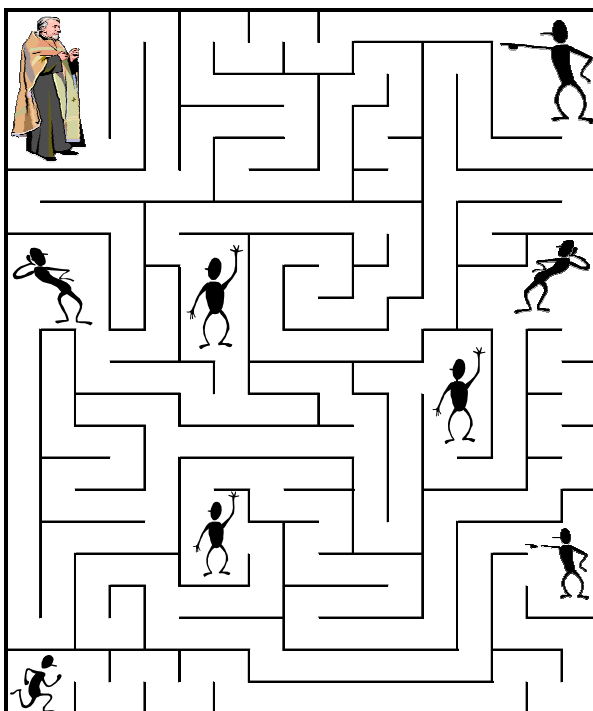
The Commandments can be summarised by Luke 10:27:

Tuesday

Find the underlined words from Sunday and Monday.

God knew that although Saul said he was sorry, he was more sorry about the consequences that about what he had done or why he had done it. God sees what is in a person's heart, He sees not only what they have done by why they do it and how they really feel and think about it.

As the prophet Samuel saw each of Jesse's sons, he thought – "This must be the one God has chosen!" – but it wasn't until he got to the youngest son, that he found God's chosen one. Help the prophet find a way through the maze to the chosen son.



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Wednesday

Here are some things that might be looked at when someone is asking to do a certain job.

- ☺ Do they look like they can do the job?
- ☺ Do they have experience?
- ☺ Do they seem like the best person to do the job?

Use the code to see how God chooses people.

1 Samuel 16:7^{NLT}

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