

They went then till they came to the Delectable Mountains, which belong to the Lord and saw the gardens, orchards, vineyards and fountains of water where also they drank and washed themselves, and ate.

Now there were on the tops of these mountains, shepherds feeding their flocks and the Pilgrims went to them and asked, "Whose Delectable Mountains are these? And whose be the sheep that feed upon them?" The shepherds replied, "This is Immanuel's Land, and it is within sight of His city; the sheep also are His, and He laid down His life for them." The Shepherds, whose names were Knowledge, Experience, Watchful, and Sincere, asked the pilgrims about their journey. Then they took them by the hand, and had them to their tents, and said, "Stay here a while and be acquainted with us; rest yourselves and enjoy the good of these Delectable Mountains."

Then I saw in my dream, that in the morning the Shepherds called up Christian and Hopeful to walk with them upon the mountains. So they had them first to the top of a hill called Error, which was very steep on the furthest side, and bid them look down to the bottom. So Christian and Hopeful looked down, and saw at the bottom several men dashed all to pieces by a fall that they had from the top. The Shepherds said, "Have you not heard of them that were made to err, by hearkening to Hymeneus and Philetus, as concerning the faith of the resurrection of the body?" These are they; and they are left unburied for an example to others to take heed how they clamber too high, or how they come too near the brink of this mountain.

Then I saw that they had them to the top of another mountain and the name of that is Caution, and bid them look afar off; then they saw several blind men walking up and down among the tombs that were there; they stumbled sometimes upon the tombs and could not get out from among them. The Shepherds said, "Did you not see a little below these mountains a stile that led into a meadow, on the left hand of this way? From that stile there goes a path that leads directly to Doubting Castle which is kept by Giant Despair, and these came once on pilgrimage as you do now, even till they came to that same stile; and because the right way was rough in that place they chose to go out of it into that meadow and were taken by Giant Despair and cast into Doubting Castle, where, after they had been a while kept in the dungeon he at last did put out their eyes and led them among those tombs, where he has left them to wander to this very day, that the saying of the wise man might be fulfilled, 'He that wandereth out of the way of understanding, shall remain among the dead.'" Christian and Hopeful looked at each other with tears, but said nothing.

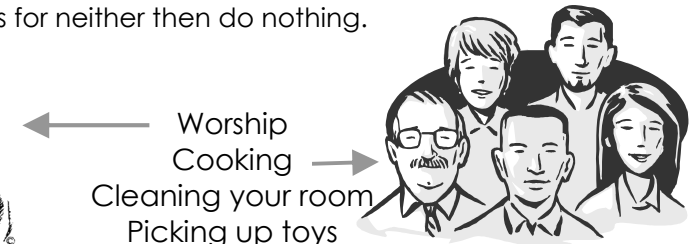
Then I saw in my dream, that the Shepherds had them to another place where a door was in the side of a hill; they opened the door and bid them look in. It was very dark and smoky and they thought that they heard a rumbling noise as of fire and cries of torment. The Shepherds told them, "This is a byway to hell, a way that hypocrites go in; like Esau who sold his birthright, Judas who sold his master, Alexander who blasphemed the Gospel, and those who lie, like Ananias and Sapphira."

By this time the Pilgrims had a desire to go forward and the Shepherds a desire they should; so they walked together towards the end of the mountains. Then they had them to the top of a high hill, called Clear and gave them their telescope to look. They looked, but the memory of that last thing that the Shepherds had showed them, made their hands; yet they thought they saw something like the gate and also some of the glory of the place. When they were about to depart, one of the Shepherds gave them a note of the way. Another of them bid them beware of the Flatterer. The third bid them take heed that they sleep not upon the Enchanted Ground. And the fourth bid them God speed.

Time With Jesus

Sabbath

Look at this list of activities. If the activity is something for God then draw an arrow to the left. If it is something for people draw an arrow to the right. If it is for neither then do nothing.



Worship ←
 Cooking →
 Cleaning your room
 Picking up toys
 Going to Church
 Riding in the car
 Talking to friends
 Praying
 Gardening
 Playing
 Watching TV
 Eating
 Reading the Bible
 Reading other books
 Washing the dishes
 Folding clothes
 Singing about Jesus
 Packing
 Going to school
 Playing computer games
 Sleeping
 Getting dressed
 Walking

Many of these people activities are very important, but it is even more important to do the God activities.

Sunday

One morning, after spending the night on the Mount of Olives, Jesus began teaching in the temple. The Pharisees and teachers of the law brought a woman to him who had been caught sinning. They said, "The Law of Moses commands that such a woman should be stoned to death. What do you say?"

Jesus knew that they were trying to trap Him. So He said, "Let the one of you who has never sinned throw the first stone." Then He bent down and used his finger to write in the dust. Seeing what Jesus was writing, the oldest Pharisee or teacher left followed by the next until they were all gone.

Then Jesus said to the woman, "Where are they? Does anyone condemn you?"

"No one," She said.

Jesus said to her, "I do not condemn you - go and leave your life of sin."

Another time while teaching in the temple, Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; those who follow me walk in the light."

The Pharisees challenged him, "You cannot witness about yourself."

But Jesus said, "My witness is valid because I know where I came from and where I am going and My Father who sent me is also my witness. - Your own law says that the testimony of two witnesses is true."

But they asked, "Where is your father?"

Jesus said, "If you knew me you would know My Father - you do not know me or My Father."

The Pharisees were angry but they did not do anything yet.

Jesus said to them, "I am going away soon but you will not find me; you will look for me but you will die in your sin. When you lift up the Son of Man you will know that I am He and that I say the truth."

Friday

Have a read of Pilgrims Progress from the back page. Then look up the meaning of delectable in the dictionary and write I in your own words.

Who is Immanuel? Matthew 1:23

What does "laid down His life for" the sheep mean? John 10:11

Hymenaeus and Philetus are two men mentioned by the Apostle Paul in 2 Timothy 2:17-18. What was wrong with what they were preaching?

We need to be reading the Bible for ourselves to make sure that what others are telling us is the truth.

Proverbs 21:16^{NLT} says, "The person who strays from common sense will end up in the company of the dead."

Do you ever think about what heaven will be like? Draw or write about it here:

Thursday

Use John 8 to answers these questions. Then use the answers to solve the crossword below.

What does Jesus call Himself in verse 12? The _ _ _ _ _ (2 down) of the _ _ _ _ _ (9 across)

In verse 14, what does Jesus say He knows? Where I came from and where I am _ _ _ _ _ (8 down).

In verse 16, who sent Jesus? The _ _ _ _ _ (4 across)

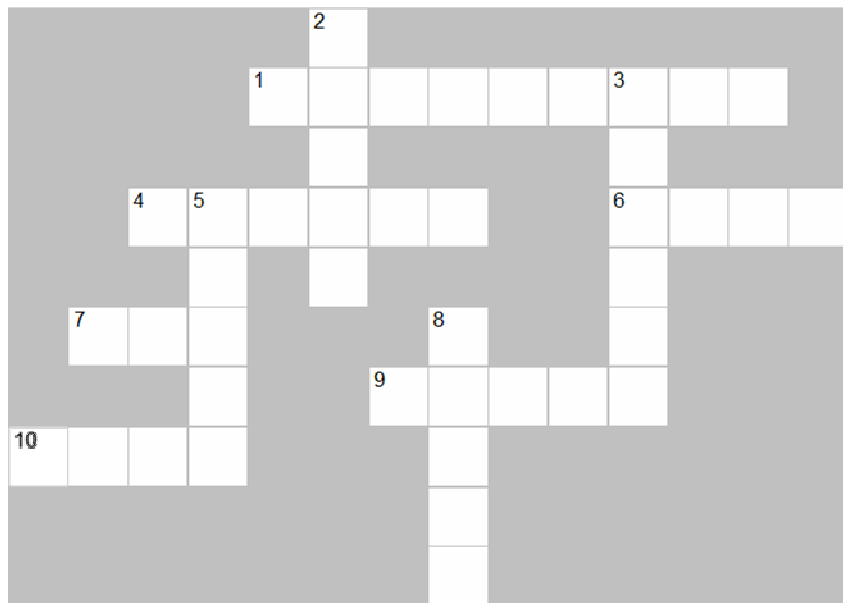
How many witnesses were required by Jewish law? _ _ _ (7a) verse 17

In verse 23, where did Jesus say He was from? _ _ _ _ _ (5 down)

In verse 28 Jesus spoke of when He would die on the cross, "When you have _ _ _ _ _ (3 down) up the Son of Man on the cross, then you will understand that I Am He.

What does Jesus say we will be if we follow and remain faithful to His teachings? _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ (1 across) verse 31

What will the truth do for us? Verse 32 Set us _ _ _ _ _ (6 across)



Monday

Jesus said, "If you follow my teachings you are my disciples. You will know the truth and the truth will set you free."

But the Pharisees said, "We are children of Abraham, we have never been slaves, we do not need to be set free!"

Jesus said, "Everyone who sins is a slave to sin. If the Son sets you free you will truly be free. I know you are descendants of Abraham, yet you are trying to kill me - the one whom Abraham loved! If God was your Father you would love Me, but you are doing the work of your own father, the devil, the father of lies!"

"You are a Samaritan! And demon-possessed!" They said, "How could you have seen Abraham? Abraham has been dead a long time."

"I am not demon-possessed," Jesus said, "But I honour My Father by telling the truth. I would be lying if I said I did not know Him."

Then Jesus said, "Before Abraham was born I AM!" (I AM was the name that God used when He talked to Moses.)

At this the people picked up stones to stone Him, but He slipped away from them.

When Jesus and His disciples travelled to Jerusalem, they would often stop in a certain village, at the home of Martha and her sister Mary.

Mary sat at the Jesus feet listening to what He said, while Martha was busy making a big dinner for them all. Then Martha came to Jesus and said, "It isn't fair that my sister just sits here while I do all the work. Tell her to come and help me."

But Jesus said to Martha, "My dear Martha, you are worried and upset over all these details! Mary has found something more important, and it will not be taken away from her!"

Tuesday

In Matthew 7:1, 3-5^{NLT} Jesus warned us not to judge other people. He said, "Do not _____ others, and you will not be judged... And why worry about a speck in your friend's ___ when you have a log in your own? How can you think of saying to your friend, 'Let me help you get rid of that speck in your eye,' when you can't see past the log in your own eye? You _____! _____ get rid of the log in your own eye; then you will see well enough to deal with the speck in your friend's eye."

What did Jesus mean?

In Desire of Ages, Ellen White tells us Jesus wrote the sins of the Pharisees in the dust.

What did Jesus say to the woman in John 8:11?
 "Neither do I condemn you.
 Go and leave your life of sin." ^{NIV}

Jesus did not say, "Keep sinning and I will keep forgiving you." He said, "Change – stop sinning, I have forgiven you."

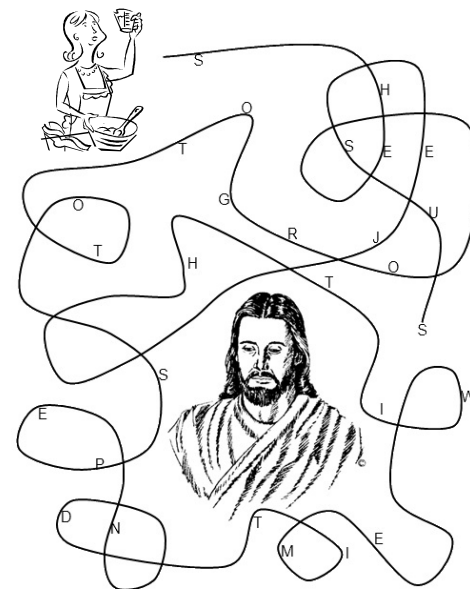
Before we say anything to anyone else about their sins we need to look at our own lives, and ask God to show us what our sins are. When we are right with God and spend time with Him, we will have the Fruit of the Spirit and this will help us to treat others in the same loving, encouraging way that Jesus did.

Fit the underlined words in the grid.

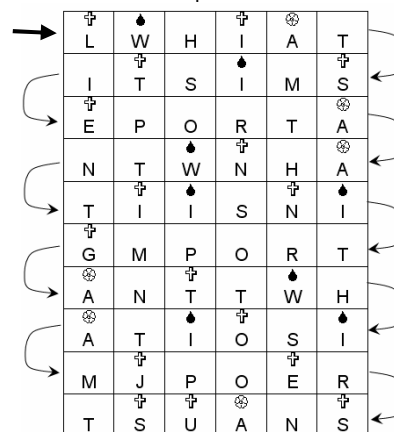


Wednesday

Martha was so busy running in circles preparing things for Jesus that she forgot something important. Write the letters off the line to find out what.



What was Mary doing that was more important than preparing a big meal for Jesus? Start in the top left square and follow the arrows. Write the letters with the ☞ on the spaces.



Find the underlined words in the grid

There are several ways you can spend time with Jesus. The most important is to Pray. It is also important to read the Bible. You can also read Bible Story books, or a Christian Book. You can have Worship with your family or church group and on Sabbath you can come to Sabbath School and Church. You can Sing about God and how good He is.

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