

Moving to a new country can be both exciting and scary. The animals may be different, the food might be different and the people might be different and have different ways of doing things.

When Mum was only 3 months old, her parents were called to be missionaries in Papa New Guinea.

Moving from South New Zealand to Australia and then on to Guinea was quite a shock. They had never seen ants or cockroaches inside a house before, and they happened to arrive from the cool of New Zealand into the middle of a heat wave.

Their first two months in New Guinea were spent in Rabaul training for medical emergencies. While there they stayed with John and Doris, and every so often John would make a comment about the new house they would soon be moving to. He would say things like, "It's got no doors on it," or "The kitchen roof leaks like a sieve." Then later on he would say "There are holes all the way up the walls..." This went on and on until finally my Grandmother said to him, "Don't you want us to go there?" "I just don't want you to think you are going to a lovely house and then be very disappointed in it," He replied.

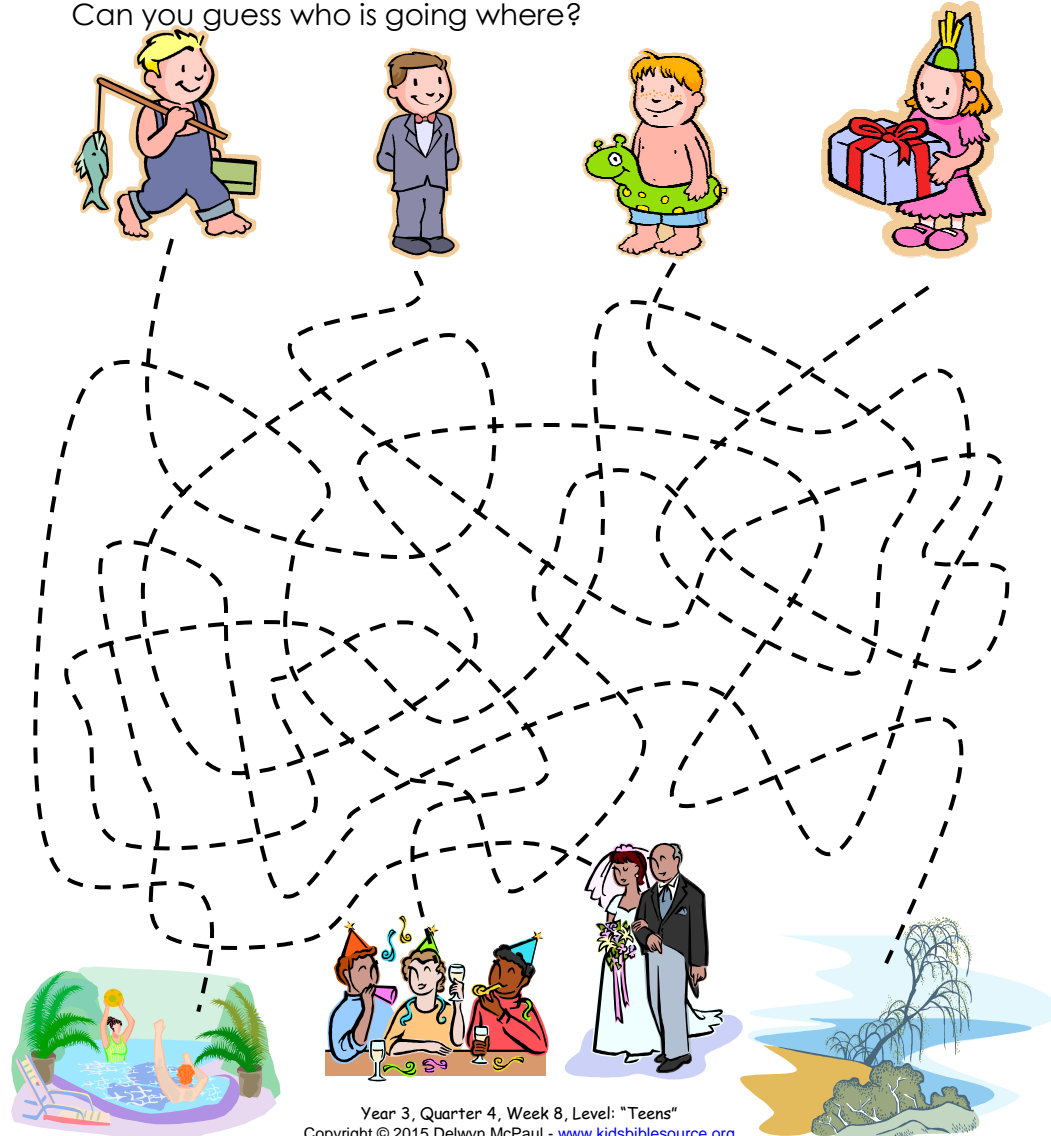
When they finally moved into their new house, it was certainly not like anything they'd ever seen before. The walls were made of woven bamboo with many holes; the lounge walls were only waist height and the bedroom walls were neck height. The floors were made from bamboo poles, scraps of wood and wooden poles etc.

Since the walls only went part way up and there were no doors it was impossible to keep anything out. Lizards, chickens, cats and dogs would often wander in and out of the house. But the scariest things were the centipedes and the rhinoceros beetles. They had never seen anything like them before, and if you think the ones in Australia are big – apparently the ones in New Guinea were giants! It took many months to get used to it all.

# Jerusalem to Rome

## Sabbath

Can you guess who is going where?



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Refer: Acts 21:15-21, 27-40; 22:21-30; 23, 24 NLT; The Acts of the Apostles p399-427; The Bible Story vol\10 p106-117

## Sunday

Paul's friends warned him not to go to Jerusalem, but in spite of their warnings, Paul felt he should go.

When he arrived, he met with the leaders and told them how God had blessed his missionary work. But not everyone was happy; some of the Christians even believed that Paul was wrong because he didn't teach the gentiles to follow all of the Jewish regulations. The leaders suggested that Paul show his dedication by joining a group of Christians who were going to the temple every day for a Jewish ritual.

So Paul agreed; but one day when he was in the temple, some Jews from Asia saw him. They grabbed him, yelling "This man is breaking the law!" They dragged Paul out of the temple, and started to beat him.

Soldiers heard the noise and came and arrested Paul, thinking he was a rebel. They had to take him inside their barracks to protect him from the angry crowd.

Now a group of more than 40 Jews vowed that they would not eat or drink until they had killed Paul; they planned to attack him when the soldiers took him to the council. But Paul's nephew found out and told the commander of the soldiers. The commander arranged 200 soldiers, 200 spearmen and 70 horsemen to take Paul safely to the governor in Caesarea.

Paul was in jail in Caesarea for more than 2 years. One day he had the opportunity to tell the story of how Jesus called him, to King Agrippa. The King almost believed in Jesus - but sadly, almost believing, is not enough.

Finally Paul was asked to return to Jerusalem for trial, but he knew that the Jews would plan to kill him on the way so instead of agreeing, he said "I appeal to Caesar - send me to Rome." And so arrangements were to be made to send Paul to Rome.



## Friday

God created our bodies, both m\_ \_ \_ (4 down) and f\_ \_ \_ \_ (6a). (Genesis 1:27) He created them unique and special (there is no one just like you.) Your body, especially your private parts are just for you and - when you marry - for your husband or wife.

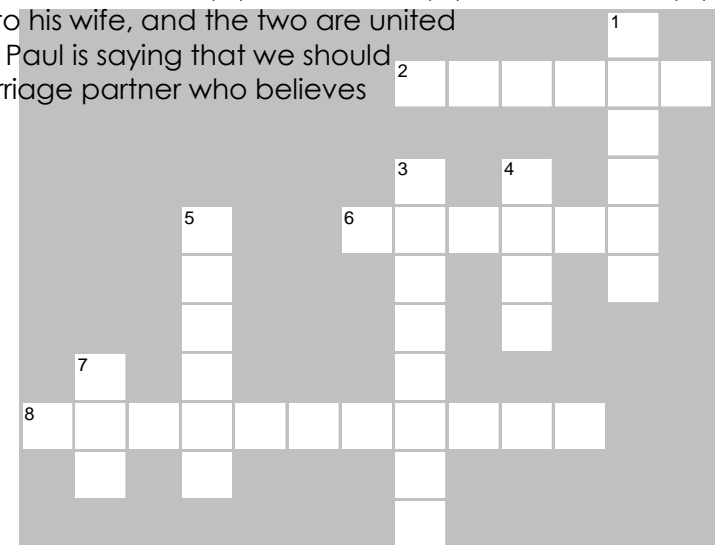
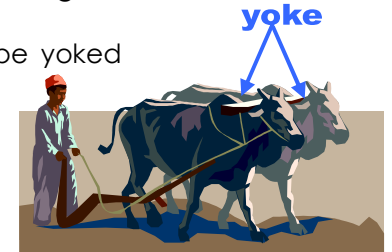
When you choose not to look at rude pictures of people who are almost naked and choose to keep your body private, you are choosing God's way; this is the best way for your life, the quickest way to true happiness.

The choice of a husband or wife is one of the most important decisions you may ever make. Many people marry someone thinking they will change them and bring them to God, but it doesn't work.

2 Corinthians 6:14, 15<sub>NIV</sub> says, "Do not be yoked together with \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ (8a)

...What does a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ (3d) have in common with an unbeliever?" or as the New Living Translation Bible puts it, "How can a believer be a partner with an unbeliever?" In Bible times, two oxen would be yoked together so they could pull "as one."


Genesis 2:24<sub>NLT</sub> says, "a man \_ \_ \_ \_ \_s (1d) his \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ (2a) and \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ (5d) and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into \_ \_ \_ (7d)." Paul is saying that we should choose a marriage partner who believes like we do.



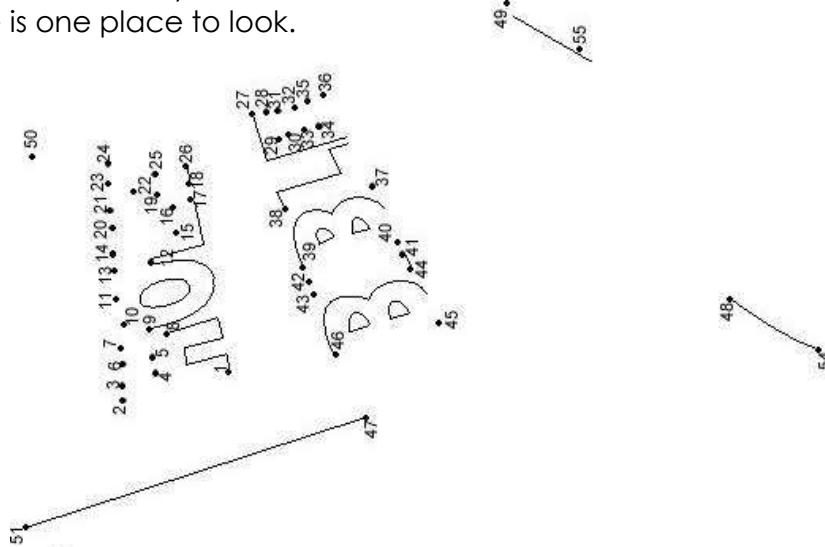
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There will be times in your life when you have to decide what to do. How can you work out what is best?












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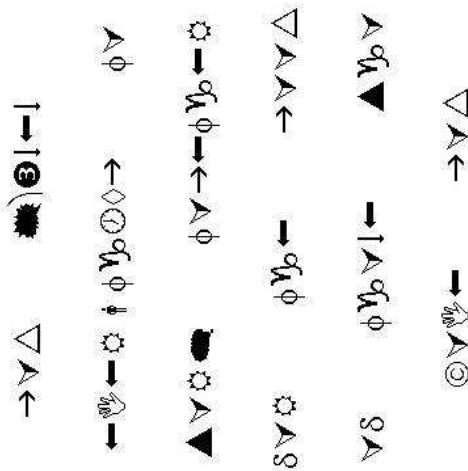


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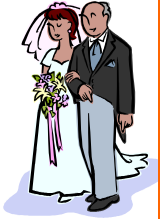


Here is something important to remember.  
Romans 8:28<sup>NLT</sup>

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Monday

Over the course of history, Jews and Christians have followed many rules, regulation, rituals and ceremonies. Some are man-made or traditional, like the washing ceremonies of the pharmacies, or even our current-day Christmas celebrations. Others were temporary - many ceased to apply once Jesus came and these were the ones that the gentiles and new believers did not need to follow. Yet others like the Ten Commandments will always apply and never change.



Marriage is another practice that God created for our world.

Here are some important facts about marriage in the Bible

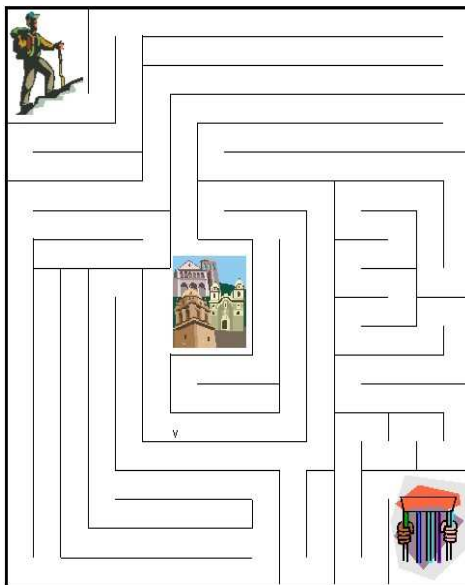
1. God created marriage; the first marriage was that of Adam and Eve. Read about it in Genesis 2:20-24
2. God included marriage in the Ten Commandments. The seventh Commandment says, "You must not commit adultery." NLT Adultery means being unfaithful to your husband or wife and breaking your marriage vows.
3. Marriage involves a man and a woman. (Matthew 19:4, 5)
4. Marriage lasts until the person's husband or wife dies. Matthew 19:6 "The two are united into one. ...let no one split apart what God has joined together." Divorce is allowed under certain circumstances, but it was not a part of God's plan.

God's perfect plan involved the new man and wife leaving their parents to become as "one" - a new family unit, working together for the good of each other. This was the setting God planned for children to be raised in. But as with all good things that God created, Satan has done his best to destroy marriage and families. Divorce and single parent families are very common today for many and different reasons, and even having two parents is no guarantee of a happy family.

It shouldn't surprise you that the best way to have a happy family, is to follow Luke 10:27, to love God with all our hearts and love our family members like ourselves.

## Tuesday

When Paul travelled to Jerusalem and where did he end up? Find a way through the maze to find out.



Caesarea,  
Christians,  
governor,  
horsemen, jail,  
Jerusalem,  
Jews,  
missionary,  
Paul, Rome,  
soldiers,  
spearmen,  
temple.

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## Wednesday

If you get stuck, have another look at Monday.

Who invented marriage? \_ \_ \_

Which of the 10 Commandments is about marriage?

The \_ \_ \_ \_ \_th

Marriage is between \_ \_ \_ and a w \_ \_ \_ \_

God intended marriage to last until the person's husband or wife \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.

**Marriage** and families as God created them, are an amazing thing. Not only will they bring us much **happiness**, but they also help us to understand more about God. As humans, it is very hard for us to understand how **God**, **Jesus** and the **Holy Spirit** are all different, yet they are all one God. It helps to think of them like a family, where a husband and wife are different, yet they are **one family**.

Fit the missing words above and the underlined words into the grid.

