For the Parents:

Dear Parents,

In case you would like to do some study for yourselves; here is where this Bible story is found.

Luke 2:39-52; Matt. 2:13-15. My Bible Friends Bk. 1 The Bible Story Vol 7, p 53-90. Desire of Ages p. 64-92

"The Lord had directed that even from babyhood the children should be taught of His goodness and His greatness, especially as revealed in His law and shown in the history of Israel. Song and prayer and lessons from the Scriptures were to be adapted to the opening mind. Fathers and mothers were to instruct their children that the law of God is an expression of His character, and that as they received the principles of the law into the heart, the image of God was traced on the mind and soul." DA p. 69

May God bless you as you teach your little ones about Him.

Boy Jesus

<u>Sabbath</u>

What happens to babies? Draw lines to put the pictures in order.









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Even a child is known by his doings. Proverbs 20:11

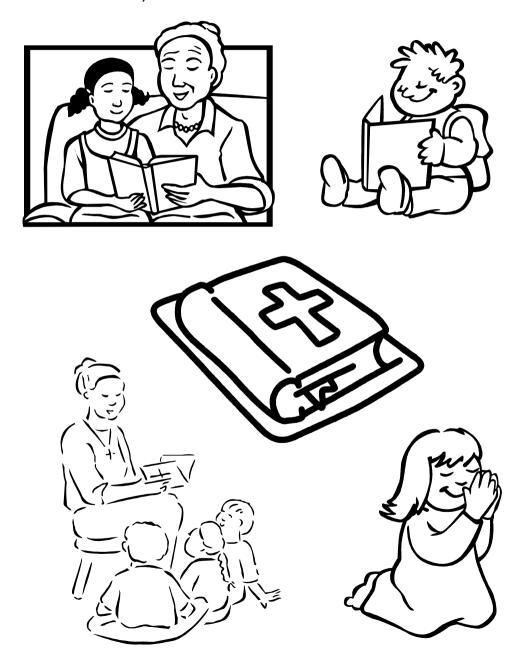
<u>Friday</u>

We need to spend time each day learning about Jesus. We can have mummy and daddy, or maybe our grandparents, read and tell us stories from the Bible. We need to spend time each day praying to God and singing songs to Him as well.

When we do this then Jesus helps us to have kind and gentle hands, to share our toys, to take turns and to obey our parents.



<u>Thursday</u> How can you learn about God?



<u>Sunday</u>

Remember how Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus had escaped to Egypt? One day an angel told Joseph when it was safe for them to return to Israel, and the family moved back, and lived in the town of Nazareth.

There, Jesus grew up just like you are growing up. Every day Mary, His mother, would read to Him from the Bible; she told Him the stories about Adam and Eve, how sin started, Noah and the flood, Joseph, the little maid, Jonah,



and Daniel. She talked about how God made the world, and the Sabbath, and how God wants us to keep it holy.

As Jesus grew bigger and bigger, He learnt more and more about His father in heaven; Jesus also learnt to talk to God in prayer each day.

You can ask mummy and daddy to read you Bible stories, just like Mary did for Jesus. You can pray to God every day too.

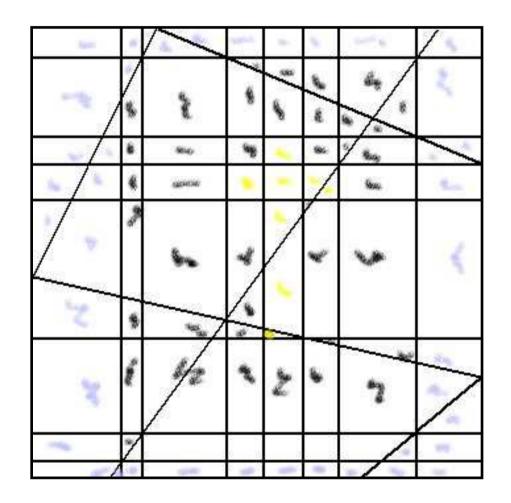
<u>Monday</u>

Jesus learnt more and more about God, and prayed to Him every day.



<u>Wednesday</u>

Even though He was still a boy, Jesus could have a good talk with the adult teachers because He had read what?



Tuesday

When Jesus was twelve years old His parents took Him to Jerusalem to the Passover feast. As Jesus watched what was happening, He began to understand why He had come to this earth. Jesus found his way to a school room with some of the teachers, He began asking them questions and before long they were having a very interesting

talk. Jesus now understood that God in Heaven was His real father.

In the meantime Joseph and Mary started home not realizing that Jesus was still

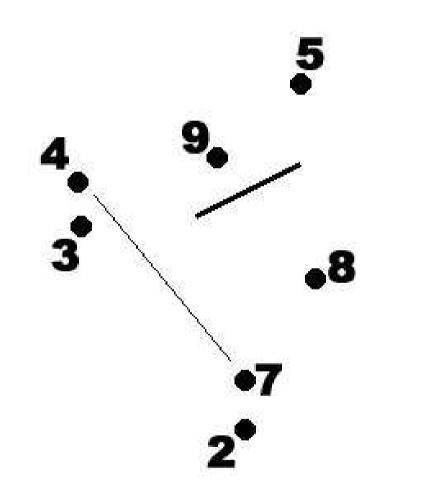


back in Jerusalem. Three days later they finally found Jesus and then they all went home to Nazareth together where Jesus continued to be an obedient child and help Joseph in the carpenter shop and most importantly, spend time each day in prayer and Bible study.

We need to make sure that we spend time each day learning about Jesus and praying to Him.

Tuesday

You can ask Mummy and Daddy to read Bible stories to you every day to.



Wednesday

Jesus liked to walk outside in the hills and valleys; He enjoyed watching the birds and animals and learning all about

them. If one of them was hurt he would bring it home and take care of it.



He also studied the flowers and trees; and learned what they needed to make them grow strong.

When Jesus wasn't busy helping someone He would often go out into nature and look at the things He had made. Jesus also liked to go out in the trees and bushes pray and

talk to God each day; it was quiet there and he could pray without people interrupting.

You can go outside and watch the plants grow and birds fly and the animals run just like Jesus did. You can also pray to Jesus when you are out in the bush and tell Him how much fun it is to watch the animals and birds and plants.

<u>Monday</u>

Cross out the things that Jesus wouldn't want you



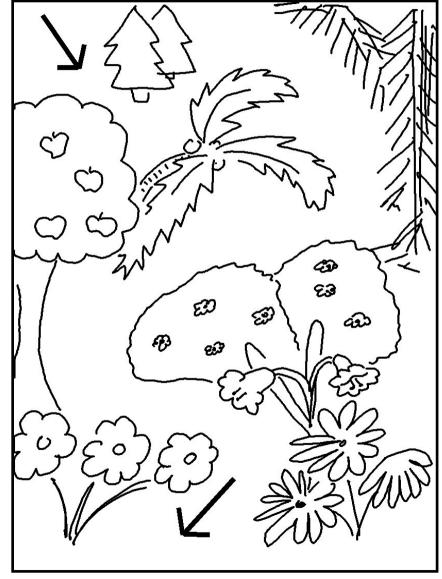
<u>Sunday</u>

Jesus would sing as he worked.



<u>Thursday</u>

Jesus liked to learn about the flowers and trees, and to go for walks. Find your way through these flowers and trees.



<u>Friday</u>

You can be kind to animals, just like Jesus was.











<u>Sabbath</u>

Jesus was a perfect child. Whenever Mary would say, "Jesus I need some help." Jesus would immediately come running to help her; He was always obedient.

If someone was sick Jesus would help them to feel better. If someone didn't have enough food to eat, Jesus would give them what He had been going to eat. When He was playing with the other children He always had kind words and gentle hands, and He waited for His turn.



People would often hear Him singing as He worked and this made everyone feel happier.

You can do all the things that Jesus did when He was a boy. You can sing as you play, and have gentle hands, and share, and take turns. You can share your food and take flowers to someone who is sick.