

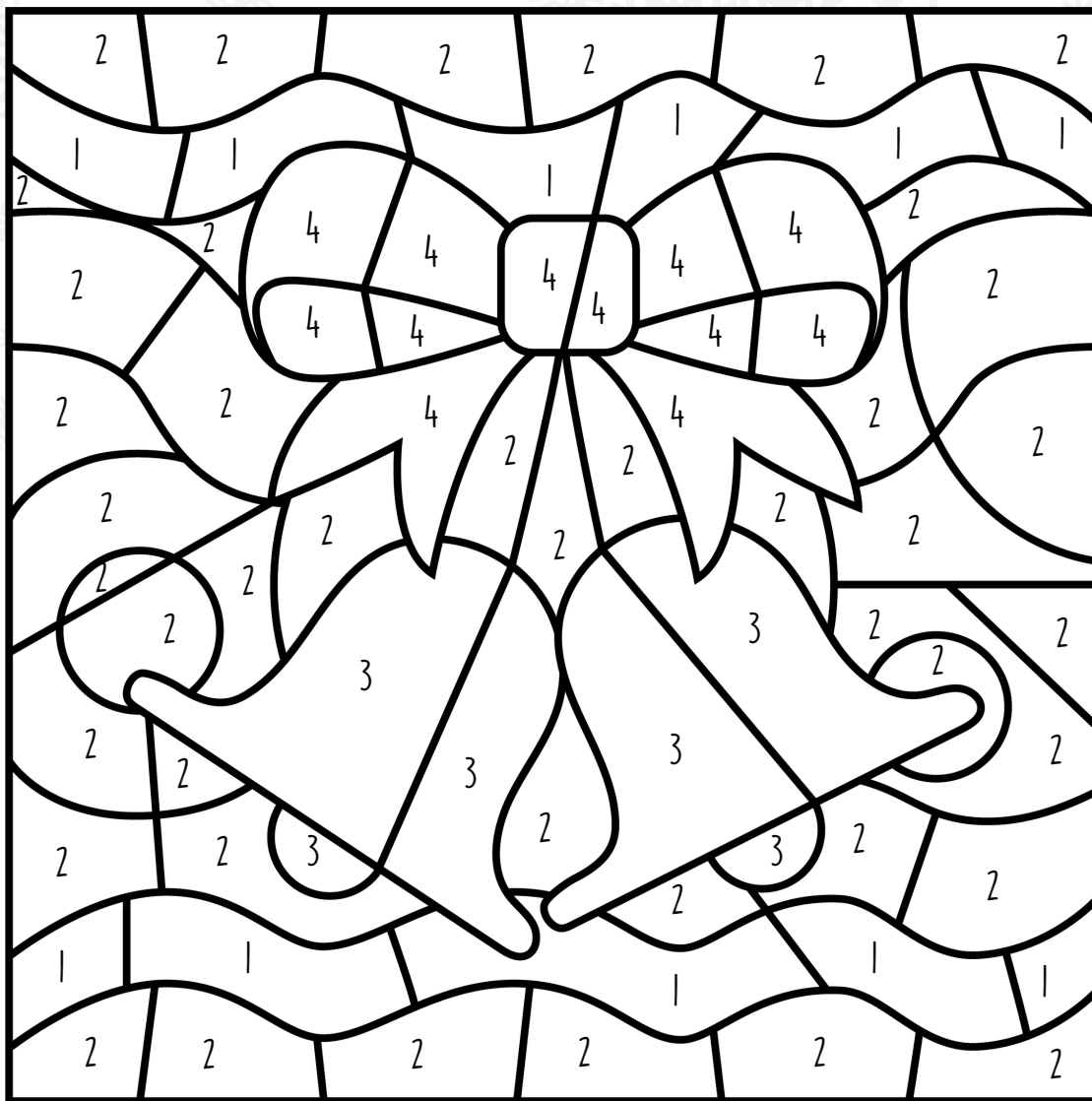
CHRISTMAS

2023



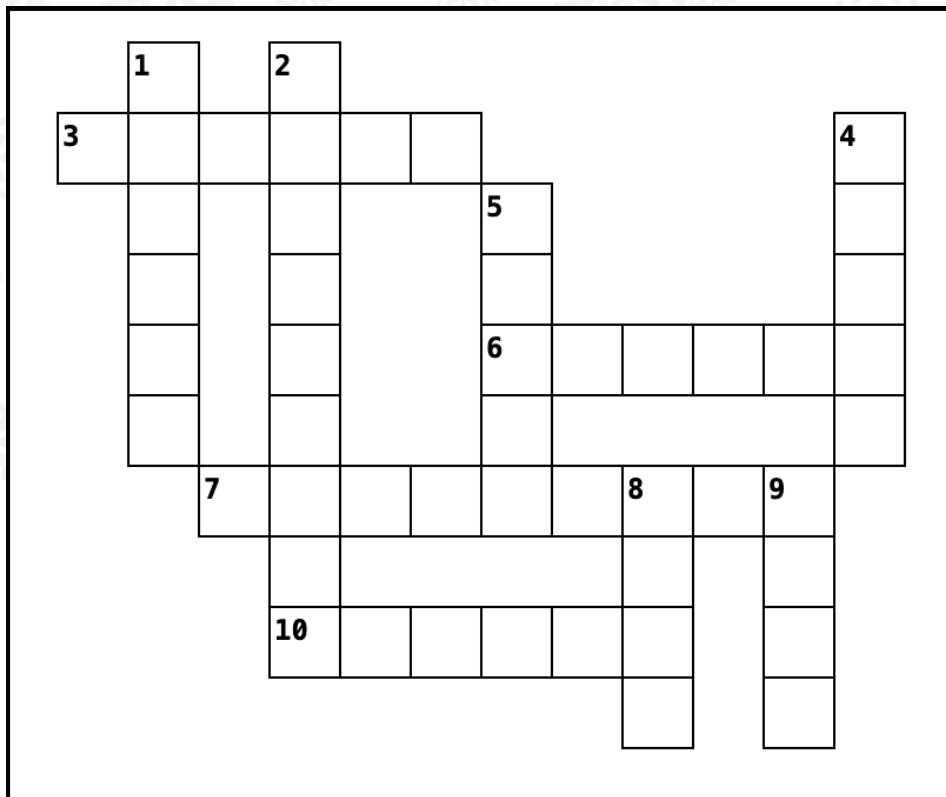
COLOR BY CODE

1=BLUE 2=GREEN 3=YELLOW 4=RED



CROSSWORD

PRESERVICE ACTIVITY



ACROSS

3. JESUS' EARTHLY DAD
6. ANOTHER NAME FOR BARN
7. TOMORROW'S HOLIDAY
10. FEED BOX FOR ANIMALS

DOWN

1. MARY MIGHT HAVE RIDDEN THIS
2. TOWN WHERE JESUS WAS BORN
4. BAA
5. GOD'S SON
8. JESUS' MOM
9. TWINKLE TWINKLE

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS

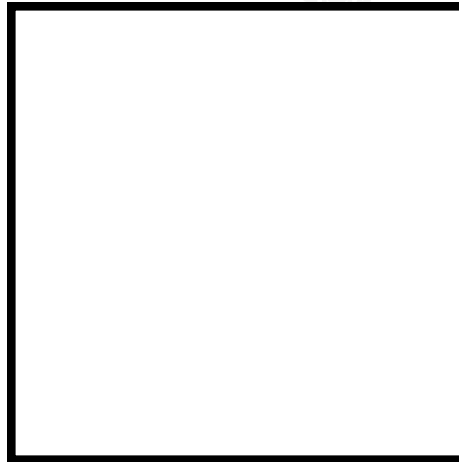
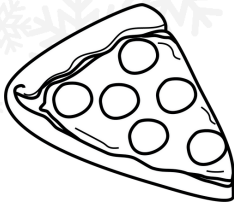
Color this picture as you listen to the story of the very first Christmas.

LUKE 2:1-7.

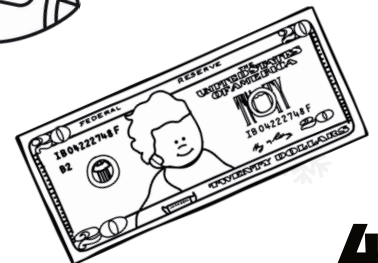
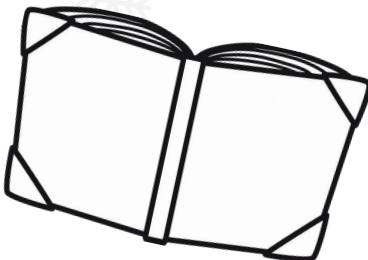


HOW I STAY BUSY

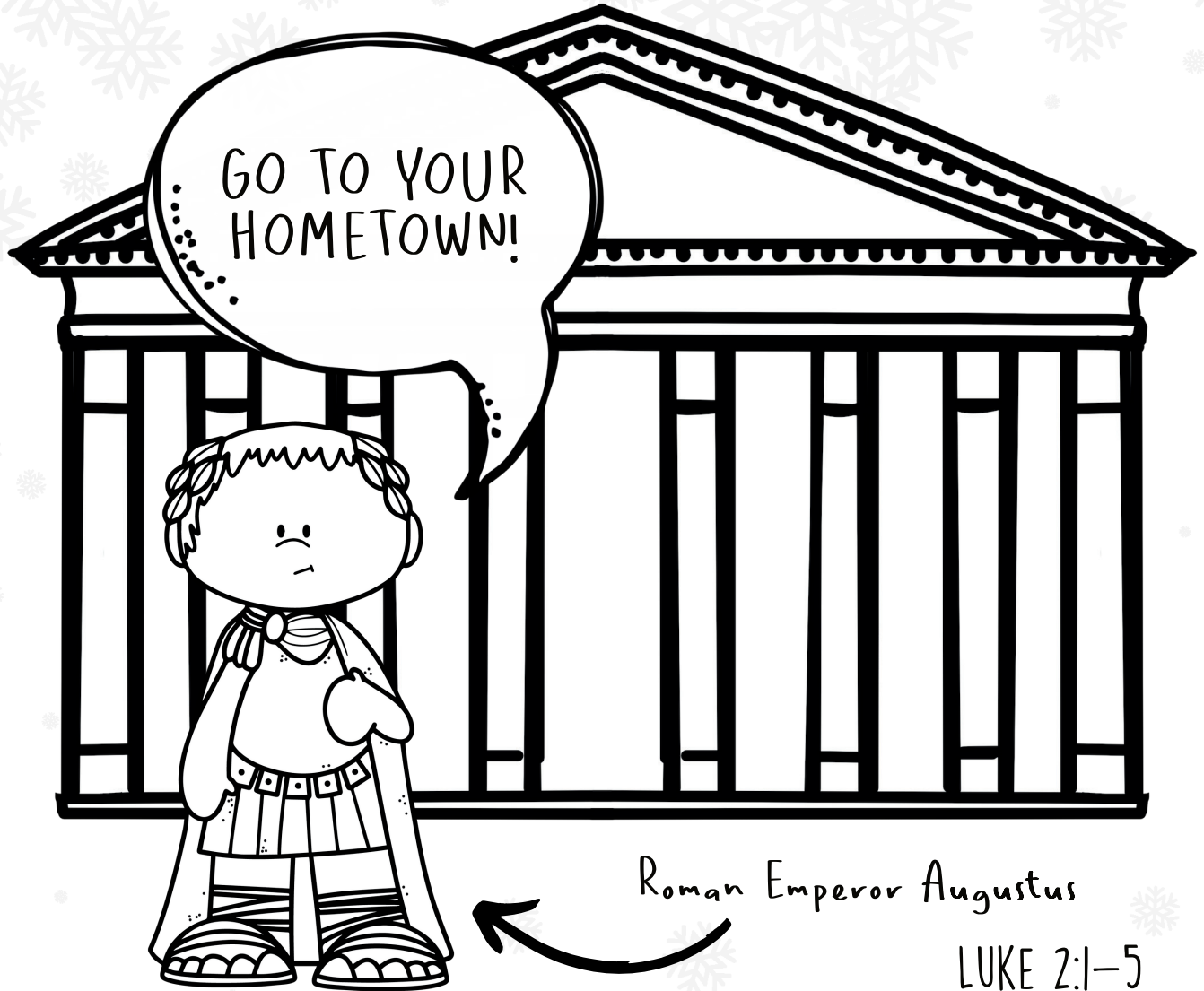
Color the things you enjoy doing to keep you busy!
Draw something else that you enjoy in the blank box.



FAMILY



HOW DID JESUS GET TO BETHLEHEM?



Roman Emperor Augustus

LUKE 2:1-5

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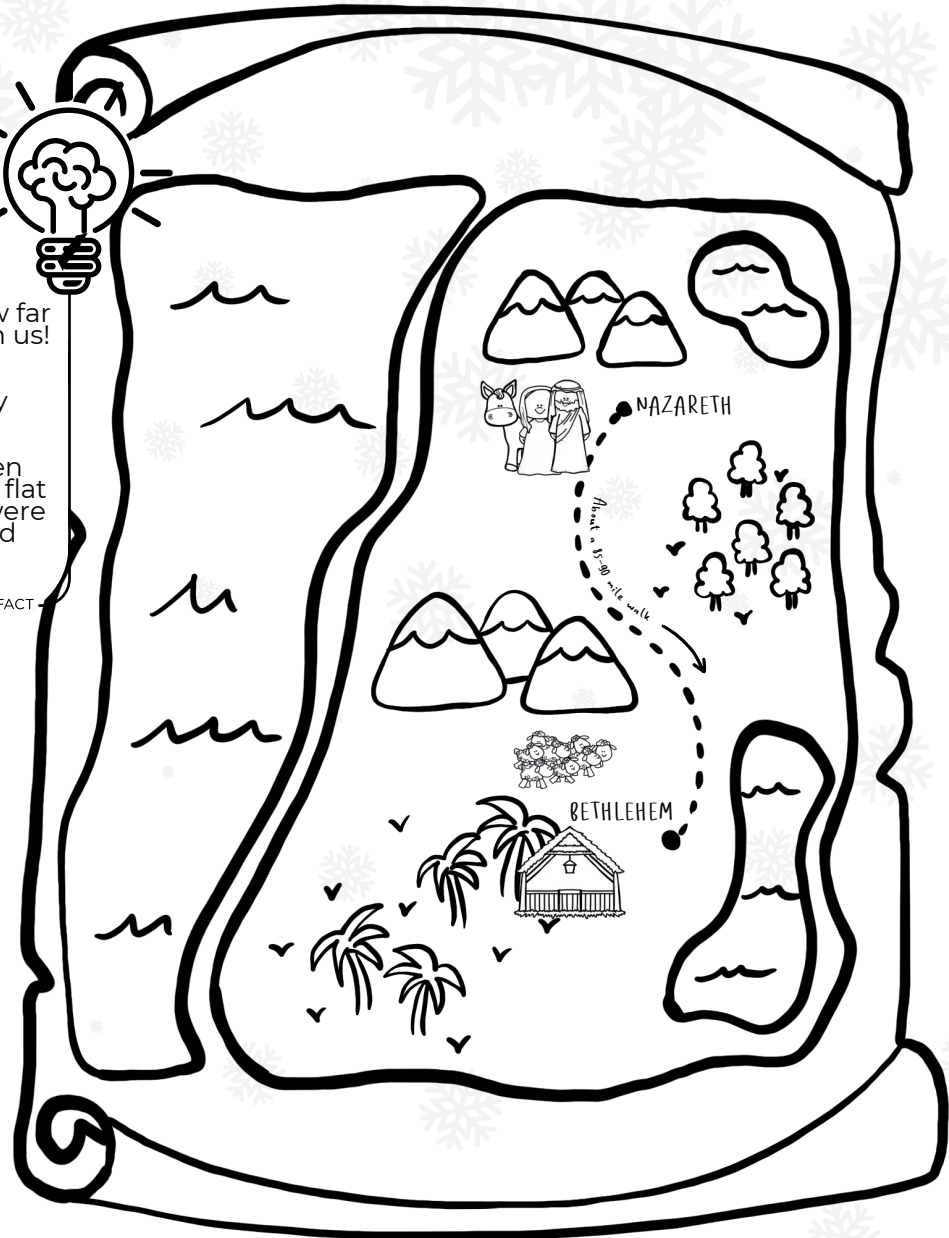
DID YOU KNOW?

90 miles is *about* how far away Emporia is from us!

Can you imagine walking all the way to Emporia?

To make things even harder, the walk isn't flat Kansas roads. They were walking on hills and mountain paths.

INTERESTING FACT



MICAH 5:2

SERMON NOTES

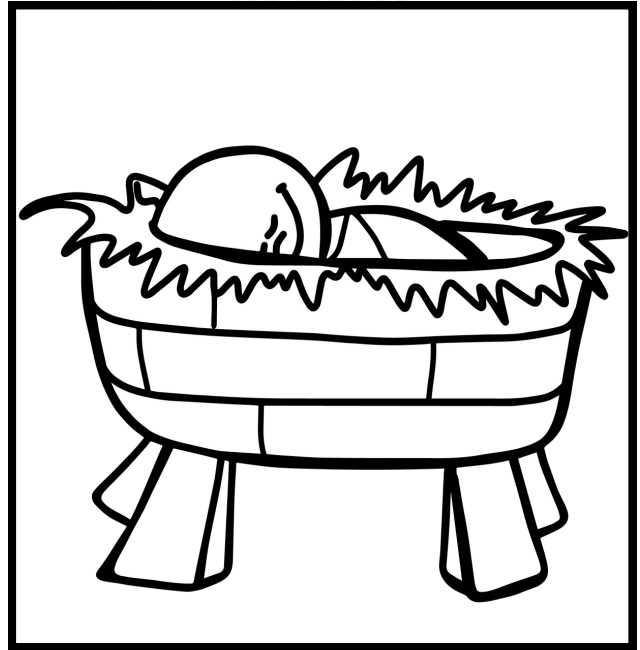
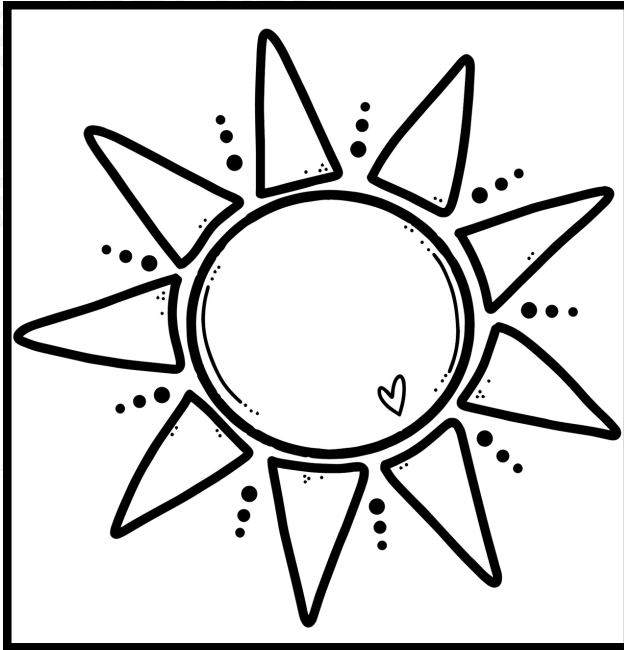
Fill in the blanks when prompted.

CHRISTMAS WAS
ABOUT GOD
KEEPING HIS

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GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES

Color the pictures to remind you of a few of the promises God keeps.
Can you think of another promise that God has kept? Write or draw it in the blank box.

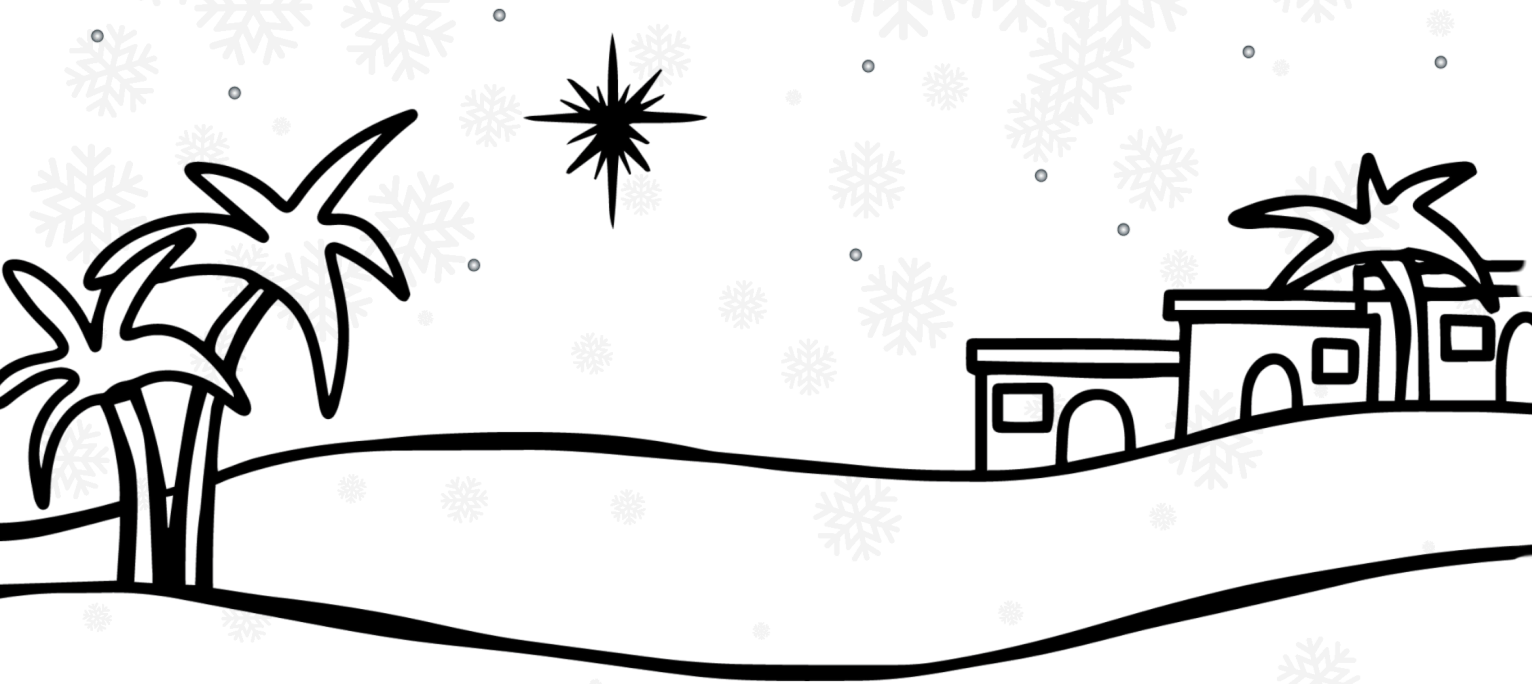


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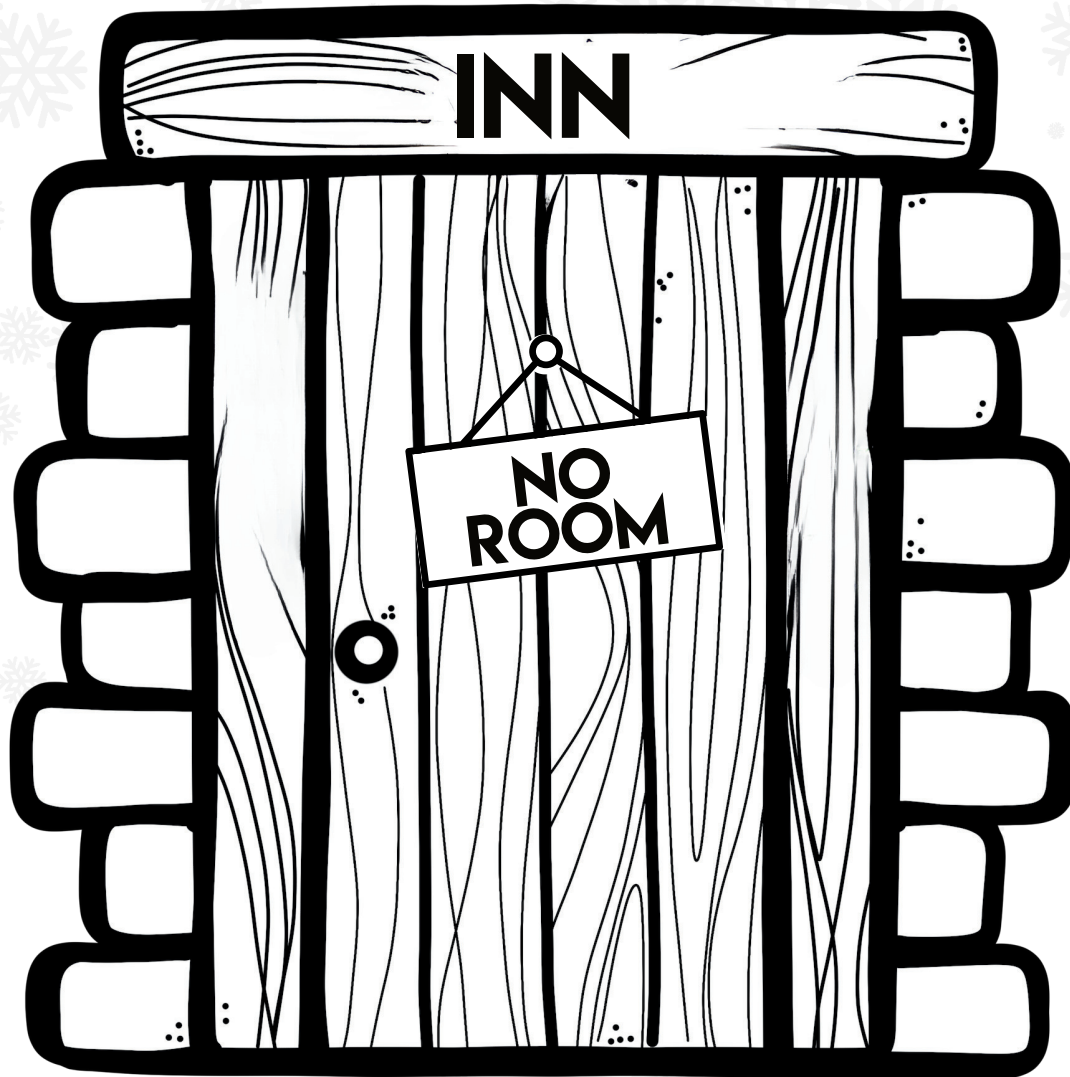
MATTHEW 5:18 NLT

STICKER SCENE

What do you think the first Christmas looked like? Use the sticker sheet included in your bag to complete this page.



WHAT HAPPENED IN BETHLEHEM?



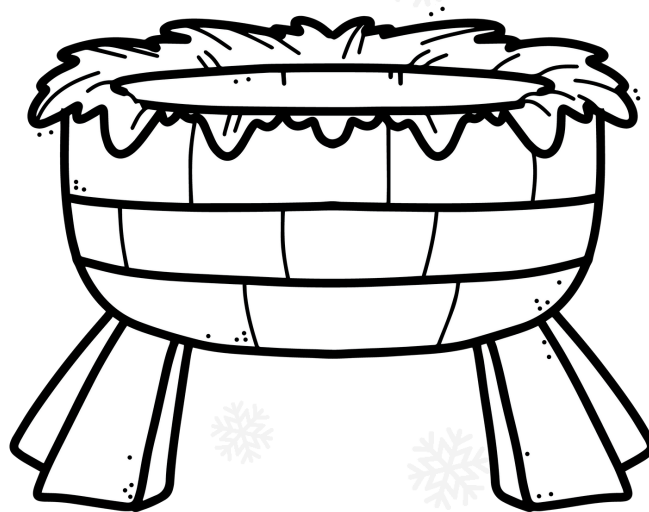
SERMON NOTES

Color the picture and fill in the blanks when prompted.

SOME PEOPLE HAVE

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FOR JESUS



LUKE 2:7

MEMORY VERSE

Use your Bible or a Bible app to find Revelation 3:20 (NLT) and fill in the missing words. Color the letters as you memorize the verse.

LOOK! I STAND AT THE
□ □ □ □ AND KNOCK. IF
YOU HEAR MY VOICE AND
□ □ □ □ THE □ □ □ □ ,
I WILL COME IN, AND
WE WILL SHARE A MEAL
TOGETHER
AS □ □ □ □ □ □ □ .

REVELATION 3:20 NLT

WHAT'S THAT SOUND?

Your pastor will play some sounds. Draw a line from the number to the sound you hear. Draw the last sound you hear in the blank box.

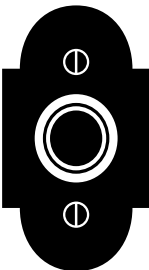
SOUND 1



SOUND 2



SOUND 3



SOUND 4

A large, empty rectangular box with rounded corners, intended for drawing the last sound heard.

ABC'S OF SALVATION

PARENT ENGAGEMENT

God created us to have a friendship with Him forever, but sin separated us from our perfect, holy God. In His incredible love, God made a way to restore that friendship. He sent His Son Jesus to live a sinless life and die as the payment for our sins. But God gives us the choice on whether or not we will accept His gift. Do you want to join God's family? Here are four simple steps to having a relationship with Jesus! Pray through these 4 steps with your adult!



ADMIT

Admit to God that we do things wrong. Admit that we have wanted our own way and not God's way. Admit that sin keeps us from a friendship with God. (Read Romans 3:10, 23)



BELIEVE

Believe Jesus showed His love by dying for us. Believe God raised Jesus from the dead. Believe His sacrifice can fix our friendship with God. (Read Romans 5:8, 6:23, 1 Corinthians 15:1-5)



CALL

Call on God to forgive us, to save us, to help us, and to guide us. (Read Romans 10:13, Psalm 91:15, 1 John 1:9, Romans 10:10)



START GROWING

Start reading your Bible. Start praying to God to help you grow in your faith. Start asking your parents and leaders to help you learn. (Read 2 Peter 3:18)



PARENTS:

IF YOUR KID MADE THE DECISION TO FOLLOW JESUS TODAY, PLEASE LET YOUR GRACE KIDS DIRECTOR KNOW! WE WOULD LOVE TO GIVE YOU SOME RESOURCES AND CELEBRATE WITH YOUR FAMILY!

DEAR PARENTS,

New Followers of Jesus: If your kid uses page 14 to accept Jesus this Christmas season, we want to celebrate with your family!!! We want to help you as you guide him/her on their next steps of spiritual growth! We would love to help you lead your kid in this new decision by providing a *free* devotional for your family to do together at home. If your kid made the decision to follow Jesus today, please let your GK Campus Director know (see insert with contact information), and we will be sure to get a free devotional to your family.



Bibles: We are often asked what Bible we use in Grace Kids. We recommend the NLT version of the "Hands-On Bible". If your kid needs a Bible, please let your Campus Director know, we would love to give your kid one to take home for free today!

Weekend Classes: Age-specific classes are offered during Sunday services at all three of our campuses (birth - 6th grade). We would *love* for your kid(s) to join us on the weekends!

Additional Classes: Grace Kids offers a *New Believer's Class* for grades 3-5 to explore the next steps in making their faith their own. We also offer a *Why Baptism* Class for you and your kid to explore the next steps of baptism together. Looking for some encouragement as you parent your kid(s)? We also offer age-specific parenting classes several times a year. Ask your GK Campus Director for upcoming dates at your campus.

Save the Date: In 2024 we have a bunch of fun things that you won't want to miss! Save the date for:

- Easter Egg Hunt - March 30
- SBO (grades 2-5, fall '24) —————>
- SBOJr (ages 4-1st grade, fall '24)
- Tribes Camp - July 29-31 (grades 3-6, fall '24)

KINGDOM SBO 2024		
NORTH OP	SBOJR JUNE 10-12	SBO JUNE 10-14
OLATHE	SBOJR JUNE 3-5	SBO JUNE 3-7
SOUTH OP	SBOJR JUNE 3-5	SBO JUNE 10-14