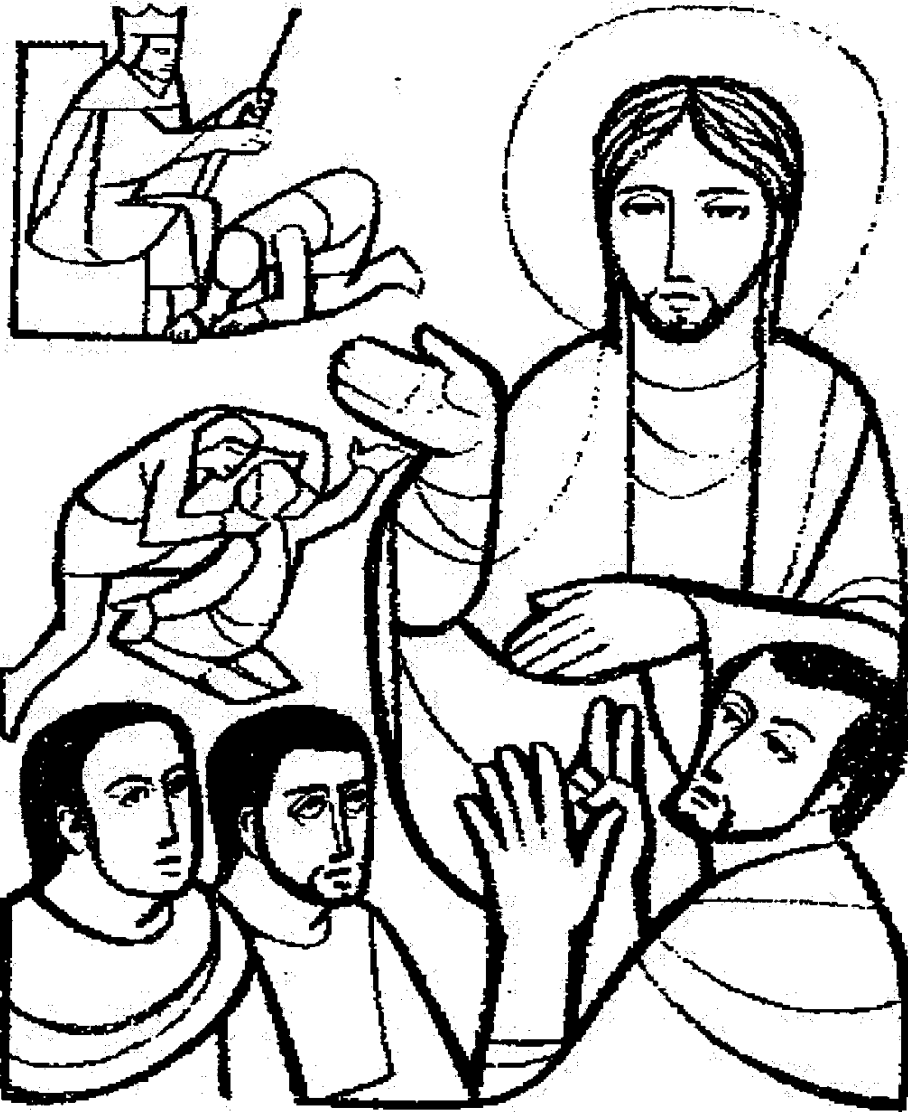




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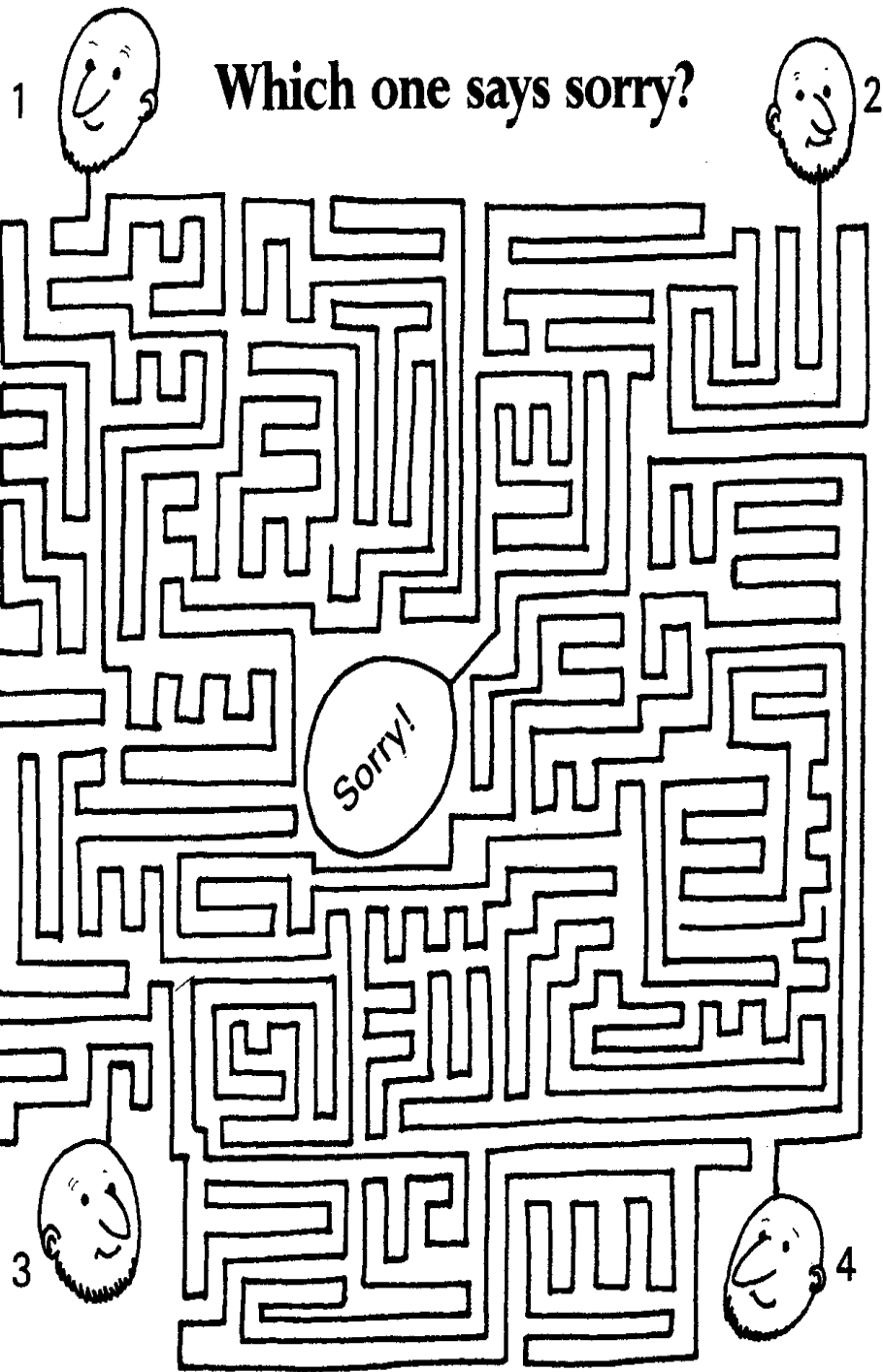


The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost 13 September, 2026

Matthew 18: 21-22

Peter got up the nerve to ask, "Master, how many times do I forgive a brother or sister who hurts me? Seven times? Jesus replied, "Seven! Hardly. Try seventy times seven."

Father, if you are so kind and forgiving to me, I need to be kind and forgiving to others. Please help me. **Amen.**



Word Search: Matthew 18:21-35 (CEV)

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FORGIVE

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FORGETTING IS



FORGIVING

WHAT IS FORGIVING?

Forgiving is cancelling a debt. If someone has wronged you it's as if they are in debt to you. When you forgive them you let them off.

IS THAT EXCUSING THEM?

No. With forgiving, you both recognise that there is wrong done. You don't pretend it's OK. You are saying, 'I agree you have done wrong to me, but I still let you off.'

THAT'S HARD TO DO.

Yes, if you have been badly hurt it's very hard. But we have to do it all the same.



EXCUSING IS



FORGIVING IS

GIVE US TODAY
OUR DAILY BREAD
AND FOR-GIVE US OUR SINS
AS WE FOR-GIVE
THOSE WHO SIN
AGAINST US.



A DRUNK DRIVER
DROVE ON THE PAVEMENT
AND HIT ME. MY
WHOLE LIFE IS NOW SEEN
FROM A WHEELCHAIR.
WHAT REALLY HEALED ME
WAS WHEN I MANAGED
TO FORGIVE.

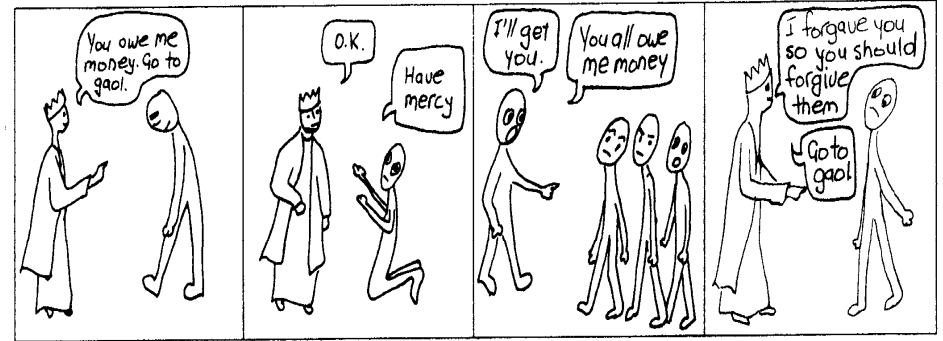


THE SOLDIERS KILLED
MY FAMILY AND BURNED
MY VILLAGE. I'M LEARNING
TO FORGIVE, LAYER BY
LAYER, YEAR AFTER
YEAR.



THE TERRORISTS SHOT
MY ONLY DAUGHTER.
OF COURSE, I WILL
NEVER FORGET. BUT,
YES, I DO FORGIVE;
IF I DIDN'T, THE
EVIL WOULD GO ON
AND ON.

IT CAN SOMETIMES COST
A LOT TO FORGIVE.



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Colour in the words of the Lord's Prayer and add the missing S's and O's.



"Help me to forgive others as you have forgiven me."

Crossword: Matthew 18:21-35 (CEV)

Listen CAREFULLY to the Reading and fill in the blank spaces. Some sentences are skipped, so pay close attention! Afterwards you will be able to complete the crossword puzzle below.

14 across) _____ came up to the Lord and asked, "How

28 down) _____ times should I forgive someone who 10 down) does _____ wrong to me? Is seven times

23 down) enough?" _____ answered: "Not just seven

31 across) times, but seventy-seven _____!

30 across) One day a _____ decided to call in his officials

2 down) and ask them to give an _____ of what they

27 across) _____ him. As he was doing this, one official

26 across) was brought in who owed him fifty _____ silver

11 down) coins. But he didn't have any _____ to pay what

9 down) he owed. The king ordered him to be _____, along

15 down) with his wife and children and all he _____...

16 across) The official got down on his _____ and began

18 down) begging, "Have _____ on me, and I will pay

4 down) you every _____ I owe!" ...

20 down) As the official was _____, he happened to

7 across) meet another official, who owed him a _____

24 down) silver _____. So he grabbed the man by the

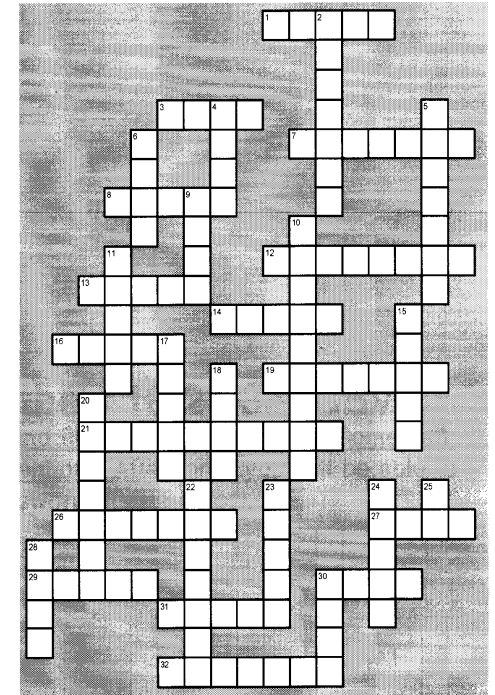
19 across) throat. He started _____ him and said, "Pay

25 down) _____ what you owe!"

32 across) The man got down on his knees and began _____.

3 across) Have pity on me, and I will pay you _____. but

5 down) the first official _____ to have pity...



13 across) When some other officials _____ out what had

17 down) happened, they felt _____ for the man who had

30 down) been put in jail. Then they told the _____ what

8 across) had happened. The king called the _____ official

6 down) back in and said, "You're an _____ man! ...

29 across) The king was so _____ that he ordered the

12 across) official to be _____ until he could pay back

21 across) _____ he owed. That is how my Father in

22 down) heaven will treat you, if you don't _____

1 across) each of my followers with all your _____.