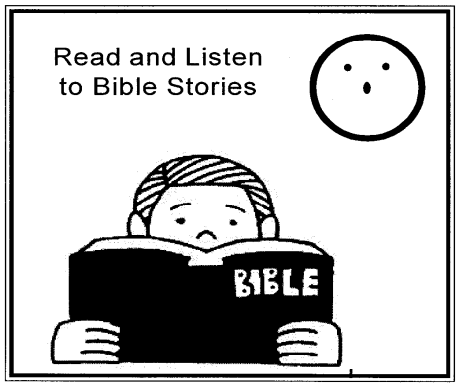
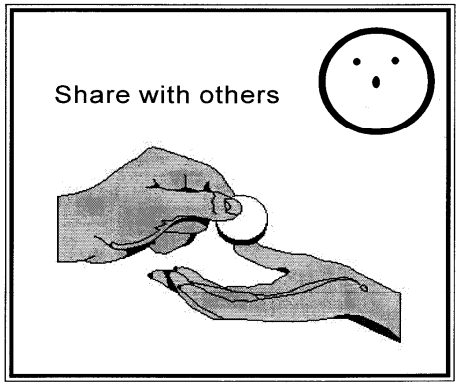
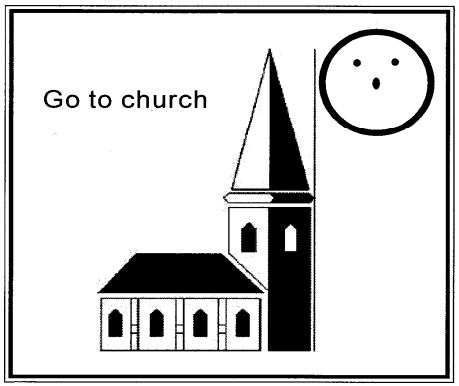
Getting ready for Christmas

Do you think what's happening in the pictures will make Jesus Happy or Sad? Put a smile on what will make Jesus happy. Put a sad mouth on what will make Jesus sad.









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The First Sunday of Advent
29 November, 2026

Mark 13:28

Take a lesson from the fig tree. From the moment you notice its buds form, the merest hint of green, you know summer's just around the corner. And so it is with you. When you see all these things, you know he is at the door.

Heavenly Father, as we spend time in this waiting place, we look forward with great joy to the celebration of Jesus' birth and to the day when he comes again. **Amen**



Word Search: Mark 13:24-37 (CEV)

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THESE	TIME	PEOPLE	ALIVE	FOREVER
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COMING TO THE RESCUE

WHO NEEDS TO BE RESCUED?

Anyone who sins against the God of love.

THAT'S MOST OF US, ISN'T IT?

Afraid so, yes. The good we mean to do we end up not doing, and the evil we don't plan to do we end up doing.

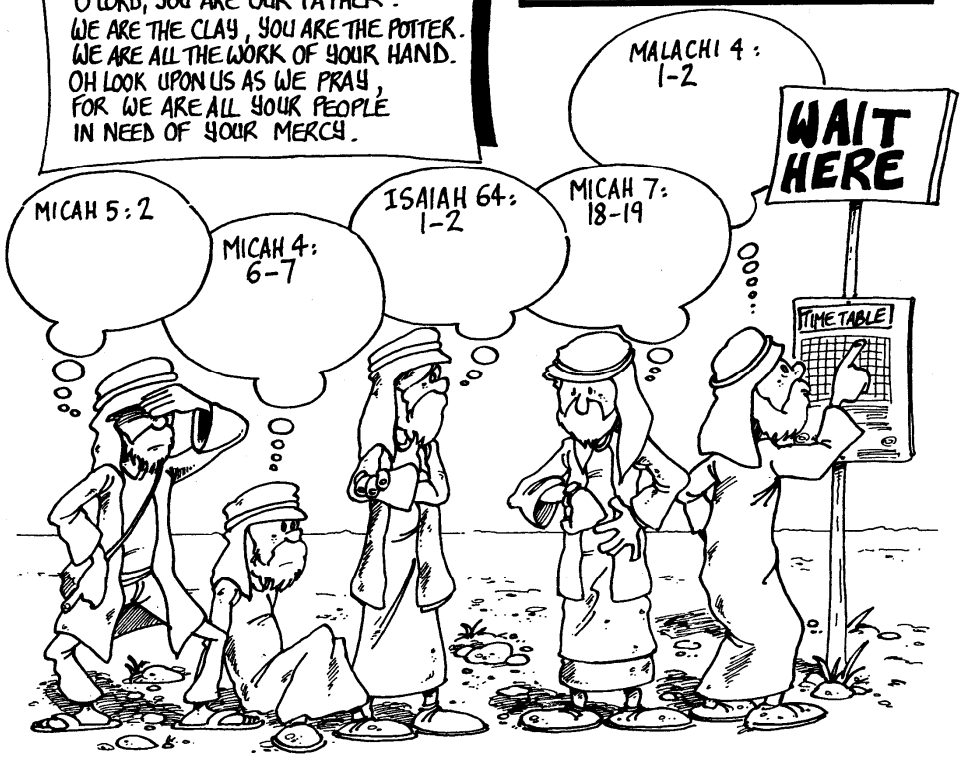
WHAT CAN WE DO TO BREAK FREE?

On our own we can't save ourselves. But Jesus is God coming to rescue us and do for us what needs doing and what only he can do.

WHY DOES HE BOTHER?

He loves us.

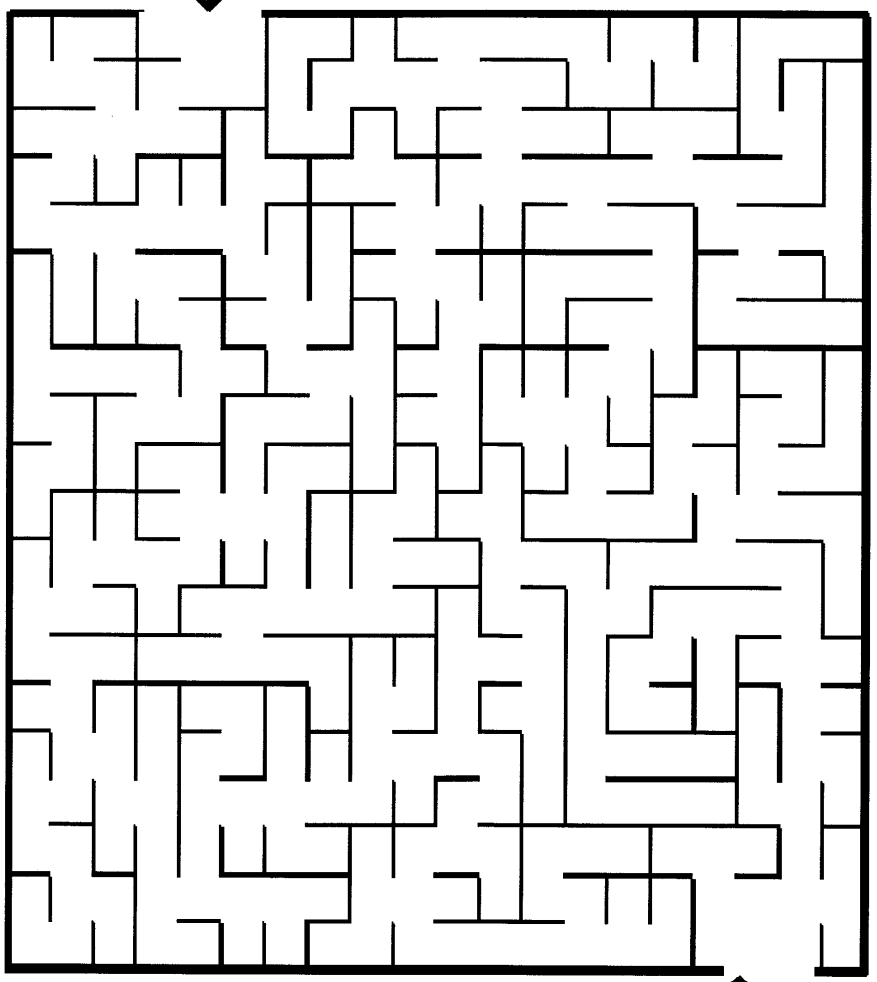
O LORD, YOU ARE OUR FATHER.
WE ARE THE CLAY, YOU ARE THE POTTER.
WE ARE ALL THE WORK OF YOUR HAND.
OH LOOK UPON US AS WE PRAY,
FOR WE ARE ALL YOUR PEOPLE
IN NEED OF YOUR MERCY.





This Sunday is the start of Advent - a time to get ready for Jesus' coming. Help the children find the baby Jesus in the manger.

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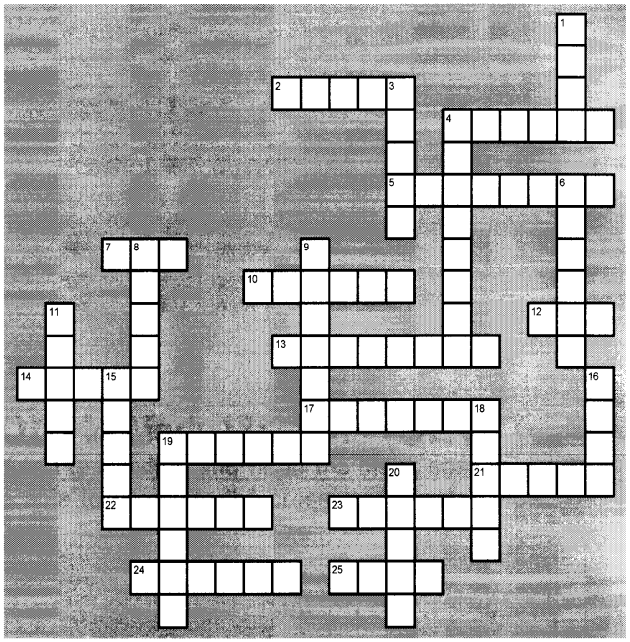


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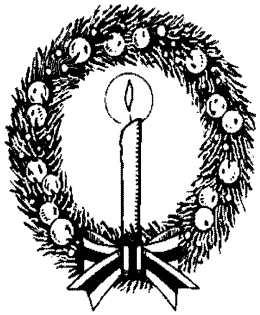


Crossword: Mark 13:24-37 (CEV)

Listen CAREFULLY to the Reading and fill in the blank spaces.
Afterwards you will be able to complete the crossword puzzle below.



8 down) In those days, right _____ that time of suffering,
25 across) The sun will become ____, and the moon will no
20 down) longer shine. The _____ will fall, and the powers
19 down) in the sky will be _____.
12 across) Then the ___ of Man will be seen coming in the
14 across) clouds with great _____ and glory. He will send
10 across) his angels to gather his _____ ones from all
15 down) over the _____.
6 down) Learn a _____ from a fig tree. When its branches
19 across) sprout and start putting out leaves, you know _____
3 down) is near. So when you see all _____ things happening,
16 down) you will know that the ____ has almost come. You can
24 across) be sure that some of the _____ of this generation
21 across) will still be _____ when all this happens. The sky
9 down) and the earth will not last _____, but my words will.
11 down) No one _____ the day or the time. The angels in
22 across) _____ don't know, and the Son himself doesn't know.
23 across) Only the _____ knows. So watch out and be ready! You
1 down) don't know when the time will come. It is ____ what
7 across) happens when a ___ goes away for a while and places
13 across) his _____ in charge of everything. He tells each
18 down) of them what to do, and he orders the _____ to keep
4 across) alert. So be alert! You don't know when the _____ of
17 across) the house will come back. It could be in the _____
4 down) or at _____ or before dawn or in the morning. But
5 across) if he comes _____ don't let him find you asleep.
2 across) I tell everyone just what I have told you. Be _____!



1st Sunday in Advent