

OUR PURPOSE



*Loving God
Welcoming All
Serving Neighbors
Together through
Jesus Christ*

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun., Dec 11 - **JOHN 1:1-14** *3rd Sunday of Advent*
 Mon., Dec 12 - **ISAIAH 55:1-3** *Come to Me*
 Tue., Dec 13 - **PSALM 103:13-18** *God Knows What We Need*
 Wed., Dec 14 - **MATTHEW 11:25-30** *The News is Good*
 Thu., Dec 15 - **ROMANS 12:9-13** *Faith in Action*
 Fri., Dec 16 - **1 THESSALONIANS 5:9-15** *A Simple Note*
 Sat., Dec 17 - **MATTHEW 15:21-28** *The Lord is Our Refuge*
 Visit www.upperroom.com for more information.

OFFICE INFORMATION

COORDINATOR HOURS

Monday-Friday, 9am-Noon

PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

Please contact the office at 301-349-2010, office@pmumc.org, or visit www.pmumc.org

PHONE MESSAGES

Messages sent to designated email accounts.

EMERGENCIES

For immediate pastoral care, please email Pastor Tim at PastorTim@PMUMC.org

CHURCH GIVING

WAYS TO GIVE:

- **PLACE** in Offering Plate when entering/exiting Worship Service
- **MAIL** to Memorial's PO Box 358
- **DROP** in Memorial's secured mailbox next to entrance
- **ELECTRONICALLY** via PMUMC.org

CHURCH PERSONNEL & CONTRIBUTORS TO WORSHIP

PASTOR - Rev. Timothy A. Dowell

MUSIC DIRECTOR - Janet Hartz

ORGANIST - Linda Custer

BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR - Becky Smalley

HEAD USHER - Dr. Robert Spiker

ALTAR GUILD/SACRAMENT STEWARD - Janet Spiker

WORSHIP ASSISTANT - Sandy Parnell-Dowell

WORSHIP CMTE CHAIR - Priscilla Lyon

VISUAL ARTS - Dianna McGrew, Janet Spiker

ACOLYTE COORDINATOR - Roy Melton

HEAD ACOLYTES - Grace P., Sam L.

AUDIO/VIDEO - Tim Melton, Kevin Schramm

NURSERY - Stephanie Parker, Sierra Waterman-Wells

CHURCH COORDINATOR - Shirley Prasada-Rao

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Hartz, Cindy Heivilin, Kirsten Lewis, Nicole Lewis, Priscilla Lyon, Beth Parker, Kaitlyn Schramm, Kevin Schramm, Corrine Selby, Evie Smalley, Isabel Smalley

CHANCEL CHOIR - Sandi Baggett, Eleanor

Bateman, Tim Dowell, Chris Giarratano, Steve Krasner, Priscilla Lyon, David Melton, Tim Melton, Walter Moskwa, Marty Pauley, Rachel Poirier, Roger Powers, Betty Jean Selby, Becky Smalley, Erin Smeller



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Third Sunday of Advent - December 11, 2022
Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 am



THE SEVEN NOELS



Thank you for coming together in worship this morning.
As we gather, take time to relax and prepare your heart to listen for God
through today’s time of prayer, song, and scripture study.

* = Please stand in your heart or posture. UMH = United Methodist Hymnal. TFWS = The Faith We Sing.
Italicized, BOLD Text = recite out loud

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

As Lately We Watched [Austrian Carol & Hyfrydol] by Prichard/Page

Worship Service

Nicole L., Acolyte

WELCOME Introductions and Prayer

PRELUDE—PIANO DUET, LINDA CUSTER AND JANET HARTZ

The First Noel by Joel Raney

*CALL TO WORSHIP

led by Beth Parker

LEADER: In the midst of the barren land,
PEOPLE: **flowers burst into bloom.**
LEADER: In the midst of the dry desert,
PEOPLE: **streams of water gush forth.**
LEADER: In the midst of sorrow and sighing,
PEOPLE: **joy and gladness dance together.**
LEADER: We shall see the glory of God!

*OPENING PRAYER

led by Beth Parker

God of Glory, we rejoice in the good news of your promises. Come into our parched world and shower us with your gushing, abundant water of life. Enter into our brokenness, and renew us with the strength of your love. Be born anew in our hearts and in our world. Come, Jesus; come. We are ready! Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus UMH 196

ADVENT READING AND LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLES

The Lord’s Highway Andrew & Rachel Poirier
O Come, O Come, Emmanuel UMH 211 verse 3

FIRST READING

James 5:7-10 Ralph Hitchens
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Matthew 11:2-11 Rev. Timothy Dowell
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CANTATA—CHANCEL CHOIR

The Seven Noels, Songs to Light the World by Pepper Choplin
•The First Noel—*We Long to Hear*
Prayer for Emmanuel
•The Second Noel—*The Prophet Did Say*
Unto Us a Child Is Born
•The Third Noel—*Mary Would Hear*
Give Your Fear to Faith
•The Fourth Noel—*The Baby Was Born*
Night of the Manger *(Congregational part-see insert)
•The Fifth Noel—*The Angel Did Say*
Never Been a Night
•The Sixth Noel—*Was Proclaimed By a Star*
A Star
•The Seventh Noel—*Beautiful Worship Noel* *(Congregational part-see insert)

OFFERING (Offering Plate in Spurrier Hall)

Rev. Timothy Dowell

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Timothy Dowell

*DOXOLOGY

In the Bleak Midwinter UMH 221, verse 4

*THE LORD’S PRAYER

UMH 895

*CLOSING HYMN

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear UMH 218

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Timothy Dowell

POSTLUDE

Prepare the Way, O Zion by Robert Lau

SCHEDULE	DECEMBER 18	DECEMBER 24	DECEMBER 25	JANUARY 1
LITURGIST	Betty Jean Selby Ray Hoewing	Erin Smeller Kirsten Lewis	Bob Bachman Nicole Lewis	TBD
ACOLYTE	Addison S.	Sam L.	Aubrey S.	TBD

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

SUN - DEC 11 <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am 11:30 am - 1 pm	Adult Sunday School - <i>Room 6 & Zoom</i> Child and Youth Sunday School - <i>Rooms 1, 2, 4</i> Nursery - <i>Room 5</i> Worship Service w/Cantata - <i>Sanctuary & YouTube</i> Christmas Program & Pot Luck Luncheon-<i>FH</i>
MON - DEC 12	11 am - 12 pm 4:30 - 6 pm 6 - 7 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Auxiliary VFW Meeting - <i>Room 6</i> Girl Scout Troop #32009 - <i>Room 6</i> Girl Scout Troop #32093 - <i>Fellowship Hall</i> Bell Choir Rehearsal - <i>Sanctuary/Spurrier</i>
TUE - DEC 13	7 am - 12 pm 5:15 - 6:15 pm	Organ Tuning - <i>Sanctuary</i> Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting - <i>Room 6</i>
WED - DEC 14	7:30 pm - 9 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - <i>Room 8</i>
THU - DEC 15	6 - 9 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm	Christmas Cookie Dough Making - <i>Kitchen</i> Review/Preview w/Pastor Tim - <i>Zoom</i> Zumba Class - <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
SAT - DEC 17	9 am - 12 pm 1 - 4 pm 4 - 6 pm 6 - 7:30 pm	Christmas Cookie Cut and Bake - <i>Kitchen</i> The Friendly Thrift Shop - <i>On Location</i> Set-Up for Live Nativity - <i>Fellowship Hall</i> Live Nativity - <i>Front Yard, FH, Entrance</i>
SUN - DEC 18 <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	9 - 10:30 am 9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am 11:30am-12:30pm 3 - 4 pm	Christmas Cookie Decorating - ALL INVITED - <i>FH</i> Adult Sunday School - <i>Room 6 & Zoom</i> Child and Youth Sunday School - <i>Rooms 1, 2, 4</i> Nursery - <i>Room 5</i> Worship Service - <i>Sanctuary & YouTube</i> Fellowship Time - <i>Fellowship Hall</i> Girl Scout Troop #32191 - <i>Room 1</i>
MON - DEC 19	4:30 - 6 pm 6 - 7 pm 7 - 8:30 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32009 - <i>Room 6</i> Girl Scout Troop #32093 - <i>Fellowship Hall</i> Bell Choir Rehearsal - <i>Sanctuary/Spurrier</i>
TUE - DEC 20	5:15 - 6:15 pm 7 - 8 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting - <i>Room 6</i> Men's Group - <i>In-Person and via Zoom</i>
WED - DEC 21	7:30 pm - 9 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - <i>Room 8</i>
THU - DEC 22	7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview w/Pastor Tim - <i>Zoom</i> Zumba Class - <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
SAT - DEC 24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	7 - 8 pm	Christmas Eve Worship Service - <i>Sanctuary</i>
SUN - DEC 25 <i>Christmas Day</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Adult Sunday School - <i>CANCELED</i> Child and Youth Sunday School - <i>CANCELED</i> Nursery - <i>CANCELED</i> Worship Service - <i>Sanctuary & YouTube</i>

Silent Night

Arranged by

Pepper Choplin

(Please sing when directed)

(From *Night of the Manger*)

Si - lent night, ho - ly night, all is calm, all is

bright 'round yon vir - gin mo - ther and Child. Ho - ly In - fant so ten - der and

mild. Sleep in heav - en - ly peace. _____ Sleep _____ in heav - en - ly peace. _____

O Come, All Ye Faithful

(Please sing when directed)

(From *Beautiful Worship Noel*)

O come, let us a - dore Him, O come, let us a -

dore Him, O come, let us a - dore Him, — Christ — the Lord.

The First Noel

(From *Beautiful Worship Noel*)

Then — let — us — all with — one — ac - cord sing — prais - es to — our

heav - en - ly Lord. And — make — us — one in the song — we share as we live — the

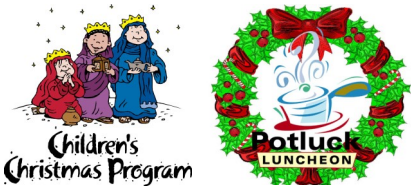
Gos - pel of love we de - clare. No - el, — no - el, no - el, no -

el. Born is the King — of Is - ra - el.



Christmas Meals & Gifts

We will be providing gifts and the makings for a meal to 5 local families this Christmas! There are a few items that are still needed. A sign-up sheet will be available after worship today and is also available at SignUpGenius. All items pledged will need to be back to the church on Sunday, December 18th. All gifts are asked to be wrapped. A table will be set-up for you to place your items at the bottom of the sanctuary steps where you will then place a sticky note on your gift indicating who it is for. If you are providing perishable food, please place it in the refrigerator in the kitchen. Any questions, please reach out to Dianna McGrew at MDMcGrews@aol.com or to Shirley in the office, office@pmumc.org.



Christmas Program and Pot Luck Luncheon

TODAY, Sunday Dec. 11th
after worship

Please bring a dish to share and a heart to be filled with Christmas joy while watching our Sunday School perform the Christmas story.



Live Nativity Sat., Dec. 17th, 6-7:30pm

Bring your friends and neighbors to enjoy this moving Christmas experience!
ALL are WELCOME!

Dinner (soup, chili, sandwiches, dessert) donations needed to feed our Live Nativity characters and behind the scene workers. If you are able to make a donation, please visit www.SignUpGenius.com and search "office@pmumc.org" or call the church office at 301-349-2010. All donations need to be in the building by 5pm.



Our Chancel Choir will perform a beautiful **Christmas Cantata** TODAY, Sun, Dec. 11th during worship service!



Christmas Eve Service

Saturday,
December 24th at 7pm



Christmas Day Worship Service

Sunday,
December 25th

*Service of
Lessons and
Carols*



Christmas Cookies!

Some elves will be making the dough but help is needed with **cutting and baking cookies on Saturday, December 17th from 9am-noon.**

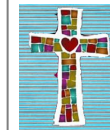
Then before church (9-10:30am) on Sunday, the 18th ALL are invited to decorate cookies.

The cookies will be for all to enjoy after church

Memorial's Small Groups - some online only, some in-person, some hybrid.

To connect with a group, please email...

- **Adult Sunday School** - email Fred at cfredlyon@gmail.com
- **Youth Sunday School** - email Betty at bking21710@gmail.com
- **Review/Preview with Pastor Tim** - email PastorTim@pmumc.org
- **Men's Group** - email Ray at RLHoewing@gmail.com
- **Youth Group** - email PastorTim@pmumc.org or Betty King at bking21710@gmail.com
- **Have a calling to start a new small group?** Contact Pastor Tim or call the church office.



Send prayer requests to
Prayers@PMUMC.org.



THANK YOU to all those that helped make our Community Dinner such a huge success!



Fellowship Time

Dec 18th
11:30am-
12:30pm

EVERYONE
is invited!



Nursery is Open!

6mo-4yr olds
Sundays during
Worship



DONATE/SHOP/VOLUNTEER - clothes/household items

Hours: W & F, 2-8pm • Th & Sat 10am-4pm

Contact Barbara Polak at rapbap00@yahoo.com



Do you have medical equipment to donate?

We have neighbors in need of Walkers, Canes, Crutches, Knee Scooters and more!

Memorial's new **Medical Equipment Loan Program's** goal is to be loaning equipment to those in the greater

Poolesville area by early 2023!

Contact Eleanor Bateman (301.461.7898) to donate!



Does Singing Bring you Joy?

if interested, please reach out to Janet Hartz, Choir Director
gjalaska@verizon.net or
301-349-5935



Come join in the fun as we continue to learn how much God loves us and how we can share His love to others.

Sunday School, 9:30-10:15am

Children can join anytime of the year!



Inurnment in our Memorial Garden's Columbarium

Information packets are in foyer and at PMUMC.org/columbarium. Reach out to Eleanor Bateman, Steve McCraith, or Jan Schmidt with questions.

Consider the prophets who suffered.
They showed patience.

Find and circle these prophets.



Daniel



Elisha



Elijah



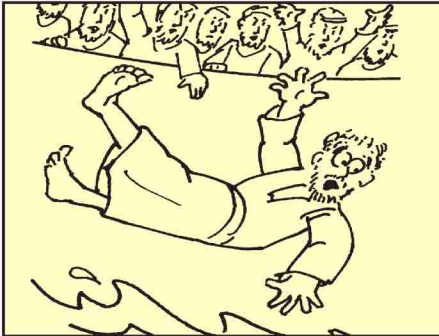
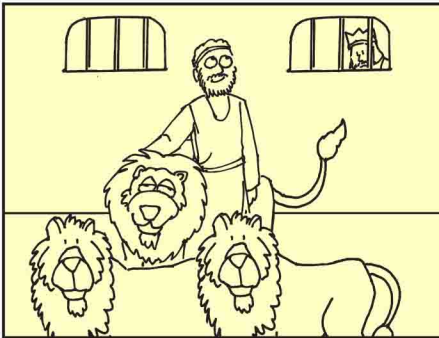
Jonah



Joseph



Moses



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Patience In Suffering

“Be patient ... until the Lord’s coming.”

Write the first letter of each item on the line above it.



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Be patient like the farmer
who waits for his crops to grow.

Add these items to the picture.



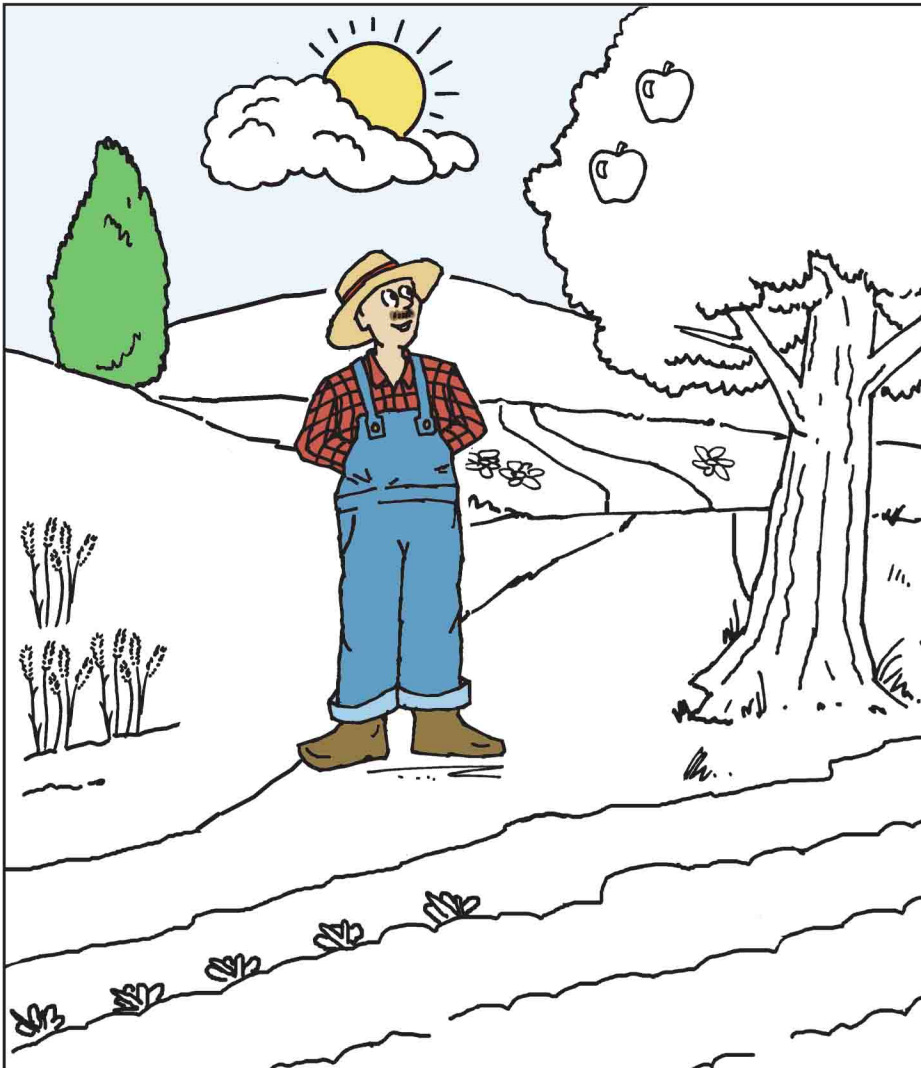
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apples



more
lettuce

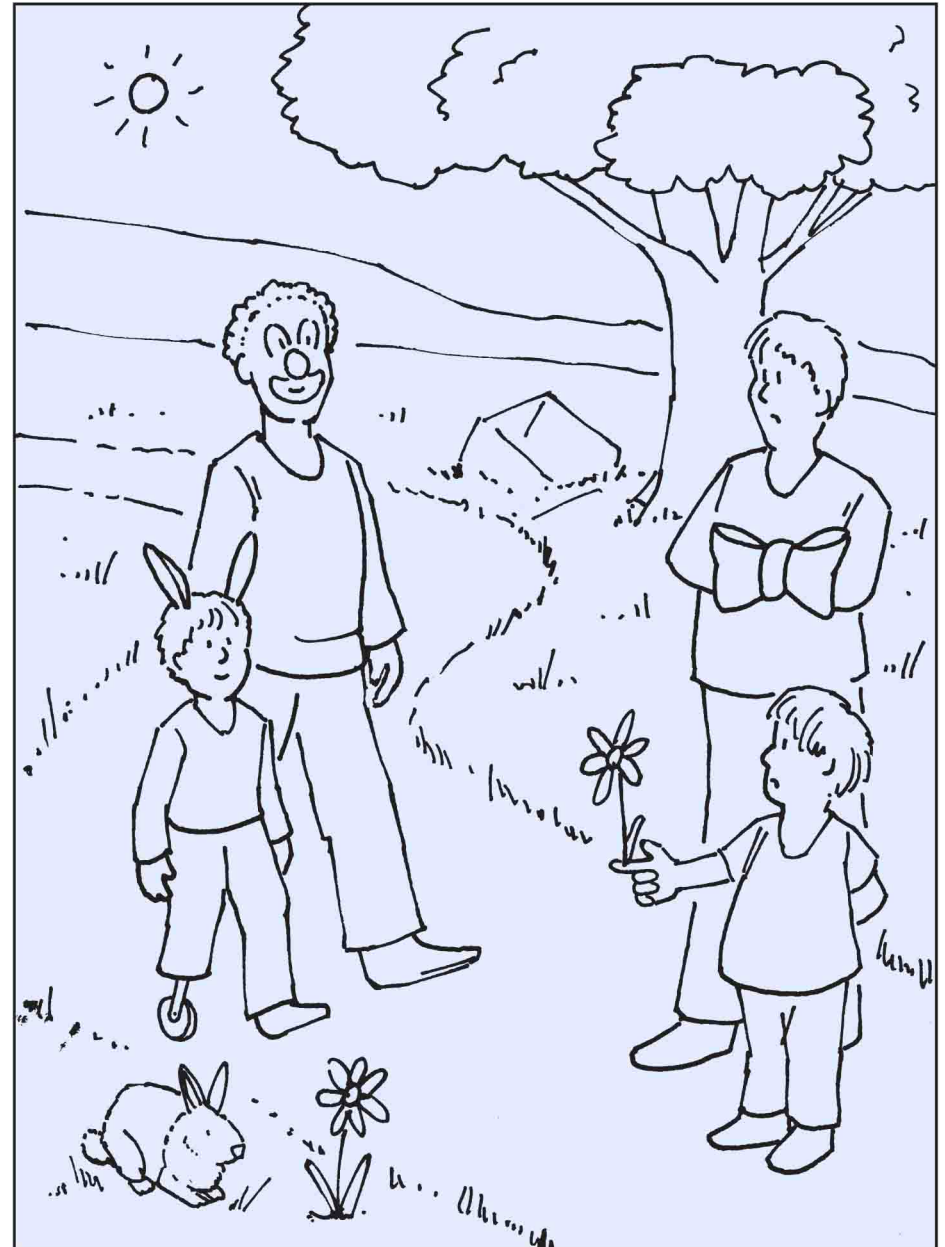


more
wheat



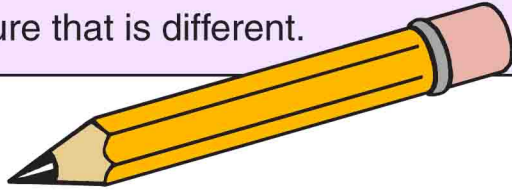
Don't grumble or judge one another.

Circle 5 things that are wrong in the picture.



Jesus said,
"There is no one greater than John."

Circle the picture that is different.



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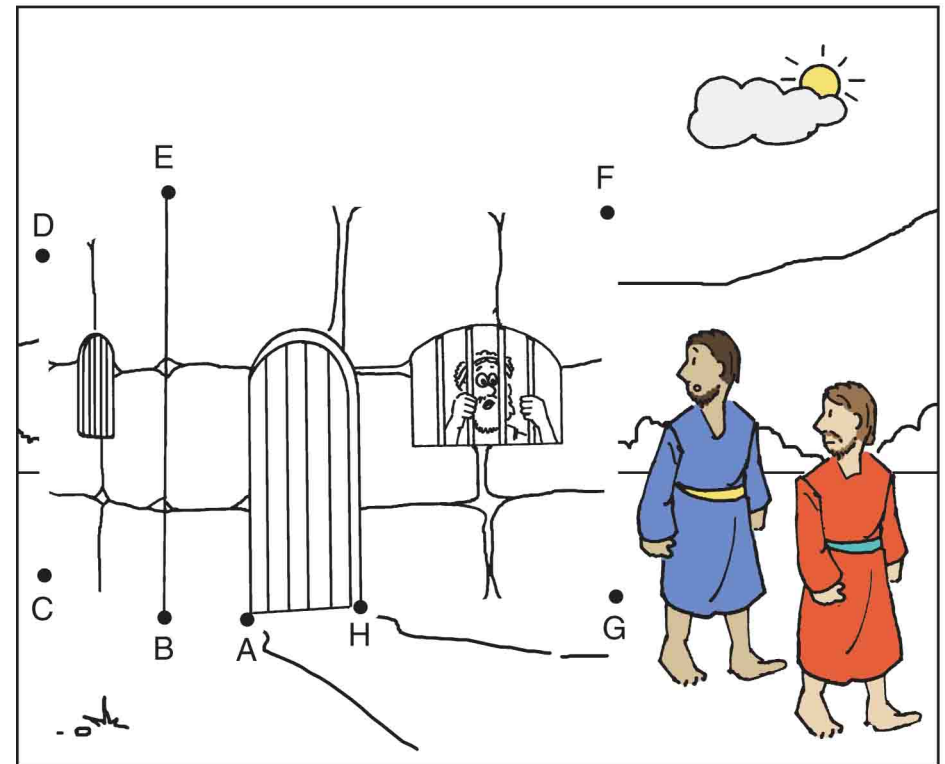
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Jesus and John the Baptist

John was in prison.
He sent followers to Jesus.

Connect the dots. A B C D E F G H



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Jesus said to tell John
all they had heard and seen.

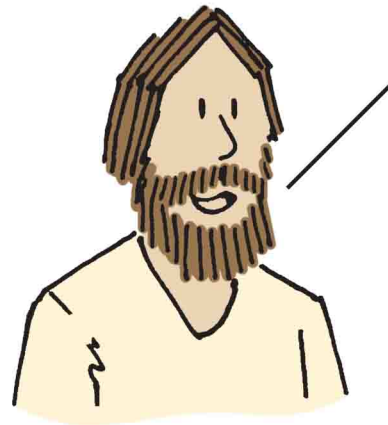
Match the opposites.



Jesus said John
was a special messenger.

Trace the words.

“I will
send My
messenger
ahead of
You.”





Who are examples
of patience to us?

Unscramble the names of green vegetables. Then place
the circled letters in the blank to complete the sentence.



SLAPYER

○ _ _ _ _ _

YEELCR

_ _ _ _ _ ○

CRBLICO

_ _ _ _ _ ○ _ _ _ _ _

PREEPP

○ _ _ _ _ _

CINHAPS

_ _ _ _ _ ○ _ _ _ _ _

GABBACE

_ _ _ _ _ ○ _ _ _ _ _

CULTEET

_ _ _ _ _ ○ _ _ _ _ _

AGRASSPUA

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“The

who spoke in the name
of the Lord.”



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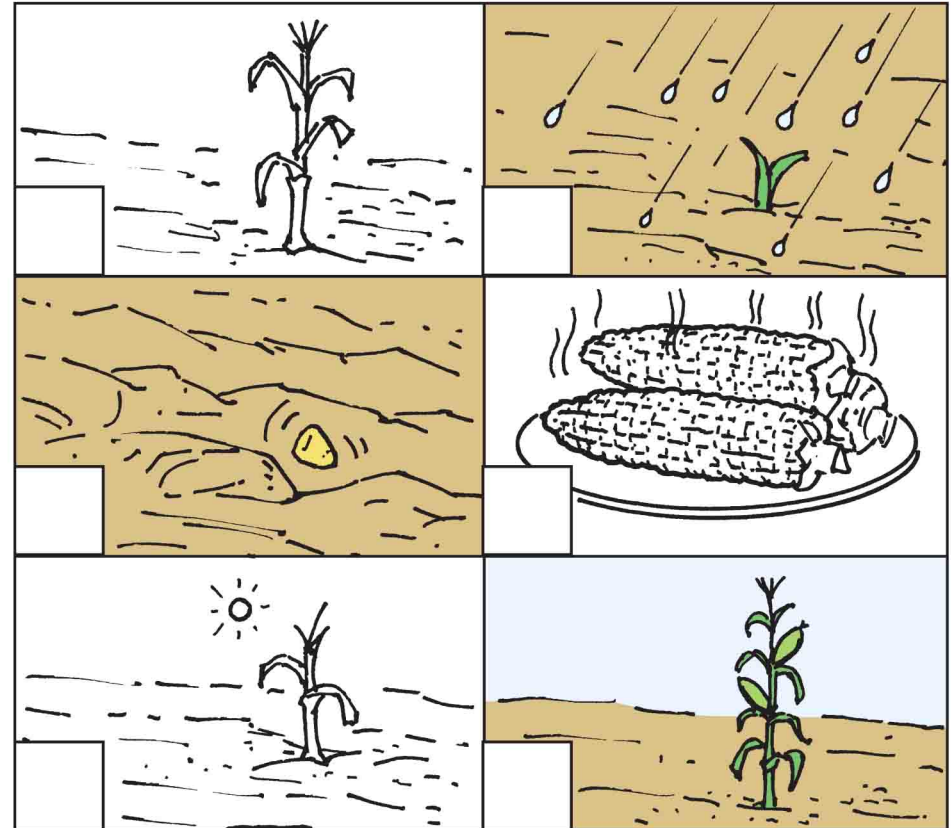
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Patience In Suffering



A farmer works patiently
and waits for crops to grow.

Number the pictures in order, 1 through 6.

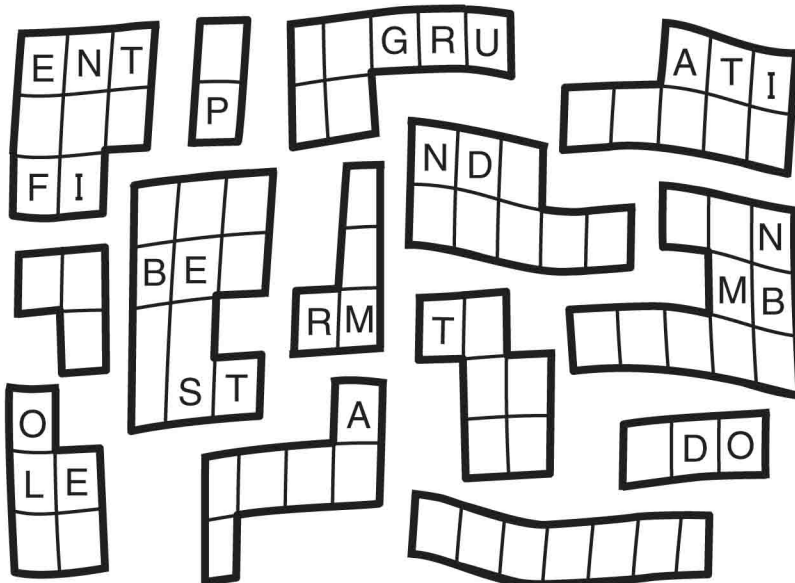
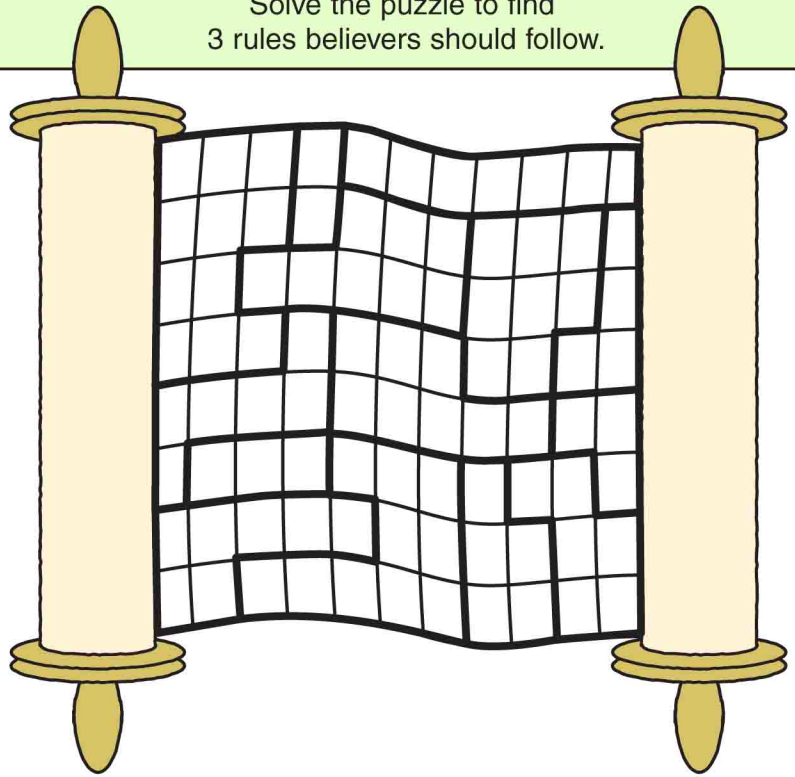


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We, like the farmer, must be patient
and diligent because the Lord's coming is near.

Solve the puzzle to find
3 rules believers should follow.



There is a reason we
should be careful to do these things.

Write the one letter that completes both the name of the individual
item and a collection of the items. (For example: one CRUMB is part
of a loaf of BREAD.) Use the letters to complete each sentence.



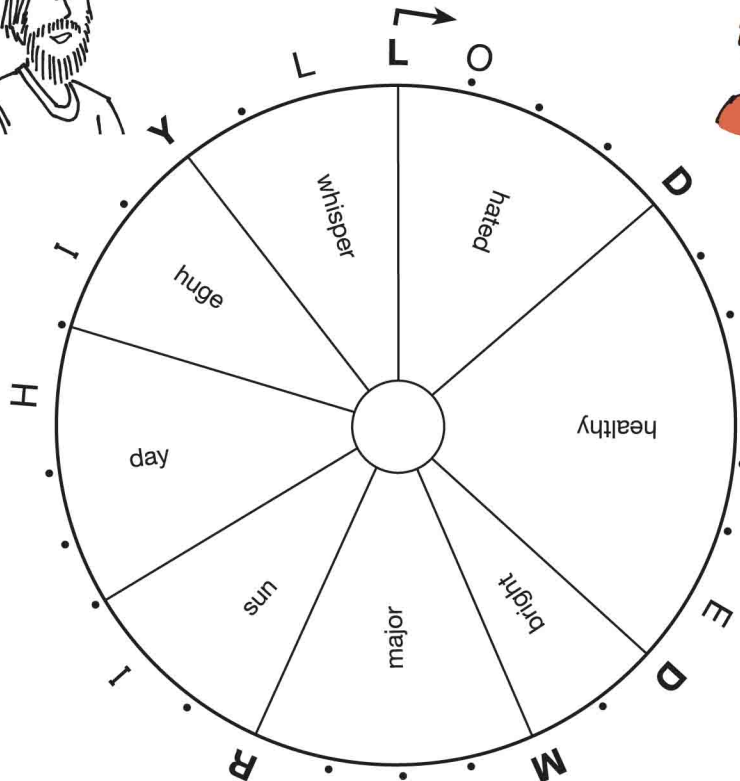
<u>Individual</u>	<u>Collection</u>
BO__E	SKELETO__
PLAY__R	T__AM
D__Y	YE__R
T__EE	FO__EST
The Lord's coming is _____.	
<u>Individual</u>	<u>Collection</u>
__EER	HER__
VI__LIN	__RCHESTRA
R__OM	MANSI__N
SOLDIE__	A__MY
The judge is standing at the _____.	





Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, among those born of women, there has not risen anyone greater than John the Baptist." What else did Jesus say about John?

The words around the circle share their first and last letters with adjoining words. Their opposites are inside the circle. Supply the missing letters, then write them in the blanks (starting with "O" and going clockwise).



"Wh O e _____ r _____ l _____ t _____ n
the k _____ gd _____ m of he _____ ve _____ s
_____ rea _____ er tha _____ h _____."



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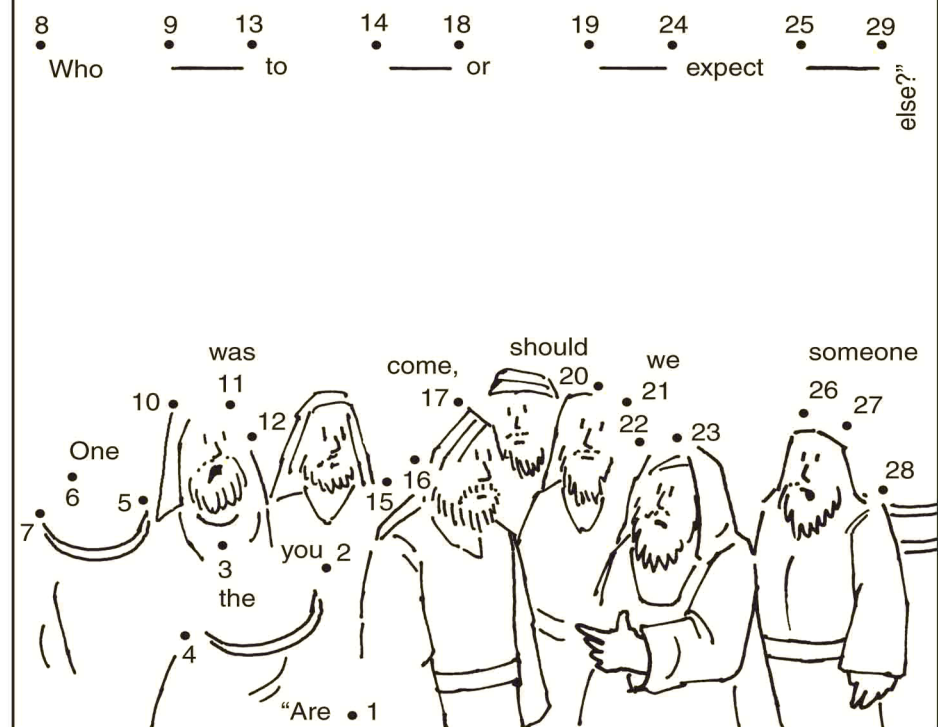
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Jesus and John the Baptist

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent his disciples to ask Jesus a question. What was the question?

Connect the dots and read the words along the way.



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What did Jesus say to the disciples?

Find 12 words that don't make sense or seem out of place. Replace them with words from the list that have only 1 letter different.

hear	Go	good	sight
see	dead	back	walk
lame	poor	hear	deaf

Go

~~So~~ lack and report to John what you

near and sea: The blind receive light, the

lamb wall, those who have leprosy are

cleansed, the deal head, the lead are

raised, and the gold news is proclaimed

to the door."



What else did Jesus say?

Fill in the blanks in each row with letters or words that match the clues. Then copy the letters from the top to the bottom of each column on the lines below.

__	__	N	W	E	S	L	C	__
L	D	Y	H	__	T	__	__	O
E	I	O	O	__	__	O	O	__
S	S	__	D	__	M	N	U	M
S	A	E	O	T	__	__	__	E

to make a wager

first 3 letters of "security"

"fun" spelled backwards

opposite of yes

to make illegal

"

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