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A wise guide



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Bravely asks questions



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STORY 1: Zacchaeus

Jesus meets a tax collector



READ:
Luke 19: 1-10



KEY VERSE:
Luke 19: 9
Ask someone to help you find this verse.



Zacchaeus had a very important job. He was the chief publican, or tax collector, in Jericho. That meant that he worked for the Romans, collecting the money which everyone had to pay as taxes. Most tax collectors were dishonest, and overcharged the people. Zacchaeus, too, sometimes cheated!

Q: In what city did Zacchaeus live? J _ _ _ _ _ .

Q: What was his job? T _ _ C _ _ _ _ _ .

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Zacchaeus heard about Jesus, and wanted to see Him. The trouble was, Zacchaeus was very short and couldn't see over the heads of the crowds that surrounded Jesus. So what did he do? He climbed up a sycamore tree, and waited for Jesus to come along the road! Imagine his surprise when Jesus stopped, looked up, and said, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today."

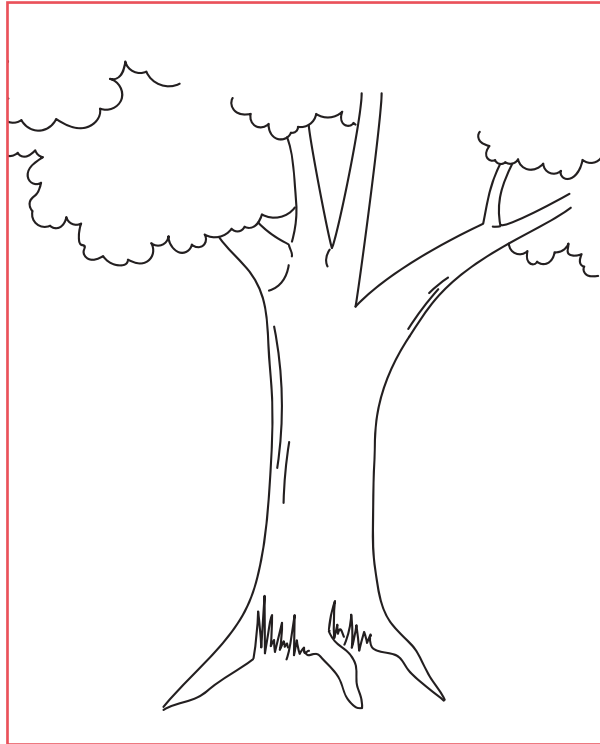
Q: Put TRUE or FALSE after these sentences.

1. Zacchaeus was a very tall man.
2. Zacchaeus wanted to see Jesus.
3. Zacchaeus climbed up a palm tree.
4. Jesus knew where Zacchaeus was.

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Q: Draw Zacchaeus in the tree

Without delay, Zacchaeus came down the tree. He was so happy and welcomed Jesus into his house. People standing around grumbled about Jesus going to the house of such a hated person. But for Zacchaeus, it was a day which he would never forget! He had not only received Jesus into his house, but also into his heart and life.



Jesus said to him,

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“...salvation has
come to this
house...”

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Q: Colour the words from the Key Verse Luke 19: 9.

He told Jesus that from now on, he would be different. His old life was finished. As a follower of Jesus he would be honest, and would care for the poor.

He was so happy that Jesus had saved him and changed his life!

Christians believe that Jesus has saved them too. Only He can change lives and make people ready for Heaven.

Q: Colour the correct word in the boxes.

- Zacchaeus Jesus when He called him.
- Zacchaeus was when he took Jesus into his house.
- His way of living was after he met Jesus.

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TOTAL:

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STORY 2: Nicodemus

Jesus meets a religious leader



READ:
John 3: 1-16



KEY VERSE:
John 3: 16
*Ask someone to help
you find this verse.*

Like Zacchaeus, Nicodemus wanted to meet Jesus. He had heard about His miracles, and believed that Jesus was “a teacher come from God.” Nicodemus was a very good man who tried hard to keep all the rules of the Jewish religion. He belonged to a group of Jews who had a special name.

Q: Write down the first letter of each object to find out what this name was.



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One night, Nicodemus set off to find Jesus. Perhaps he thought it would be easier to talk to Him at night-time when the crowds had gone home. Or perhaps he didn't want other Pharisees to see him in the company of Jesus. Whatever his reason, the important thing is that he came to Jesus.

When they met, Jesus greatly surprised Nicodemus. He told him that unless he was “born again” he could never see, or enter, God's Kingdom. Nicodemus was very puzzled because Jesus had said to him:

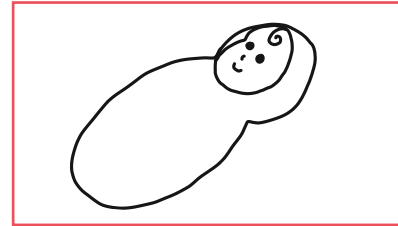


“You must be
born again.”

Q: Colour the words from John 3: 7.

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What did Jesus mean by this? He was teaching Nicodemus that he could not enter Heaven without a new kind of life. Like all of us, Nicodemus had ordinary life when he was born as a baby. To enter God's Kingdom he would have to be "born again", or "born from above". The Bible calls this new life "eternal life".



Q: Answer TRUE or FALSE:

Nicodemus came to Jesus in the daytime.

Nicodemus was a good, obedient Jew.

Because he was a good man, he did not need to be born again.

To be "born again" means to have "eternal life".

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"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3: 16

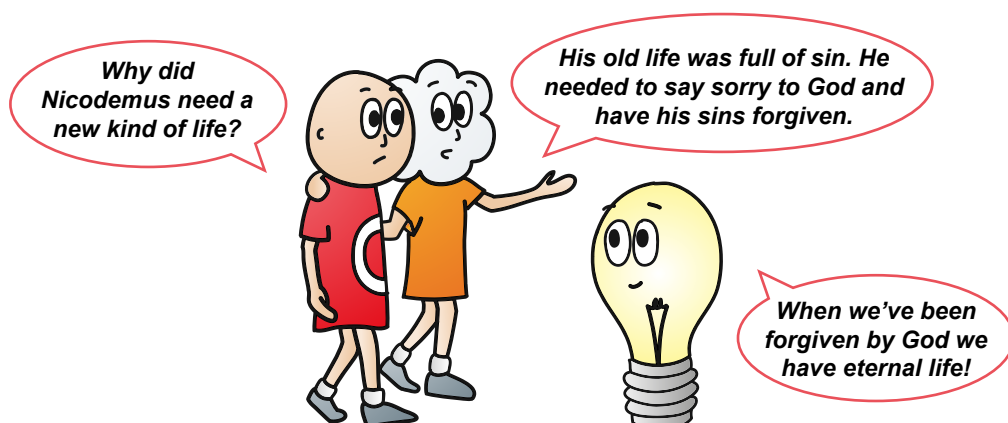
Q: Use the Key Verse above to complete the following sentences.

1. God loved the _____.
2. God gave _____.
3. Whoever _____ in Him, will not _____.
4. Instead, they will have _____.

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The Key Verse sums up what Jesus told Nicodemus.

Jesus taught him that God loved us so much that He sent His Son to die for us. Jesus took the punishment for our sin. If we put our trust in Him, we will not perish (be separated from God forever). We will be born again, our sins will be forgiven and God will give us the gift of eternal life!



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STORY 3: A woman of Samaria

Jesus meets a sinful woman



READ:
John 4: 4-42

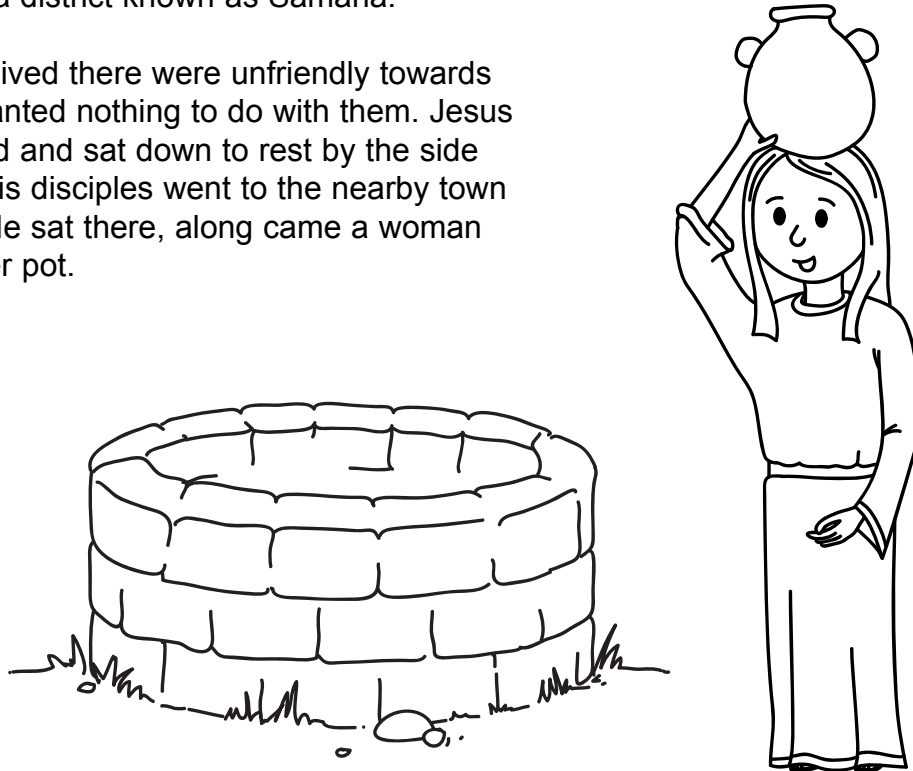


KEY VERSE:
John 4: 42
*Ask someone to help
you find this verse.*

One day, as Jesus was on a long journey, He was passing through a district known as Samaria.

The people who lived there were unfriendly towards the Jews, and wanted nothing to do with them. Jesus became very tired and sat down to rest by the side of a well, while His disciples went to the nearby town to buy food. As He sat there, along came a woman carrying her water pot.

She had come to get water from the well.



Q: Answer these questions.

1. What was the name of the area through which Jesus was passing?

S _ _ _ _ _ .

2. Where had the disciples gone?

To the t _ _ _ .

3. Who came to get water?

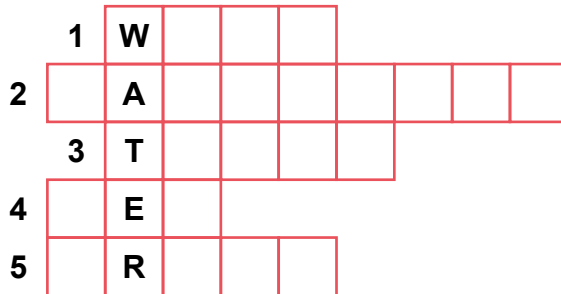
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“Will you give me a drink?” asked Jesus. The woman was really surprised at Him, a Jew, asking her, a Samaritan, for water! Normally, Jews didn’t even speak to Samaritans! She became even more puzzled when Jesus told her that He could give her “living water”. He said that once she got the “living water”, she would never be thirsty again! What did Jesus mean?

Q: Complete this Word Puzzle using these clues.

1. Jesus was sitting by a _ _ _ _ .
2. Because she belonged to Samaria,
the woman was called a
_ _ _ _ _ .
3. Jesus was resting because
He was _ _ _ _ _ .
4. At first she thought He was just an
ordinary _ _ _ _ .
5. He asked her for a _ _ _ _ _ .



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The “living water” is really Jesus Himself! He wanted to tell her that He was not just an ordinary Jew. He explained to her that He was the Messiah and the Saviour, whom God had promised. If she believed in Him, she would be fully satisfied. In that sense she would “never thirst again,” and would have everything she truly needed.

Q: Colour the words from John 4: 14.

“Whoever drinks
the water I give them
will never thirst.”

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Soon the disciples came back. Her talk with Jesus ended. In her heart she believed He was the Christ, the Saviour. She left her water pot at the well and hurried into the town to tell people about Him.

“Come,” she said, “see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?”

Many people did come to meet Jesus and truly believed in Him. The Bible teaches that everyone should first of all believe in Jesus, and then tell others about Him.



Have you ever
told anyone about
Jesus?

Q: Put YES or NO after these sentences.

1. The woman of Samaria believed in Jesus.
2. She was afraid to tell anyone about Him.
3. She filled her water pot and went straight home.
4. Many people she told about Jesus came to meet Him.

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STORY 4: A rich young man

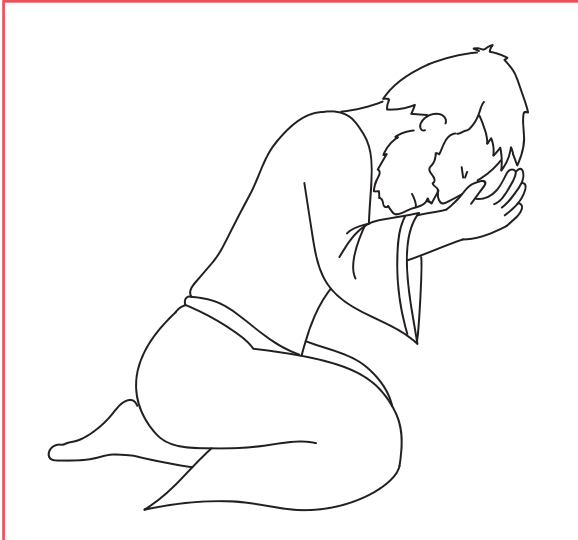
Jesus wants faith



READ:
Mark 10: 17-23



KEY VERSE:
Mark 10: 21
*Ask someone to help
you find this verse.*



One day, as Jesus and His disciples were walking along a road, a young man came running up to Him.

Falling down on his knees before Jesus he asked, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Q: Complete these sentences by choosing suitable words from the above paragraphs.

1. The young man was very keen, because he came _____.
2. He was respectful and humble, because he fell down on his _____.
3. He wanted to know how he could have _____.

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In replying to him, Jesus reminded him about some of God's laws. We often call them "The Ten Commandments". The first four teach us about our attitude to God; the rest about how we treat others.

Q: Here are three of them. Unjumble the letters.

1. Do not **likl**
_____.
2. Do not **ltesa**
_____.
3. Honour your **athfre**
and **erhtom**
_____.

1 Have no other
gods before Me.

2 Do not make
any idols.

3 Use God's
name properly.

4 Keep God's day
special.

5 Honour your
father and mother.

6 Do not kill.

7 Do not be
unfaithful.

8 Do not steal.

9 Do not tell lies.

10 Do not desire
what belongs
to others.

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The young man knew them all very well! He told Jesus that he had obeyed them all from when he was a boy. But had he REALLY kept them? Jesus put him to the test by saying to him:

“Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor... come, follow Me.”

Mark 10: 21

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Q: Colour the words above from the Key Verse and also the picture below.

When he heard that, he was really sad, for he was very rich. He loved his possessions more than anything else! He just couldn't think of parting with all his money! He wasn't willing to give Jesus FIRST PLACE in his life. With a sad heart, he turned away.



The Bible teaches that nothing should have more importance in our lives than Jesus. He should have first place.

Q: Choose the right word from the brackets and underline it.

1. The young man was very poor rich .
2. He went away from Jesus puzzled sad happy .
3. For him, money was more less important than obeying Jesus.

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