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# Spreading the Good News - One Lamb, at a Time" Bible Story Time

Namaan Offers a Gift 2 Kings 5:13-19

And his servants came near and spoke to him, and said, My father, if the prophet had spoken a great thing to you would you not do it? How much rather then when he says to you, Wash, and be clean?

And he went down and dipped in the Jordan seven times, according to the word of the man of The Elohim. And his flesh returned like the flesh of a little boy, and he was clean.

And he went back to the man of The Elohim, he and all his company, and came in and stood before him, and said, Behold, now I know that there is not an Elohim in all the earth except in Israel. And now, please take a blessing from your servant.

And he said, As YAHWEH lives, before whom I stand, I shall not take. And he pressed on him to take, but he refused.

And Naaman said, If not, please let a couple of mules' burden of earth be given to your servant. For your servant shall not make any more burnt offering and sacrifice to other Elohim, only to YAHWEH.

May YAHWEH pardon your servant for this thing, when my master goes to the house of Rimmon to bow there, and he is supported by my hand, and I bow myself in the house of Rimmon; when I bow myself in the house of Rimmon, may YAHWEH pardon your servant in this thing.

And he said to him, Go in peace. And he went away a little way from him.

# Can You Memorize the Bible Verse?



1. What did the servants of Naaman urge him to do?

2. What river did Namaan to dip himself into?

3. What happened when Naaman the Syrian dipped himself in the Jordan seven times?

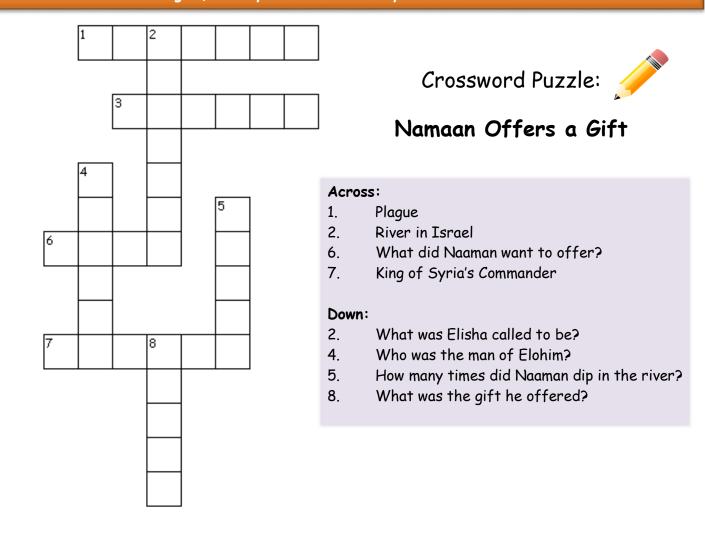
4. Did Naaman believe in Yahweh after he was healed of his leprosy?

5. What did Naaman want to do for the prophet because he was so grateful he was healed?

6. Did the prophet accept Naaman's gift?

Bible Lesson for this story on Page 2

Do not say to your neighbor, Go and come back again, or, Tomorrow I will give, when you have it beside you. Proverbs 3:28

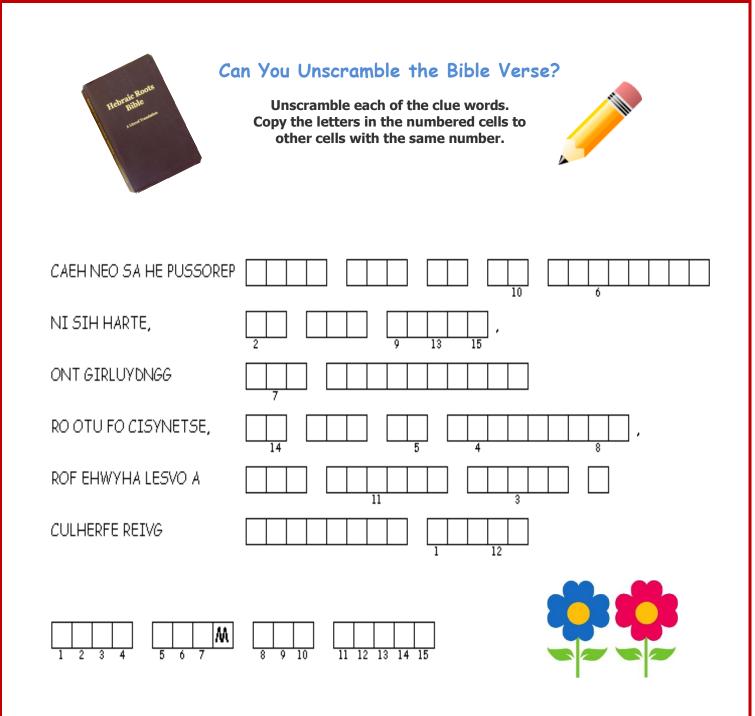


### Bible Lesson: Freely You Received, Freely Give

The miraculous healing of Namaan, the Syrian, was truly from Yahweh. Naaman himself was so amazed, he came to believe only in Yahweh from that time forward. He also was so grateful, that he wanted to give a gift to Elisha because of it. And though Elisha refused, Naaman was so adamant that he continued to try to offer it to him. Elisha was right to refuse a gift from Naaman because anything we do in our ministries for Yahweh, Yahweh has given us the ability to do it; all glory should go to Him.

That is why we don't sell any of our Bibles or books, or any teaching material that Yahweh has inspired. It is a blessing for us to be used by Yahweh to bless others, how can we steal that blessing by accepting any material things or money?

Heal sick ones, cleanse lepers, raise dead ones, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give (Matt. 10:8).



# Can you write the Bible verse here?

Give from the heart

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# Spreading the Good News - One Lamb, at a Time" **Bible Story Time**

#### Jacob is Deceived Gen. 29:1-28

And Jacob lifted his feet and went to the land of the sons of the east. And he looked, and, behold, a well in the field.

And, behold, three flocks of sheep were lying by it; for from that well they watered the flocks, and the stone on the mouth of the well was great.

And all the flocks were usually gathered there, and they rolled the stone off the mouth of the well and watered the sheep, and replaced the stone on the mouth of the well, to its place.

And Jacob said to them, My brothers, from where are you? And they said, We are from Haran. And he said to them, Do you know Laban the son of Nahor? And they said, We know him. And he said to them, Well-being to him? And they said, Well-being.

And, behold, his daughter Rachel is coming with the sheep. And he said, Behold, the day is still high; it is not time to gather the livestock. Water the sheep and go feed *them*.

And they said, We are not able until all the flocks are gathered and they roll the stone from the mouth of the well; then we water the sheep.

He still was speaking with them, and Rachel came with the sheep which were her father's; for she was feeding them. And it happened when Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban, brother to his mother, and the sheep of Laban, his mother's brother, Jacob came near and rolled the stone from the mouth of the well and watered the sheep of Laban, his mother's brother.

And Jacob kissed Rachel and lifted up his voice and wept.

And Jacob told Rachel that he was her father's brother, and that he was the son of Rebekah. And she ran and told her father. And it happened when Laban heard the report of Jacob, his sister's son, he ran to meet him and embraced him and kissed him.

And he took him to his house. And he told Laban all these things. And Laban said to him, Truly you are my bone and my flesh. And he lived with him a month of days.

And Laban said to Jacob, are you not my brother? And should you serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall be your wages?

And Laban had two daughters, the name of the older, Leah, and the name of the younger, Rachel.

And the eyes of Leah were weak, and Rachel was beautiful of form and beautiful of appearance. And Jacob loved Rachel, and said, I will serve you seven years for Rachel, your younger daughter. And Laban said, It is better for me to give her to you than to give her to another man; live with me.

And Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they were in his eves like a few days, in his love for her. And Jacob said to Laban, Give my wife, for my days are completed. And let me go in to her. And Laban gathered all the men of the place and made a feast.

And it happened in the evening, he took his daughter Leah and brought her to him; and he went in to her. And Laban gave to her Zilpah, his slave-girl, to his daughter Leah as a slave. And it happened in the morning; behold! She was Leah.

And he said to Laban, What have you done to me? *Did* I not serve with you for Rachel? And why have you tricked me? And Laban said, It is not done this way in our place, to give the younger before the first-born.

Fulfill the week of this one and we will also give you this other one, for the service which you will serve with me, yet another seven years. And Jacob did so, and he fulfilled the week of this one, and he gave to him his daughter Rachel, to him for a wife.

MINI LESSON DISCUSSION:

- 1. How many daughters did Laban have?
- 2. Who did Jacob want to marry?
- 3. Who was the oldest daughter of Laban?
- 4. What did Jacob say he would do so that he could marry Rachel?

5. Which daughter did Laban give to Jacob during his wedding night?

6. How did Jacob feel about Laban giving him Leah?

Bible Lesson for this story on Page 2

Do not be a witness against your neighbor without cause, or deceive with your lips. Proverbs 24:28

#### **RECIPE for SNACK IDEA:**

#### **Zucchini Fritters**

#### Ingredients

- 1 lb. zucchini (about 1 large or 2 medium-size)
- 1 tsp. plus 1/4 tsp. salt, divided
- 1 large egg, lightly beaten
- 1/4 cup chopped green onions
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour (or any flour you like; ground flax seed also works!)
- 1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/4 tsp. ground black pepper
- Olive oil for sautéing
- Sour Cream to serve

#### **Instructions**

- 1. Wash zucchini and trim off ends. Grate on the large holes of a box grater or using the grater attachment for the food processor. Place zucchini in a large mixing bowl lined with a cheesecloth. Stir in 1 teaspoon of salt and set aside for 10 minutes.
- 2. After 10 minutes, gather the cheesecloth making sure that the zucchini is inside and twist closed, tightly wringing out the extra water over the sink. You should end up with 1 1/2 to 2 cups of squeezed dry zucchini. Transfer to a large mixing bowl.
- 3. Add 1/4 cup chopped green onion and the lightly beaten egg.
- 4. In a small bowl, stir together 1/2 cup flour with 1/2 tsp. baking powder, 1/4 tsp. salt and 1/4 tsp. black pepper, or season to taste. Add flour mixture into zucchini mixture and stir until well combined.
- 5. Place a large heavy bottomed cast iron or non-stick skillet over medium heat. Add 2 Tbsp. olive oil. Once the oil is hot, add the zucchini mixture a heaping tablespoon at a time and flatten out the tops slightly to make them pancake shaped. Sauté 3-5 minutes per side or until golden brown. If they brown too quickly, reduce the heat. Serve warm with a dollop of sour cream.

# Bible Lesson: Reaping What You Sow

We see in this story how Jacob was deceived by his uncle Laban. Jacob loved Rachel and wanted to marry her, but Laban did not tell him that it was their custom to have the oldest daughter married first. Leah was the oldest so that is why Laban gave her to Jacob, but Jacob had reaped what he sowed.

This means that what you do to others will eventually come back to you. Before Jacob went to meet Laban to find a wife, he had deceived his father Isaac pretending to be his brother, Esau, so he could get the birthright blessing. Jacob deceived his father Isaac and now Laban had deceived him. We have to be careful in how we treat others because how we treat them, is how someone will treat you.

It may not happen right away but eventually it will, like it did with Jacob. Do not be deceived, Elohim is not mocked. For whatever a man may sow, that he also will reap. For the one sowing to his flesh will reap corruption of the flesh. But the one sowing to the Spirit will reap everlasting life from the Spirit (Gal. 6:7-8).

If we treat others with the kindness and love of Yahweh, we are promised that we will receive a reward for it when Yahshua comes back to be with us.



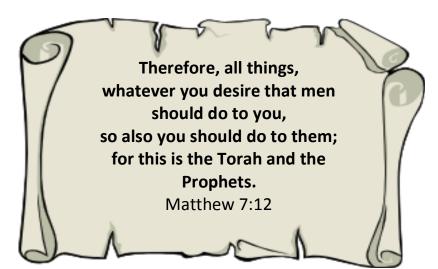
# Can You Unscramble the Bible Verse?

The challenge of the puzzle is to 'decode' the sentence to reveal the Bible verse. The letters are encoded in the verse with a number.



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# Can You Memorize the Bible Verse?





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# Martha's Priorities

Luke 10:38-42

And as they went on, it happened, He also entered into a certain village. And a certain woman, Martha by name, received Him into her house.

And to this one was a sister being called Mariam, who also was sitting alongside, at the feet of Yahshua, and heard His Word.

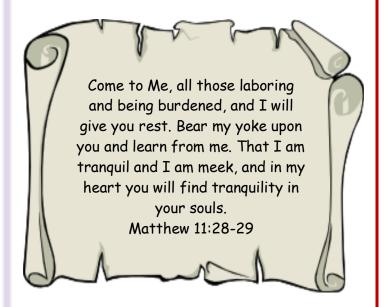


But Martha was distracted about much serving. And coming on she said, Master, is it not a care to You that my sister left me alone to serve? Then tell her that she should help me.

But answering Yahshua said to her, Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things,

But there is need of only one; and Mariam chose the good part, which shall not be taken from her.

# Can You Memorize the Bible Verse?



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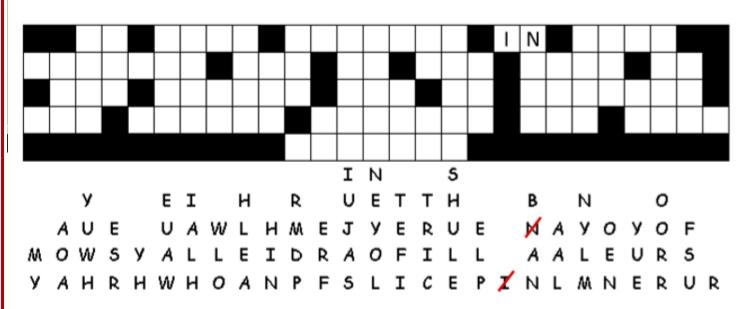
- 1. Whose house did Yahshua go to?
- 2. What was Martha's sister's name?
- 3. What was Mariam doing while Yahshua was teaching?
- 4. Was Martha listening to Yahshua as well?
- 5. What did Martha want Yahshua to do?
- 6. Did Yahshua agree with Martha? What did he say?

Bible Lesson for this story on Page 2

Blessed is the man listening to me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. Proverbs 8:34

# Secret Psalm

A secret phrase puzzle shows the spaces for a statement or phrase. The letters are directly below the column in which they will fit, but jumbled within the column. Find the correct Psalm by solving the puzzle!



#### **Bible Lesson: PRIORITIES**

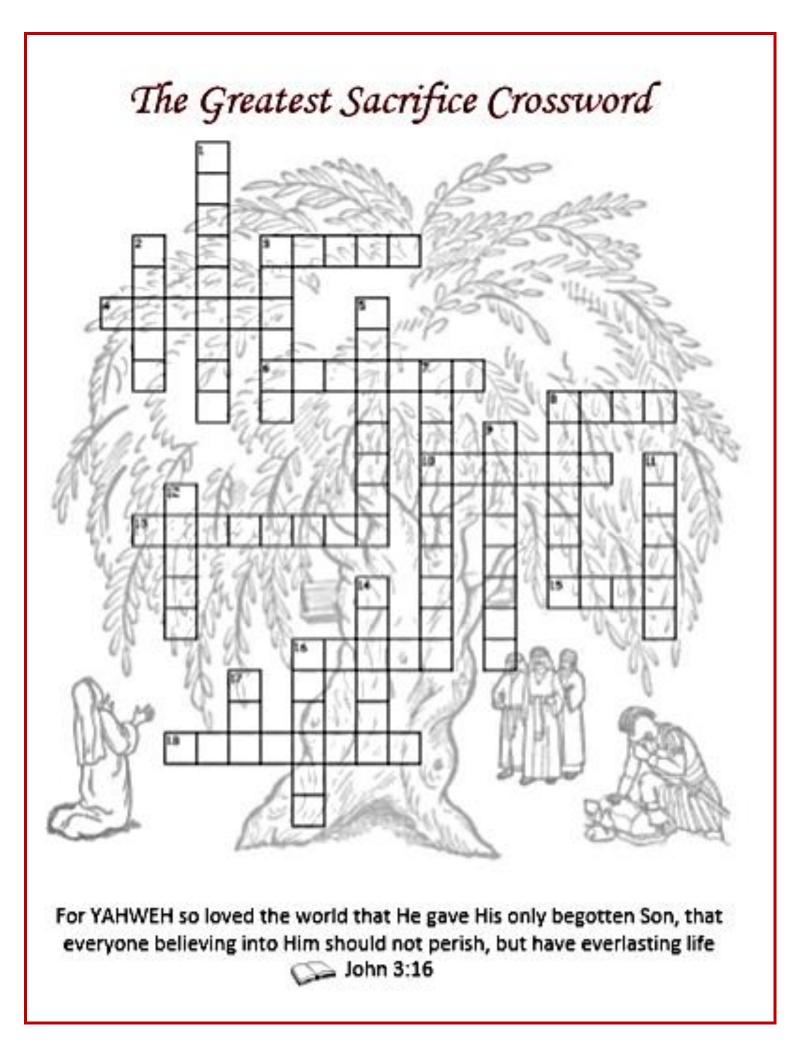
There are many good lessons to learn from this story, but the lesson I would like to focus in on are priorities.

Martha and Mariam were sisters and friends of Yahshua and on this particular day Yahshua went to teach at their house. While Mariam was focused on listening to Yahshua, Martha was busy taking care of serving everyone and became upset with her sister because she wasn't helping her. It is interesting what Yahshua tells Martha when she tries to have him make Mariam help her.

He tells her that Mariam chose the best part. Mariam chose to listen to Yahshua while He was teaching instead of being distracted with serving. Yahshua was only on earth for a short time, and while He was here, it was important to spend as much time learning from Him as much as one could. Mariam had her priorities right.

Serving was important, but the most important thing at the time was to listen to Yahshua. A priority is something that is regarded as more important than something else. We also need to choose every day between different things, what is most important.

Spending time with Yahweh by praying, reading, praising and thinking of Him is what is the most important thing for us to start out doing every day. That should always be our highest priority. And next, which is as equally important, is being obedient to His Word in everything we do as we go through our day.



# <u>Across</u>

- 3. Who was the disciple that betrayed Yahshua?
- 4. Then they took the body of Yahshua and bound it in \_\_\_\_\_, with the spices, as is usual with the Jews in burying.
- 6. But one of the soldiers \_\_\_\_\_ His side with a spear, and at once blood and water came out.
- 8. What was torn in the Sanctuary from top to bottom?
- 10. The soldiers made Yahshua a crown made of what?
- 13. Who was the High Priest in Jerusalem that year?
- 15. What did Yahshua wear that was completely woven top to bottom?
- 16. How many hours of darkness were over the land when Yahshua was being crucified?
- 18. Pilate took Yahshua and \_\_\_\_\_ Him.

# <u>Down</u>

- 1. Who came bearing about a hundred Roman pounds of spices to the preparation of Yahshua's body for burial?
- 2. Yahshua said to Peter "Before a cock crows \_\_\_\_\_, you will deny Me three times."
- 3. Who asked Pilate for the body of Yahshua?
- 5. What was the name of the prisoner that was released by Pilate instead of Yahshua?
- 7. What happened right after Yahshua released His spirit while on the torture stake?
- 8. Having filled a sponge with \_\_\_\_\_, and putting hyssop around, they brought it to His mouth.
- 9. And they brought Him to \_\_\_\_\_ Place, which is being translated, Place of a Skull.
- 11. Pilate \_\_\_\_\_ his hands before the crowd, saying I am innocent of the blood of this righteous one.
- 12. What was the name of the slave to the high priest that got his ear cut off by Simon Peter?
- 14. What color of garments did Herod's soldiers clothe Yahshua with before sending Him to Pilate?
- 16. How many pieces of silver were given to the betrayer of Yahshua?
- 17. How many men were crucified with Yahshua?

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## **Eli's Perception**

1 Sam. 1:1-18

And there was a certain man of Ramathaim-Zophim from the hills of Ephraim, and his name was Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, an Ephrathite.

And he had two wives, the name of the one was Hannah, and the name of the second, Peninnah. And Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children. And that man went up from his city from year to year to worship and to sacrifice before YAHWEH of Hosts in Shiloh. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were priests to YAHWEH there. And the day came, and Elkanah sacrificed. And he would give to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and her daughters portions.

And to Hannah he gave one double portion, for he loved Hannah. And YAHWEH had shut up her womb. And her rival tormented her even to vexation, so as to make her tremble, because YAHWEH had shut up her womb. And so he did year by year, as often as she went up to the house of YAHWEH, so she provoked her. And she wept, and did not eat.

And her husband Elkanah said to her, Hannah, why do you weep? And why do you not eat? And why is your heart afflicted? Am I not better to you than ten sons?

And Hannah rose up after eating in Shiloh, and after drinking. And Eli the priest was sitting on the seat by the side post of the sanctuary of YAHWEH. And she was bitter of soul, and prayed to YAHWEH, and weeping she wept.

YAHWEH of Hosts, if looking You will look upon the affliction of Your handmaid, and shall remember me, and not forget Your handmaid, and shall give to Your handmaid a seed of men, then I will give him to YAHWEH all the days of his life; and a razor shall not go up on his head.

And it happened, when she prayed long before YAHWEH, Eli was watching her mouth. And Hannah was speaking in her heart; only, her lips moved; but her voice could not be heard. So Eli thought that she was drunk. And Eli said to her, Until when will you be drunken? Put away your wine from you. And Hannah answered and said, No, my master; I am a woman pained in spirit. And I have not drunk wine or fermented drink, but I am pouring out my soul before YAHWEH. Do not put your handmaid down for a daughter of wickedness; for from the abundance of my complaint and grief until now I have been speaking.

And Eli answered and said, Go in peace, and may the Elohim of Israel give you your petition which you have asked of Him.

And she said, Let your handmaid find grace in your eyes. And the woman went her way, and ate, and her face was no longer sad.

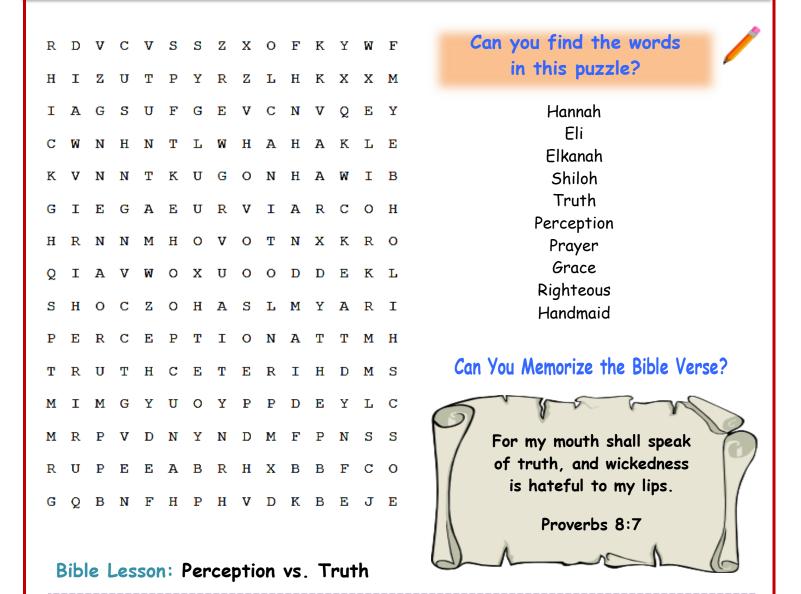


MINI LESSON DISCUSSION:

- 1. What was the name of Hannah's husband?
- 2. Who would get a double portion from Elkanah? Why?
- 3. Why couldn't Hannah have children?
- 4. How did Hannah feel about not having children?
- 5. What did Hannah pray for at Shiloh?
- 6. What did Eli think of Hannah as she was praying?

Bible Lesson for this story on Page 2

Every prudent one deals with knowledge, but a fool lays open his folly. Proverbs 13:6



#### Hannah wanted to have children so badly that she went to the Tabernacle, to Yahweh, to pray for a child. While Hannah was praying silently, Eli thought that she was drunk because she was moving her lips but no sound was coming out of her mouth. So he accused her, a righteous woman of Yahweh, of being drunk!

How embarrassing! This is a lesson that we should learn in not perceiving others the wrong way. Perception is the way we think of others and the reason for why they do things. We have to understand that the way we see things might not be what is really happening. Most times, people are wrong about what they think why people do things.

That is why we should always go to the person to make sure that we are not perceiving them in a wrong way. It is better to talk to the person and be sure than to think wrongly of them and regret it.

Proverbs 13:16, "Every prudent one deals with knowledge, but a fool lays open his folly."

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#### Shavuot in the Wilderness

Exodus 19:16-20:18

And on the third day, it being morning, it happened: There were thunders and lightnings, and a heavy cloud on the mountain, and the sound of a ram's horn, very strong! And all the people in the camp trembled.

And Moses caused the people to go up from the camp to meet The Elohim. And they took their stand at the lower part of the mountain.

And the mountain of Sinai was smoking, all of it, because YAHWEH came down on it in fire. And its smoke went up like the smoke of a furnace; and the mountain quaked exceedingly.



And it happened while the sound of the ram's horn was sounding, and becoming very strong, Moses spoke. And The Elohim answered him by a voice.

And YAHWEH came down on the mountain of Sinai, to the top of the mountain; and YAHWEH called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.

And YAHWEH said to Moses, Go down, warn the people lest they break through to see YAHWEH, and many of them fall. And also the priests, those approaching YAHWEH, let them sanctify themselves that YAHWEH not burst forth among them.

And Moses said to YAHWEH, The people are not able to come up to the mountain of Sinai. For You warned us, saying, Set limits to the mountain and sanctify it.

And YAHWEH said to him, Come, go down. And you come up, and Aaron with you. And let not the priests and the people break through to come up to YAHWEH, lest He burst forth among them.

And Moses went down to the people and spoke to them.

And Elohim spoke all these words, saying,

I am YAHWEH your Elohim, who has brought you out from the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. You shall not have any other Elohim before My face. You shall not make a graven image for yourself, or any likeness in the heavens above, or in the earth beneath, or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow to them, and you shall not serve them; for I am YAHWEH your Elohim, a jealous El, visiting the iniquity of fathers on sons, on the third and on the fourth generation, to those that hate Me; and doing kindness to thousands, to those loving Me, and to those keeping My commandments.

You shall not take the name of YAHWEH your Elohim in vain; for YAHWEH will not leave unpunished the *one* who takes His name in vain.

**Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy**; six days you shall labor and do all your work; and the seventh day *is* a Sabbath to YAHWEH your Elohim; you shall not do any work, you, and your son, and your daughter, your male slave and your slave-girl, and your livestock, and your stranger who *is* in your gates. For *in* six days YAHWEH made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all which *is* in them, and He rested on the seventh day; on account of this YAHWEH blessed the Sabbath day and sanctified it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long on the land which YAHWEH your Elohim *is* giving to you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal

You shall not testify a witness of falsehood against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male slave, or his slavegirl, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything which belongs to your neighbor.

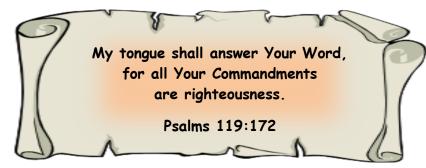
And all the people saw the thunders, and the lightnings, and the sound of the ram's horn, and the smoking mountain. And the people looked, and they trembled, and they stood from a distance. My son, keep your father's commandments, and do not forsake the Torah of your mother. Proverbs 6:20

#### MINI LESSON DISCUSSION:

- 1. Why did all the people of the camp tremble?
- 2. Were the people allowed to go up to Yahweh on the mountain?
- 3. Why was all of the mountain of Sinai smoking?
- 4. Who was allowed to go up to meet Yahweh on the mountain?
- 5. What were the words that Yahweh spoke, can you name them all?



## Can You Memorize the Bible Verse?



## **Bible Lesson: In Spirit and Truth**

It is believed that when Yahweh gave the Ten Commandments to the children of Israel in the wilderness that this was the holy day of Shavuot.

Another important event in our history happened on Shavuot when Yahweh gave His Holy Spirit to His disciples after Yahshua ascended to heaven. Isn't it interesting that the Ten Commandments, which represents the Torah, and the Holy Spirit were both given on Shavuot? It is because the one cannot be separate from the other.

The Spirit of Yahweh is truth, just as His Word is truth. The Holy Spirit is the spirit of Yahweh and His Torah is His character.

The Feast of Shavuot is all about the first fruits who are the children of Yahweh. They have a true love for His Torah and are full of His Spirit.

Here is the patience of the sanctified ones; here are the ones keeping the commandments of YAHWEH, and the faith of Yahshua (Rev. 14:12).

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But the fruit of the Spirit is: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faith, meekness, self-control. Against such things there is no instruction.

Galatians 5:22

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### The Parable of the Wicked Vinedressers Matt 21:33-46



Hear another parable, There was a certain man, a house Master, who planted a vineyard and placed a hedge around it; and He dug a winepress in it, and built a tower. And He rented it to vinedressers and left the country.

And when the season of the fruits came, He sent His slaves to the vinedressers to receive His fruits.

And the vinedressers, taking His slaves, they beat this one, and they killed one, and they stoned another.

Again He sent other slaves, more than the first. And they did the same to them.

And lastly, He sent His Son to them saying perhaps they might be ashamed before my Son.

But seeing the Son, the vinedressers said among themselves, This is the heir. Come, let us kill Him and possess His inheritance.

And taking Him, they threw Him out of the vineyard and killed Him.

Therefore, when the Master of the vineyard comes, what will He do to those vinedressers?

They were saying to Him, "He will savagely destroy them and He will lease the vineyard to other laborers, those who will give to Him the fruit in its season."

Yahshua said to them, Did you never read in the Scriptures, "the Stone which the builders rejected, this One became the Head of the Corner? This was from YAHWEH, and it is a wonder in our eyes?" Because of this I say to you, The kingdom of YAHWEH will be taken from you, and it will be given to a people who produce fruits.

And he who falls on this Stone will be broken; but on whomever It falls, It will destroy him.

And hearing His parables, the chief priests and the Pharisees knew that He was speaking about them.

And seeking to lay hold of Him, they feared the crowds, because they held Him as a prophet.

# **Mini Discussion**

1. Who did the House Master of the vineyard send to the vinedressers?

2. Who did the vinedressers want to kill so they could take the vineyard from the House Master?

3. What will happen to those wicked vinedressers?

4. What did the vineyard represent?

5. Who will the Kingdom of Yahweh be given to?

6. Who was this parable about?

Send out your bread on the face of the waters, for in many days you shall find it. Ecc 12:1



# Can You Memorize the Bible Verse?



# **Bible Lesson:** Faithful and Wise Servant

The chief priests and the Pharisees knew this parable was about them.

They spoke and taught the Word of Yahweh, but didn't do it themselves; and by doing so they were keeping people from entering the Kingdom of Yahweh by their actions.

Yahshua was trying to show that His faithful servants would be those who would be obedient to Him and would be bearing the fruits of the Spirit to help others to enter the Kingdom of Yahweh; that is a faithful and trustworthy servant.

Yahshua wants us to be trustworthy vinedressers that will have many fruits to give Him (people who will believe because of our witness) when He returns at the resurrection.

Who then is the faithful and wise servant whom his master has set over His household, to give to them the food in season? Blessed is that servant whom his Master shall find so doing when He comes. Truly I say to you, He will set him over all He owns (Matt. 24:45-47).

# Can you find the words in this puzzle?

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I am the True Vine, and My Father is the Vinedresser.

Every branch in Me not bearing fruit, He takes it away; and each one bearing fruit, He prunes, so that it may bear more fruit.

John 15:1

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# A Man of Integrity

Daniel 6:1-14

It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom a hundred and twenty satraps, that they might be over the kingdom. And over them were three presidents (Daniel was one of them), so that these satraps might give account to them, and the king should have no loss.

Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and satraps, because an excellent spirit was in him. And the king was planning to set him over all the kingdom.

Then the presidents and satraps sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom. But they could find no pretext or fault because he was trustworthy. And no error or fault was found in him.

Then these men said, We shall not find any occasion against this Daniel unless we find it against him concerning the Torah of his Eloheh.

Then these presidents and satraps gathered together to the king and said this to him, king Darius, live forever.

All the presidents of the kingdom, the prefects, and the satraps, the officials and the governors, have took council together to establish a royal statute, and to make a firm decree, that whoever shall ask a petition of any Elah or man for thirty days, except from you, O king, he shall be thrown into the den of lions.

Now, O king, establish the decree and sign the document, so that it may not be changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which does not pass away. All on account of this, king Darius signed the document and the decree.

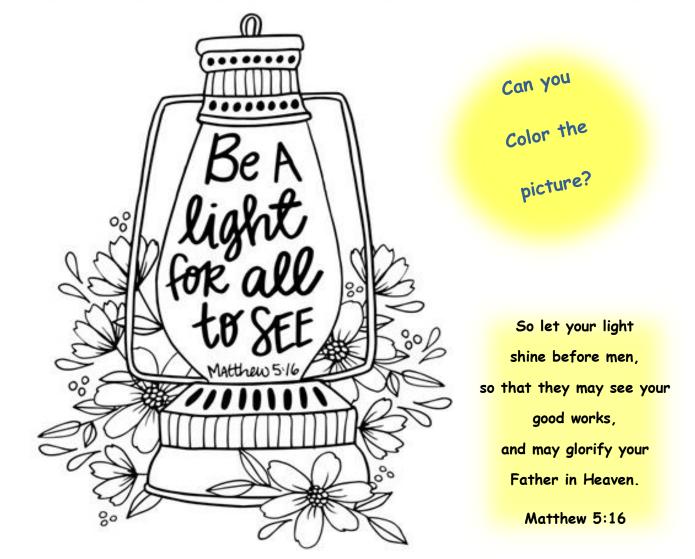
And when he had learned that the document was signed, Daniel went to his house. And his windows were open in his roof chamber toward Jerusalem. He knelt on his knees three times in the day, and prayed and praised before his Eloheh, as he did before. Then these men met together and found Daniel praying and seeking mercy before his Eloheh. Then they came near and spoke before the king concerning the king's decree, saying, Have you not signed a decree that every man who shall ask of any Eloha or man within thirty days, except of you, O king, that he shall be thrown into the lions' den? The king answered and said, The thing is certain, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which does not pass away.

Then they answered and said before the king, Daniel, who is of the sons of the exile of Judah, has not set attention on you, O king, or the decree that you have signed, but he makes his prayer three times in the day.

Then the king, when he heard the word, was very displeased with himself, and he set his heart on Daniel, to deliver him. And until the going of the sun he was striving to deliver him.

#### **Mini Discussion**

 Who was preferred above the presidents and satraps? Why?
Why couldn't the presidents and satraps find a fault in Daniel?
What did the presidents and satraps want the king to do?
Did Daniel obey the king's decree?
What did Daniel still do after the king's decree? The just one walks in his integrity, blessed are his sons after him! Proverbs 20:7



# **Bible Lesson: Having Integrity**

Daniel is one of three men in the Bible that Yahweh considered very righteous and in this story we see why.

Daniel was a man of integrity. Integrity is always doing what is right. It means walking with Yahweh perfectly, to believe Him and to fully follow Him. Daniel had a difficult decision to make after King Darius sent out the decree that everyone couldn't pray to their Elohim for thirty days except to him. But the Bible says that we are only to pray to Yahweh.

So Daniel chose to obey Yahweh rather than man, even if it meant that he would die. And this is how Daniel was all the time. No matter what came his way he always chose to obey Yahweh. This is integrity.

Can you think of someone else in the Bible who had integrity?

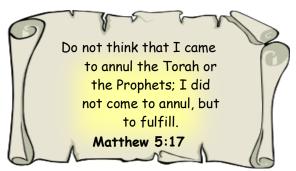
I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way; O when will You come to me? I will walk in the integrity of my heart in the midst of my house (Ps. 101:2).

So if we want to be called sons and daughters of Yahweh, we need to also consistently choose Him. No matter what happens to us in life, we should always choose Yahweh.

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Matthew 5:11-12



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# **Bible Story Time**

#### Jeroboam Lost out on a Sure House

1 Kings 11:26-43

And Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an Ephrathite of Zereda, a servant of Solomon (and his mother's name was Zeruah, a widow woman) he also lifted up a hand against the king. And this was the thing for which he lifted up his hand against the king: Solomon built Millo, and closed up the breaks of the city of his father David.

And the man Jeroboam was a mighty warrior. And Solomon saw the young man, that he was doing work. And he appointed him to all the burden of the house of Joseph.

And at that time it happened that Jeroboam had gone out from Jerusalem, and Ahijah the Shilonite, the prophet, found him in the way. And he covered himself with a new garment, and both of them were by themselves in a field. And Ahijah laid hold on the new garment on him and tore it into twelve pieces.

And he said to Jeroboam, Take ten pieces for yourself. For so says YAHWEH, Elohim of Israel, Behold, I am tearing the kingdom from the hand of Solomon and giving to you the ten tribes. And he shall have the one tribe for my servant David's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake, the city which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel.

Because they have forsaken Me, and bow themselves to Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, to Chemosh the god of Moab, to Milcom the god of the sons of Ammon; and have not walked in My ways, to do the right in My eyes, and My statutes and My judgments, as his father David did.

But I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand, but I will make him ruler all the days of his life, for My servant David's sake, whom I chose, because he kept My commandments and My statutes. But I will take the kingdom out of his son's hand, and will give it to you, ten tribes. And I will give one tribe to his son, that there may be a lamp to My servant David before Me all the days in Jerusalem, the city that I have chosen to Myself, to put My name there.

And I will take you, and you shall reign according to all that your soul desires, and shall be king over Israel.

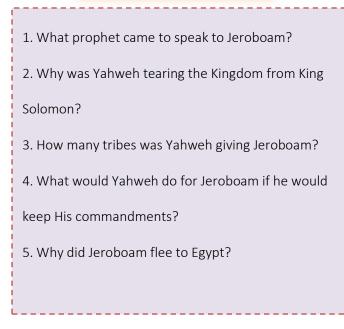
And it shall be, if you shall hear all that I command you, and shall walk in My ways, and do that which is right in My eyes, to keep My statutes and My commandments, as My servant David did, then I shall be with you and shall build a sure house for you, as I built for David, and shall give Israel to you. And for this I will afflict the seed of David; but not forever.

And Solomon sought to put Jeroboam to death, and Jeroboam rose up and fled to Egypt, to Shishak the king of Egypt; and he was in Egypt until the death of Solomon.

And the rest of the matters of Solomon, and all that he did, and his wisdom, are they not written in the Book of the Acts of Solomon?

And the days that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel were forty years; Aand Solomon lay with his fathers and was buried in the city of his father David; and his son Rehoboam reigned in his place.

### **Bible Story Questions**



A king who sits on the throne of judgment does not look upon any evil with his eyes. Proverbs 20:8

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Bible Lesson:

Jeroboam was blessed to be chosen as the leader of all of the ten tribes of Israel.

All he had to do was follow Yahweh by walking in all His ways and keeping His commandments. He was going to bless Jeroboam by building him a sure house, just like he did for King David! He would have had a descendant ruling over Israel continually.

However, just like many other kings, he didn't follow Yahweh but instead made Israel to sin a great sin by turning them away from worshipping Yahweh. So instead of being greatly blessed and remembered as a righteous servant of Yahweh, the Bible says he and his house were blotted out from the face of the earth.

Yahweh doesn't ask or require much from us, all we have to do is follow Him and His ways with all our heart.



# What You Will Need:

- Paper Plate
- Heart Stencil
- pencil
- Something like a pen to poke holes in the plate with
- child's plastic sewing needle
- yarn
- scissors
- paint and paintbrush
- Glue



# How To Do:

- 1. Start with the stencil and trace the heart on the back of the paper plate with your pencil.
- 2. Then make even spaced dots on the outline of the heart.
- 3. With your pen poke holes through each dot. Place something soft underneath the plate so the pen point will poke through. A tea towel works just fine.
- 4. Next, thread your sewing needle with a long length of yarn, and begin sewing or weaving in and out of the holes stitching back and forth. You can also backstitching. Criss-cross your yarn if you would like to make a pattern. Tip: careful not to take the yarn across the upper-most holes (from the top of one arc to the other) or this will cover up pointy indent in the top of the heart.
- 5. To secure the yarn when you're finished sewing, simply knot the loose ends behind the plate. You can cut out the Bible verse and glue to your plate.

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Luke 12:34



## Jacob's Staircase Genesis 28:10-22

And Jacob went out from Beer-Sheba and went toward Haran. And he came on a place and stayed the night there, for the sun had gone. And he took stones of the place and placed *them* at his head; and he lay down in that place.

And he dreamed. And, behold, a staircase was placed on the earth, its top reaching to the heavens. And, behold, the messengers of Elohim *were* going up and going down on it!



And, behold, YAHWEH stood above it and said, I *am* YAHWEH the Elohim of your father Abraham, and the Elohim of Isaac; the land on which you are lying, I will give it to you and to your seed.

And your seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and you shall spread to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your Seed.

And, behold, I *will be* with you and will guard you in every *place* in which you may go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not forsake you until I have surely done that which I have spoken to you. And Jacob awakened from his sleep, and said, Surely YAHWEH is in this place, and I did not know. And he was afraid, and said, How fearful *is* this place! This *is* nothing except the house of Elohim, and this *is* the door to Heaven.

And Jacob started up early in the morning and took the stone which he had placed at his head, and *he* placed it *as* a pillar; and he poured oil on the top of it. And he called the name of that place, Beit-El. And yet the name of the city *was* at first Luz.

And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If Elohim is with me and keeps me in this way which I *am* going, and gives to me bread to eat and clothing to wear, and I return in peace to the house of my father, then YAHWEH shall be my Elohim, and this sandstone which I have placed as a *memorial* pillar shall become the house of Elohim; and all which You shall give to me, I will tithe the tenth to You.

#### **Bible Story Questions**

- 1. Where was Jacob going to?
- 2. What did Jacob dream about?
- 3. What did Yahweh tell him in his dream?
- 4. What did Jacob think the place he was sleeping was?
- 5. What was Jacob's vow to Yahweh?

#### The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice, and he who fathers a wise one shall even be glad in him. Provebs 23:24

You shall sit in Sookkuhs for seven days; all who are native in Israel shall sit down in Sookkuhs, so that your generations shall know that I caused the sons of Israel to live in Sookkuhs, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt; I am YAHWEH your Elohim. Lev 23:42-43

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#### Bible Lesson: The WAY to the Father

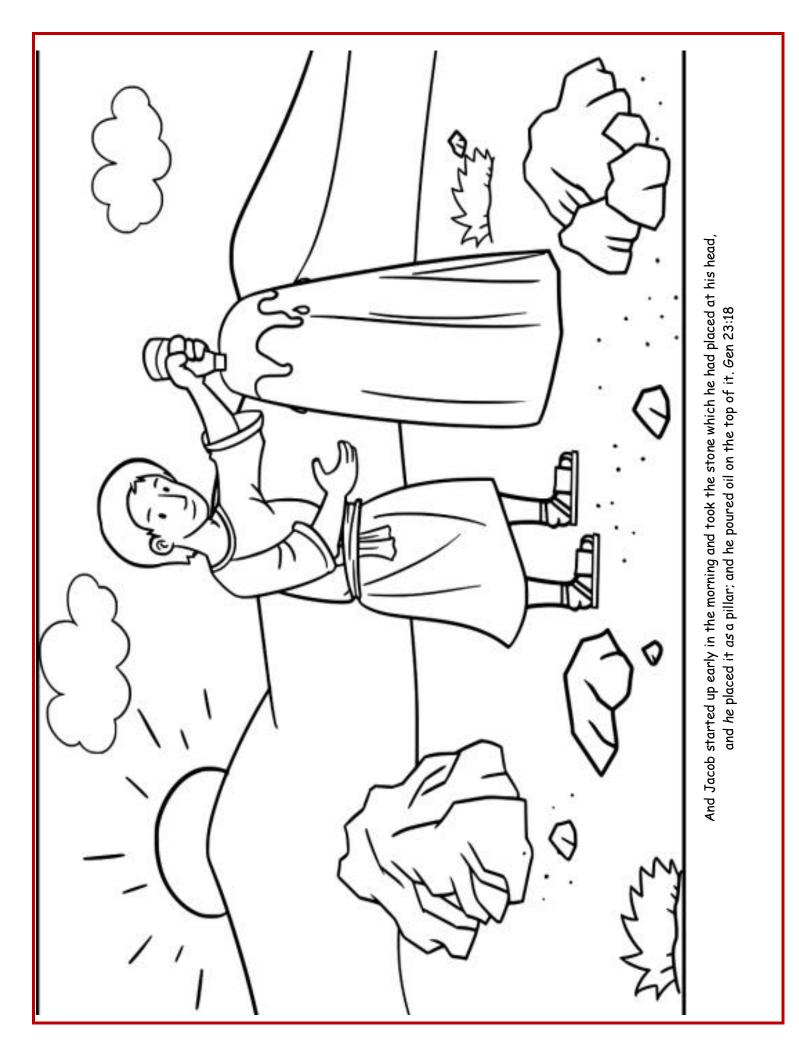
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In Jacob's dream Jacob saw a staircase leading from the earth to heaven itself. Many times in Scripture Yahweh revealed His Son, Yahshua, to His people for them to know that He would be their savior.

This is one of those times. In this dream Yahshua is represented as the staircase leading up to heaven, where Yahweh the Father dwells. He wanted to show that Yahshua is the only way to Him. Yahshua made the way for us by dying for our sins.

So if we believe in Him and repent of our sins, we can be restored back to the Father.

"Yahshua said to him, I am the Way, and the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6).





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### Paul Bitten by a Snake

Acts 28:1-10

And being saved, then they knew that the island is called Melita.

And the barbarians who inhabited it were showing us much kindness, for having kindled a fire because of the rain coming on, and because of the cold, they welcomed us all.

And Paul gathering a bunch of sticks, and putting them on the fire, a snake coming out from the heat fastened on his hand.



And when the barbarians saw it hanging from his hand, they said to one another, By all means this man is a murderer, whom being saved out of the sea, justice did not permit to live.

Then he indeed shaking the viper off into the fire, he suffered no harm.

But they expected him to be about to become inflamed, or suddenly to fall down dead. But over much time, they expecting and seeing nothing amiss happening to him, changing their minds, they said him to be a god.

And there were lands in that quarter, belonging to a man named Publius, who was the chief man of the island: And he cheerfully received us at his house three days. And it happened the father of Publius was lying down, suffering from fevers and dysentery; to whom Paul, entering and praying, laying on his hands, cured him.



Then, this taking place, the ones in the island having infirmities also came up, and they were healed.

They also honored us with many honors. And on our setting sail, they lay on us such things as were needed.

You can find the full coloring book: **Shipwrecked on the Island of Melita** on HisWondrousWorks.com (under Coloring Pages)

#### **Bible Story Questions**

1. What island was Paul on?

2. Who showed Paul and the people with him much kindness?

3. What happened to Paul when he was gathering sticks?

4. What did the people think of Paul because of being bit by the snake?

5. Did Paul die because of the snake bite?

But he who listens to me shall live securely and shall be at ease from the fear of evil. Proverbs 1:33

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### **Bible Lesson: In the Hands of YAHWEH**

The Apostle Paul was a man of Yahweh that had many things happen to him during his travels. On this trip he was sailing to Rome to appear before Caesar.

On the way, they were shipwrecked because of a really bad storm and they had to go to an island. While he was gathering sticks for a fire, he was bitten by a very dangerous snake that could have killed him. The people on this island did not know Yahweh but believed in other gods; and because Paul was bitten by the snake they thought he was a bad person. But when they saw that he didn't die, they thought him to be a god. It was because of Yahweh's protection over him that he stayed alive.

That is a promise from Yahshua: if we follow Him and serve Him, His protection will be over us. As the people of Yahweh we know that He will protect us, and if anything does happen it is because He allowed it. *And miraculous signs will follow to those believing these things: they will cast out demons in My name; they will speak new languages; they will take up snakes; and if they drink anything deadly, it will in no way hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will be healed (Mark 16:17-18).* 





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#### KING REHOBOAM LISTENS TO WRONG COUNSEL 1 Kings 12:1-20

And Rehoboam went to Shechem, for all Israel had come to Shechem to make him king.

And it happened, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat heard (and he was still in Egypt where he had fled from the face of Solomon the king, and Jeroboam lived in Egypt) that they sent and called for him; and they came, Jeroboam and all the assembly of Israel, and spoke to Rehoboam, saying, Your father made our yoke hard; and now you should lighten some of the hard service of your father, and his heavy yoke that he put upon us, and we will serve you.

And he said to them, Go; yet in three days come back to me. And the people went.

And King Rehoboam consulted with the elders who had been standing before the face of his father Solomon while he was alive, saying, How do you advise in order to answer this people?

And they spoke to him, saying, If you are servant to this people today, and will serve them, and answer them and speak to them good words, then they will be servants to you forever.

But he forsook the counsel of the elders which they advised him, and consulted with the young men who had grown up with him, who were standing before him. And he said to them, What do you advise, and we shall answer the people who have spoken to me, saying, Lighten some of the yoke that your father put upon us?

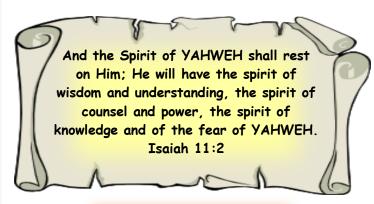
And they spoke to him, the young men who had grown up with him, saying, So you shall say to this people who have spoken to you, saying, Your father made our yoke heavy, and you make it light on us; so you shall speak to them, My little finger is thicker than the loins of my father, and now my father laid a heavy yoke on you, and I will add to your yoke; my father chastised you with whips, and I will surely chastise you with scorpions.

And they came, Jeroboam and all the people, to Rehoboam on the third day, as the king had spoken, saying, Come back to me on the third day.

And the king replied to the people harshly, and forsook the counsel of the elders which they advised him, and spoke to them according to the counsel of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, and I shall add to your yoke; my father chastised you with whips, and I will surely chastise you with scorpions. As to the sons of Israel, those living in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them. And King Rehoboam sent Adoram who was over the tribute, and all Israel threw stones at him, and he died. And King Rehoboam made haste to go up into a chariot to flee to Jerusalem.

And Israel rebelled against the house of David to this day. And it happened when all Israel heard that Jeroboam had returned, that they sent and called him to the company, and caused him to reign over all Israel; none followed after the house of David except the tribe of Judah only.

# Can You Memorize the Bible Verse?



#### **Bible Story Questions**

1. Why did Rehoboam go to Shechem?

2. What did the House of Israel want Rehoboam to do for them?

3. Whose counsel did Rehoboam listen to?

4. What did the young men of Rehoboam counsel him?

5. What did the House of Israel do when they saw that Rehoboam didn't listen to them?

Without counsel plans are broken, but by many counselors they rise. Prov 15:22

#### Creamy Chocolate Chia Seed Pudding (Makes 2 servings)

# Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 cups milk of choice (almond milk or coconut milk would be great!)
- 2 Tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder
- 3 Tablespoons pure maple syrup (or raw honey)
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- a pinch (about 1/8 teaspoon) fine sea salt
- 6 Tablespoons chia seeds



### **Directions:**

1. In a small bowl, whisk the milk, cocoa powder, maple syrup, vanilla extract, cinnamon and salt together.

2. Add the chia seeds and whisk to combine. Let it sit for 10-15 minutes, whisking occasionally to make sure the chia seeds don't clump together.

3. Divide the mixture into two serving dishes, like a mason jar or small bowl.

4. You can eat it now, but it is even better when you cover and refrigerate for at least 4 hours or overnight.

5. You can enjoy the pudding plain or add any toppings you like, such as fresh fruit, nuts, shredded coconut, peanut butter or fruit jam.

# Bible Lesson: Wisdom in Counsel

In this story we have a good lesson about the consequences of listening to the wrong counsel. King Rehoboam was the son of King Solomon, and King Solomon was the wisest king Israel ever had.

He also had wise counselors to help him rule his kingdom. However, Rehoboam, chose not to listen to these counselors when making one of the most important decisions he would have to make in his life. He listened to his foolish friends instead, and because of it, the kingdom of Israel was divided.

There are wise people that Yahweh puts in our lives like our parents and believers in the congregation. They are there to help guide us in the right way. When there are times we don't know what to do, it is always good to pray to Yahweh first, and then go to our parents and those we know who are wise for help.

"In the absence of wise counsels the people fall, but safety is in abundance of counselors" (Prov. 11:14).

