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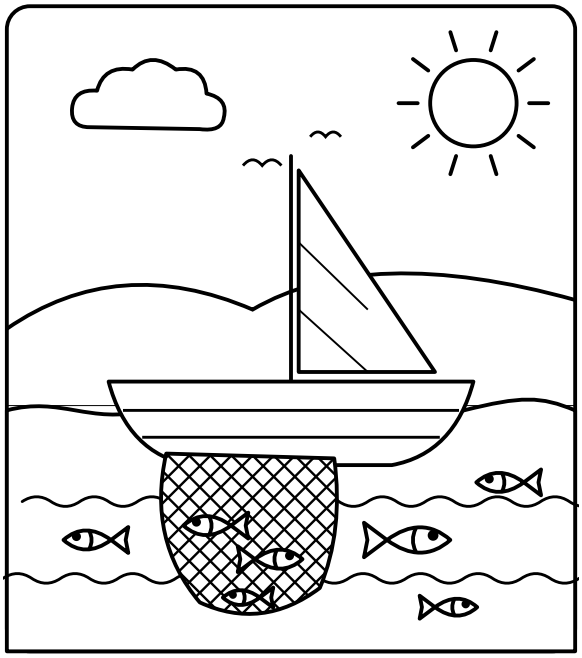
Take-Home Bible Story

Jesus Calls Me: Follow Me! | Jesus Calls the Fishermen (Luke 5:1-11; Matthew 4:18-22; John 1:43-51)



Bible story: Jesus Calls the Fishermen (Luke 5:1-11; Matthew 4:18-22; John 1:43-51)

Grown-ups, please read this story with your child:

Jesus Calls the Fishermen

- Peter was a fisherman. He had a boat and a big net.
- Peter fished all night long. He did not catch one fish!
- Jesus came to the sea. Jesus got into Peter's boat.
- Jesus said, "Let down your nets." Peter listened to Jesus.
- Splash! The net was full of fish! So many fish!
- Jesus said, "Follow Me."
- Peter, Andrew, James, and John left their boats and followed Jesus.
- Jesus wants you to follow Him too!

"Follow Me"

Matthew 4:19 (NKJV)

Say it together: Jesus wants me to follow Him!

Do it together: Five Little Fishes

- Five little fishes swimming in the sea, (wiggle five fingers)
- Peter cast his net, one, two, three! (pretend to throw a net)
- Jesus said, "Follow Me!" (point up, then wave "come")
- And Peter said, "Yes!" (nod head)
- Now I will follow Jesus, (march in place)
- Because He loves me best! (hug yourself)

Talk together

- Who got into Peter's boat?
- What did Jesus say to Peter?
- Can you follow Jesus too?

Today your child learned that Jesus called fishermen named Peter, Andrew, James, and John, and they left their nets to follow Him (Luke 5:1-11; Matthew 4:18-22). Our memory verse is Matthew 4:19: "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." At dinner, ask: "What did Peter do when Jesus told him to let down the net?" Talk about one way your family can follow Jesus this week.

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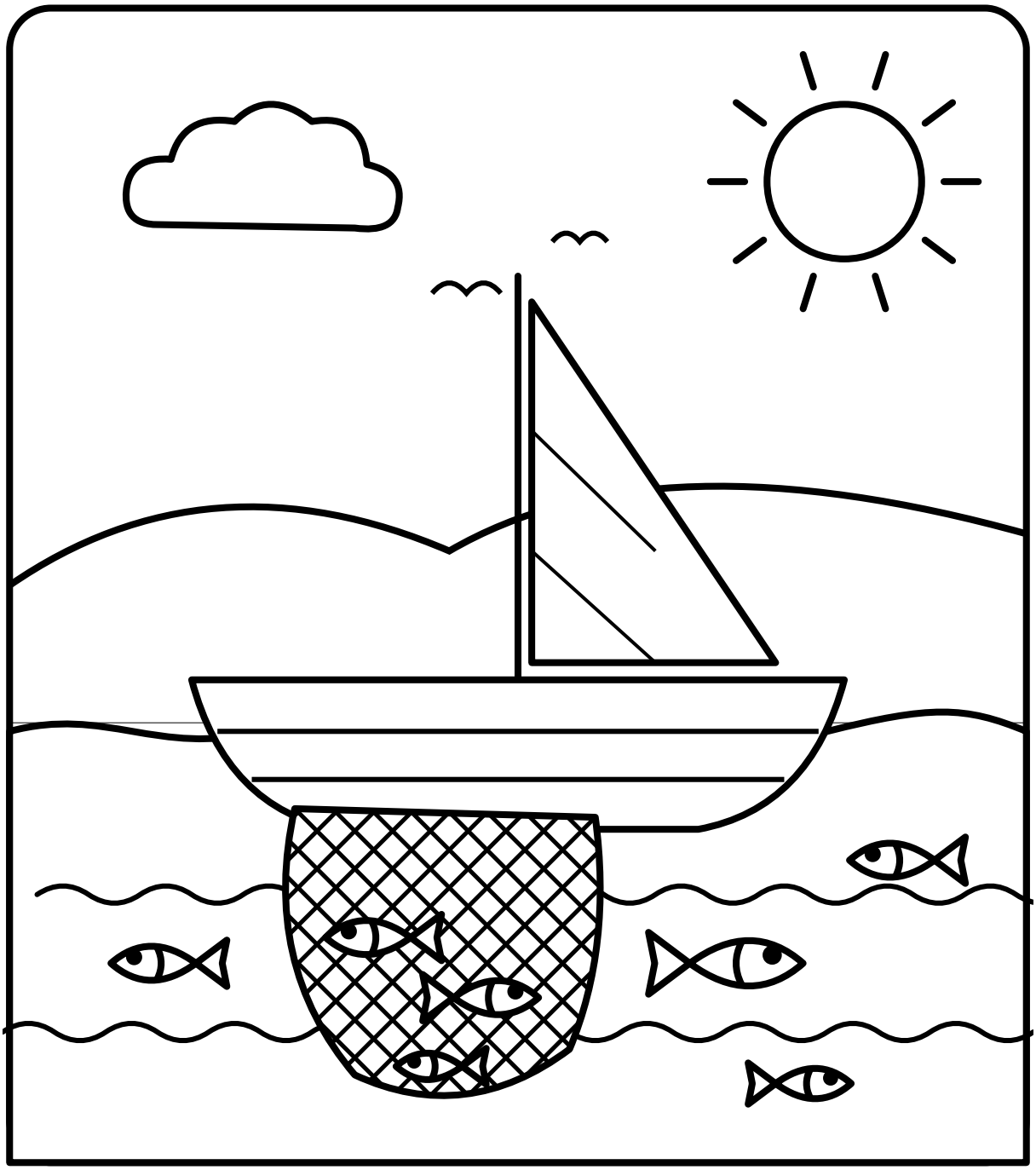

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Trace and Learn

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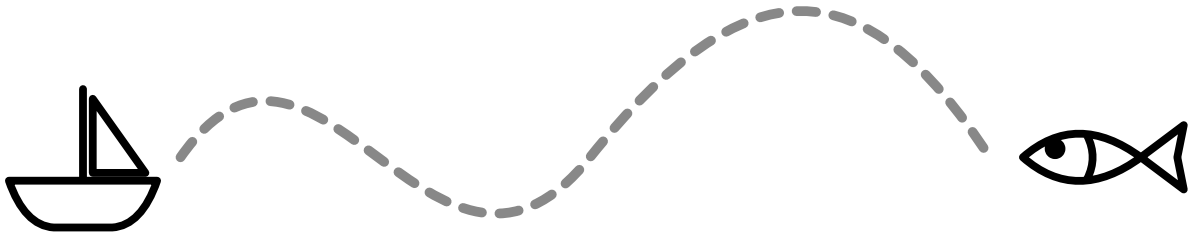
Help Peter's boat find the fish.



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JESUS

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Match the Pictures

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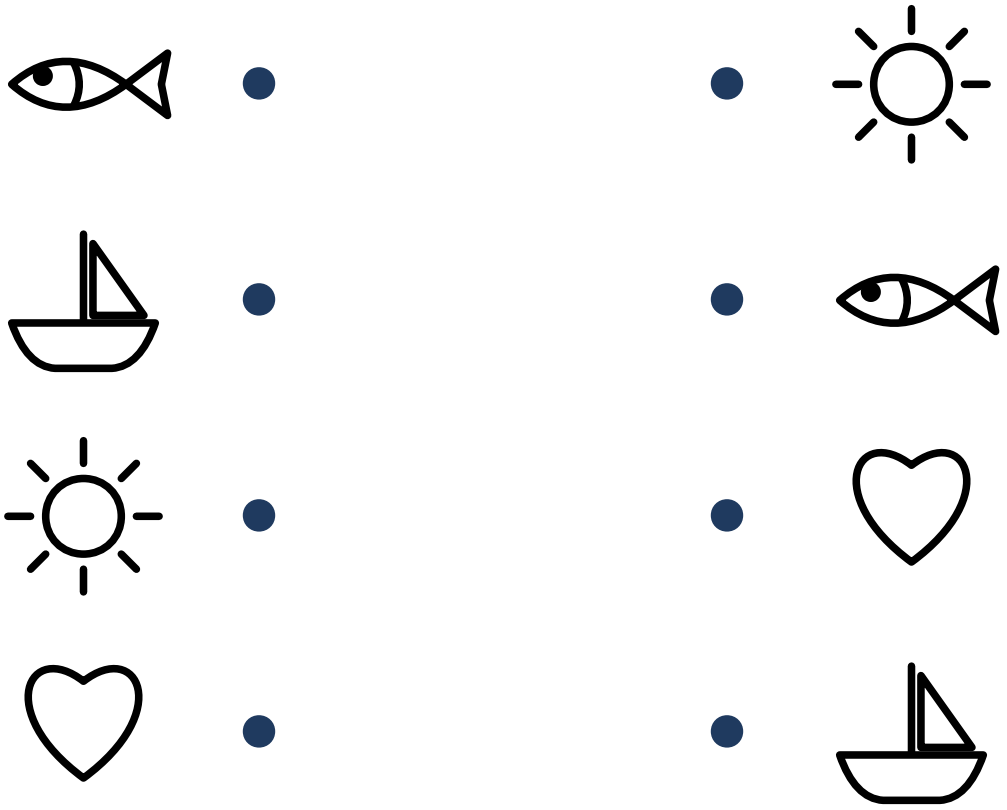

Talk about it: How does each picture help tell today's story? **Jesus wants me to follow Him!**

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Action Rhyme: Five Little Fishes

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Say it, do the motions, and take it home to teach your family!

Five Little Fishes

- Five little fishes swimming in the sea, (wiggle five fingers)
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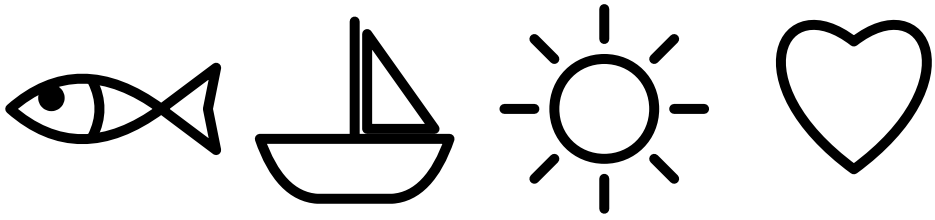
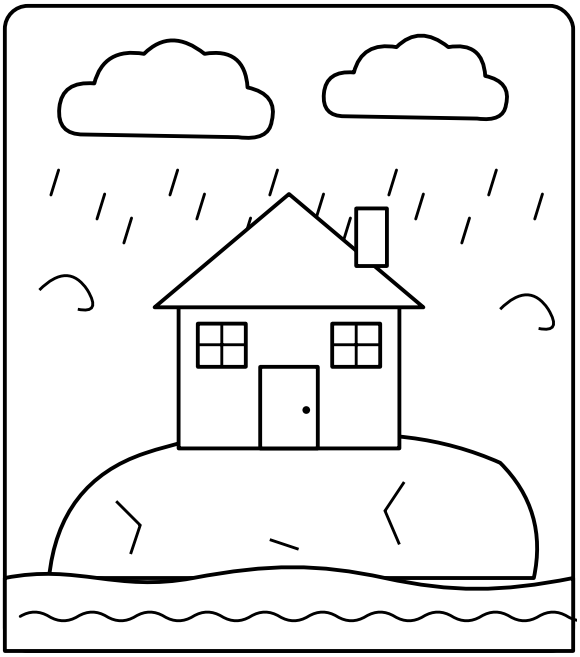


FOLLOWING JESUS VBS · DAY 2 · PRE-K (AGES 3-5)

Take-Home Bible Story

Jesus Teaches Me: Hear and Do! | The Sermon on the Mount and the Wise and Foolish Builders (Matthew 5:1-16; 6:9-13, 33; 7:12, 24-29)



Bible story: The Sermon on the Mount and the Wise and Foolish Builders (Matthew 5:1-16; 6:9-13, 33; 7:12, 24-29)

Grown-ups, please read this story with your child:

The Sermon on the Mount and the Wise and Foolish Builders

- Jesus went up on a mountain. Many people came to hear Him.
- Jesus taught the people about God. Jesus is the best Teacher!
- Jesus told a story about two men who built houses.
- The wise man built his house on the rock.
- The foolish man built his house on the sand.
- The rain came down. The wind blew. Whoosh!
- The house on the sand fell down. Crash! The house on the rock stood strong!
- When I listen to Jesus and obey, I am wise like the man who built on the rock.

"Whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them"

Matthew 7:24 (NKJV)

Say it together: I listen to Jesus and obey!

Do it together: The Wise Man's House

- Build my house upon the rock, (stack fists one on the other)
- Strong and firm, it will not knock! (shake head "no")
- Rain comes down, drip, drip, drop, (wiggle fingers down)
- Wind blows hard, but it won't stop! (blow and sway)
- I will listen, I will do, (hand to ear, then point to self)
- What Jesus says, my whole life through! (arms open wide)

Talk together

- Where did the wise man build his house?
- What happened to the house on the sand?
- How can you listen to Jesus?

Today your child learned that Jesus is the greatest Teacher. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus told about a wise man who built his house on the rock and a foolish man who built on the sand (Matthew 7:24-27). Our memory verse is Matthew 7:24: "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock." Ask your child: "What makes someone wise?" Choose one of Jesus' teachings to practice as a family this week.

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Trace and Learn

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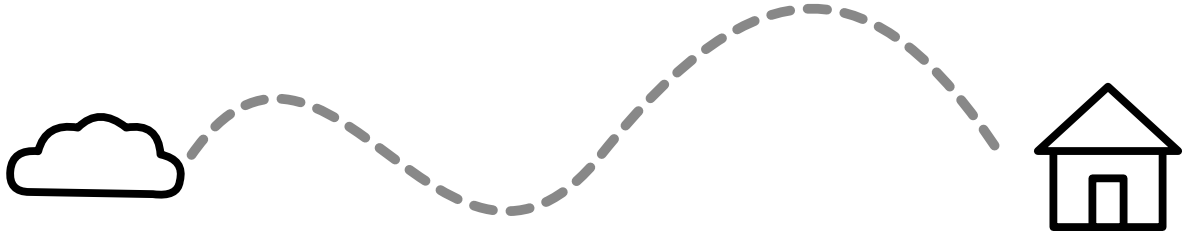

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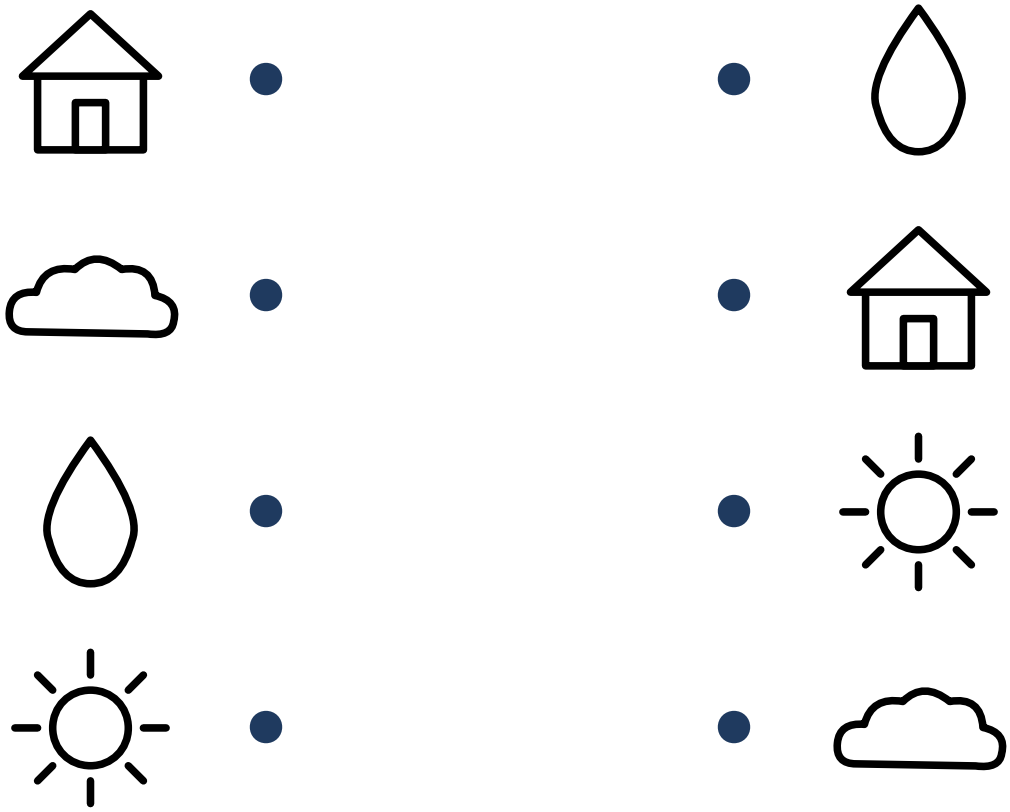

Talk about it: How does each picture help tell today's story? **I listen to Jesus and obey!**

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Action Rhyme: The Wise Man's House

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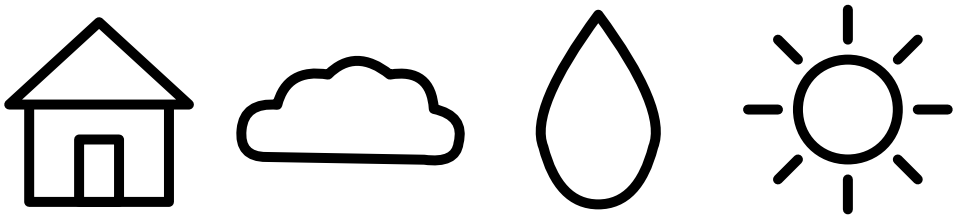
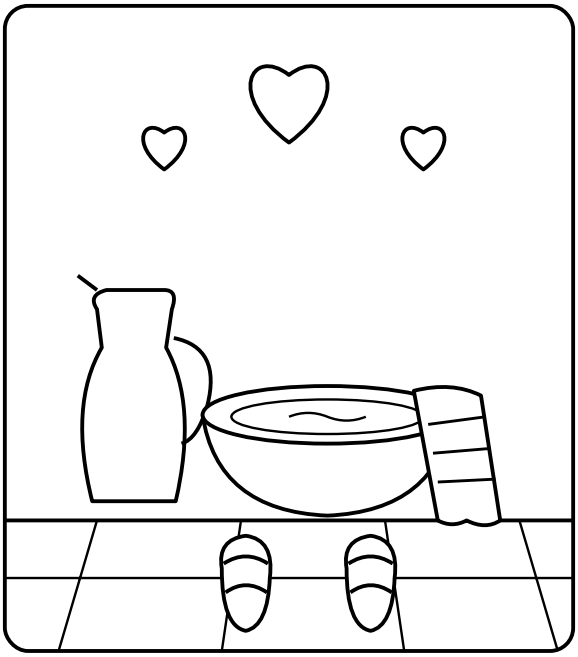


FOLLOWING JESUS VBS · DAY 3 · PRE-K (AGES 3-5)

Take-Home Bible Story

Jesus Shows Me How to Love: Serve Like Jesus! | Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet (John 13:1-17, 34-35; Luke 22:24-27)



Bible story: Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet (John 13:1-17, 34-35; Luke 22:24-27)

Grown-ups, please read this story with your child:

Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet

- Jesus and His friends came to eat a special supper.
- Their feet were dusty and dirty from walking.
- Jesus got a towel and a bowl of water.
- Jesus knelt down and washed His friends' feet. Splish, splash!
- Peter said, "Lord, are You washing my feet?"
- Jesus was showing His friends how to love and help each other.
- Jesus said, "I have given you an example."
- I can love and help others like Jesus!

"I have given you an example"
John 13:15 (NKJV)

Say it together: I can love and help like Jesus!

Do it together: Helping Hands

- Here are my hands, so small and strong, (hold up hands)
- I can help the whole day long! (clap, clap)
- Jesus took a towel just so, (pretend to dry feet)
- To show us all the way to go. (point forward)
- I will love and I will share, (hug yourself)
- Helping others everywhere! (arms open wide)

Talk together

- What did Jesus use to wash feet?
- Whose feet did Jesus wash?
- How can you help someone today?

Today your child learned how Jesus took a towel and a basin and washed His disciples' feet, giving us an example of humble, loving service (John 13:1-17). Our memory verse is John 13:15: "For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you." Ask your child: "Why was it surprising that Jesus washed feet?" As a family, choose one way to serve someone this week.

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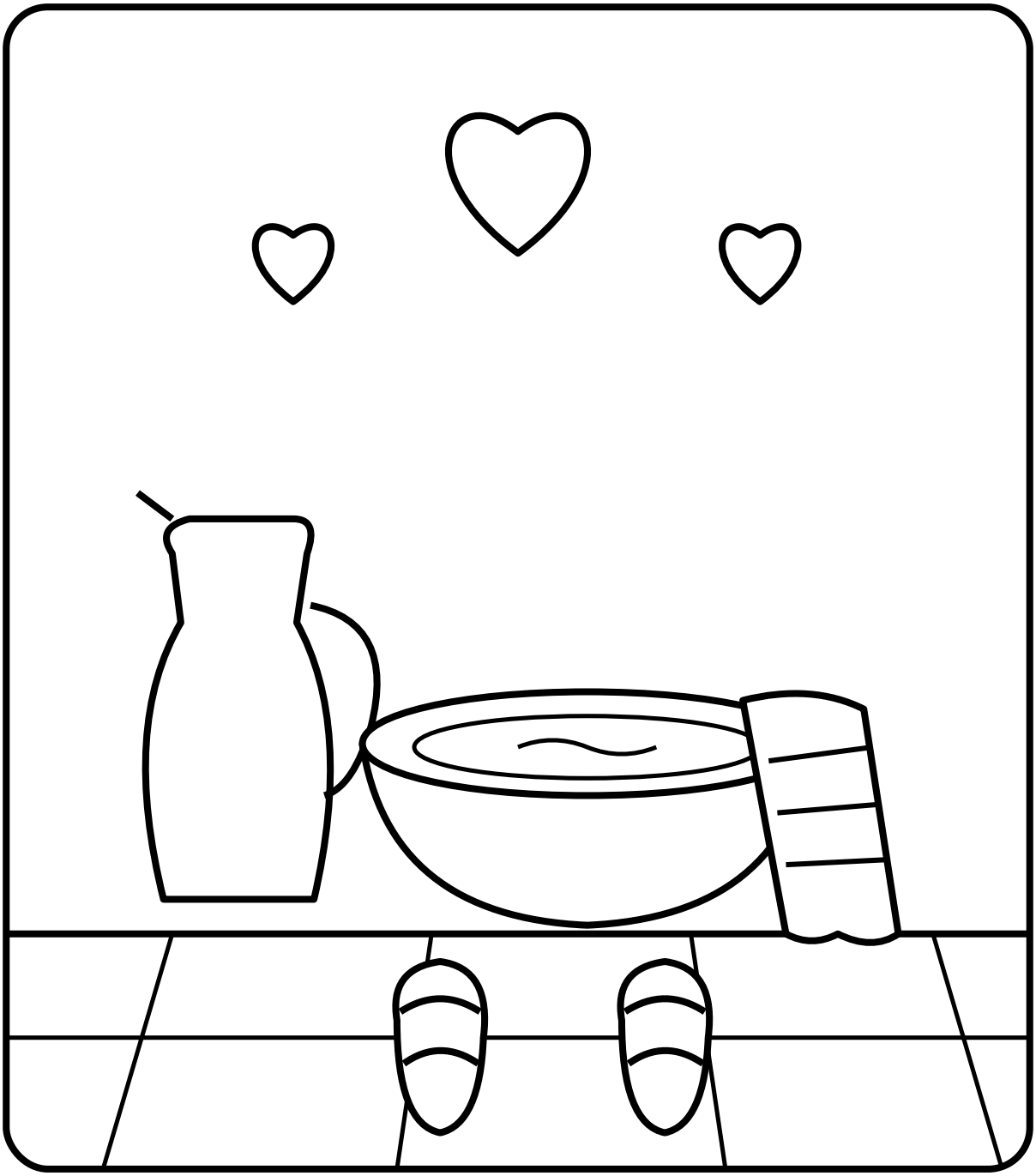

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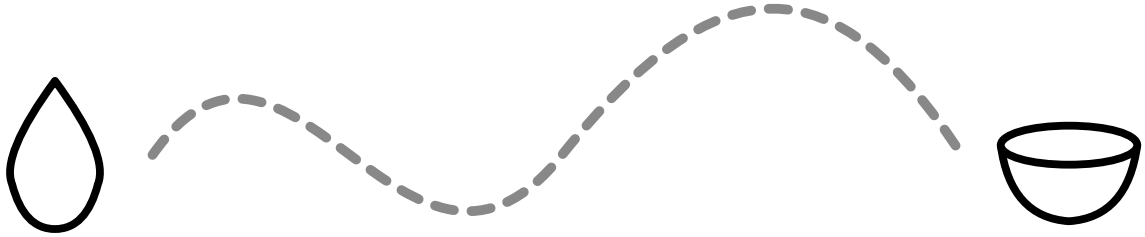

Trace the words.

JESUS

LOVE

I can love and help like Jesus!

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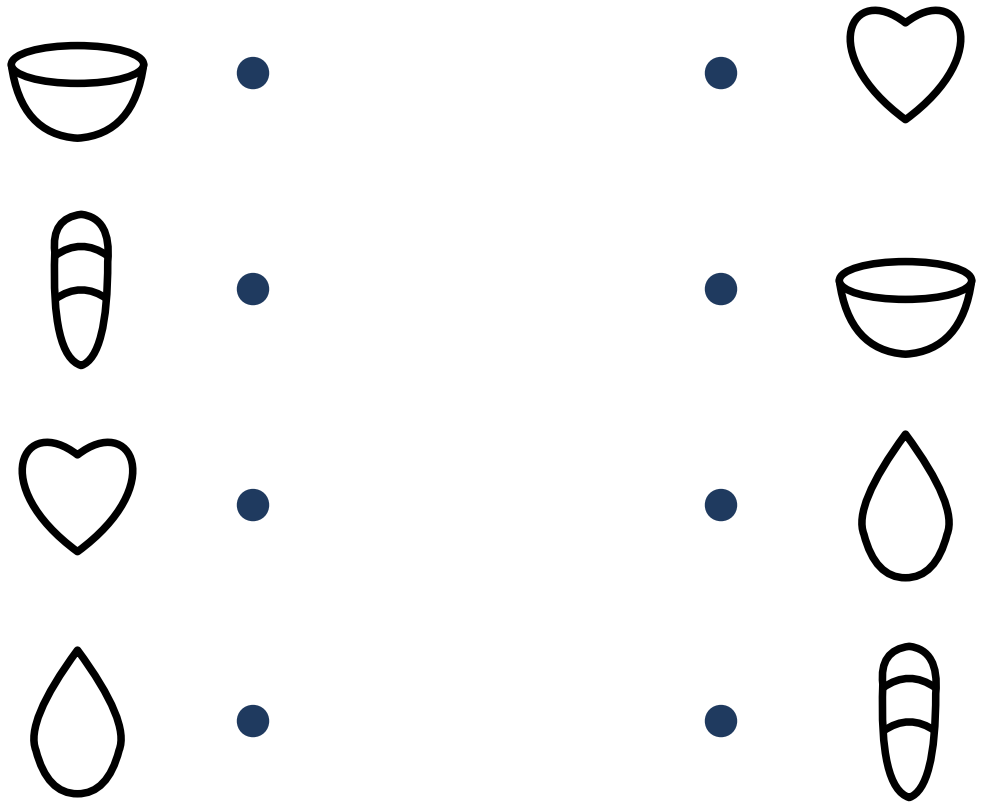

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Action Rhyme: Helping Hands

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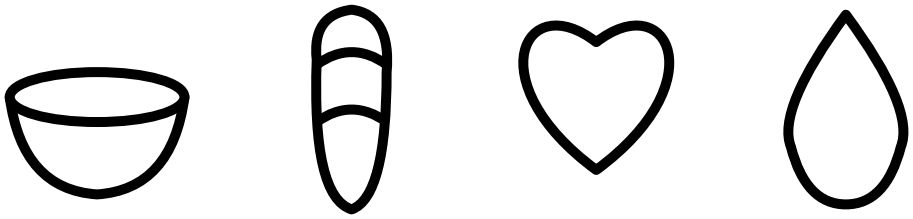
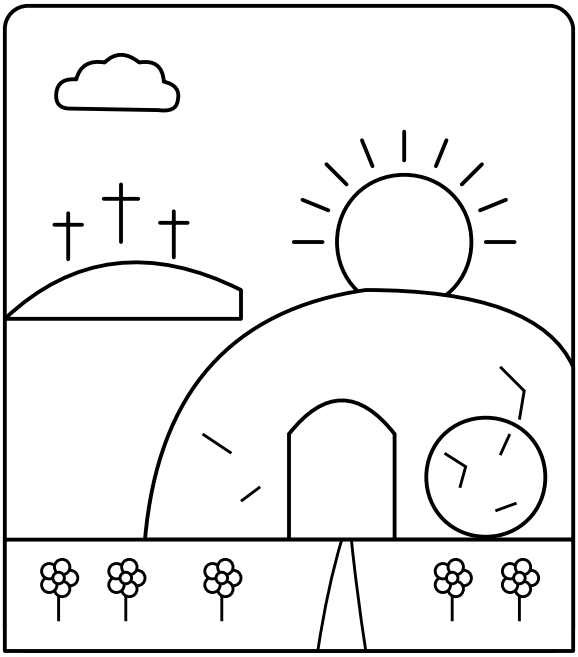


FOLLOWING JESUS VBS · DAY 4 · PRE-K (AGES 3-5)

Take-Home Bible Story

Jesus Saves Me: He Is Risen! | The Cross and the Empty Tomb (Matthew 27:27-28:10; Luke 23:33-46; John 19:30)



Bible story: The Cross and the Empty Tomb (Matthew 27:27-28:10; Luke 23:33-46; John 19:30)

Grown-ups, please read this story with your child:

The Cross and the Empty Tomb

- Jesus loves everyone very much.
- Some people did not love Jesus. They put Jesus on a cross.
- Jesus died on the cross because He loves us.
- Jesus' friends put Him in a tomb. A big stone closed the door.
- On the third day, some women came to the tomb.
- The big stone was rolled away! An angel said, "He is not here; for He is risen!"
- Jesus is alive! The women ran to tell His friends.
- Jesus loves me, and Jesus is alive!

"He is not here; for He is risen"

Matthew 28:6 (NKJV)

Say it together: Jesus loves me and He is alive!

Do it together: The Stone Rolled Away

- Jesus died because He loves me, (cross arms over chest)
- In a tomb so dark was He. (cover eyes)
- The big stone went roll, roll, roll! (roll hands)
- The tomb is empty, look and see! (hands open, peek)
- Jesus is alive today, (jump up)
- Hip, hip, hooray! (cheer)

Talk together

- Who loves you very much?
- What was rolled away from the tomb?
- Is Jesus alive?

Today your child heard the most important news in the world: Jesus died on the cross for our sins, was buried, and rose again on the third day (Matthew 27-28; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4). Our memory verse is Matthew 28:6: "He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay." Ask your child: "What did the angel say to the women at the tomb?" Older children may have questions about obeying the gospel; please talk with them, and feel free to contact our ministers or elders.

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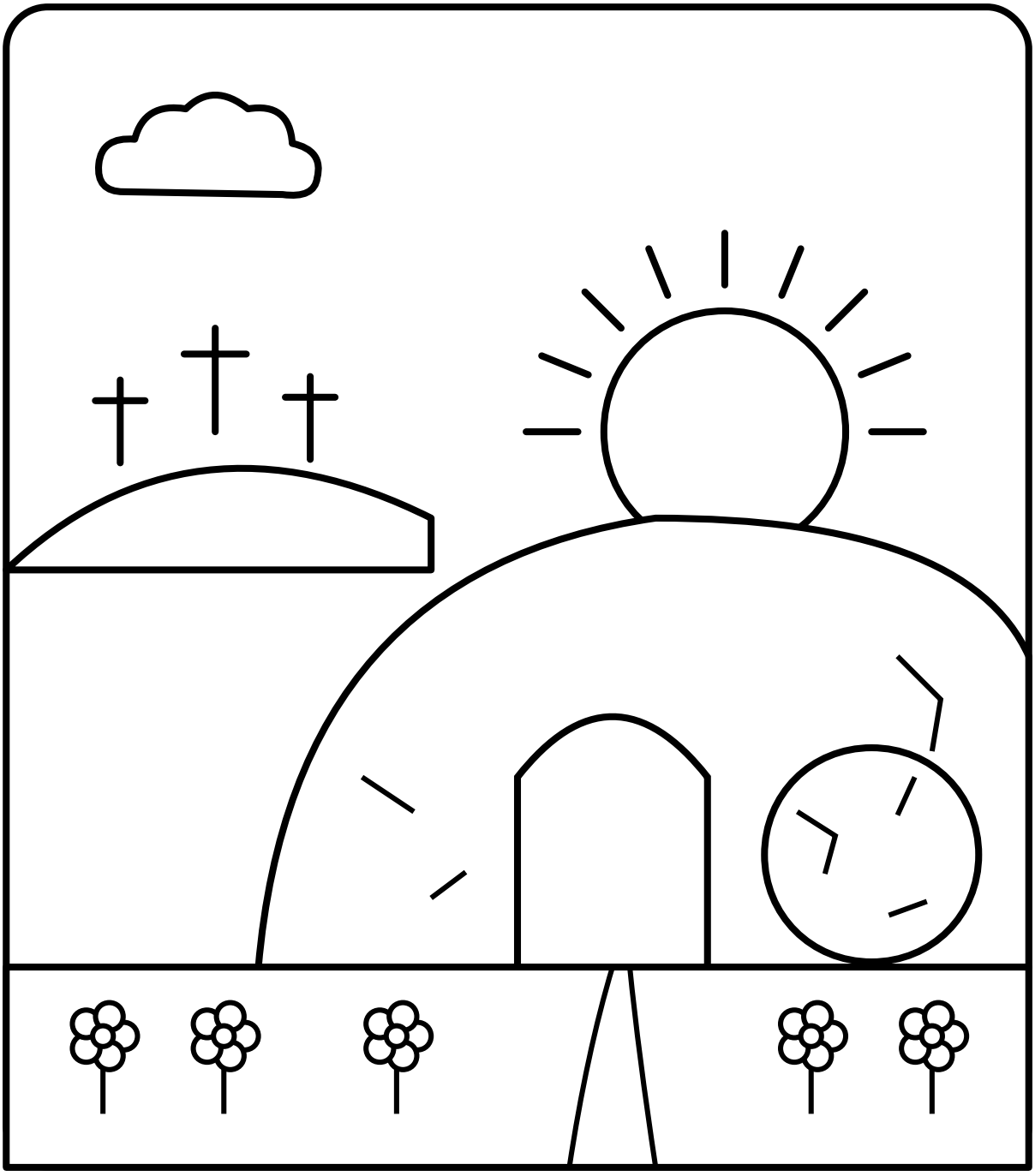

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Trace and Learn

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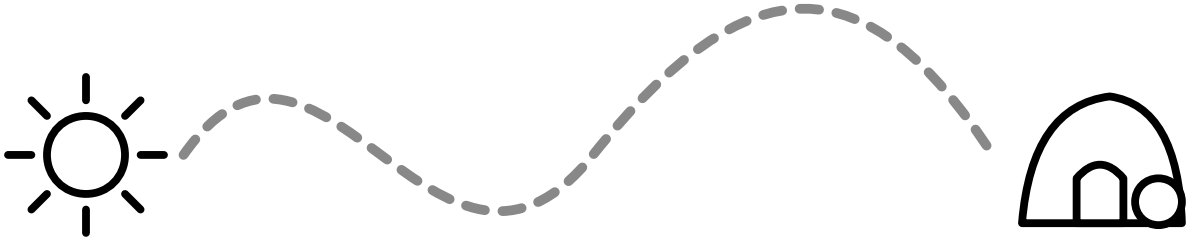
Trace the path to the empty tomb.



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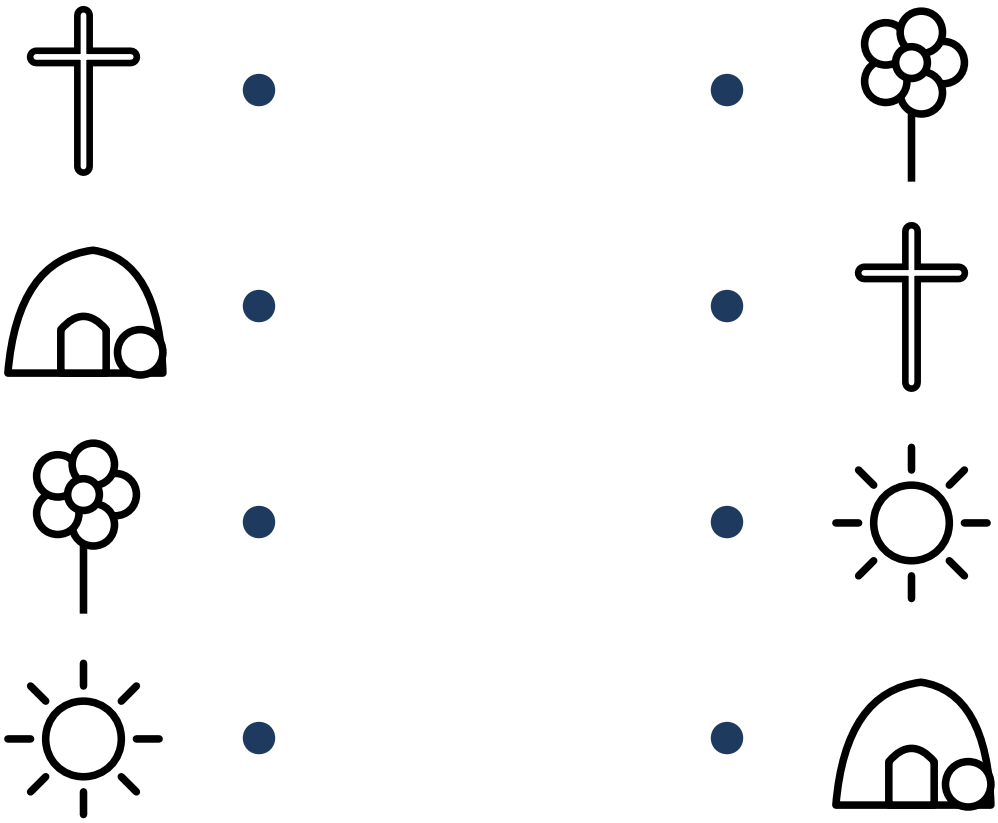

Talk about it: How does each picture help tell today's story? **Jesus loves me and He is alive!**

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Action Rhyme: The Stone Rolled Away

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The Stone Rolled Away

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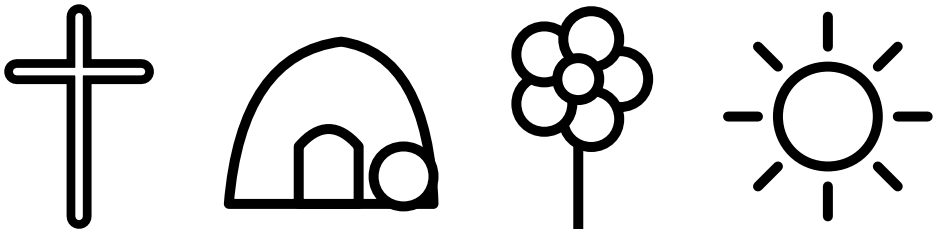

FOLLOWING JESUS VBS · DAY 5 · PRE-K (AGES 3-5)

Take-Home Bible Story

Jesus Sends Me: Go and Tell! | The Great Commission, the Ascension, and the Day of Pentecost
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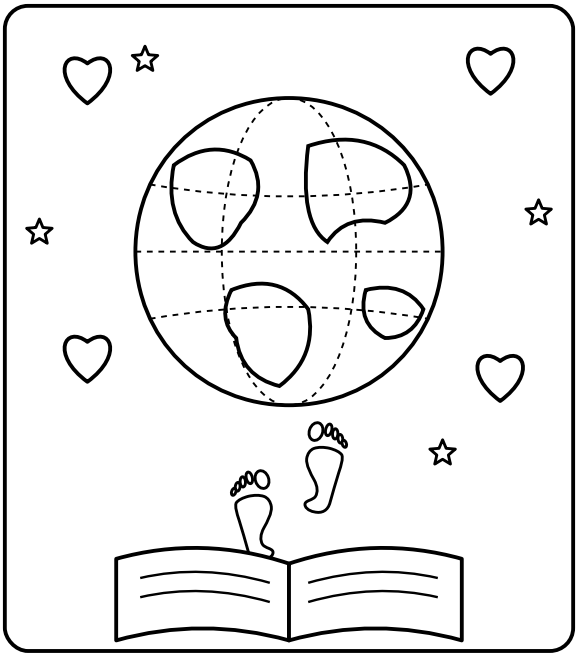

Bible story: The Great Commission, the Ascension, and the Day of Pentecost (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16; Acts 1:3-11; Acts 2:22-41)

Grown-ups, please read this story with your child:

The Great Commission, the Ascension, and the Day of Pentecost

- Jesus is alive! He spent time with His friends.
- Jesus said, "Go into all the world and tell everyone about Me."
- Then Jesus went up, up, up into heaven. A cloud hid Him.
- Two men in white said, "Jesus will come back again!"
- Jesus' friends told many people about Jesus.
- Lots of people listened and obeyed. They were baptized!
- Jesus wants everyone in the whole world to know Him.
- I can tell others about Jesus!

"Go into all the world and preach the gospel"
Mark 16:15-16 (NKJV)

Say it together: I can tell others about Jesus!

Do it together: Go and Tell

- Jesus said to go and tell, (point outward)
- Tell the world He loves them well! (make a big circle with arms)
- Up to heaven Jesus went, (point up high)
- Now I'm one of the friends He sent! (point to self, then march)
- I will tell my mom and dad, (count on fingers)
- Jesus loves us, I'm so glad! (clap and cheer)

Talk together

- Where did Jesus go?
- Who can you tell about Jesus?
- Does Jesus love the whole world?

Five Steps (with motions)

In Acts 2, people obeyed the good news. When we are older, we can obey Jesus too:

- Hear (hand to ear), Romans 10:17
- Believe (hand on heart), Mark 16:16
- Repent, turn from wrong (turn around), Acts 2:38
- Confess, say "Jesus is God's Son" (point up), Romans 10:9
- Be baptized (cross arms and dip down), Acts 2:38

Today your child learned that Jesus sent His followers to tell the whole world the good news, went back to heaven, and will come again (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 1:9-11). We studied Acts 2, where people heard the gospel, believed, repented, and were baptized for the remission of sins. Our memory verse is Mark 16:15-16. Ask your child: "What did the people ask Peter, and what did he tell them?" If your child has questions about becoming a Christian, please talk with them and reach out to our ministers or elders. Thank you for sharing your child with us this week!

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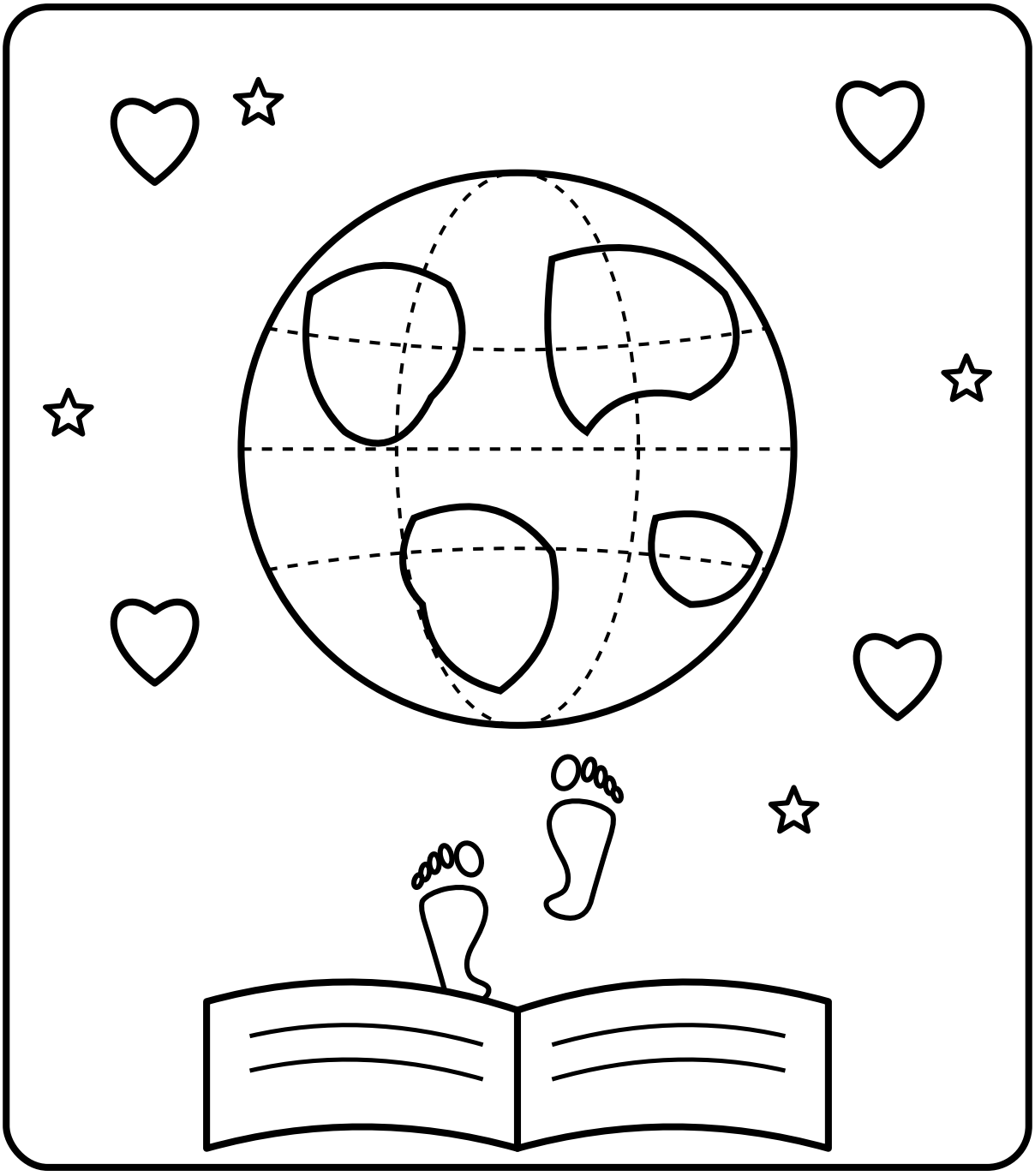

I can tell others about Jesus! "Go into all the world and preach the gospel" (Mark 16:15)

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Trace and Learn

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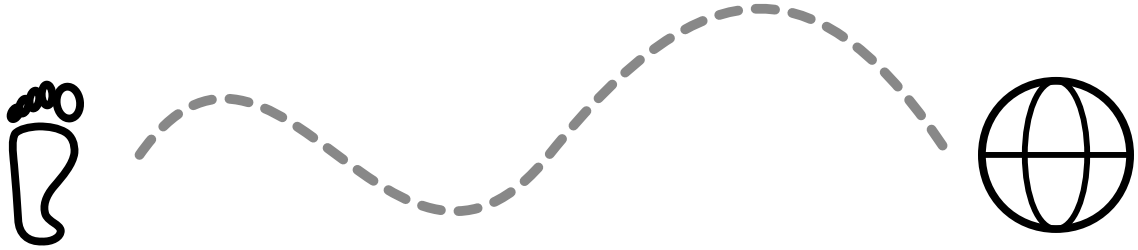
Name: _____

Trace the footsteps to the whole world.



Trace the words.

JESUS

TELL

I can tell others about Jesus!

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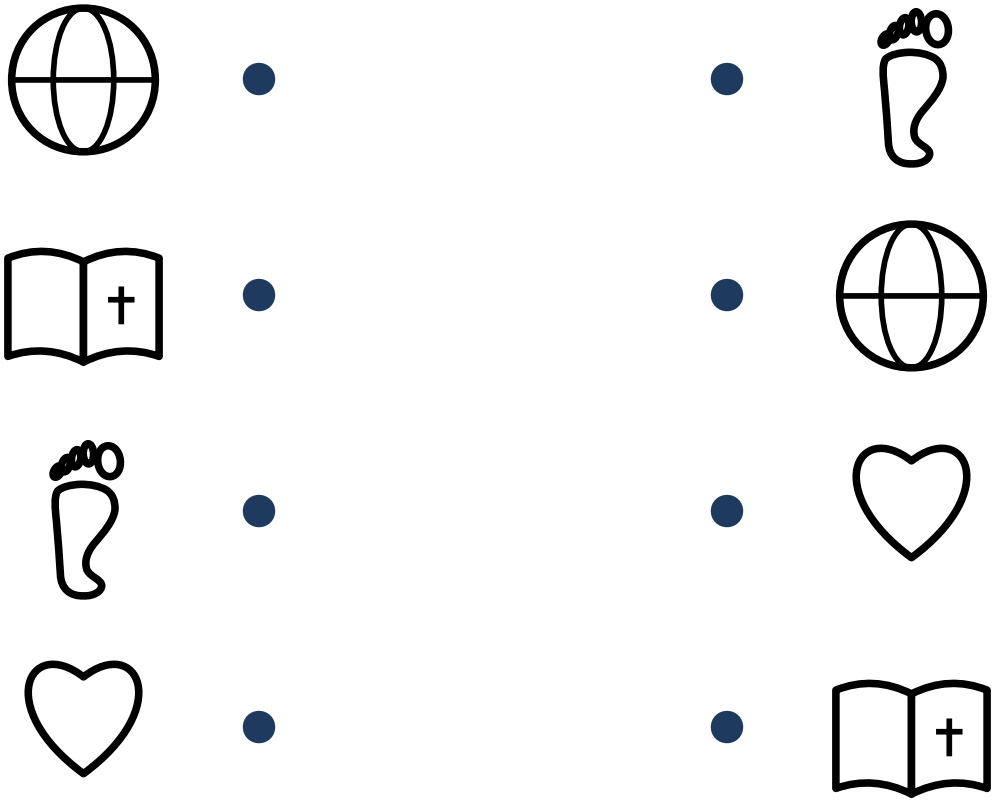
Match the Pictures

Jesus Sends Me: Go and Tell! | The Great Commission, the Ascension, and the Day of Pentecost
(Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16; Acts 1:3-11; Acts 2:22-41)

Name: _____

Draw a line from each picture to the picture that is the same.



Talk about it: How does each picture help tell today's story? **I can tell others about Jesus!**

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Action Rhyme: Go and Tell

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Say it, do the motions, and take it home to teach your family!

Go and Tell

- Jesus said to go and tell, (point outward)
- Tell the world He loves them well! (make a big circle with arms)
- Up to heaven Jesus went, (point up high)
- Now I'm one of the friends He sent! (point to self, then march)
- I will tell my mom and dad, (count on fingers)
- Jesus loves us, I'm so glad! (clap and cheer)

"Go into all the world and preach the gospel"
Mark 16:15-16 (NKJV)

Color the pictures:

