

Sunday, June 6, 2021

Scripture Memory Program

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The Church Met Needs

Thank you for continuing this journey of The Gospel Project® for Kids. Over the next three weeks, our kids will be learning about the early church. After the Holy Spirit came and the disciples began preaching the gospel, more and more people believed in Jesus. They met together and shared what they had like one big family. God blessed them, and the church grew. (See Acts 2.)

Peter and John were among Jesus' first disciples. They were fishermen, and when Jesus called them, Peter and John immediately left their work and followed Him. (Matt. 4:18-22) Peter and John still followed Christ after His ascension. Though Jesus was no longer with them physically, the Holy Spirit empowered them to do God's work.

One day, Peter and John encountered a man at the temple gate. The man was lame from birth, and he depended on the generosity of passersby. When the man looked at Peter and John, he likely hoped for or expected money. Gold or silver would have provided food or clothing, but Peter gave him something even more valuable. "In the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, get up and walk!" (Acts 3:6) Peter reached out and helped the man to his feet. He was healed! Not by Peter's power, but by the power of Jesus working through him.

After Jesus returned to heaven, the Holy Spirit gave the disciples power to keep working. Peter healed a man who was lame with the power of Jesus' name. God was working in the early church. They lived very differently from the people around them. God gives the Holy Spirit to believers today so the church can tell others about Jesus and show them His love.

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NCK Scripture Memory Program June 6 – 20, 2021

Date	Lesson Name	They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.
6/6	The Church Met Needs	
6/13	Seven Men Were Chosen	
6/20	Stephen's Address	Acts 2:42

Our key passage is found in the same book as our Bible story, the Book of Acts. This passage tells us about the early church. The members of the early church listened to the apostles' teaching, spent time together, ate together, and prayed together. *Breaking bread* means eating meals together, especially the Lord's Supper.

Christ Connection: The church is God's plan to bring praise and glory to Jesus.

Unit Description: The gospel is good news for everyone, both Jews and Gentiles. Through the early church, the good news about Jesus spread beyond Jerusalem. The Lord saved more and more people every day, and the church grew.

Acts 2:42-47: ⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

If you are not currently attending church in person and would like your children to participate in the program, email me at wsherman.gcccnck@gmail.com when you child(ren) have memorized a verse and I'll make sure they receive a prize!

Did you know we have an NCK Facebook page? (Click here.) It is a private group, so the first time you visit the page you'll have to wait until our administrator gives you access—normally within 24 to 48 hours. You can find the verse along with a weekly resource pack that includes a summary of the lesson, a read-out-loud Bible Story, discussion questions, and activity and coloring pages. You'll also find links to the weekly video. We post and email the resource pack out every Friday.

Bible Story: The Church Met Needs

Acts 3:1-10; 4:32-37 ● Read the bolded text for younger kids.

One afternoon, Peter and John—two of Jesus' followers—went to the temple. It was time to pray. When they got there, Peter and John saw a man sitting by a gate. The man could not walk, so he could not work. Every day, the man's friends carried him to the temple, where he sat outside. The gate was called the Beautiful Gate. As people entered the temple, they walked by the man, and the man asked them for money.

Peter said to the man, "Look at us." The man looked at Peter and John, expecting to receive something from them.

Peter said, "I don't have any silver or gold for you, but I will give you what I do have." Then Peter said, "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, get up and walk!"

Peter reached out and helped the man up. All of a sudden, the man's feet and ankles were strong. He could walk! In fact, the man leaped around! He went into the temple with Peter and John, and he praised God.

The people in the temple saw the man. Wasn't this the man who sat by the gate outside the temple every day? Is this man who asked for money because he couldn't walk? Yes, it was the man! And he was healed! How could such a wonderful thing happen? The people were amazed at what they saw.

Now all the people who believed in Jesus got along as if they were all part of the same family. No one kept anything just for themselves. They shared everything they had. Jesus' followers told people about Jesus' resurrection. "Jesus is alive!" they said. And God was kind to them. No one in the group needed anything because if anyone in the church owned land or houses, they sold what they had and gave the money to Jesus' disciples. Then the disciples made sure everyone was taken care of.

Christ Connection: After Jesus returned to heaven, the Holy Spirit gave the disciples power to keep working. Peter healed a man who was lame with the power of Jesus' name. God changed the hearts of believers, and they shared what they had so no one was needy. God gives the Holy Spirit to believers today so the church can tell others about Jesus and show them His love.

Key Passage: Acts 2:42

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Big Picture Question:

By whose power did Peter heal the man who was lame? Peter healed the man by the power of Jesus.

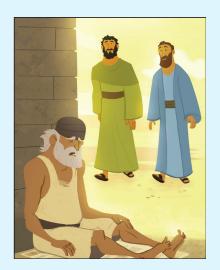
Bible Story Review

- 1. Why did the man who was lame sit at the temple gate every day? (to ask people for money, Acts 3:2)
- 2. What did Peter say to the man? ("In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, get up and walk!" Acts 3:6)
- 3. By whose power did Peter heal the man who was lame? Peter healed the man by the power of Jesus.
- 4. Where did the man go after he was healed? (He went into the temple with Peter and John, Acts 3:8)
- 5. What did the man do in the temple? (praised God, Acts 3:8)
- 6. How did people feel when they saw the man praising God in the temple? (They were amazed, Acts 3:10)
- 7. How did people in the early church treat their possessions? (*They shared everything, Acts 4:32*)
- 8. How did the early church care for each other? (They sold what they had and gave the money to the apostles, Acts 4:34---35)

Say • Great job remembering facts from the story. This Bible story teaches us a lot about caring for other believers and the power in Jesus' name.

Christ Connection

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Big Book of Coloring Pages with Bible Stories for Kids of All Ages

Peter Helps a Man

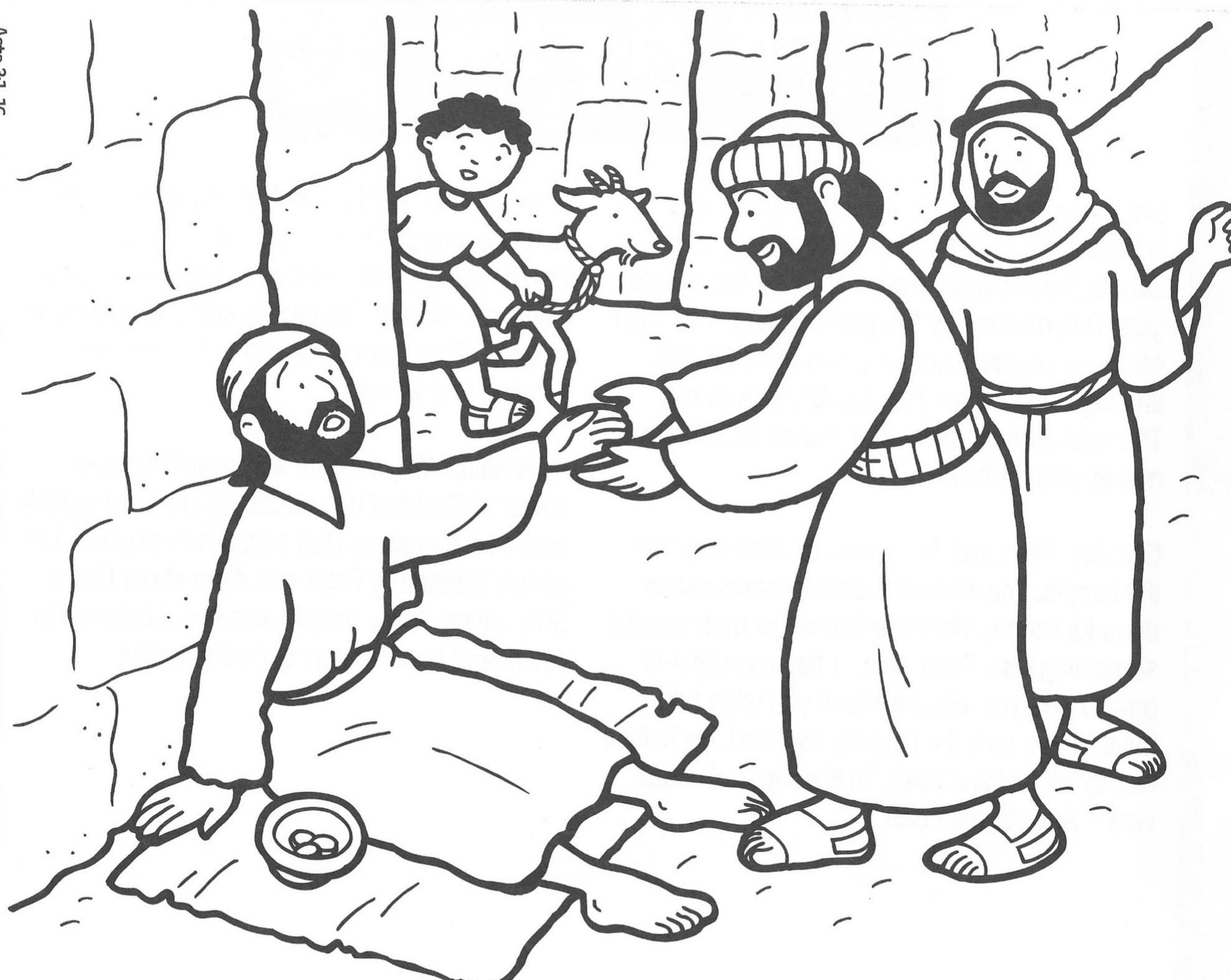
Acts 3:1-16

Every day hundreds of people worshipped God in the temple in Jerusalem. On their way to the temple, these people walked through the temple gate. One man sat by the gate begging. This man had been disabled since he was born. His feet and legs didn't work. He couldn't walk or run. The man asked people who walked by him to put money into his bowl.

One day, Peter and John were on their way into the temple. The man who couldn't walk asked them for money. But Peter knew this man needed something else. Peter said, "I have no silver or gold to give you. But I will give you what I do have." Peter took the man by the hand. He helped him to his feet and said, "In the name of Jesus, walk!" And the man did!

Now the man could jump! Now the man could walk! He was so excited and happy, he went into the temple with Peter and John. The healed man praised God! The people in the temple were amazed. They were surprised to see this man jumping and walking.

Peter said, "Why are you surprised? It is the power of God that has made this man completely well! And this same God sent Jesus to you." The people listened as Peter told them about God's Son, Jesus. Many people who heard believed in Jesus and became part of God's family!



Acts 3:1–16

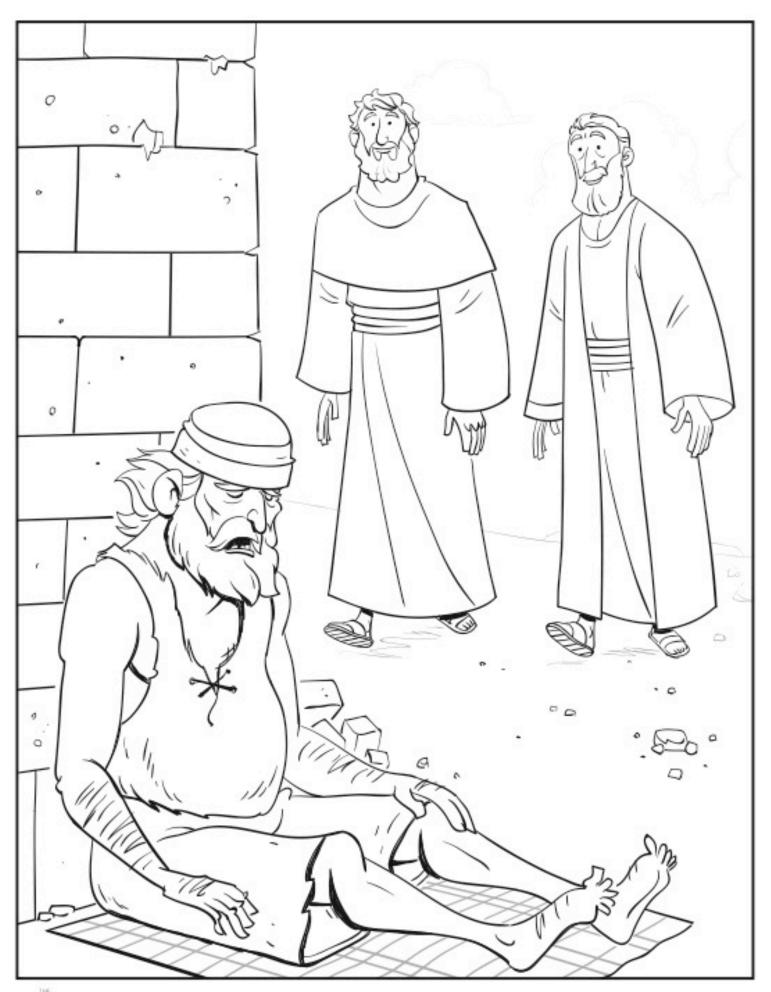
Peter Helps a Man

Preschool Activity Pages Unit 34 • Session 1

Instructions: Draw a line from the picture on the left to the item needed on the right.







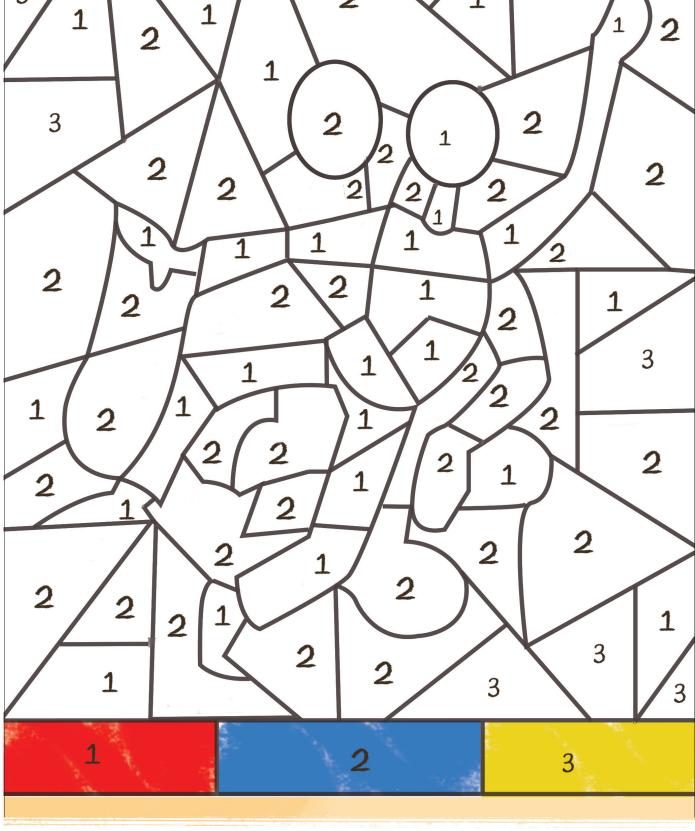


Instructions: Color each section using the color code as a guide to reveal a clue about today's Bible story.

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The Early Church

UNIT 34 • Session 1 • Younger Kids Activity Pages



Color by Number

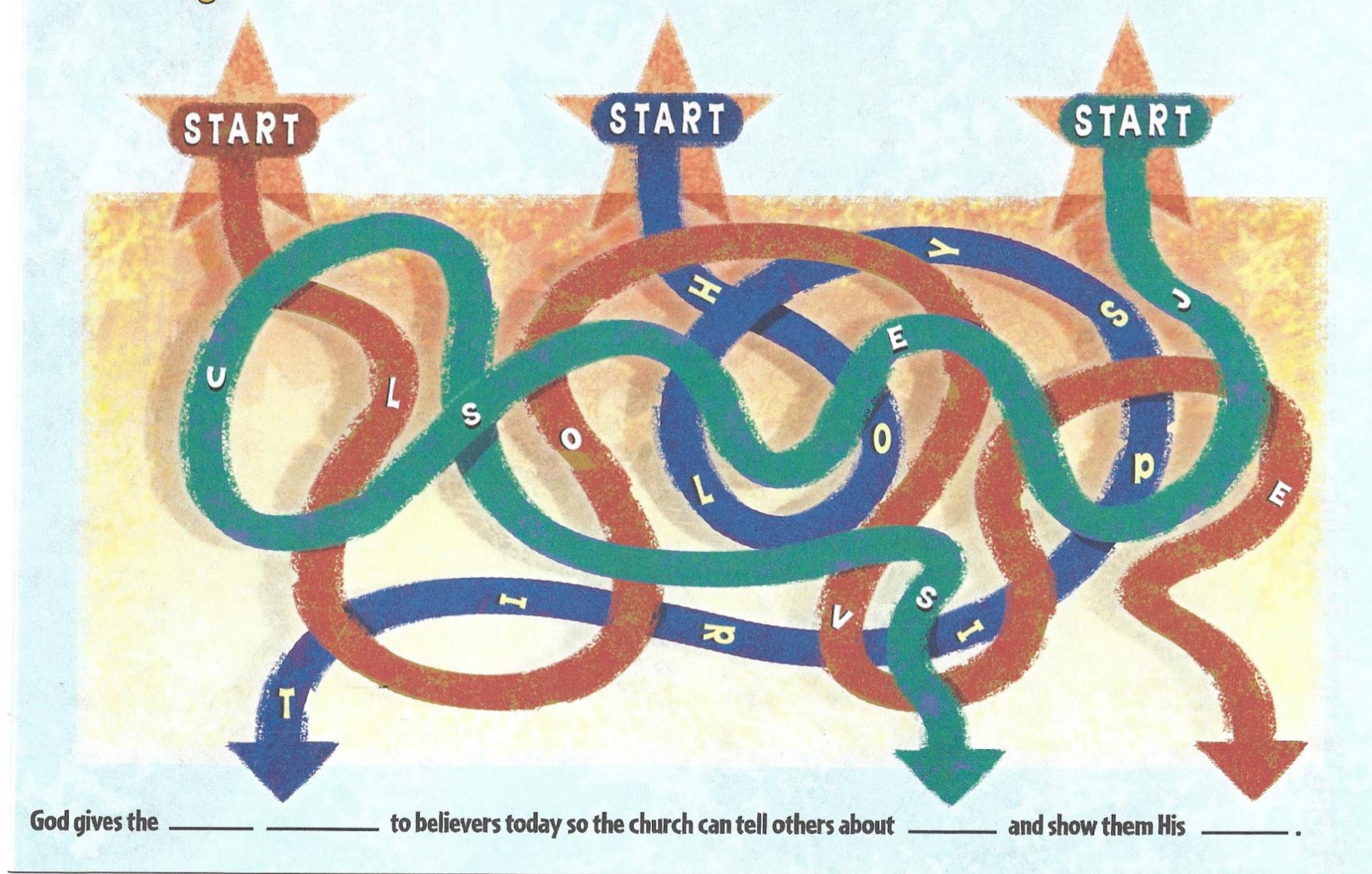
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Meeting Needs

Instructions: Follow each path, picking up letters along the way. Use the letters to fill in the corresponding blank.







Instructions: Unscramble the words

