

My Artistic Offering to God this morning:

Children and Families Prayer
Guide

Johns Island Presbyterian Church

September 13, 2020



Today we will read one of the parables together in our Scripture passage.

A **parable** is a story Jesus used to explain something complicated in a way that everyone could understand. It was how Jesus taught people, and how Jesus still teaches us.

Today's parable is in **Matthew 18:21-35**. Watch and listen to the story during Zoom worship or read the scripture together as a family.

What is this story about?

What do you think Jesus wanted the disciples to understand?

How can we respond to Jesus' teaching today?



The servant in the story asks for mercy and understanding. But then he doesn't show that same mercy to someone else....

God shows us grace even though we make mistakes and make bad choices sometimes. God wants us to show grace, understanding, mercy, and forgiveness to others, just God showed us!

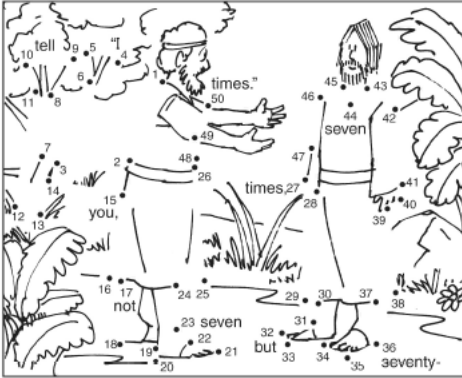


TODAY we have a **Called Congregational Meeting** right after worship. This is a chance for all of the members of the church to discuss and vote about something. This time we will be voting on our new elders. Elders serve on session and listen to the Holy Spirit and try and guide the church in the path God wants us to go together.

The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant

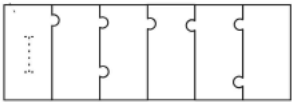
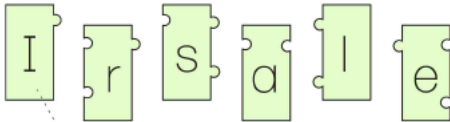
Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive someone who sins against me? Up to 7 times?" How did Jesus answer?

Connect the dots and read the words along the way.

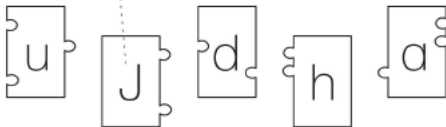
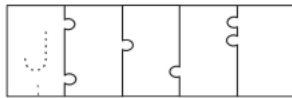


"Judah became God's sanctuary,
Israel His dominion."

Match the puzzle pieces and write each letter.



and



God's Awesome Presence

God chose where He would be on earth.

Write the names of places where certain people may live.
Use the circled letters to complete the sentence below.



1) A college student lives in a
d _ r _ _ _ y _ .



4) A king or queen lives in a
_ _ _ _ c _ .



2) A governor lives in a
m _ _ _ _ n _ .



5) A camper lives in a
_ _ _ _ _ .



3) A soldier lives in the
b _ r _ _ _ k _ .



6) A traveler stays in a
h _ _ _ _ _ .

The people 1 2 3 4 5 6 became God's dwelling place.

God chose not to have a palace or man's
Wherever His people went, God was there and His mighty power was made known.

In the word search, cross out the words from this list. Then write the unused letters in order in the blanks to complete the sentence.

led earth river presence
sea lambs dwells trembles
free might people mountains
will



"Judah became God's _____,
Israel His _____."



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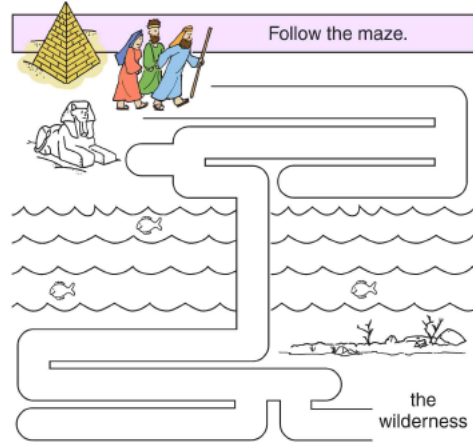
Peter asked Jesus,
"Should I forgive someone 7 times?"

Find 7 "7's" in the picture.



God's Awesome Presence

The children of Israel came out of Egypt.

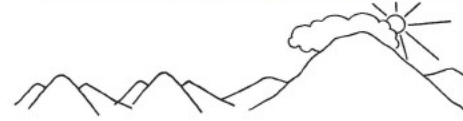


All the Earth knows God.
It trembles at the presence of the Lord.

Circle the 2 pictures that are alike in each row.



Use the words from the word search list
on the left side of this page to complete the poem.



God dwell among His people
So where they went, He _____ .
The Red _____ turned back before them,
Providing a dry sea bed.
The Jordan _____ also
Stopped flowing and stood still
As God's _____ crossed in safety.
Waters gladly did God's _____ .
All creation rejoiced at His _____ .
The _____ skipped with glee
Like _____ playing in the meadow —
Healthy, safe and _____ .
The _____ knows its Creator
And _____ at His _____ .
When He _____ among His people,
He brings peace and joy and right.