

Children's Activities

18th October 2020

Trained to Share the Good News
Matthew 10, Luke 10, Matthew 28:16-20

Equipment

Fairly large metal or plastic plate or tray – anything unbreakable that will spin for a while when placed on the floor and given a twirl.

This is a short activity that introduces the concept of calling each child by name.

Sit the children in a circle. Ensure that all the children know each other's names – introduce any newcomers. One player is chosen to start the game. S/he goes to the centre of the circle, spins the plate and simultaneously calls out the name of one of the other children. The child whose name is called must leap up, run to the centre of the circle and catch the plate before it stops spinning. If he manages to do this he becomes the next person to spin the plate. If he fails, then he returns to his place and the original spinner can continue or the leader can choose another child to start.

The Point: It introduces the theme that Jesus called his disciples by name when he chose them.

Dream Team

Explain that the group are going to choose a 'Dream Team'. This can be one of two things: a sports team (e.g. football, rugby, netball, Olympic etc) or a 'team' of celebrity best friends (which celebs would you choose to be your closest friends). Tell the children that at the end of the activity they will have to explain why they chose the people they did.

Give the children a few minutes to discuss and design their dream team. If you have got relevant magazines to inspire them then you can give them these to look at.

Once they have finished, bring them all together and ask one member of each group to introduce their 'Dream team' and why they have chosen those people.

What's my Job?

Have the children sit in a group and call out one volunteer. Whisper a job into that person's ear. They then have to mime what they would do in that job until the other children guess who they are.

Repeat with several volunteers.

Job ideas:

- Postman/woman
- Doctor
- Chef
- Teacher
- Farmer
- Racing driver
- Film star
- Photographer
- Window cleaner
- Fisherman
- Fashion model
- Newsreader
- Parent



The Point: Links to the idea of having a job to do.

Read: Matthew 28:16-20

Who do you meet who needs to know the Good News about Jesus?

How can you tell them about Him?

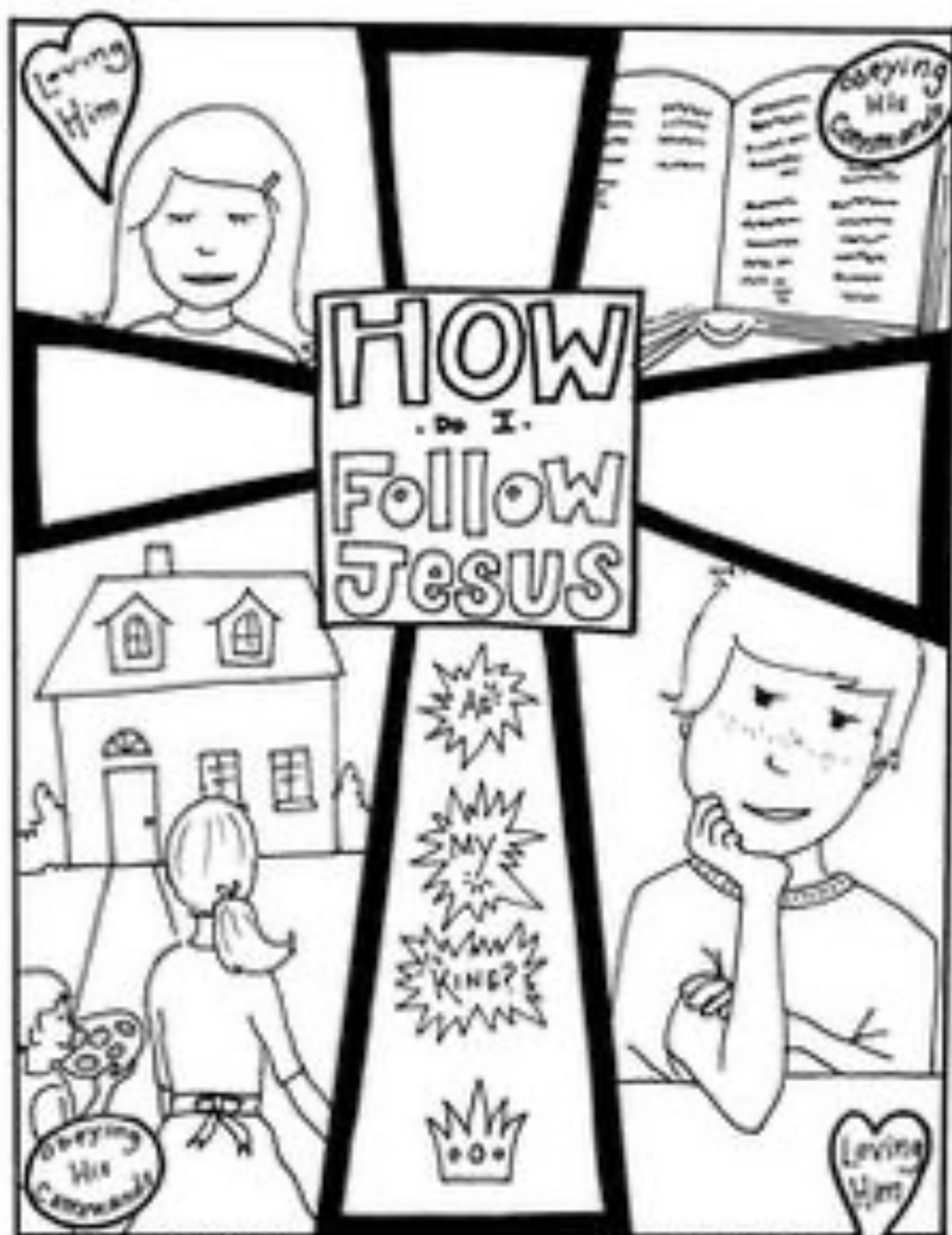
What is a disciple?

How can YOU be a disciple?

How can you make other people disciples?

How does it feel to know that Jesus will be with you wherever you go?

What does it mean when Jesus gives us His authority?



Read Luke 10

**This records when Jesus sent out 72 people to
heal the sick, cast out demons and tell other
people about the Kingdom of God.**

in v 2-3, it says

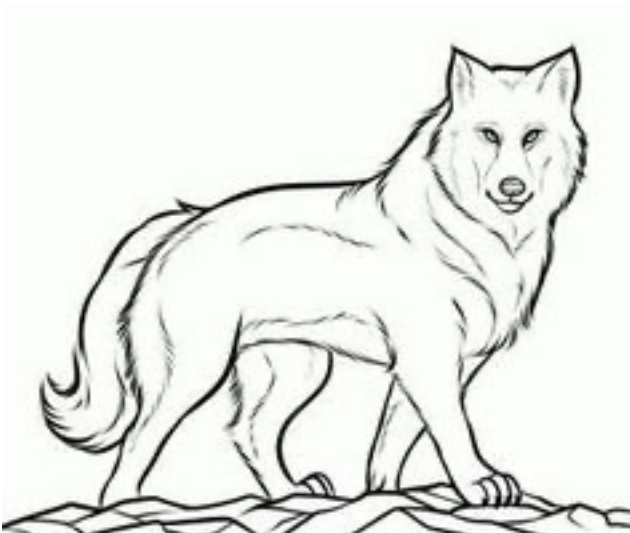
*“The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask
the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers
into his harvest field. Go! I am sending you out like
lambs among wolves.*

What is the harvest field supposed to represent?

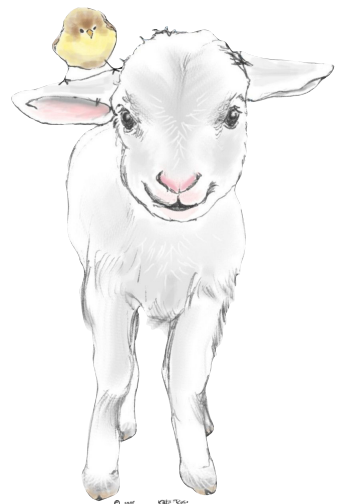
Who are the workers?

Who is the Lord of the harvest?

If God is sending YOU like a lamb among wolves - what
should you do to keep safe?

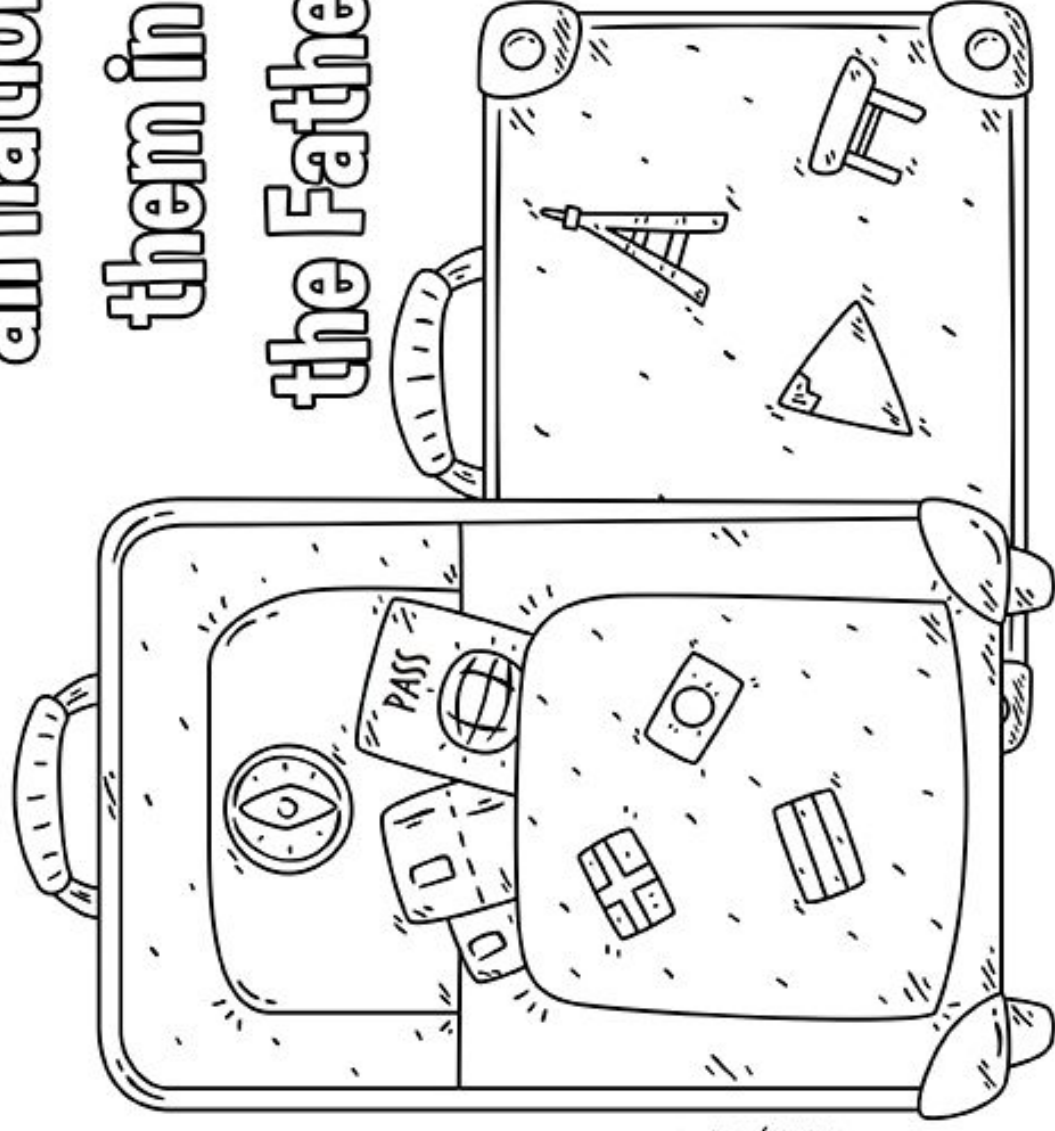


How can you be a
good ‘worker in
God’s Vineyard?



Therefore go and make disciples of
all nations, baptizing
them in the name of
the Father and of the
Son and
of the
Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19



"But you will receive
power when the Holy
Spirit has come upon
you; and you shall be
My witnesses both in
Jerusalem, and in all
Judea and Samaria,
and even to the
remotest
part of the earth."

Acts 1:8

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