

Isaiah 40.²⁵⁻³¹

the Holy Spirit

Today is 'Pentecost' Sunday

It's a special day for Christians, when we remember how God gave His Holy Spirit to live in the hearts of all who trust in Jesus.

In the Bible there are some 'pictures' used to help us understand how the Holy Spirit works in our lives.

In the box alongside you'll see a number of 'pictures'.

All of them, except one, are used in the Bible to describe how the Holy Spirit works in our lives, and the difference He makes.

Can you work out which is the one 'picture' which is not used in the Bible?



Mark each box with either

- a tick (if it's a picture the Bible uses)

or

- a cross (if it's the one picture the Bible doesn't use).



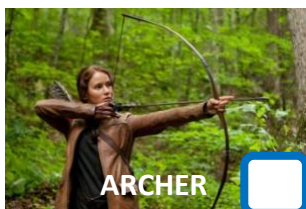
FIRE



DOVE



RIVER



ARCHER



OIL



Can you figure out what each of the 'pictures' tells us about the Holy Spirit and the way in which He works in our lives?

Today's Bible passage ..

Read

Isaiah 40.25-31

²⁵ "To whom will you compare me? Or who is my equal?" says the Holy One. ²⁶ Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one and calls forth each of them by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing.

²⁷ Why do you complain, Jacob? Why do you say, Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord; my cause is disregarded by my God"?

²⁸ Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. ²⁹ He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. ³⁰ Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; ³¹ but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

When Jesus was raised from the dead His friends were overjoyed!

They were so glad that He was alive again – and alive now for ever!

It was great knowing that He would be with them always!



But Jesus wanted to be with

all His people
everywhere
all the time

He promised that He would send His Holy Spirit to be **with** them – just like He had been with them – and, even better, Jesus said He would come and live **in** them by His Spirit!



It's like He's standing and knocking at the door of your life.

When you trust in Jesus and ask Him into your life, that's exactly what He does – He comes in!

Today's passage reminds you of two things.

1. just who Jesus is

and

2. the difference it makes having Him living in your life by His Spirit.

Jesus is great!

Amazingly great!

Have a look again at the first couple of verses of the Bible passage and see what they tell you about Jesus.

Where do verses tell you to look?



__ E __ E __ E __

Here are the other letters you'll need to fill in the answer

↪ V A N T H S H

There are important lessons for you to learn about Jesus from the stars!

He made them all (He made you, too!)

He made them one by one (just like He made you unique!)

He makes sure none of them are missing (He looks after you, too!)

Which is a reminder of

H __ GR __ POW __ and __ IS MIG __ ST __

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Who created all these?

He who brings out the starry host one by one and calls forth each of them by name.

Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing.



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Isaiah 40.29-31

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They will soar on wings like eagles;

they will run and not grow weary,

they will walk and not be faint.

Jesus makes a big difference!

To **'hope in the Lord'** is really just to trust in Jesus

When you trust in Jesus by asking Him into your life ... He comes in!

And because He's strong, He makes you strong as well!

Think about the three 'pictures' there are here of the way he makes you strong.



you will _____ on wings like _____



you will ___ and not grow



you will _____ and not grow

It's great having Jesus in your life!

The Bible uses the 'picture' of an eagle and a dove to describe what Jesus is like and the difference He makes when He comes into our lives.

How good are you at recognising birds?

Draw lines to match the bird with the right picture!

BLACKBIRD



BLUE TIT



DOVE

EAGLE



FALCON

HERON



MAGPIE

PELICAN

ROBIN

SPARROW



A Prayer

Think about what you've been learning today.

Now try praying this prayer (or making up your own prayer!)

Thank You, Lord Jesus, for what You tell us about Yourself in the Bible!

It's great getting to learn about You and finding out how great You are!

I think it's amazing to know that You put all the stars in the sky – I mean, there are **SO MANY** of them!!

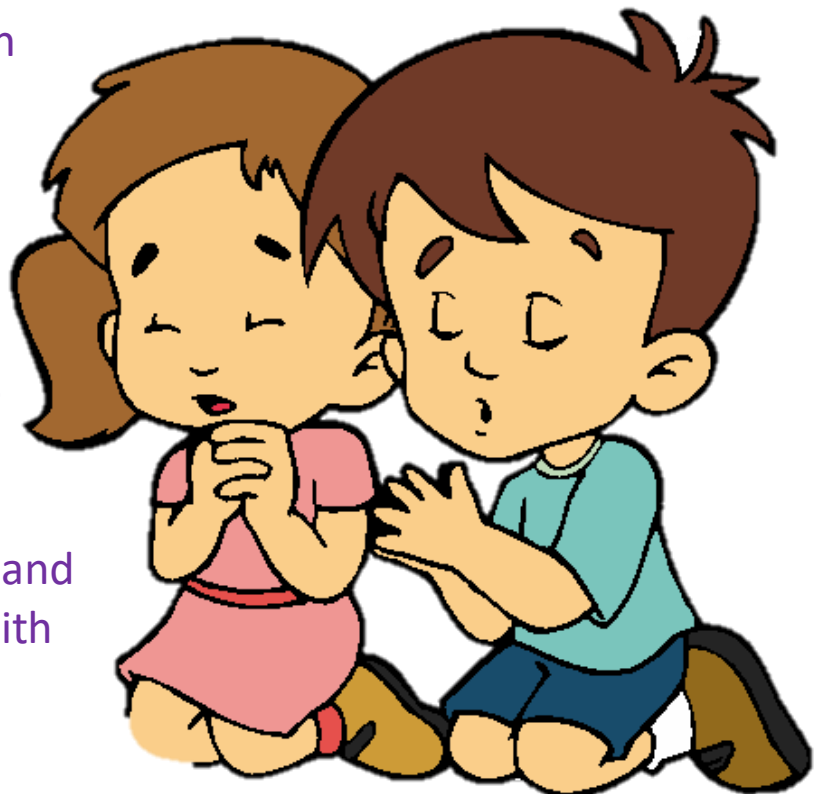
And to think that You know each one by name and not one of them is missing! You really are **VERY** strong and powerful!

It's exciting to know that You're alive today and that You've promised to come and live in the hearts of everyone who trusts in You!

Wow! I want to have You living in my life every day – with me and also within me.

Help me to keep learning more and more about how You come to live in the lives of Your people by Your Holy Spirit.

And help me to keep on **soaring** and **running** the race, and **walking** with You day by day.

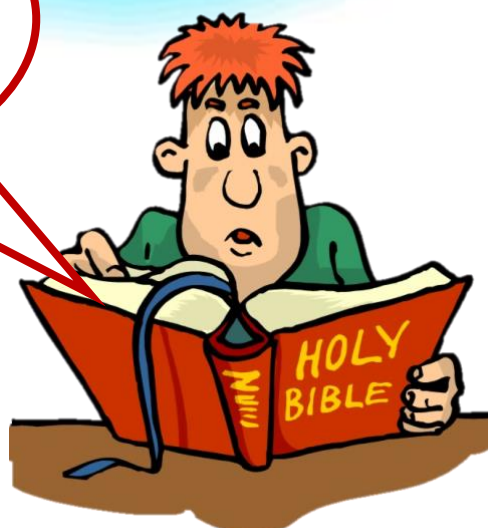


Today's verse for you to try and remember!



**“Those who hope in
the Lord will renew
their strength”**

Isaiah 40.31



A WORDSEARCH

Here's a wordsearch about the Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit

V B F Y K N U X D W E V Z Q O F Z
Y M X F N M O S R Z R Y U T N Z T
I X O B B B Y T Q O G N M L H K R
Y Y U D G H J W S J D L X G I A U
O L S J S X X S B E Y W A T E R T
K C B L C I E D R M R B J M M I H
W B V N V C W S M T H E U U K C U
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I M I S W V O A E B K S O V V R N
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understanding

wisdom

invisible

truth

intercessor

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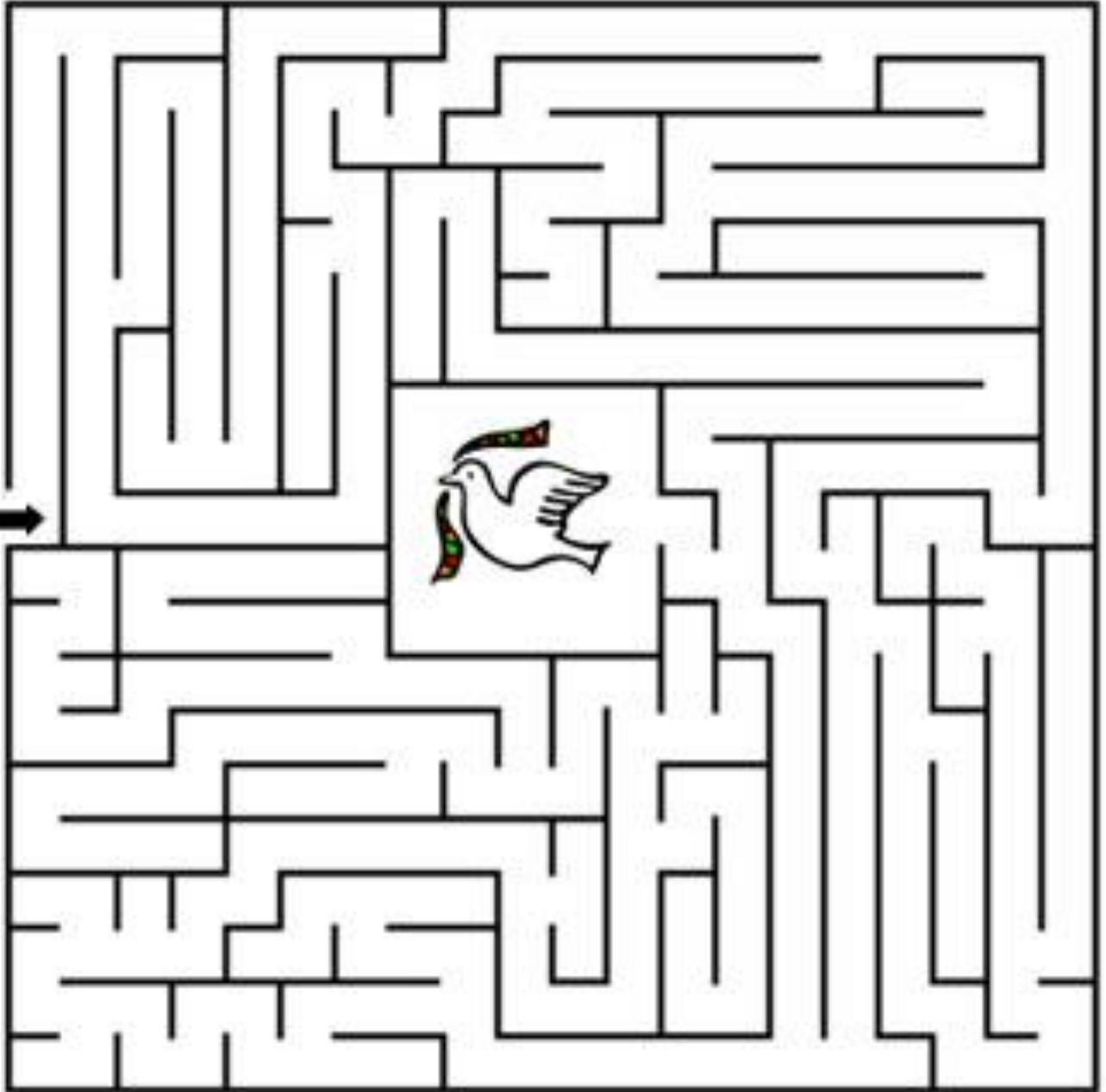
teacher

counselor

A MAZE!

Find your way to the dove (the Holy Spirit)!

START →



For you to COLOUR IN

Holy Spirit





Jesus had promised his followers a special helper - the Holy Spirit! The Holy Spirit came at Pentecost. Acts 2:1--4