

John 1.1-12

In the beginning..

getting the picture!

Find number **1** and then join the dots all the way round to number **50**.

Once you've completed the picture why not colour it in!



Here's how today's passage begins

The man who wrote these verses wanted those who read his book to 'get the picture'.

He wanted people to see Jesus for who He is and come to trust in Him.

Have a look at what he wrote near the end of his book in John 20.31: try filling in the missing letters.

He said that he wanted his readers to

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m a y h a v e l _ f _ i n H i s
N _ m _**



Read

John 1.1-5

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

²He was with God in the beginning.

³Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

⁴In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Fact file on John

Look up Mark 1.19-20 for the information

Occupation

Name of his father

Name of his brother

Who is He?

John described Jesus as

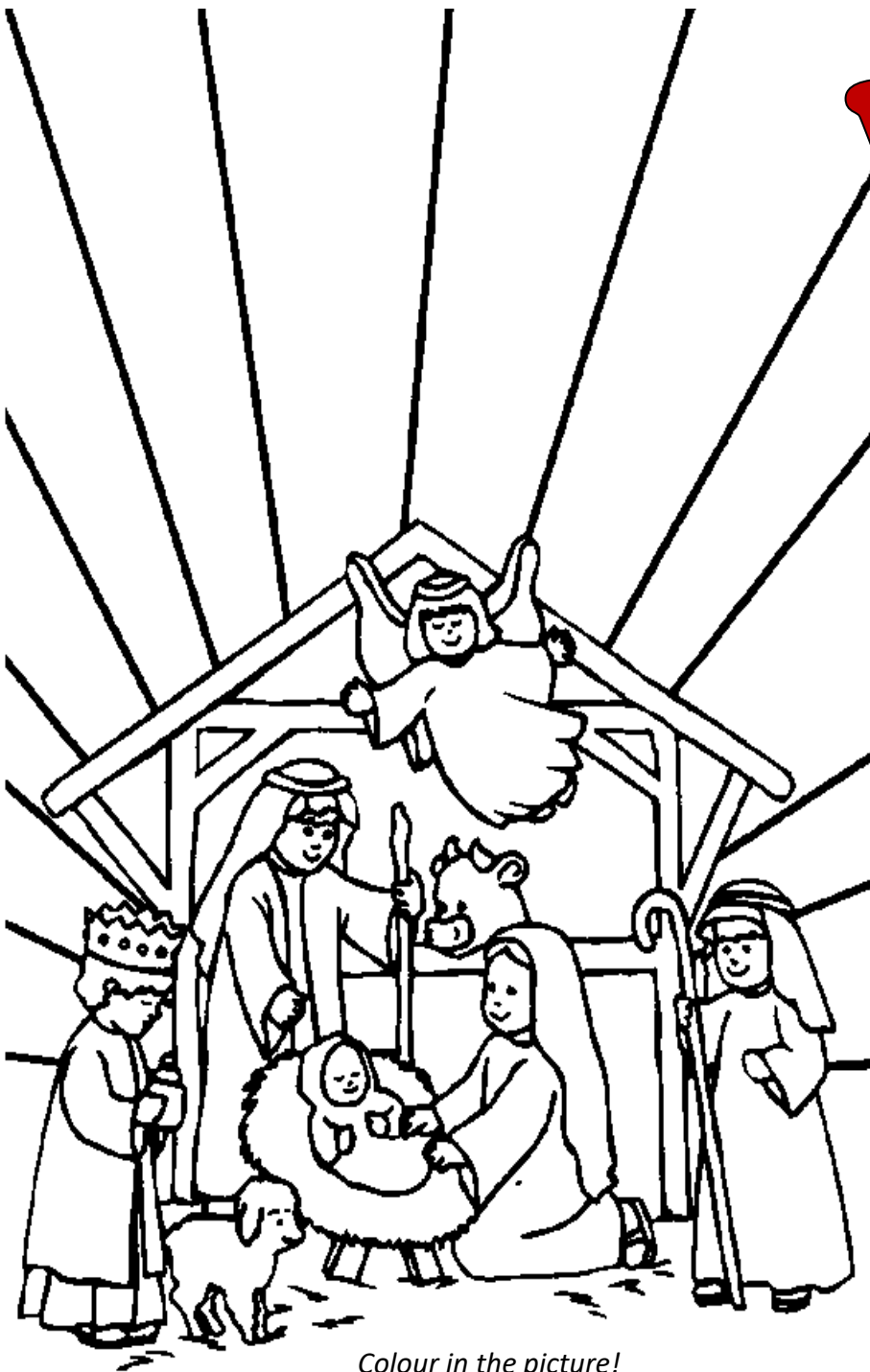
'the Word'

to say that **Jesus is God!**

In the very beginning God had made the world by simply speaking His word.

"Let there be light!"
(And there *was* light!)

John wanted us to know that Jesus is God and has come to give us a new start and make us new people!



Colour in the picture!



No **L**?

Actually there were 2 important 'L's which John mentions in the verses on the opposite page!

2 words which help you see why Jesus matters!



Fill in the two words John uses



Here's the next bit of the passage

Read

John 1.6-8

⁶ There was a man sent from God whose name was **John**.

⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. ⁸ He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

The 'John' mentioned here is a different 'John' from the 'John' who was writing the book!

Confusing? A bit!

This **John** was **John the baptiser** (or 'the baptist') ?

John the baptiser was a prophet. He had been sent by God to let the people know that Jesus was coming.

It was time for people to get ready.

Their promised King was coming and they'd need to be ready to welcome Him.



Try this 'Spot the difference puzzle!'

There are 8 differences between these pictures of John baptising



God sends prophets

Before God does anything, His way of working is always to let people know in advance what He's going to do.

He does this through His prophets, who bring His message to the people.

“Surely the sovereign Lord does nothing without revealing His plan to His servants the prophets”

(Amos 3.7)

How

will you respond?

There have always been just two ways in which you can respond to Jesus.



You can either say 'No' and refuse to welcome Him ..

Or you can say 'Yes' and gladly welcome Him into your life as Lord and Saviour.



What about you?

How will you respond to Jesus?

If you look at the passage above closely you'll see that 'receiving Jesus' means 'believing in His name': that's to say you 'receive Jesus' by (1) believing who He is (He's God and He's the one who gives you life) and (2) entrusting yourself to Him as your God and King.

To everyone who does that, John says, Jesus gave

the _____ to _____
_____ of _____

Read

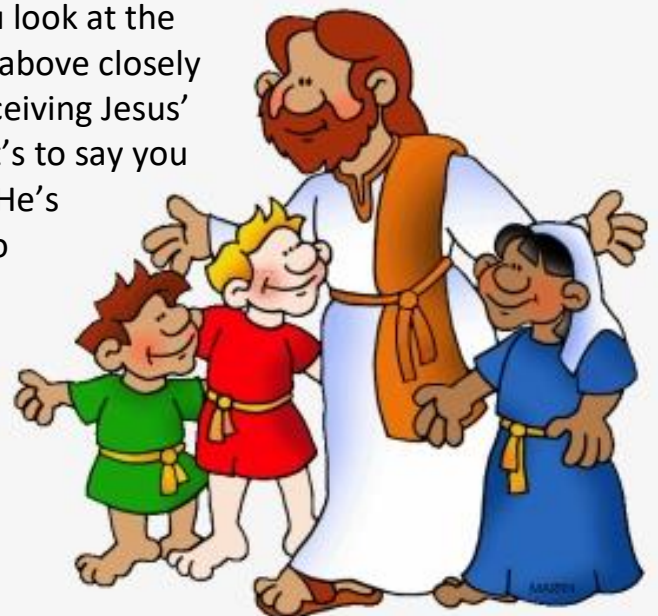
John 1.9-12

⁹The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.

¹⁰He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognise him. ¹¹He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him.

¹²Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

Receiving Jesus



A Prayer

Think about what you've been learning in this worksheet.

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



Lord Jesus, how amazing to learn just how great You are!

You must be very wise and very powerful and very good to have made absolutely everything!

Christmas is always so exciting, but sometimes I can forget that it's all about You!

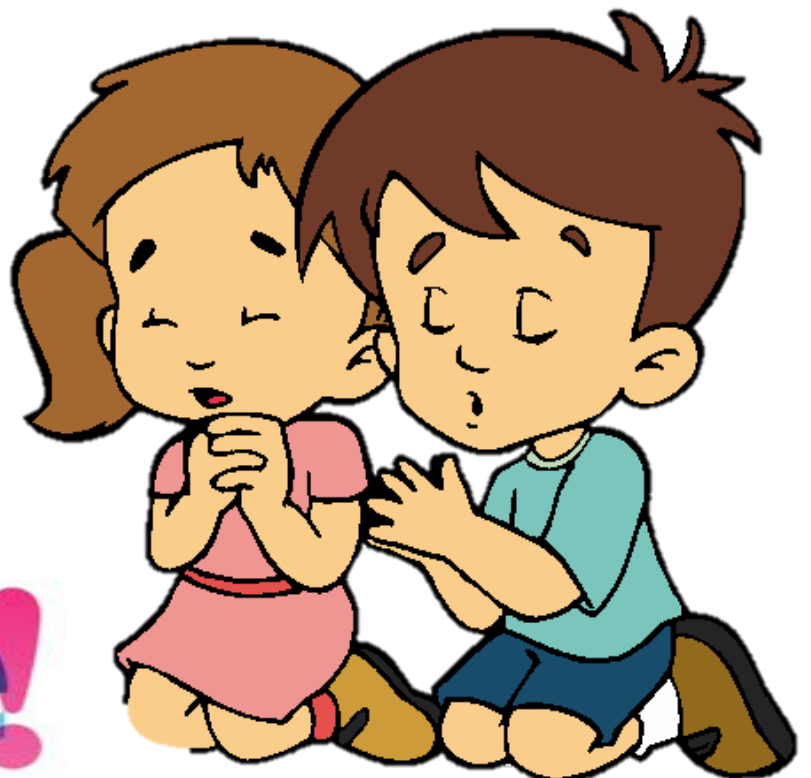
Thank You that You came into the world to sort out the mess we've made, to make us new people and to give us a new start.

Please help me to remember that because You are God nothing is too hard for You to do!

Help me to trust You always.

You make me

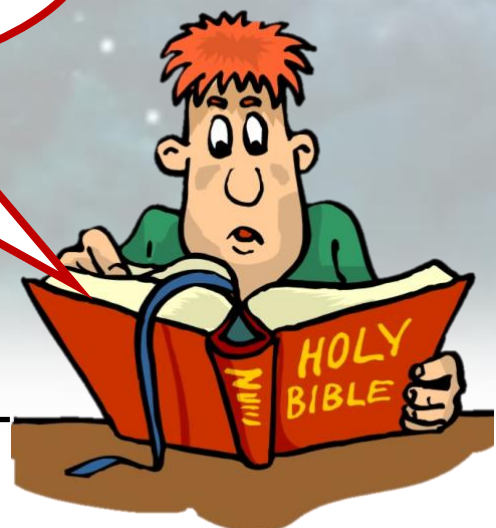
ALIVE!



Today's verse for you to try and remember!

**"In the beginning
was the Word, and the Word was
with God, and the Word was God"**

John 1.1



A WORDSEARCH

This Wordsearch will help you remember the great promise the passage gives you!

JOHN 1 : 12



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Put all the words in the correct order and write out the verse here

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John 1.12

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Another word puzzle!

Here's a Christmas 'crossword' puzzle for you to do!

Luke 2:1 – 12



The Birth of Jesus



Across

3. In verse 9 the shepherds saw an "_____ of the Lord."
5. "_____ also went up from ... Nazareth" is in verse 4.
6. The word after "because" in verse 4 is _____.
7. "And there _____ shepherds" is from verse 8.

Down

1. "Room for them in the _____" is in verse 7.
2. "_____ " were watching their flocks in verse 8.
3. The third word in verse 4 is _____.
4. "He is Christ _____ Lord" is in verse 11.
7. The fourth to the last word in verse 2 is _____.



STEPPING STONES!



Jesus Is Born

—Luke 2

To Bethlehem

Mary and Joseph traveled to Bethlehem to be counted in a census. Follow their path and color in every other stone starting with the second one. Read the uncolored stones to find out what happened when they got to Bethlehem.



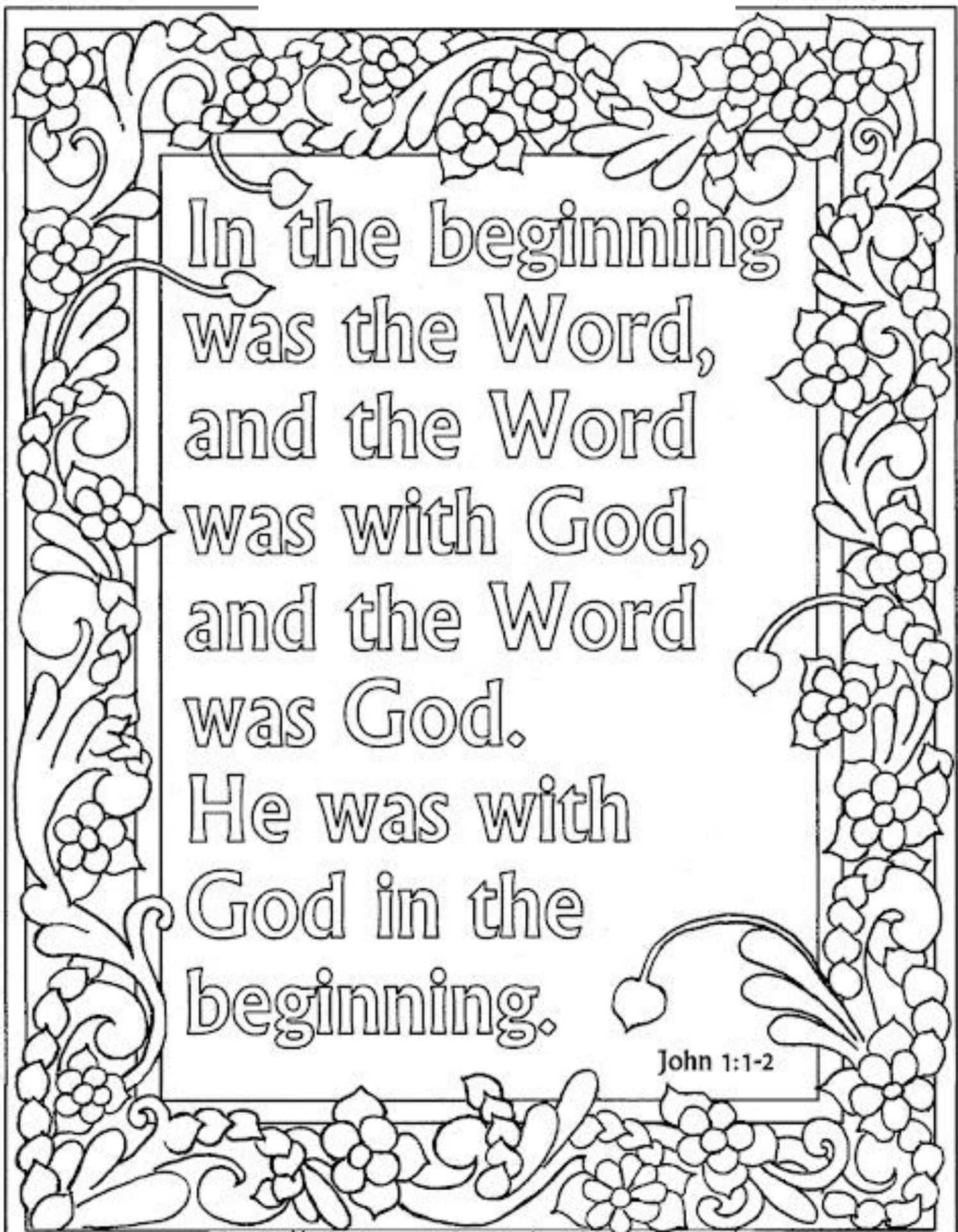
Colour in this picture!

The people walking in
DARKNESS have
seen a
great light.

Isaiah 9:2



Another page to colour in!



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John 1:1-2