


Tonight's

passage – Acts 1.1-11

theme – tell the world!

Jesus promised His followers that He would give them His Holy Spirit to help them do what He called them to do. Sometimes a dove is used as a symbol of the Holy Spirit. See if you can find the dove 



learning to be a
town crier

Hear ye!

Colour in the picture of the 'town crier'



An important job

In the days before mobile phones and the internet, the 'town crier' was the person who brought any message from the king to the people.

It was the *king's* message that he brought.

And it was important that everyone heard it!

If you were going to be a 'town crier' what would you need to be good at?



Read
Acts 1
verses 1-5

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach ²until the day He was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles He had chosen.

³ After His suffering, He presented Himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that He was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God.

⁴ On one occasion, while He was eating with them, He gave them this command: 'Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard Me speak about.'⁵ For John baptised with water, but in a few days you will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Jesus is LORD

The message of the Bible isn't complicated!

It's about a person (JESUS), His presence (IS), and His position (LORD).

When the Bible tells us that Jesus is Lord, it's a reminder to us, first,

- that **Jesus is God** (in the Old Testament, 'the LORD' is what God calls Himself); & also
- that **Jesus is King**.

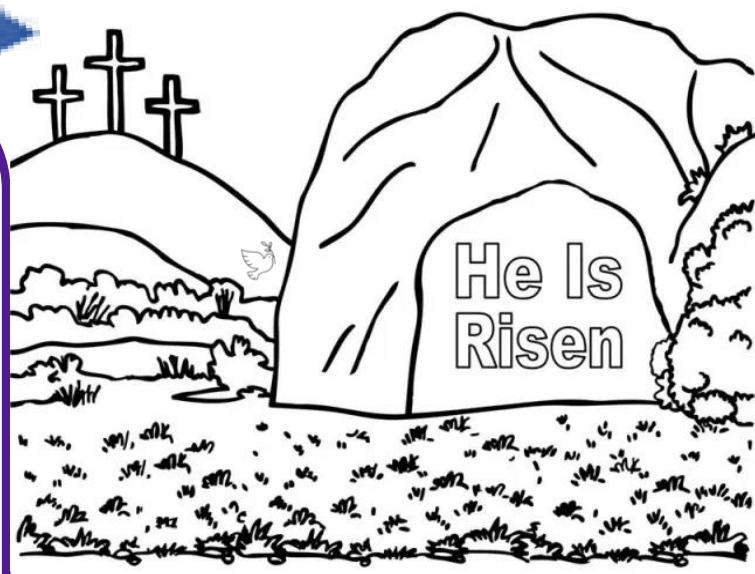
JESUS IS KING!

Look at the passage above and see if you can work out which words point to Jesus being King.

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messengers

of the King



EVERYONE NEEDS TO HEAR!

Jesus' friends were so glad that their King was alive!

They wanted everyone in the whole world to hear about Him and to enjoy having Him as their King.

They asked Jesus *when* that was going to happen.

WRONG QUESTION!

Jesus didn't answer that question: instead He told them *how* that was going to happen.

**“Y _ _ _ _ _ E
_ _ _ _ _ S”**

See if you can help the 'town crier' in the middle get the message out!



**Read
Acts 1
verses 6-8**

⁶ Then they gathered round Him and asked Him,

‘Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?’

⁷ He said to them:

‘It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by His own authority.

⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.’

DON'T TRY THIS ON YOUR OWN!

Jesus wants the whole world to hear the good news about Him.

He told His followers that *they* would be the ones to take the message to every nation on earth (there are a lot of nations – almost 200!).

But they would be helped by the gift He gives everyone who trusts Him, namely the Holy Spirit.

**The Holy Spirit gives us the
_ _ W _ _ to tell people about Jesus**

Read
Acts 1
verses 9-11

⁹After He said this, Jesus was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid Him from their sight.

¹⁰They were looking intently up into the sky as He was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them.

¹¹‘Men of Galilee,’ they said, ‘why do you stand here looking into the sky?’

This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen Him go into heaven.’

the promise of the Holy Spirit

“.. another Helper ..”

Jesus had promised His friends that though He would not be with them in person, He would come to be with them through His Holy Spirit.

So when His friends saw Him go up into heaven before their very eyes they had to be reminded of what He’d promised them.

Jesus will be coming back!

But before He comes back there’s work for His followers to do!

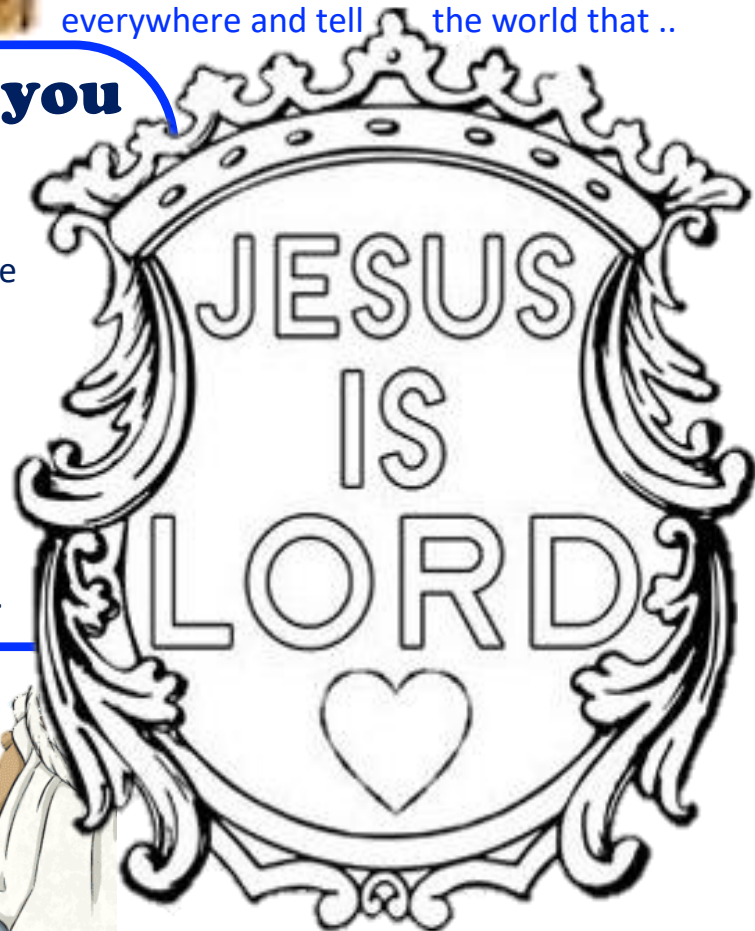
We’ve to get the message out to everyone everywhere and tell the world that ..

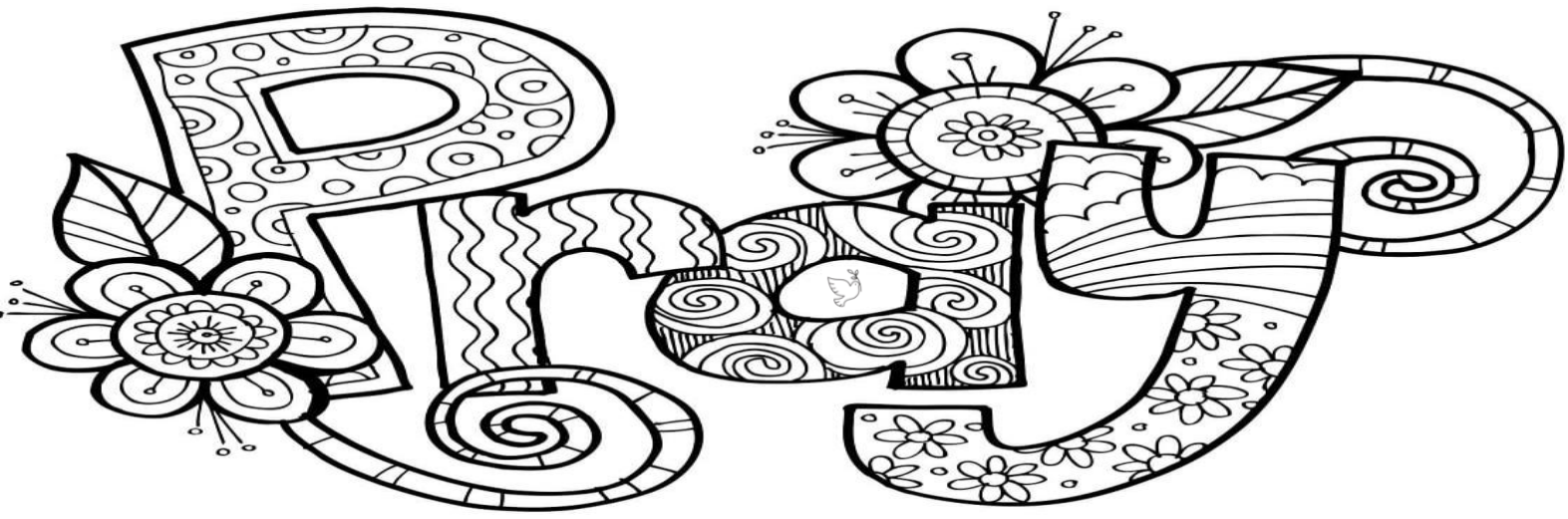


Something for you to think about

Some of your friends may well have simply never heard about Jesus at all.

- Pray to God for them.
- Ask God to give you an opportunity to tell them about Jesus.
- Ask God, too, to help you by His Spirit, so that you’ll know how best to tell them about Jesus.





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

Speak to God about what you've learned: if you want, use this prayer to help you

I'm glad that You're the King, Jesus!

You're the best! You're wise and strong and kind and good.

You always know what's best to do.

And You're able to do all things!

Thank You that You've stood in my place and paid the price for all my sins.

Thank You that You died for me, and that

You've broken the power of death.

I get excited always knowing that

You're alive and at work in the

world today – and that You're

glad to have someone like me

helping You in Your work!

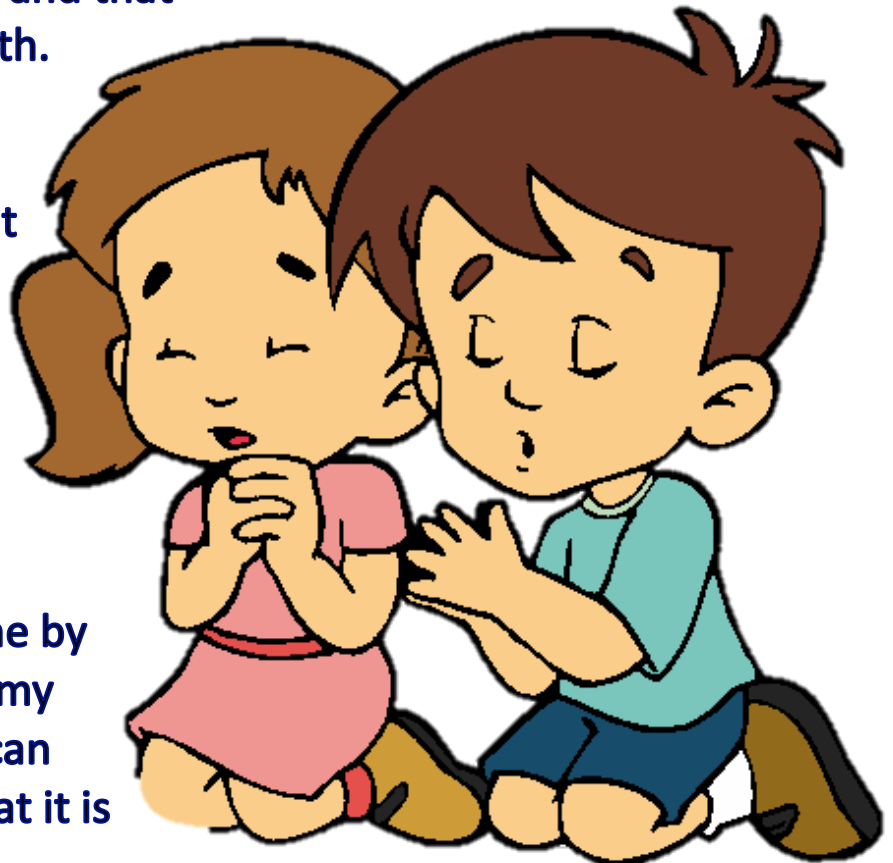
I need You to help me all the time by

Your Holy Spirit. Help me to tell my

friends about You, so that they can

find out for themselves how great it is

to have You as King!



**Today's verse for you
to try and remember!**

JESUS

is

LORD

**"Be you
will receive power
when the Holy Spirit comes
on you; and you will be
My witnesses"**

Acts 1.⁸



Wordsearch

Tonight's Wordsearch is taken from the whole of Acts 1, not just verse 1-11, although most of the words you have to try and find are from the first 11 verses! See how you get on!

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Andrew

apostles

baptized

cloud

God

Holy Spirit

James

Jerusalem

Jesus

John

Judas

Kingdom of God

Matthias

Mount of Olives

Peter

Philip

Prayer

Scripture

Theophilus

Thomas

witnesses



COLOUR in the picture

