

The Kingdom in the Mess

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43, 47-52



Understanding the Bible:

What is the problem being expressed in this Bible passage?

How does God show up in this Bible Passage?

In today's Bible story, when do the weeds get separated from the wheat?

My favorite song today:

Things I will pray for this week:

Today's Bible Passage: Matthew 13:24-30

(Can you find the highlighted words?)

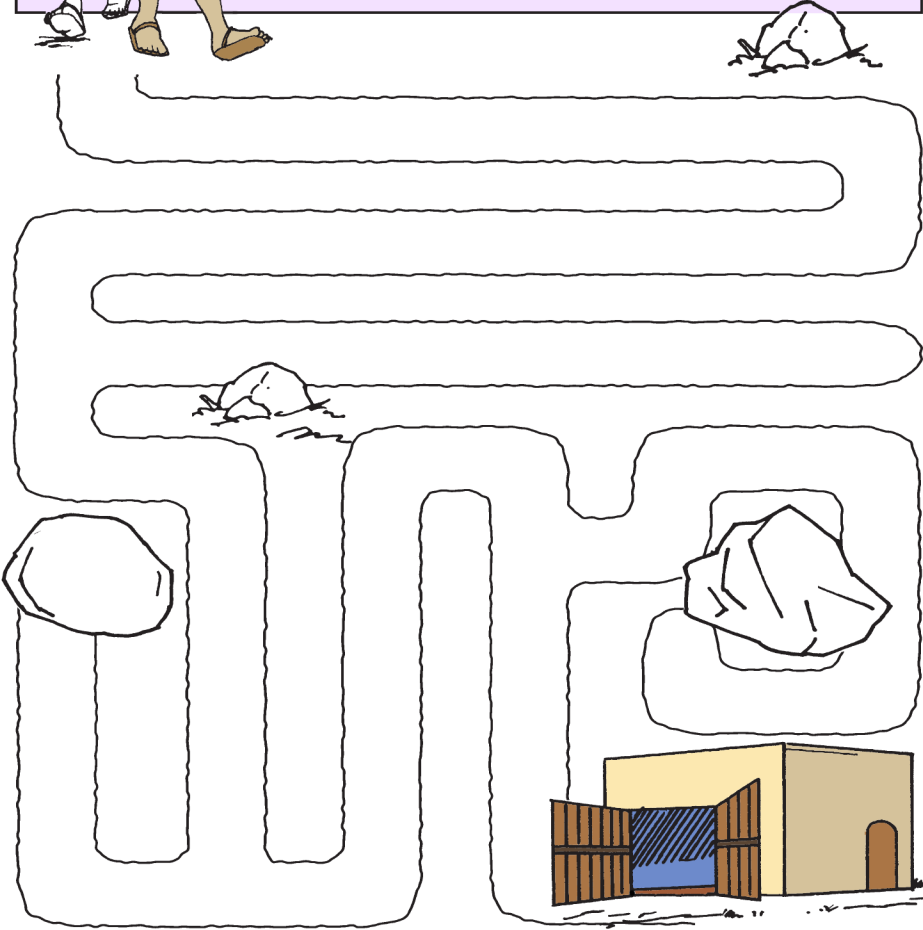
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Jesus told them **another parable**: “The **kingdom of heaven is like** a man who sowed **good seed** in his **field**. But while **everyone** was sleeping, his **enemy came** and sowed **weeds** among the **wheat**, and went **away**. When the **wheat** sprouted and **formed heads**, **then the weeds also appeared**. “The **owner’s servants came** to him and said, ‘Sir, didn’t you sow **good seed** in your **field**? Where **then** did the **weeds come** from?’ “ ‘An **enemy** did this,’ he **replied**. “The **servants asked** him, ‘Do you want us to go and **pull** them up?’ “ ‘No,’ he answered, ‘because while you are pulling the **weeds**, you may uproot the **wheat** with them. Let both grow together until the **harvest**. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the **weeds** and tie them in bundles to be burned; **then** gather the **wheat** and bring it into my barn.’ ”

The owner of the field said,
 “Do not pull the weeds
 until the harvest or you might
 pull up some of the wheat too.”



Help the harvesters take the
 wheat to the barn.

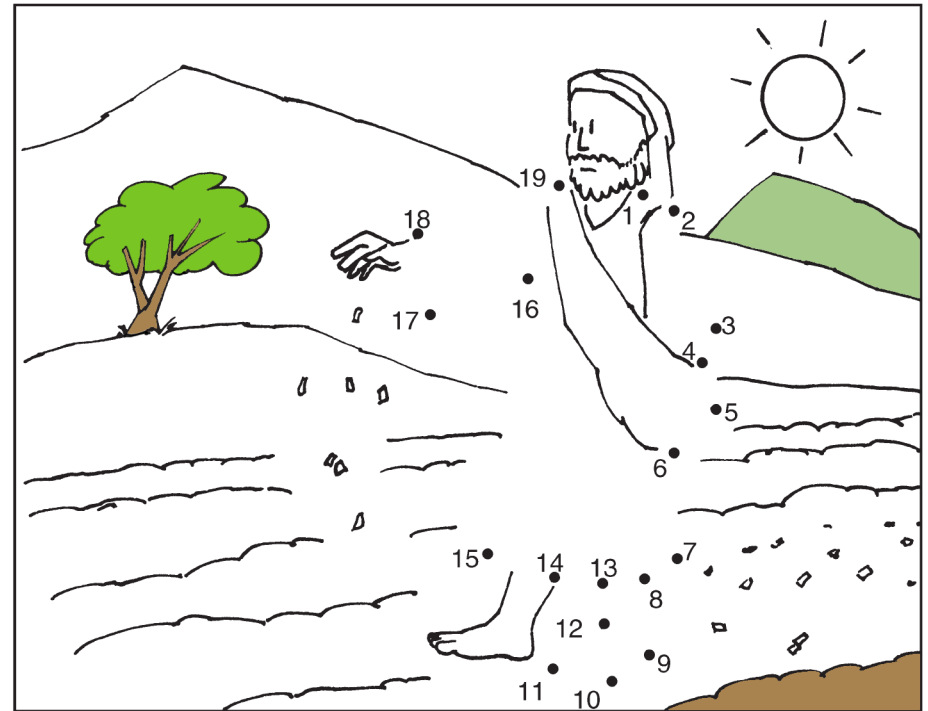


Jesus explained, “The field is the world,
 and the good seed stands for the
 people of God’s kingdom.”

The Parable of the Weeds

Jesus told a parable – a teaching story –
 about a man who planted
 good seeds in his field.

Connect the dots.
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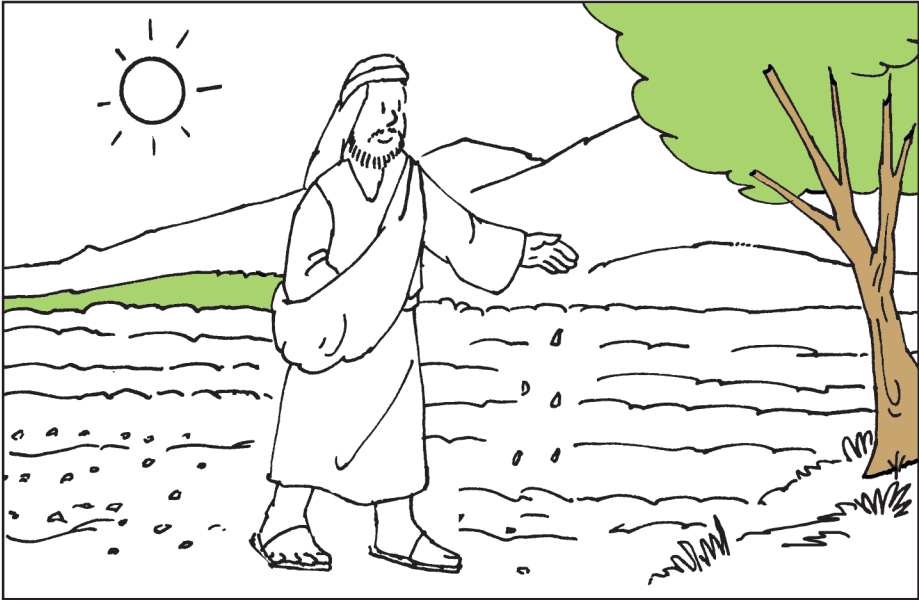


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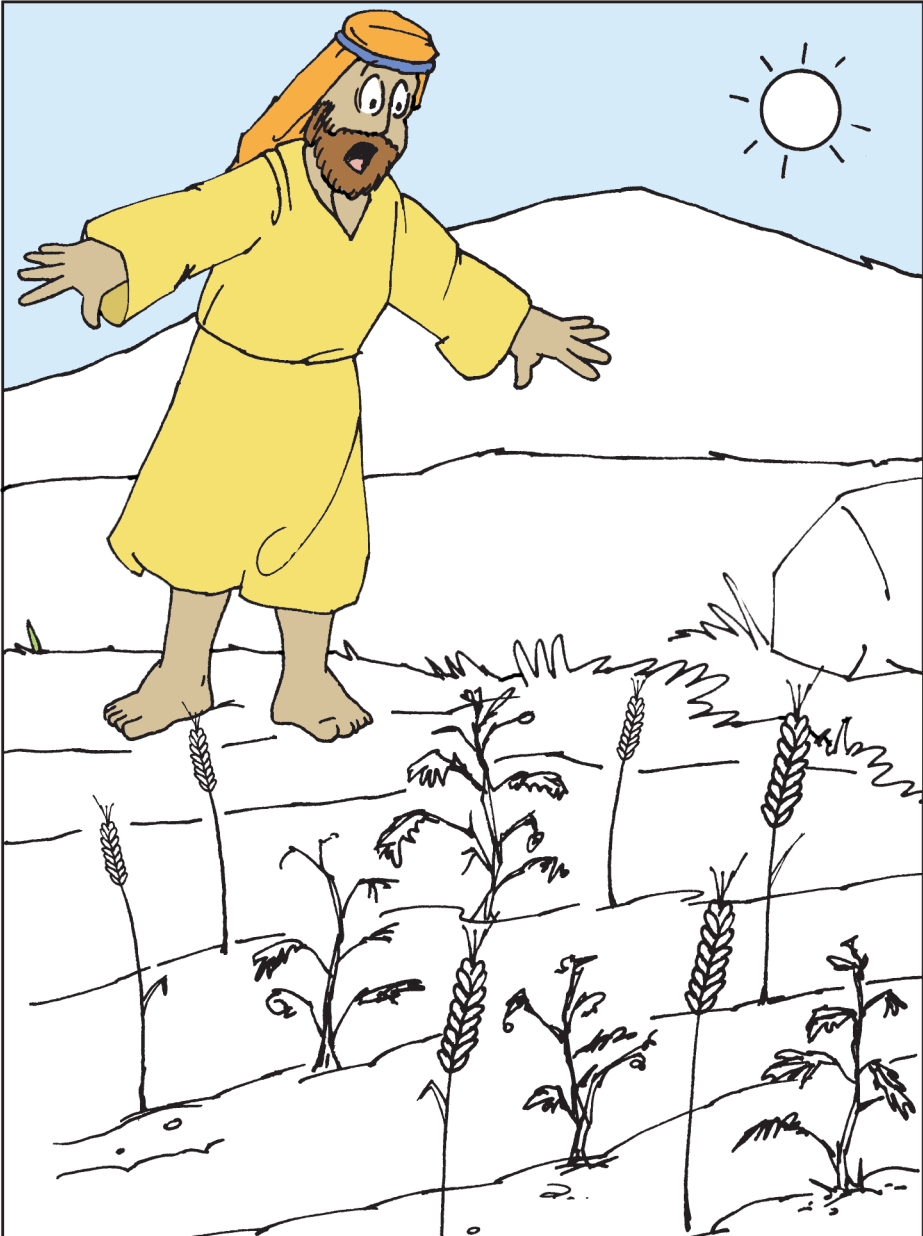
During the night, his enemy planted weeds.

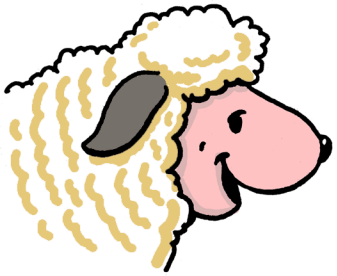
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The good seeds and the weeds both grew together.

Count how many wheat stalks, 5 or 6, and weeds, 4 or 5.





Jesus' disciples came to Him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field."

Can you discover the key to figuring out the missing words below? Write the correct word above each of them.

He answered, "The One who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the people of the kingdom. The weeds are the people of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age."

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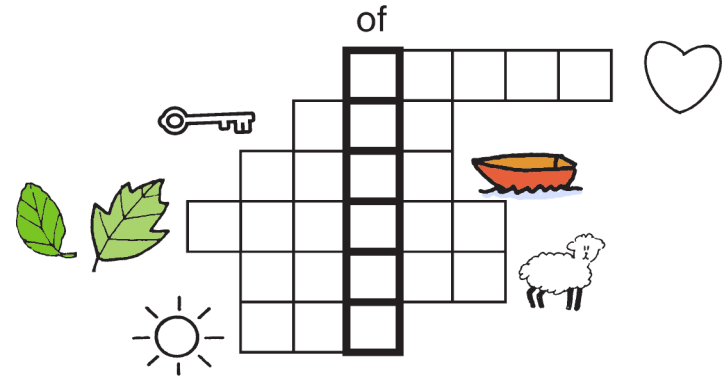
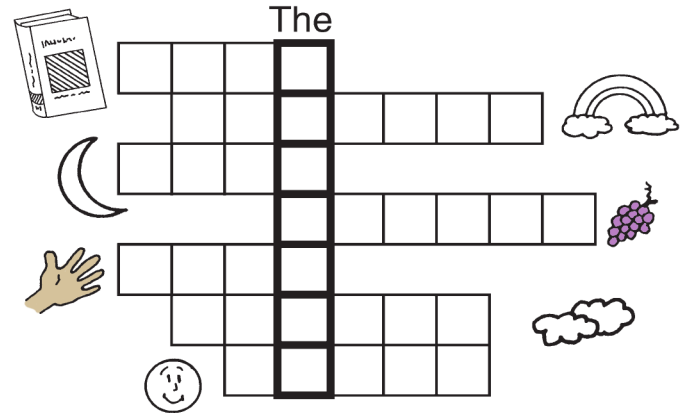
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The Parable of the Weeds

Jesus told the people a parable, a story that teaches. What was it about?

Write the name of each picture in the boxes. The darker boxes will spell the answer.



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