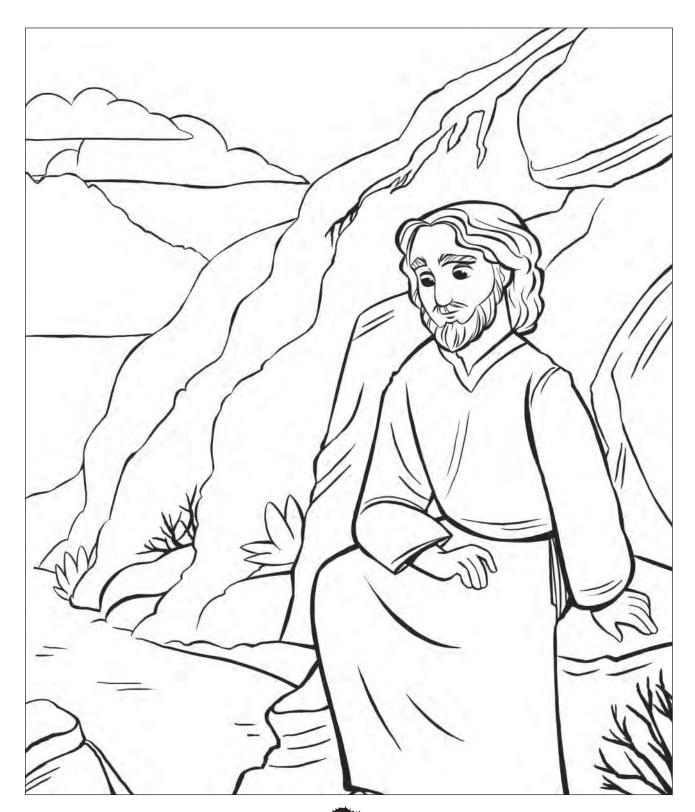
7A Temptation in the Desert – Coloring Page

Jesus went into the wilderness to spend time with God. Jesus stayed in the wilderness for forty days. Color the picture.

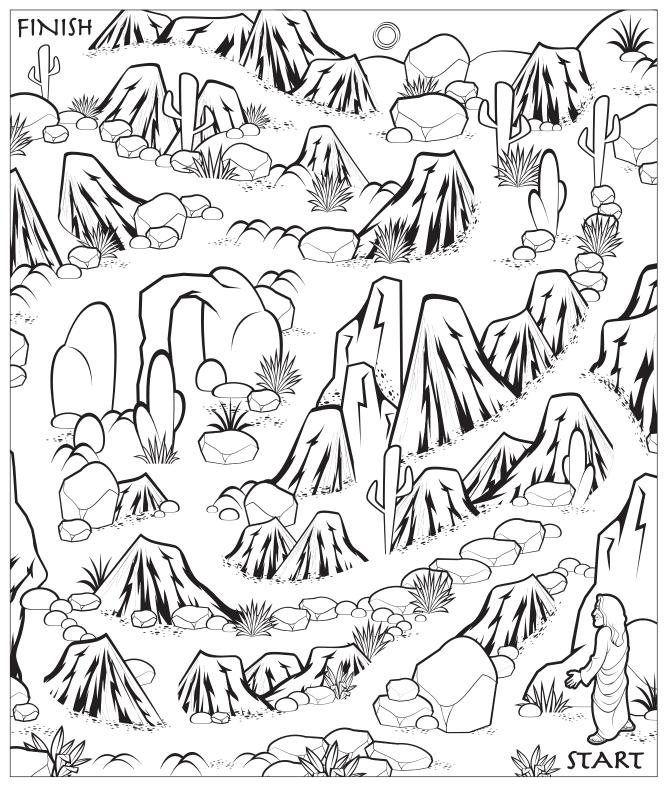


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7B **Temptation in the Desert** – Maze

In today's Bible story, Jesus stays in the wilderness alone. Help Jesus walk through the wilderness. Find a path from the bottom of the page to the top.

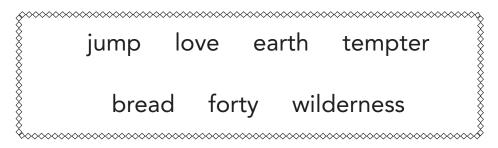




7C **Fill in the Blanks** – Puzzle

A summary of today's Bible story appears below, but some of the words are missing. Use context clues to put the words at the bottom of the page in the blanks.

It was almost time for Jesus to begin his ministry. Jesus was going to tell all the people about God's _____ To get ready, Jesus went into the _____ to spend time with God. Jesus stayed in the wilderness for days. While Jesus was in the wilderness, the tempter came to him. The ______ tried to turn Jesus away from God and God's plan. The tempter knew Jesus was hungry. So, the tempter tried to get Jesus to turn stones into ______. But Jesus would not do it. Then the tempter took Jesus to the top of a mountain and offered him all the nations on ______. The tempter tried to get Jesus to _____ off the temple! But Jesus resisted the tempter and continued to spend time with God.





7D **Make Bread** – Intergenerational Activity

In today's Bible story, Jesus is tempted to turn the stones in the wilderness into bread. Jesus answers that humans don't live by bread alone but by the words from God. Let's work together to make some delicious bread to remember Jesus and his faith.

Recipe (Makes Two Loaves)

3 cups all purpose flour (divided)
3 tablespoons of white sugar
2¼ teaspoons rapid rise yeast
1 cup of warm water
3 tablespoons olive oil or vegetable oil
1½ teaspoons salt

How to Make the Bread

- Have one to two kids partner with an adult. Each group will work together to make two loaves of bread. Heat the oven to 375° F.
- In a resealable plastic bag, place one cup of flour, sugar, and yeast. Then add the warm water. The water should be 105°–110° F.
- Have the kids squeeze the air out of the bag. Then seal the bag.
- Next, squish the bag with your hands until the ingredients are mixed together.
- Let the bags rest for 10 minutes at room temperature. Bubbles will begin to form.
- Open the bag and add one cup of flour, oil, and salt.
- Seal the bag again. Squish until the ingredients are blended.

Other Supplies

Gallon-size resealable bags Mini loaf pans (two per group) Small towels (two per group) Access to an oven

- Add the final cup of flour and continue mixing until well-blended.
- Remove the dough from the bag.
 Put the dough onto a lightly floured surface.
- Knead the dough for 5–10 minutes until smooth.
- Divide the dough in half. Place each half into a greased mini loaf pan.
- Cover the dough with a towel. Allow the dough to rise for about 30 minutes.
- Bake in a 375° oven for 25–30 minutes or until the bread is golden brown.
- Wait for the bread to cool and serve!





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7E **Time Alone with God** – Home Activity

In today's Bible story, Jesus spent time alone with God in the wilderness. Having times of quiet is a good thing to do each week. Times of quiet can actually be quite fun! Read the list of quiet activities below. Put a check mark next to the activities you'd like to try this week at home.

Paint a p	icture. S	culpt with	clay or	dough.	Draw or	colo	r on paper.

Go for a walk around your yard or through the woods with a grown-up. Even if you are with someone, you can still be quiet and think about how God is with you.



Play with a pet.

Read a book in your room. You can read from a Bible storybook you like or another good book you enjoy.

Write in a journal as you think about God.

Look at a video of animals in nature. Look at a video of fish and sea life swimming in an aquarium. If you have a fish, you can watch your own fish swim around!

Play with some quiet toys (toys with no batteries or that don't plug in).

Play with building toys. Listen to an audiobook as you play, if you want.

Listen to some music you enjoy.

Take a nap!





7F Temptation in the Desert – Luke 4:1-13

It was almost time for Jesus to begin his ministry.

Jesus was going to tell all the people about God's love. To get ready, Jesus went into the desert to spend time with God.

Jesus stayed in the desert for forty days.

While Jesus was in the desert, the tempter came to him. The tempter tried to turn Jesus away from God and God's plan.

The tempter knew Jesus was hungry. So, the tempter tried to get Jesus to turn stones into bread.

But Jesus would not do it.

Then the tempter took Jesus to the top of a mountain. "Look! You could be king of all the nations on earth if you will turn from God and worship me." Jesus refused: "We should worship God only!"

Finally, the tempter tried to get Jesus to jump off the top of the temple. "You won't get hurt!" the tempter said.

"Do not test the Lord your God," Jesus said.

After he was tempted, Jesus was alone in the desert. Jesus waited for God to help him know what to do next.



Family Spiritual Practice

Bible Passage: Luke 4:1-13

Wonder: After reading the Bible story from the Bible or from the *Celebrate Wonder Bible Storybook,* wonder together. **Ask:** What keeps you from doing what God wants?

Do: Together, take a prayer walk through your neighborhood. Pray for your neighbors as you walk.

Pray: Dear God, thank you for journeying with us as we grow in love. Amen.



7G The Struggle Is Real

Everyone struggles sometimes. When Jesus was struggling in the desert, he drew on his faith and Scripture. What helps you in hard times?

