



CHAPEL TALKS 2018 - 2019

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When the angel appeared to the shepherds in Bethlehem, the first words of the grand announcement were “Fear not, for behold, I bring you **good news** of great joy that will be for all people...” The news was so good that the heavenly host of angels couldn’t contain themselves, and they filled the sky with a song of glory and praise!

**Good news.
Great joy.**

Along with the angels, we are in the business of sharing the Good News that draws everyone to Jesus - the Son of God, born of Mary, who suffered, died, and rose again for us - so that we might receive life and salvation through Him.

LeadaChild exists to “share the love of Jesus with children around the world through Christian education.” Our desire is that thousands of students regularly hear the good news about a Father who created them and loves them, a Savior named Jesus who came to rescue them from sin, death, and the devil, and a Spirit who fills their hearts with faith and hope and gives them new life in Christ.

These five simple chapel outlines are created for you to use during your weekly chapel services, classroom devotions, or Sunday school openings. They explore a few of the names of Jesus and the call to share this Good News with others. Also included are a few classroom handouts and projects in order to reinforce the lessons with your students.

Chapel Offerings - If you plan to give an offering to LeadaChild, we will send you a coin tube for each one of your students to use for their offering collection. Also, as a thank you, the ladies of the Santiago Zamora Lutheran ministry outside of Antigua, Guatemala are creating a special handmade wall hanging for each school that participates, displaying our theme for 2018/19: “Good News has a Name!” Email me at executivedirector@leadachild.org if you are interested in participating.

GOD BLESS!

Dr. Phil

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And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

Luke
2:10-11

^C Jesus, name above
^{Em} all names
^{Dm} Beautiful Savior,
^{G Dm Em G} glorious Lord.
^C Emmanuel, God is with us.
^{Dm} Blessed Redeemer,
^{G C Am} Living Word.

Jesus, loving shepherd,
Vine of the branches,
Son of God.
Prince of Peace,
Wonderful counselor,
Lord of the universe,
Light of the world.

Jesus, Way of salvation,
King of kings, Lord of lords.
The way the truth, and
the Life,
Mighty creator, My Savior
and friend.

Theme Song
Jesus, Name
Above All
Names (All
God's People
Sing, #145)

1 Lesson

INTRO: Make a chart, and ask the students to fill in the blanks

CAN YOU FILL IN THE BLANKS?

I was lost...but now I am _____ (found)
I was in danger...but now I am _____ (safe)
I was losing...but now I am _____ (winning)
I was sick...but now I am _____ (healthy)
I was dying...but now I am _____ (living)

Jesus is My Savior

...and you shall give Him the name Jesus,
for He will save his people from their sins.

Matthew 1:21

A “**savior**,” or a rescuer,
can find us when we are lost, pull us out of danger, come in
and win the game for us, heal us from disease, and rescue us from death.

There are some great rescue stories in the Bible. (show some pictures of the stories)

- How did God rescue/save Daniel? (*an angel closed the Lions' mouths*)
- How did God rescue/save Jonah? (*Sent a whale to keep him alive*)
- How did God rescue/save the Israelite slaves in Egypt? (*Sent Moses to deliver them*)

These are great stories of how God sent a savior to rescue those who were trapped or in great danger. However, all of these stories were given to us in order to *prepare us* for the greatest rescue story of all...and that rescuer, that savior, was given the name – **JESUS**.

Because of sin, we were...

- lost and we couldn't find a way out
- in danger and we couldn't save ourselves
- very sick and couldn't heal ourselves
- dying and couldn't live on our own

So, God sent us The Good News! God told Mary and Joseph to give Him the name Jesus, which means “God saves.” (print out the verses for each point and have the students say them aloud)

- Jesus came and won the battle against Satan and the temptations of sin (Matthew 4:10&11)
- He willingly went to the cross in our place to pay the penalty of all our sins (Is. 53:6)
- He rose again to show us that He won the victory for us (I Corinthians 15:57)
- He sits at the right hand of God and will come again to take us to be with him (John 14:3)

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, thank you for sending Jesus, my Savior, to rescue me from sin, death and the devil. Teach me to trust only in Jesus for my new life and full salvation. Amen

HYMN SUGGESTIONS: God Loves Me Dearly (AGPS: 109), There Is a Name I Love to Hear (AGPS: 236)

ADDITIONAL PROJECTS/REVIEW: Good News-Paper on page 9 |

Jesus – Color by Number on page 10

Lesson 2

INTRO: A shepherd is one who takes care of sheep. This was a common job for many in Israel during Bible times. *(If available show some pictures of Old Testament shepherds)*

Abraham and his sons were shepherds in Canaan. For a while, Moses lived as a shepherd in Midian. David was a shepherd in Bethlehem. They were all faithful shepherds.

Jesus is My Good Shepherd

I am the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep...I know my own and my own know me. **John 10: 11&14**

However, some shepherds were not very trustworthy; We will call them the no-good shepherds...can you describe what a no-good shepherd might do or be like?

(fall asleep on the job, leave the sheep alone, doesn't care for their needs, runs away when danger comes)

- Jesus compared the religious leaders (church leaders) of His time to bad shepherds. He called them "hired hands." Those who didn't care for the sheep, but only wanted the money they would make from the job.
- Jesus said, "He who is a hired hand, who doesn't own the sheep, sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep." (John 10: 12-13)

Unlike the hired hands, **Jesus is the Good Shepherd.**

- David wrote about Him in Psalm 23 (say this together)
- Describe the actions of Jesus, the Good Shepherd
 - Loves the sheep
 - Calls them by name
 - Cares for them (food, water, attends to their wounds)
 - Doesn't run away, but keeps them safe
 - Goes after the lost sheep and rejoices when He finds them
 - Lays down His life for the sheep

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, thank you for sending Jesus, my Good Shepherd, to watch over me and care for me day by day. Teach me to trust in your tender mercies and your daily guidance. Amen

HYMN SUGGESTIONS: I am Jesus Little Lamb (AGPS: 125) Have No Fear, Little Flock (AGPS: 115)
God is So Good (AGPS: 107)

ADDITIONAL PROJECTS/REVIEW: Good News-Paper ongoing on page 9 | Good Shepherd maze on page 11 and Good Shepherd word search on page 12

Lesson 3

INTRO: Play a game of “I-Spy.” Begin with different colored objects, different items in the room/sanctuary, different people, etc. Then switch over to “I-Spy someone born in Bethlehem – in a stable, I Spy someone who came to be our Savior.” Students will respond with “Jesus.” Yes, but where is He? Can you point Him out in the room/church? The Bible teaches us that Jesus is here with us always. One of His names is Immanuel, which means “God with us”. Even though we cannot see Him and point to Him when we play I-spy – we know He is here with us.

Jesus is My Immanuel

I am always with you,
even to the end of the age.

Matthew 28:20

Jesus is first called Immanuel by the prophet Isaiah: “Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call His name Immanuel.” (Is. 7:14 ... print out and read aloud together).

In fact, God has always promised to be with us:

- To Abraham (Genesis 28:15)
- To Joshua (Joshua 1:9)
- To David (Psalm 46:7)

After Jesus had risen from the dead, and right before He ascended into Heaven, He told His disciples these comforting words: “I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

We too can be courageous and comforted like Joshua and like the disciples, knowing that Jesus is always with us

- Courageous – to follow God’s Word, even when it is hard or unpopular
- Comforted – we are never alone, we are forgiven of our sins; Jesus chooses to be with us!

God knows that it is easy for us to forget that Jesus is here with us (since we cannot see Him with our eyes), so He has given us some very special reminders!

- Baptism – I am marked as a child of God and He is always carefully watching over those in His family!
- God’s Word – Jesus is called the Word (John 1:1). Reading the Bible is like listening directly to Him in person!
- Holy Communion – Jesus gives Himself to us in the bread and wine, offering forgiveness, strengthening our faith, and reminding us of His never-ending presence in our lives.

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, thank you for sending Jesus, my Immanuel, who is always with me. Teach me to have the courage to follow You and Your Word; Comfort me when times are hard or difficult. Remind me of your eternal presence. Amen

HYMN SUGGESTIONS: Oh Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel (AGPS: 186), Let us Ever Walk with Jesus (AGPS: 159)

ADDITIONAL PROJECTS/REVIEW: Good News-Paper ongoing on page 9 | Immanuel Coloring Project on page 13

Lesson

INTRO: During Bible times, a king was also known as the ruler. He was supreme, meaning what he declared became the law of the land. If you were a king for a day, what would you do and say?

(Listen to answers – both beneficial and self-centered)

Jesus is My King

In my Father's house are many rooms...I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, That where I am you may be also. **John 14:2-4**

The Bible teaches us that Jesus is our King; Let's look at what he has done, what he is doing now, and what He will do as our supreme ruler.

- God created all things through Him (John 1:1-3)
- He left His throne in heaven to become our servant (Philippians 2:5-7)
- Taught the people about the kingdom of heaven (Matthew 13)
- Healed many people (Matthew 9:35-36)
- Suffered and died for us (Isaiah 53:5)
- Rose victoriously from the grave (Mark 16:6)
- Watches over us and cares for us, sending us the Holy Spirit (John 16: 13-14)
- He will come again to take us to His new heaven and new earth (John 14:2-4)

He is our **King!** At the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Philippians 2:10-11)

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, thank you for sending Jesus, my King, to be the Lord of my life. Remind me of how He served all of us by becoming a servant who saved us. Teach me to glorify His name each and every day. Amen.



HYMN SUGGESTIONS: The King of Glory (AGPS: 227), Soon and Very Soon (AGPS: 218)
ADDITIONAL PROJECTS/REVIEW: Good News-Paper ongoing on page 9 | Heavenly Crown Dot-to-Dot on page 14 and Mansions in Heaven Maze on page 15

5 Lesson

INTRO: *(bring in a newspaper)* How many of you still have a newspaper delivered to your house? When many of us teachers were younger, we had a daily newspaper delivered. Maybe some of your teachers or parents worked as a paper delivery person when they were growing up.

Today, most people get their news by watching TV or checking their computer or cell phone. Much of the news is about sad things, like crime and war and violence and cheating. However, it is always welcoming to receive good news. Can you think of some good news that would be fun to read about in the paper or on your computer? *(listen to answers)*

Blessed are the feet

How beautiful are the feet of those
who preach good news.

Romans 10:15



It's not only **fun** to hear good news,
it is also great to be the one delivering good news.
When we hear good news, we want to run and tell others.

The shepherds were the first to run and tell others about the birth of Jesus...and when they saw it (Jesus in the manger), they made known the saying that had been told them concerning the child. (Luke 2:17)

The disciples followed the command of Jesus and went out into all the world to share the good news of Jesus – who He is and what He did to save them from sin, death, and the devil.

We are now the ones who own the good news

The problem is – if no one shares it, many won't know about Jesus and His love for them.

We can share the good news by...

- Making cards and sending notes
- Sharing with friends and family
- Praying for pastors, teachers, and missionaries
- Giving chapel offerings to support mission work (like LeadaChild!)

PRAYER: Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for sending someone to share the Good News of Jesus with me. Lead me to go out and joyfully share the love of Jesus with others. Bless the work of all pastors, teachers, and missionaries who tell others of Jesus.



HYMN SUGGESTIONS: Go into the World (AGPS: 101), I Love to Tell the Story (AGPS: 128)

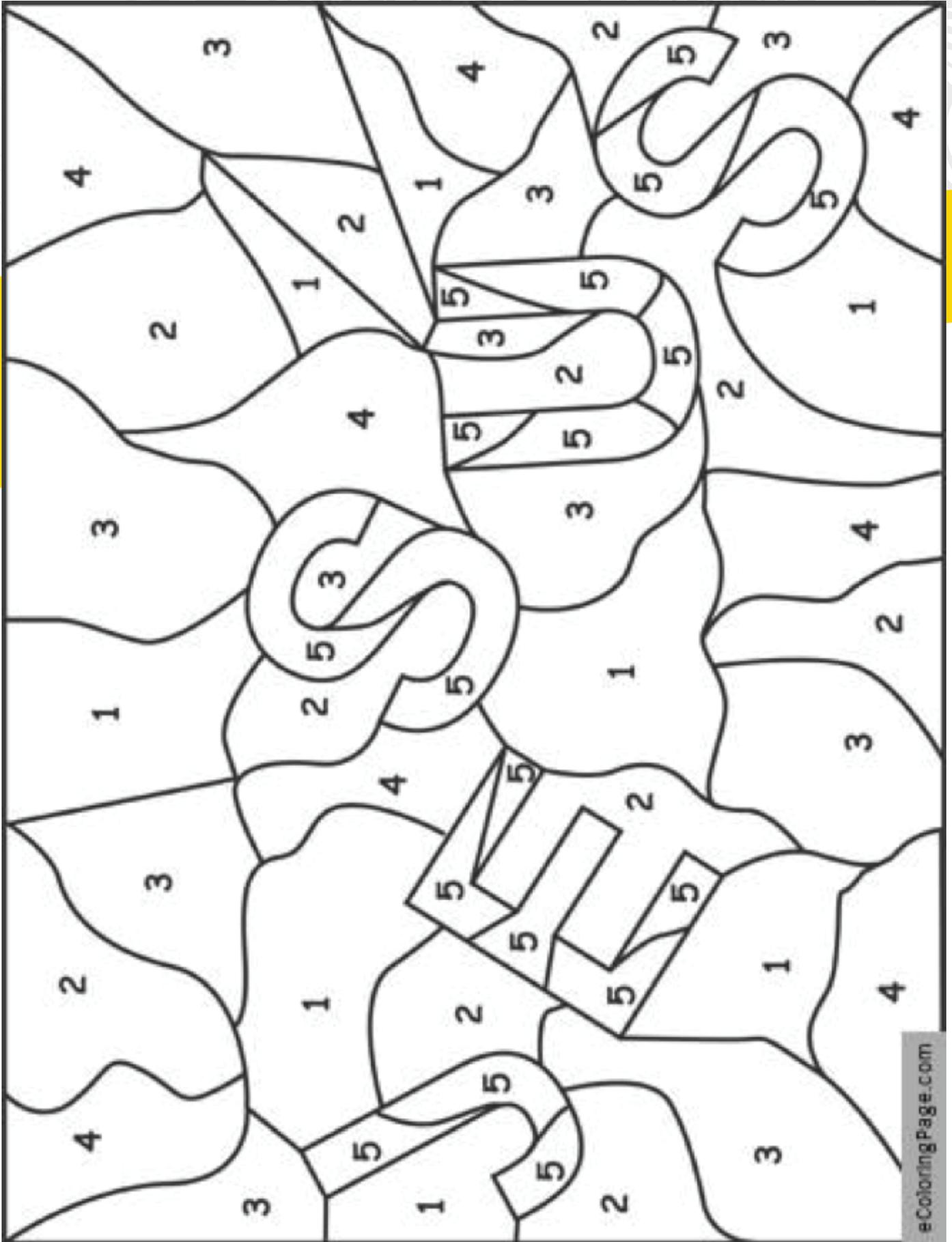
ADDITIONAL PROJECTS/REVIEW: Good News-Paper ongoing on page 9 | Share the Good News craft on page 16

GOOD NEWS-PAPER Using the chapel lessons and Bible stories, have your students create their own newspaper of “good news” stories of God’s love found in Jesus. When it is done, remind them that newspapers are meant to be shared with others.

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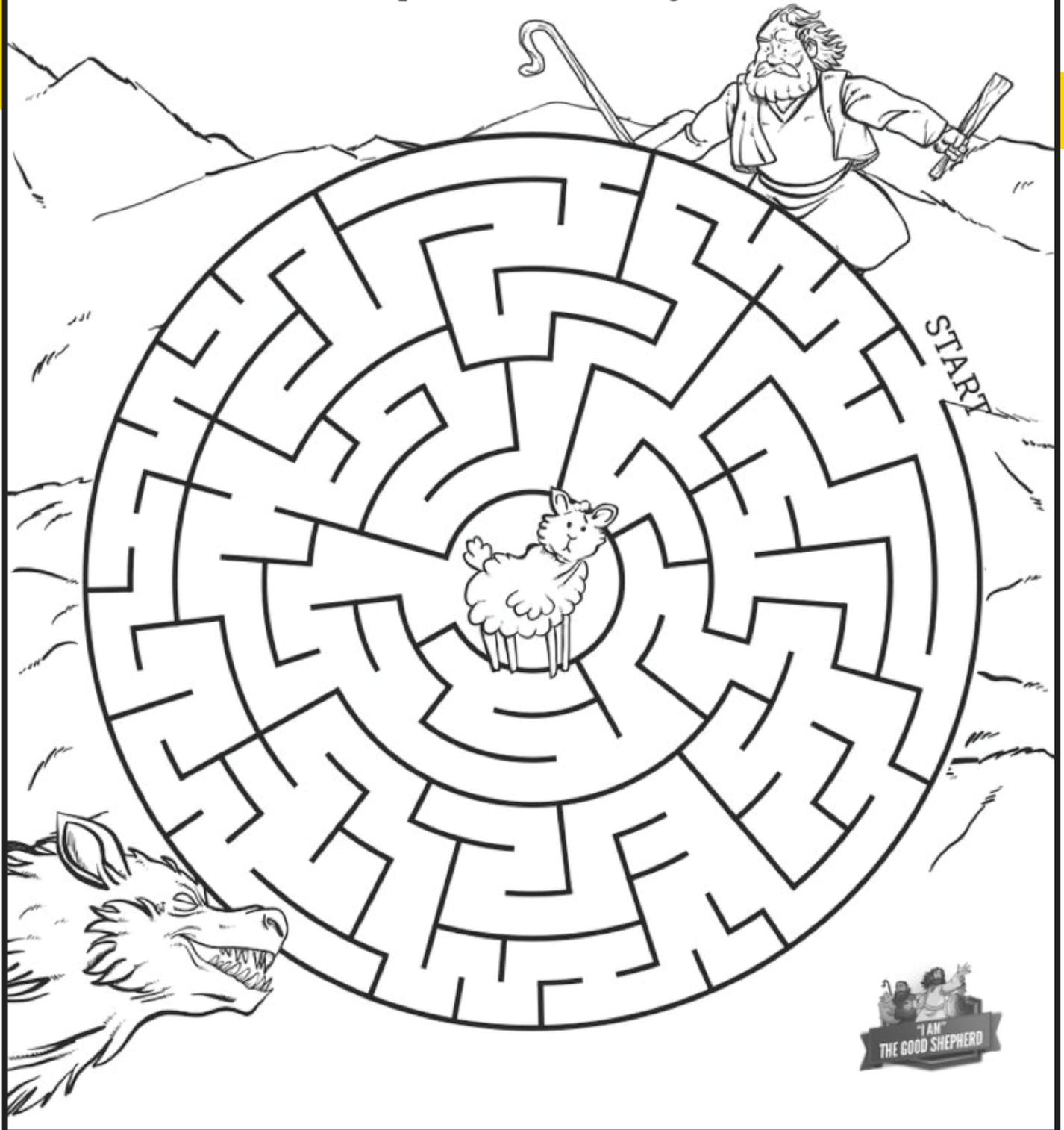
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JESUS COLOR BY NUMBER 1 blue . 2 red . 3 orange . 4 green . 5 yellow



"I AM" THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Protect the sheep before the enemy reaches them.



GOOD SHEPHERD WORD SEARCH



"I AM" THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Discover the hidden words.



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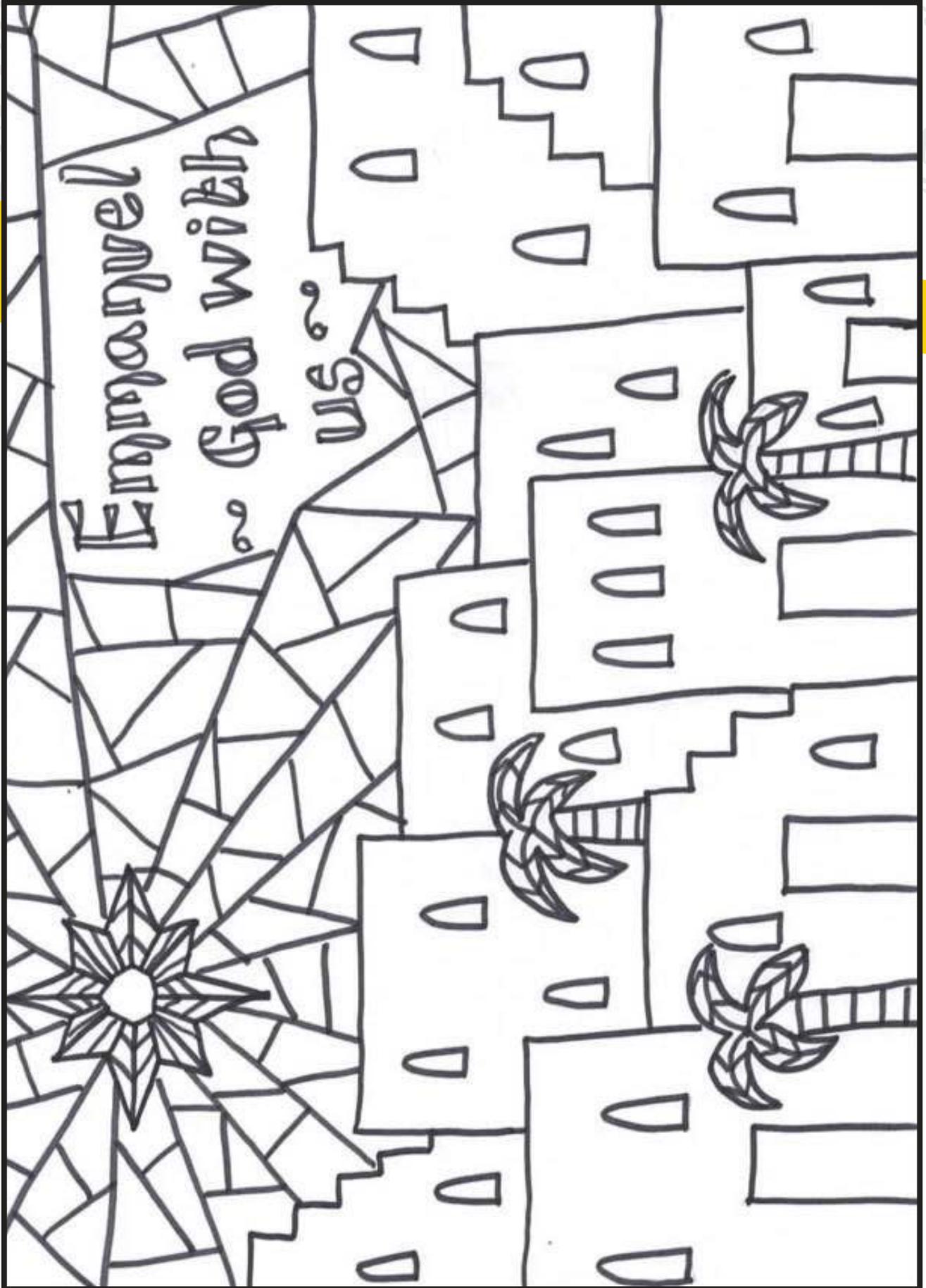
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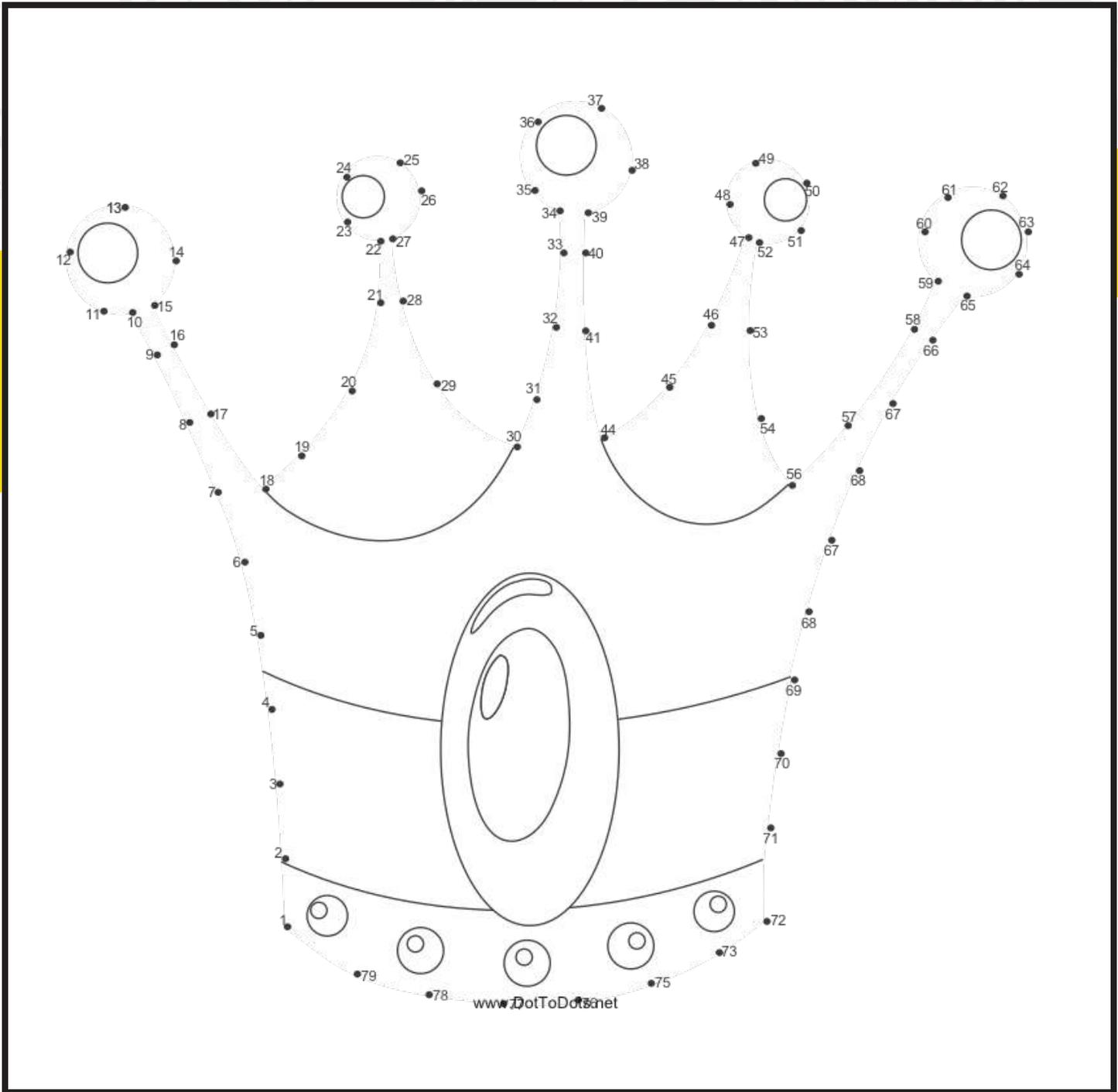


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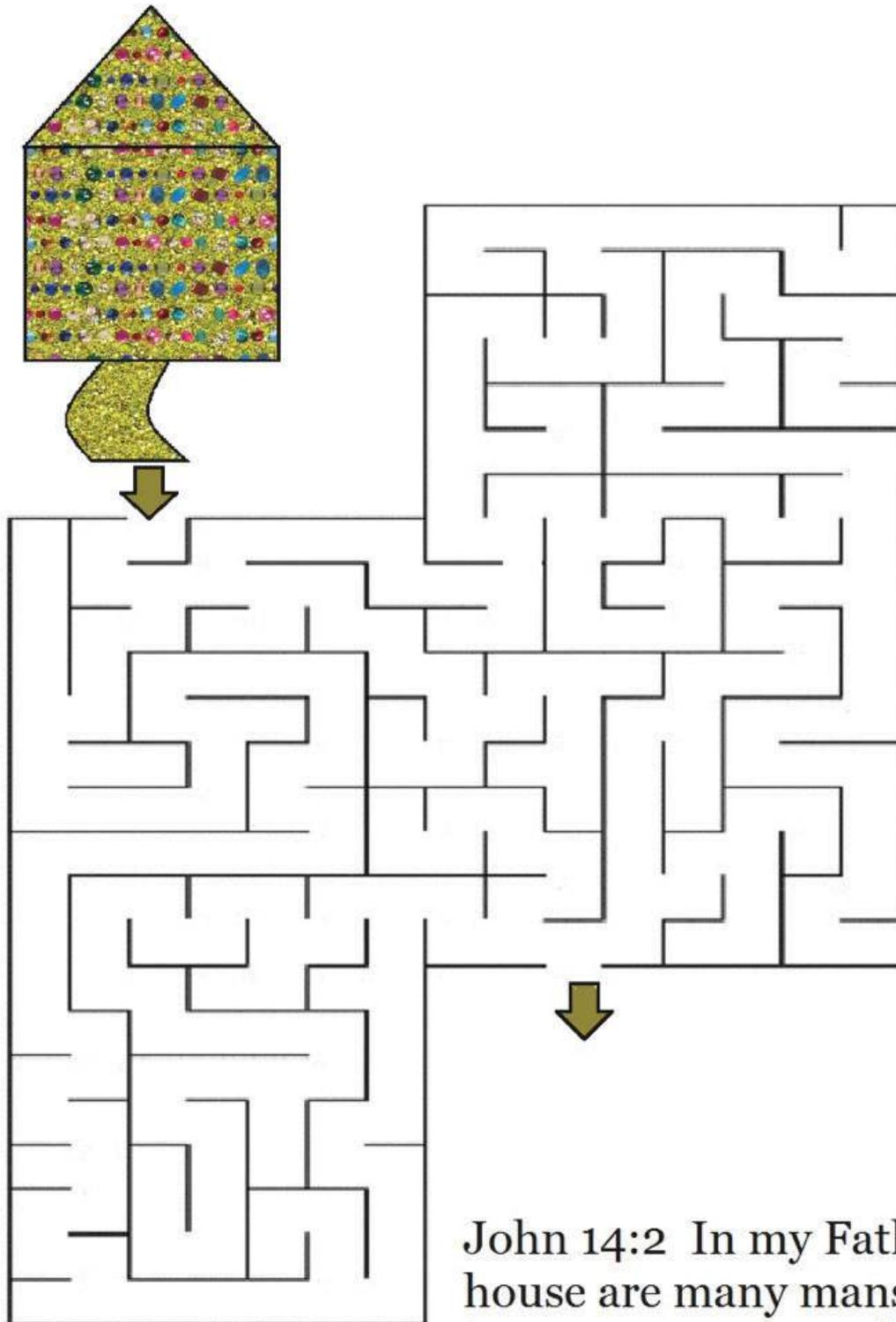
IMMANUEL COLORING PROJECT



HEAVENLY CROWN DOT-TO-DOT



MANSIONS IN HEAVEN AND STREETS OF GOLD MAZE



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John 14:2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.



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