

## JESUS AND THE DEVIL STRUGGLE IN THE WILDERNESS

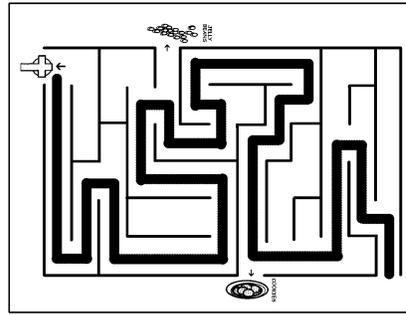
*[The wilderness of Judea]* — Jesus came out to this dry and empty country after John had baptized him in the Jordan River. Jesus wanted to be alone to think about how to do his ministry. So he spent forty days alone, without eating anything. Afterwards he was starved.

The Devil, who wants to stop God's kingdom, thought he had a good chance to keep Jesus from becoming God's messenger. In fact, the Devil might have wanted to make Jesus one of his own workers. So he offered Jesus all kinds of wonderful things. He told Jesus he could have all the food he wanted by selfishly using the power God gave him. He told Jesus he could use the same power to jump off high buildings safely. He told Jesus to worship Satan and he could rule the world.

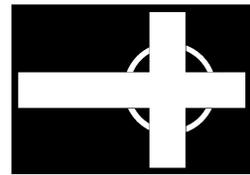
But Jesus knew God didn't want any of those things for him. Satan just wanted Jesus to forget about God because he was tired and hungry. Jesus told Satan, "No!"

Matthew 4:1-11

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ANSWERS

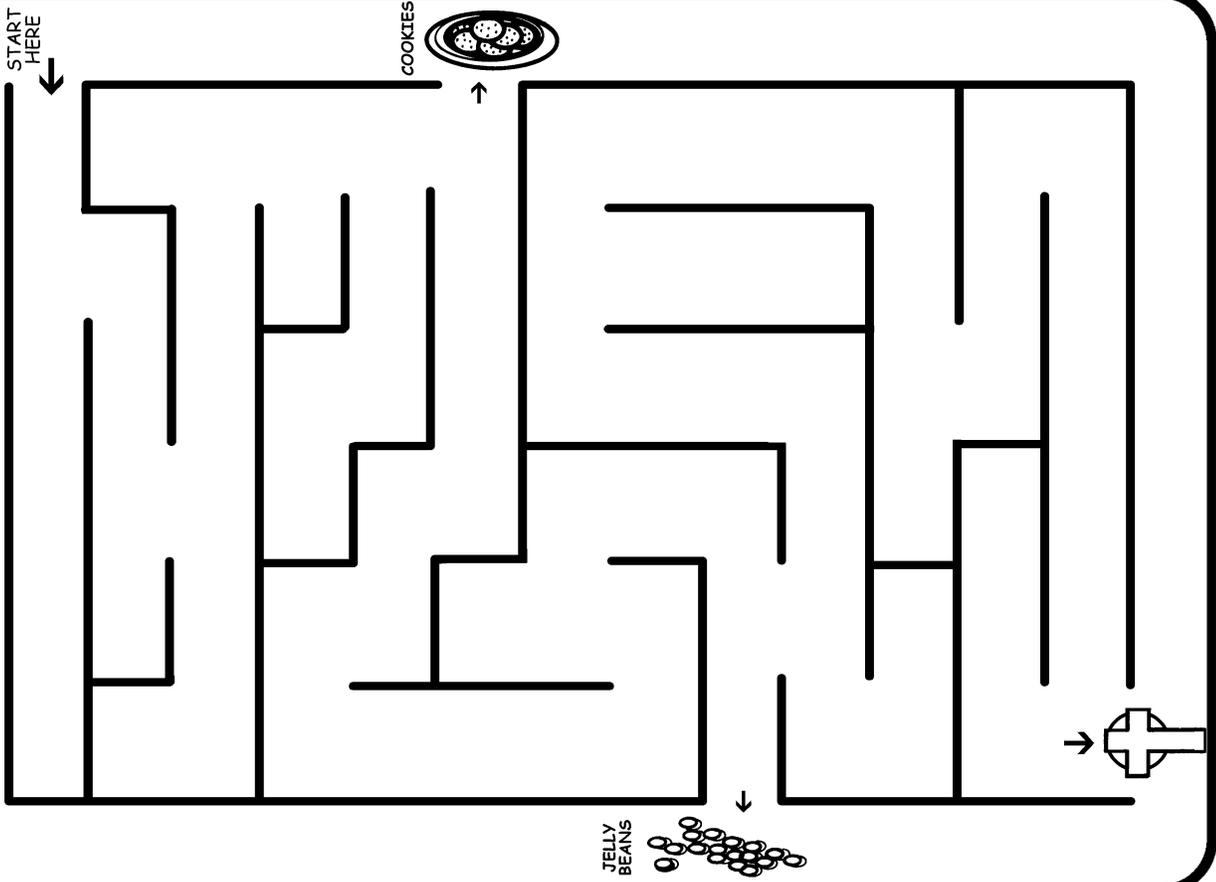


# Gospel Grams

## SUNDAY ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN



**Trail Of Temptation.** There are lots of things that can tempt us to forget about living in God's kingdom. In the puzzle maze below are pictures of some of them. Can you help God's children walk the whole way through the maze, to God's house at the end, without falling into temptation?



**Hidden Picture.** Hidden in the scrambled picture below is a symbol of God's love for us. To discover it, color or shade in all the spaces that have dots in them. Do not color the spaces that are plain.

