

JESUS AND HIS FRIENDS TAKE A BOAT RIDE

(On the Sea of Galilee) — Jesus and his friends, the twelve disciples, were getting tired. They had been working hard, teaching and healing people. Sometimes they worked so long and hard, they didn't even have time to stop to eat lunch or supper. Soon they knew they would need a short vacation, just to get some rest.

Jesus told his friends, "Let's get in a boat and sail across the Sea of Galilee to a quiet, lonely place. We can rest there without anybody around us. Then we can return to our work."

It was a good plan. The disciples were happy for the chance to take a boat ride with Jesus. Along the way they talked about many things. But when they came to the other side of the lake they were amazed. There was a crowd of people there, waiting for Jesus to help them!

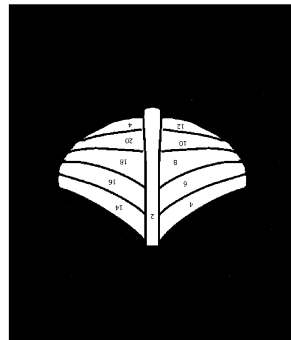
Mark 6:30-34

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CODED MESSAGE:
After working so hard to help Jesus,
THE DISCIPLES NEEDED A BREAK.

MYSTERY WORD: VACATION

FINDING THE MYSTERY MESSAGE:
1. TWELVE 5. REST
2. HARD 6. QUIET
3. LUNCH 7. GOOD
4. BOAT 8. PLAN



ANSWERS

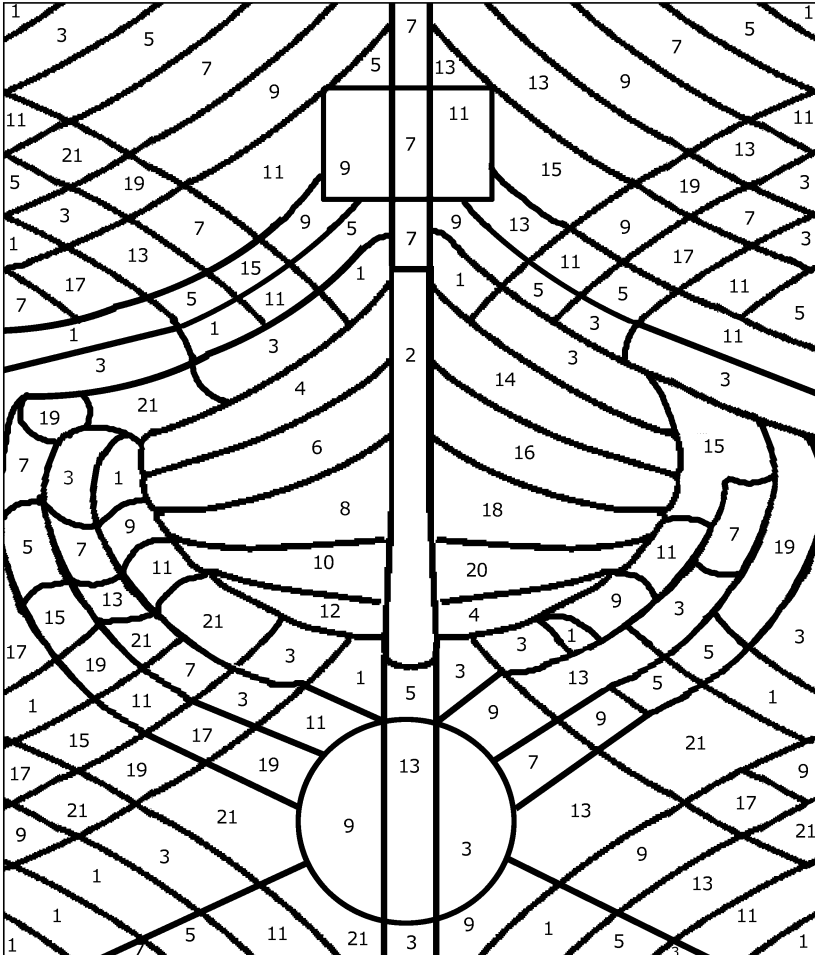
GOSPEL GRAMS



SUNDAY ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN



Hidden Picture. Today's Gospel story takes place on the Sea of Galilee. To find a picture of something in today's story, shade or color in all the odd-numbered spaces in the puzzle picture below. (Hint: odd numbers include 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21.)



Finding The Mystery Message. Here are some scrambled words which came from today's Gospel story, about Jesus taking a trip with his friends. Unscramble each word and then write it into the spaces below. Then take the circled letters in the circles to finish the mystery word at the bottom.

1. LWTEEV _ _ _ _ _ _ _
2. AHDR _ _ _ _ _
3. HLCUN _ _ _ _ _ _
4. TABO _ _ _ _ _
5. RTES _ _ _ _ _
6. UQEIT _ _ _ _ _ _
7. OGD _ _ _ _
8. NPAL _ _ _ _ _ _

MYSTERY WORD: Jesus and his disciples needed to take a short

_____.

Gus The Gospel Gopher says: "Ever work so hard that you need to rest? Here's a mystery message about resting. Use the code to find the letters for the numbered blanks."

5	12	3	14	8	4	1	11	7	10	2	6	9	13
C	D	B	L	T	K	R	H	A	N	I	E	P	S

After working so hard to help Jesus,

8 11 6 12 2 13 5 2 9 14 6 13

10 6 6 12 6 12 7 3 1 6 7 4