

JESUS USES TOUGH TALK

(Capernaum) — Jesus was spending some time in his hometown, talking with his friends, the twelve disciples. They were talking about being good followers. Jesus suddenly used some tough talk to show how important it is to follow God.

Jesus said, "Be careful not to do something to make somebody lose their faith in God. If you do that, you might as well tie a heavy stone to a rope and tie the rope around your neck and then jump into the lake!"

Jesus' followers listened quietly to this tough talk. But Jesus wasn't finished. Then he said, "If your hand does something against God, chop it off! If your foot does something against God, chop it off!" The disciples stared at Jesus in amazement.

What Jesus meant was, get tough with your bad habits and get rid of them!

Mark 9:38-50

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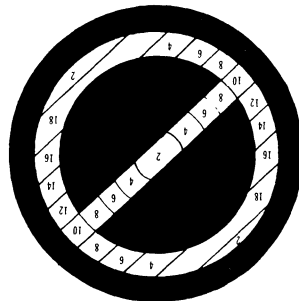
MATCHING WORDS:

ROCK	—	STONE
FAITHFUL	—	CHOP
CUT	—	LEAD
SPEAK	—	GOOD
TOWN	—	CITY
GUIDE	—	TALK

WORD SEARCH:

Q U I T L U E S U Z
S E R F A I L H P
H O L K O L K
P E U P E
R O X A Y E
M R O L T A G T U
H C R K C R
L H O M E T O W N L
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ANSWERS



HIDDEN PICTURE:

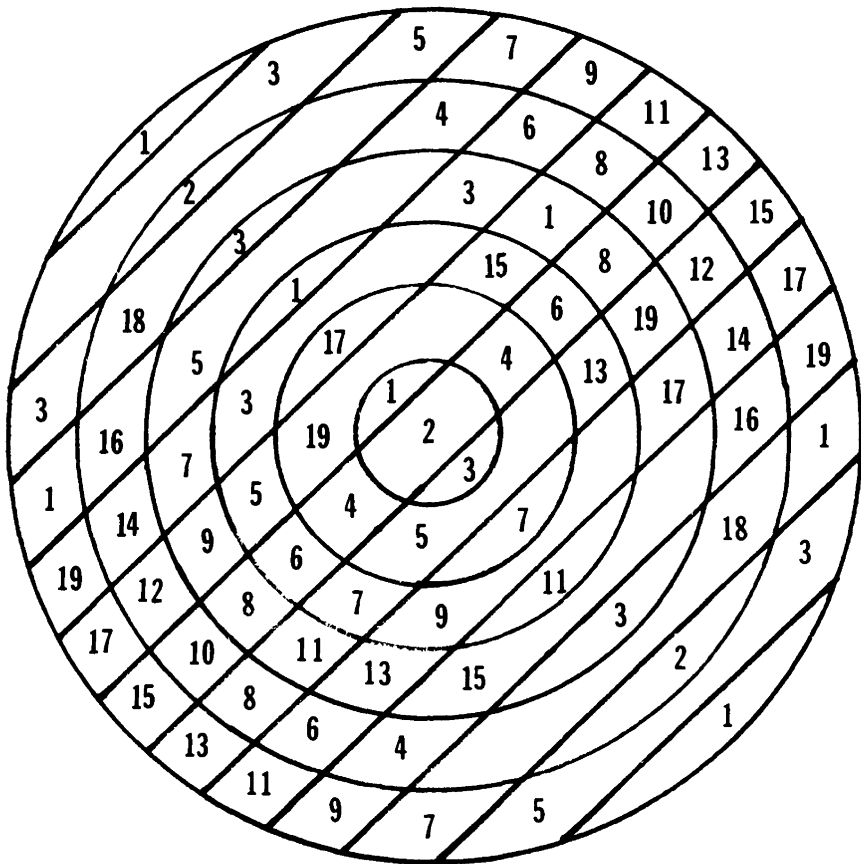
GOSPEL GRAMS



SUNDAY ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN



Find The Hidden Picture. What did Jesus tell us to do with our bad habits? If we answered with a sign you could hang on the wall, what would it look like? Color or shade in all the odd numbers below to find out. (Hint: odd numbers include 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19.)



Word Search. Here are some words from today's Gospel story. They are also hidden in the puzzle below. Circle each word as you find it. Some are printed across and some are printed down.

HOMETOWN	CAREFUL	JESUS	IMPORTANT
TOUGH	HABITS	ROPE	GOD
FAITH	TALK		

Q	J	T	L	U	I	E	S	U	Z
C	S	E	R	F	A	I	T	H	P
A	T	M	S	T	B	H	O	L	K
R	Q	X	Q	A	Y	E	U	P	E
E	M	R	O	L	T	A	G	T	U
F	T	G	P	K	C	R	H	E	D
U	H	O	M	E	T	O	W	N	L
L	I	D	L	U	T	P	R	R	P
H	A	B	I	T	S	E	E	G	J
S	I	M	P	O	R	T	A	N	T
I	J	E	S	U	S	R	E	N	Q

Matching Words. Here are some words from today's Gospel story, where Jesus used some really tough talk. Match them with the words in the other column that mean the same.

TALK	GUIDE
TOWN	CITY
GOOD	SPEAK
LEAD	CUT
CHOP	FAITHFUL
STONE	ROCK