

FIRE IS COMING, JOHN THE BAPTIZER WARNS

[The wilderness near Jerusalem] — John was preaching near the Jordan River. People came from everywhere to hear what he would say. They did not like some of the things they heard him say, but they were curious to know what he would say next.

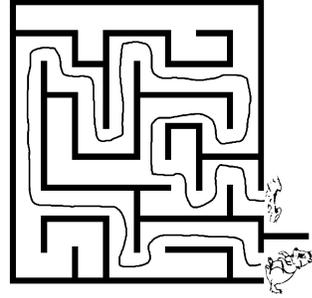
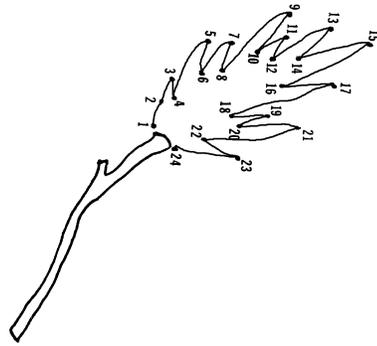
One of the things John told the people was that when his cousin, Jesus, came, he would bring fire with him. John said that Jesus would burn up whatever was evil or useless. He would save what was worth saving.

This made everybody nervous. They began to ask, "What shall we do so we won't be burned up with such a fire?" John told them. "Live the way God wants you to. Be honest. Don't cheat anybody. Act the way a tree would act that knows how to grow fruit."

The people listened carefully.

Luke 3:7-18

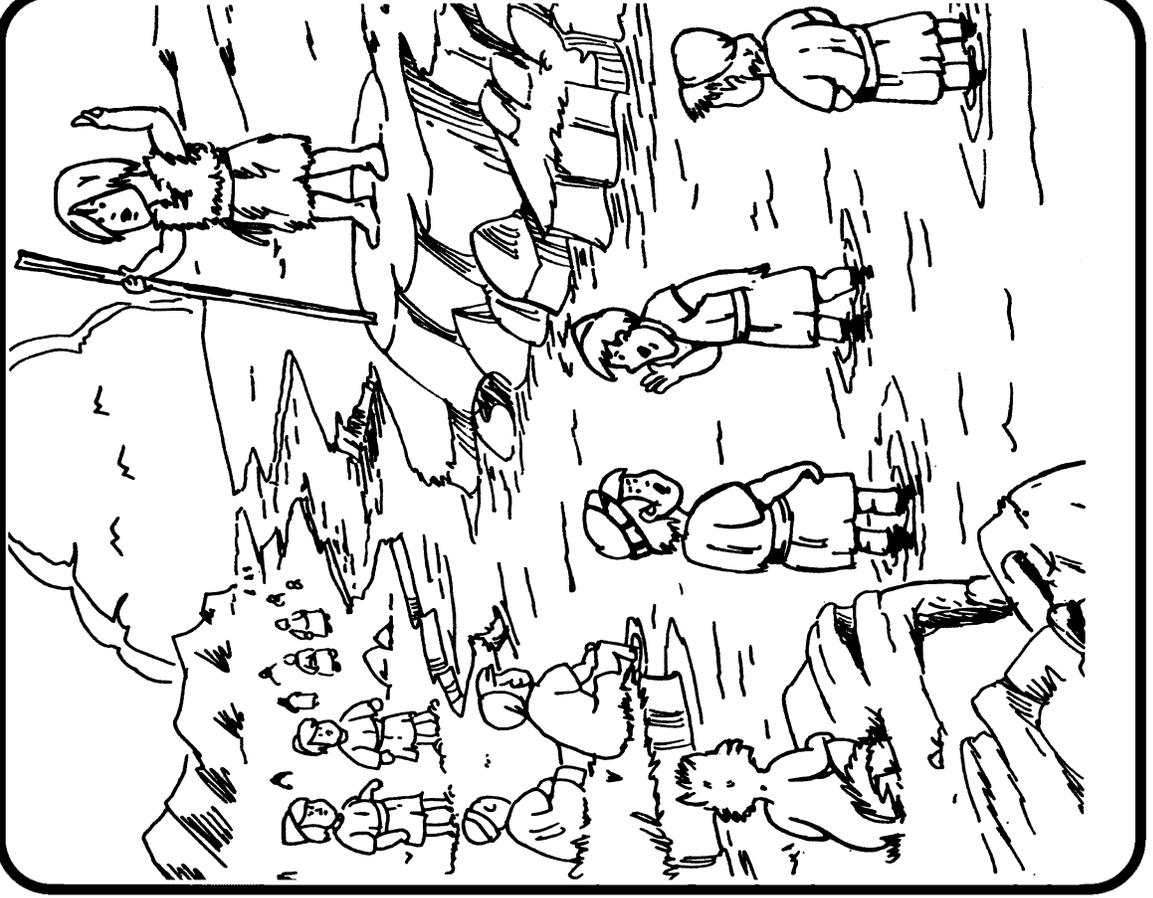
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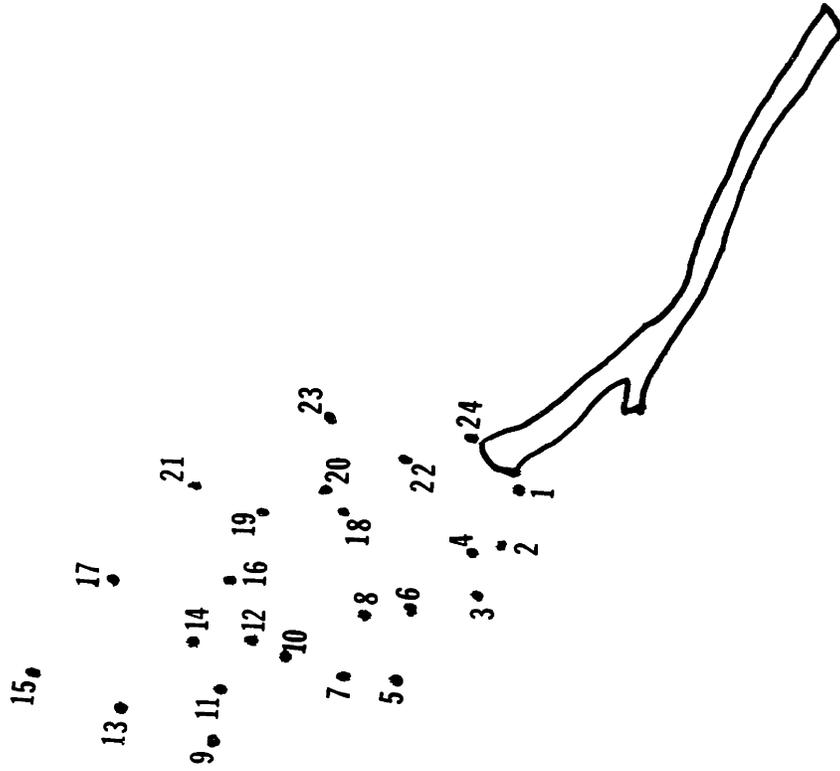
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Finish the Picture. John the Baptizer warned the people at the Jordan River that Jesus would bring something they might not like. Here is a picture of what John was talking about. Connect all the numbers to see what it is.



Gus the Gospel Gopher says: "Nothing can be quite as scary as a prairie fire. That's a good time to get down into my gopher hole and wait until it's past." Today's Gospel story talks about a fire that burns up what is bad. Can you help Gus find his way to his gopher hole before the fire comes?

