A New Start

Key Word: Compassion

Key Verse: "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?" Luke 7:19

Anna had been sick for a long time. She had to miss so much school that she had to be tutored when she was home and not at the hospital. She missed her friends. They would send her cards and notes, but she wanted to be outside playing with them.

The doctors had given her all kinds of tests, but they could not seem to find out what the illness was. Anna asked her mom to pray with her. Her mom held her hand and prayed, "Dear Lord, you know what Anna needs, you know what is making her ill. Please send someone to help us find out what she needs. We love you, Lord. Amen."

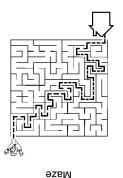
Just then a group of student nurses came by and were looking at her charts. One of the students, Sara, spoke up, "Doctor, I think I know what is wrong. My sister had this when she was younger and that is what made me want to go to nursing school."

Sara discussed it with the doctors and they sent Anna to another hospital to do another special test. The student nurse was right. The doctors began new medicines for Anna and she began to get well. She went back to school and was able to play with her friends.

Sara came to visit her often. Anna told her that she had prayed for someone to come that could help her and Sara was the answer to her prayers. But Sara told Anna, "No, I was just the path that led you to the answer. The Lord allowed me to share with you, and I am happy to have you as my friend!"

Questions

- 1. Why do you think Sara was sent to see Anna?
- 2. Do you ever feel like God is calling you to help another person?



Young man, I say to you, rise!

Secret Phrase:

Jumble Puzzle

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MUDOW RISEN
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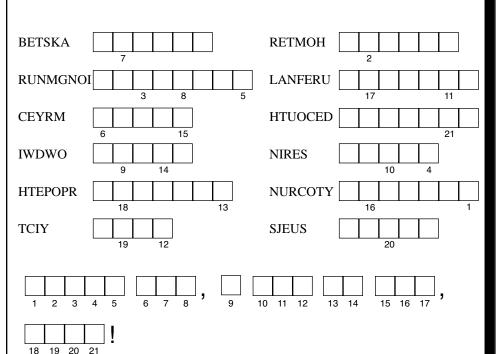
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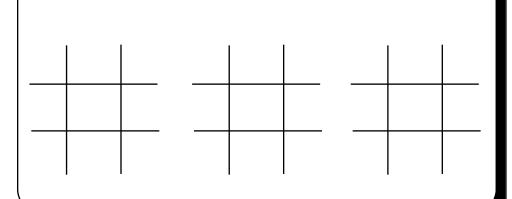
Jumble Puzzle

Unscramble each of the clue words from today's Gospel story, Luke 7:11-19. Take the letters that have numbers below them and put them in the numbered boxes below. Read the message that you have created!



Tic Tac Toe

Play with a friend.



Maze

Today's Gospel story teaches us that God is merciful. The widow of Nain had no family to help support her now that her son had passed away. Jesus came upon the funeral and he knew that the widow was all alone now. He loved her so much, he brought her son back to life. Kyle's friend, Jack, lost his sleeping bag and is worried he won't be able to go on the church youth campout. Help Kyle find his way to Jack's house so that he can lend his friend his extra sleeping bag.

