

Spreading Happiness

Key Word: Strength

Key Verse: It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth... *Mark 4:31*

When Darren was born he weighed just over four pounds. That is really small for a baby. He had to stay in the hospital after his mother came home so he could grow stronger. All of the nurses gave him special attention and he was a very happy baby. His parents took very special care of him.

He grew slowly as a little boy, but he was always happy and friendly. Everyone around him was made happier just to be near him. He would tell wonderful stories, or draw beautiful pictures, or write funny poems; sharing his talents with others always made them happy, and it made him feel good, too.

Darren studied hard and he got a full scholarship to the university he wanted to attend. He became a writer and published many books during his lifetime, for families to share.

Darren never did get very tall, but his talents grew and blossomed so much that no one even thought about how he looked. They only knew that what he wrote made them feel happy and warm and loved. He said he might be tiny like a mustard seed that grows into the greatest of all plants, spreading out its branches so the birds can make nests.

Darren's stories and pictures spread happiness into the hearts of all those who read his stories. He may have been small, but his gifts were very grand.

Questions

What did Darren do to share his talents?

Did Jesus' disciples always understand his stories?

Gospel Grams

Today's Gospel Story is from
Mark 4:26-34



REQUEST
SICKLE
FULL
EXCEPT
SHRUBS
COMPLAIN
SPOKE
EVERYTHING
PRIVATE
KINGDOM
SLEEP
HARVEST
PRODUCE
GROUND
NESTS
JESUS
ABLE
WORD
LARGE
SLEEP
SLEEPS
NIGHT

FINAL MESSAGE:
GREATEST
BIRDS
SHADE
HARVEST
SHRUBS
GROWS
SCATTER
SLEEP
SLEEPS

WORD FIND

S	O	M	E	H	O	L	E	H	H	I
L	T	B	O	I	U	U	O	S	S	C
A	L	A	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	E
N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	A
E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	A
L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	A
H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	A
F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	A
O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	A
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	A
N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	A
K	K	K	K	K	K	K	K	K	K	A
N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	A
H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	A
R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	A
H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	A
R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	A
H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	A
G	G	G	G	G	G	G	G	G	G	A

FILL IN THE SPACE

Answers

Word Find Puzzle

Here are 19 words from today's Gospel story. Some are printed upside down, backwards, or at an angle. One is done for you. How many can you find?

BARDS	Q	V	G	S	E	L	P	I	C	S	I	D	S
DISCIPLES	B	H	R	M	U	S	T	A	R	D	N	D	N
GROUND	G	R	O	U	N	D	B	H	W	O	R	D	K
HARVEST	C	F	I	J	U	Y	M	D	C	I	N	J	J
HEAR	C	V	D	P	S	H	R	U	(B)	S	D	C	X
KINGDOM	V	G	H	T	E	T	E	B	U	H	N	O	P
MUSTARD	F	H	E	A	R	J	I	D	C	G	E	K	R
NESTS	D	A	L	U	I	J	H	F	A	L	S	T	I
NIGHT	E	R	K	I	N	G	D	O	M	H	T	N	V
PRIVATE	E	V	C	O	I	T	U	O	R	P	S	L	A
RIPE	S	E	I	H	U	Y	U	I	O	V	B	D	T
SEED	C	S	S	O	M	E	O	N	E	J	K	L	E
SHADE	R	T	H	B	N	I	G	H	T	N	W	O	S
SHRUBS													
SICKLE													
SOMEONE													
SOWN													
SPROUT													
WORD													

Word Scramble Puzzle

Unscramble each of the clue words and write the letters in the boxes. Take the letters that appear in boxes and unscramble them for the final message.

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Fill In The Space Puzzle

Place one letter of the alphabet in the blank space to make a word from today's Gospel story. Words are at least 4 letters long. Use each alphabet letter only once. We have included an alphabet chart to mark off the letters as you use them. Two have already been done for you.

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

ABCDEF ~~G~~HIJK ~~L~~ MNOPQRST UVVWXYZ