

# Cyril's Taste Of Freedom

Key Word: **Follow**

Key Verse: And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." *Luke 9:58*

Cyril wormed his way through the soil to his brother Toby's side. "Toby," he pleaded, "tell me again what it's like out there."

Toby glanced at Cyril and sighed. "It's not all fun," he warned. "There are all sorts of dangers in gardens. It's safe and warm and comfortable here in our jam jar, and there's plenty to eat. You need to consider very carefully before you make up your mind to enter the big world ..."

But when Suzie tossed the jam jar onto the rubbish heap in the garden, Cyril crawled out as quickly as he could.

It was a wonderful new experience for Cyril, who slithered off towards the open garden, passing soil through his body, for that's the job of earthworms. He worked steadily and well, when suddenly four huge prongs of a garden fork nearly pierced him. Before he could collect himself, he was tossed up on a clod of earth, and an unknown voice began to whistle a bird song, calling the blackbirds.

Cyril was terrified. He began to long for his safe jam jar home again. It might have been boring, but at least it was safe.

Then Cyril heard a terrible noise. A huge shovel came slicing through the soil,

lifting and turning it. The next thing Cyril felt was an agonizing pain, as the shovel sliced him in half. Cyril lay winded, in two pieces, feeling horribly sick.

Then he wiggled a bit. He was only half his former length, but he was alive and moving. And to his surprise, he spotted his other half also wiggling and moving. "Hello?" he said tentatively.

"Hello yourself," came the reply. "Hey, it's good to meet you. Do you know, I feel like we belong together. I feel like I've known you all my life."

Cyril grinned an earthworm grin. Suddenly, his life had changed. How good it was to live in freedom in the garden even with its dangers. Cyril knew now he'd never go back to the jam jar. For life and work in the garden were very, very good.

## Questions

**Why do the people of the Samaritan village refuse to accept Jesus?**

**Why does Jesus warn people who want to follow him that it will be difficult?**



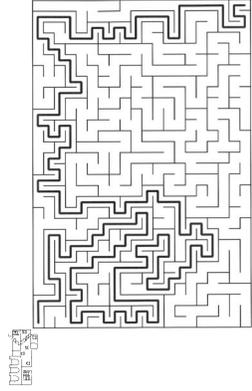
# Gospel Grams

Today's Gospel Story  
is from  
**Luke 9:51-62**

**BOGGLE**  
Some possible words are:

Zebra	Disciples
Quail	Nests
Bury	Along
Head	Holes
Holes	Farwell
Rebuke	James
Village	Foxes
Ready	Consume
Kingdom	Received
Flow	One
	Rebuked
	Another
	Messenger

FILL IN THE SPACE

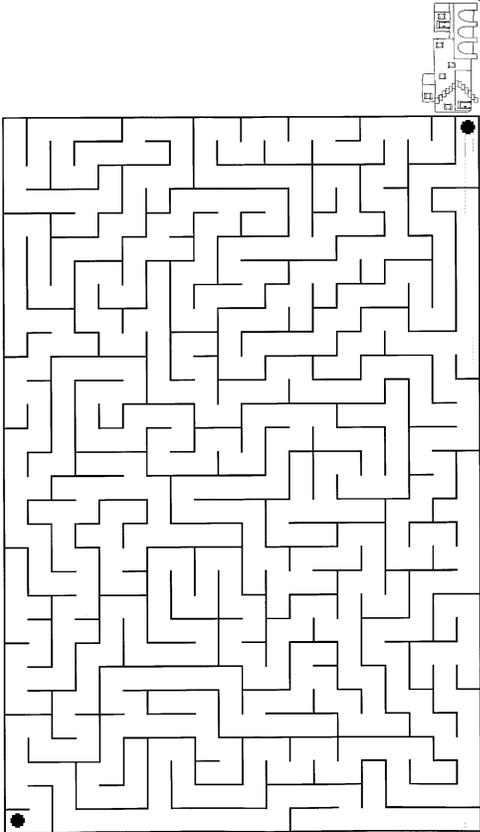


MAZE

## Answers

### Maze

Today's Gospel story, Luke 9:51-62, talks about the time the village of Samaria would not accept Jesus when he was traveling. So Jesus and his disciples went on to another village. Help Jesus and the disciples find their way to the next village.



### Boggle

How many words can you make with this table of letters? Form words by using letters that touch. Words can go forward, backward, diagonal, up, or down. Each letter tile can only be used once per word.

W	N	O	T
L	T	F	O
E	O	M	O
P	V	N	L

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### Fill In The Space

Place one letter of the alphabet in the blank space to make a word from today's Gospel story. 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.

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