

Going To The Seaside

Key Word: **Why?**

Key Verse: He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" *Luke 2:49*

Lucy's backpack was ready, crammed with candy and chips, a spare sweater, some money, and a notebook and pen.

She walked through the town to the bus stop and boarded a bus bound for the seaside.

Lucy loved the seaside. The family went there on vacation every year, and it was the best time in Lucy's life. But this year her father had left home, and her mother said they couldn't afford a vacation.

Lucy was angry. She was a bit frightened too, because she thought it might be her fault that her parents had split up. But she didn't see why she should have to miss out on the best time in the whole year, just because her mom and dad didn't like each other any more.

If nobody wanted to take her, it seemed to Lucy perfectly reasonable to go by herself.

Lucy spent a while paddling in rock pools, searching for crabs and limpets. Then she ran to the edge of the sea and jumped over the waves. Then she began to build a sandcastle.

When she felt hungry, she ate all her candy and all her chips. Then she decided she was tired and went towards the bus stop.

But to Lucy's surprise, she heard someone calling her name. She spotted her mom and dad — together — on the beach.

I must be in my Father's house.

Secret Phrase:

Jumble Puzzle
 FESTIVAL DIVINE
 PASSOVER HUMAN
 PARENTS FAVOR
 JOURNEY QUESTIONS
 TEMPLE SEARCHING
 TEACHERS FATHER
 NAZARETH MOTHER
 WISDOM

Word Find

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

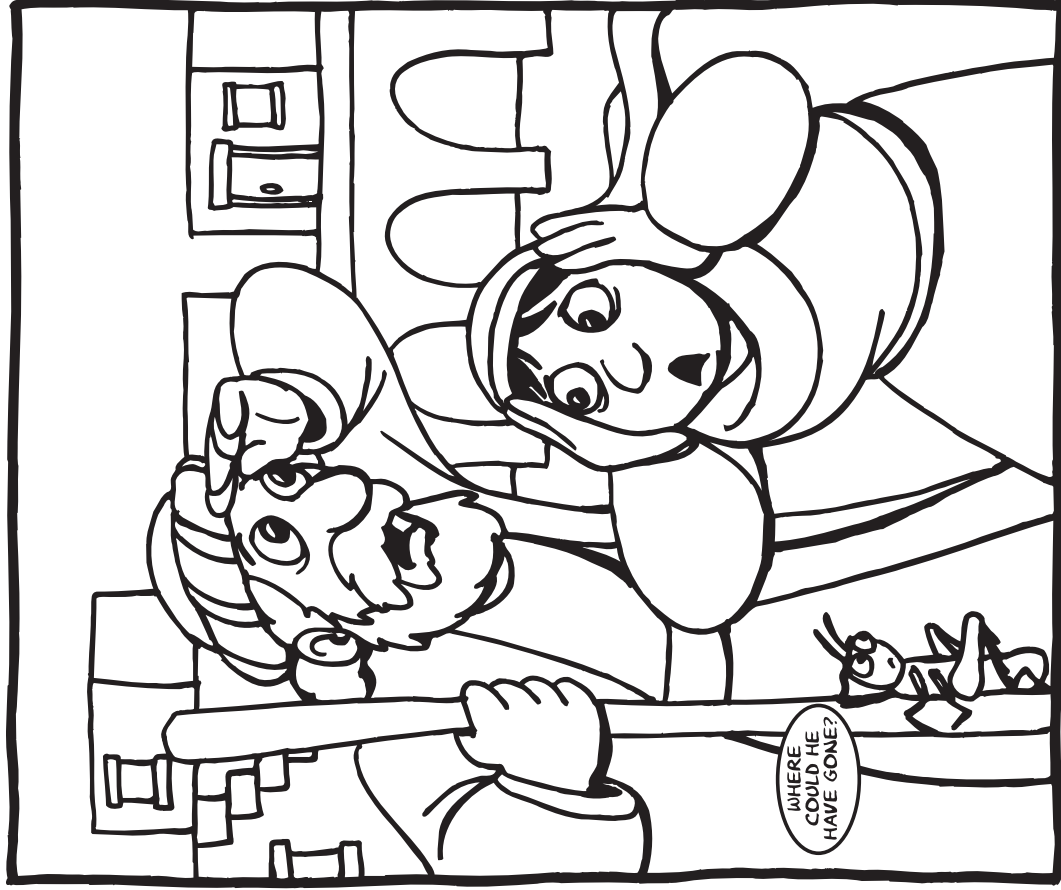
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Gospel Grams



Today's Gospel Story
 is from
Luke 2:41-52



Lucy ran towards them and flung herself into their arms.

"Why did you go off like that without telling anyone?" asked Dad.

Lucy shrugged. "I wanted to be at the seaside," she said.

"We've been out of our minds with worry," said Mom.

"You shouldn't have split up," said Lucy, suddenly angry.

She thought her parents would shout at her, but they looked at each other and then at her and explained that they both loved her just as much as they always had, and that the split wasn't her fault.

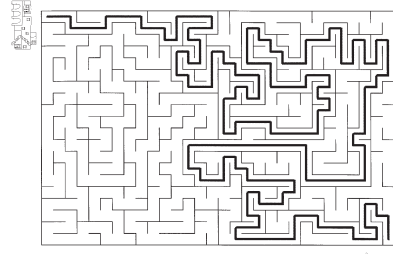
"Tell you what," added Lucy's dad, "we'll get together just as often as we can and make sure you get your visits to the seaside. How's that?"

Lucy's mom nodded, and Lucy suddenly felt much, much better.

Questions

Why did Lucy go to the seaside by herself, without telling anybody?

Why did Lucy think that her parents didn't understand her?



Maze

Jumble Puzzle

Unscramble each of the clue words from today's Gospel story, Luke 2:41-52. Take the letters that have numbers below them and put them in the numbered boxes below. Read the message that you have created!

LIEVASFT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
SEOPSVAR	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
NASTERP	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
YRNUEJO	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
TEPLEM	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
RESEHTA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
HERTANAZ	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
SIDMOW	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22

Word Find

Find the words below that relate to the Gospel story in which Jesus stays in Jerusalem to listen to the teachers in the Temple. Words go across, up, down, or diagonally.

Words to find:

AMAZED
ANSWERS
DIVINE
FATHER
FESTIVAL
FRIENDS
HOUSE
JOURNEY
MOTHER
PARENTS
PASSOVER
QUESTIONS
RELATIVES
SEARCHING
STRONG
TEMPLE
TRAVELERS
TWELVE
UNDERSTAND
WISDOM

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

Maze

Today's Gospel story talks about Mary and Joseph leaving Jerusalem after the Passover Festival. After they traveled for an entire day, they realized that Jesus was not with them. They needed to go back to Jerusalem and find Jesus. Begin at the top to help Mary and Joseph find Jesus in the Temple.

