

GOD AND ME

Lesson Twenty-Five

GOD IS....

I AM...



MY RESPONSE...

THE LOVE OF THE CROSS



JESUS CHOSE THE CROSS BECAUSE HE **LOVES** US!

AND



HIS RESURRECTION GIVES US THE **POWER** TO CHOOSE TO LOVE HIM!

"The message of the cross seems foolish to those who are lost and dying.
But it is God's power to us who are being saved."

1 Corinthians 1:18

"I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you
a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the true knowledge of Him."

Ephesians 1:17



So Far We Have Discovered That:

GOD SAID, "I AM WHO I AM"



THE FIRST "I AM" Exodus Chapter 3

God said to Moses, "I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites:

'I am has sent me to you.'"

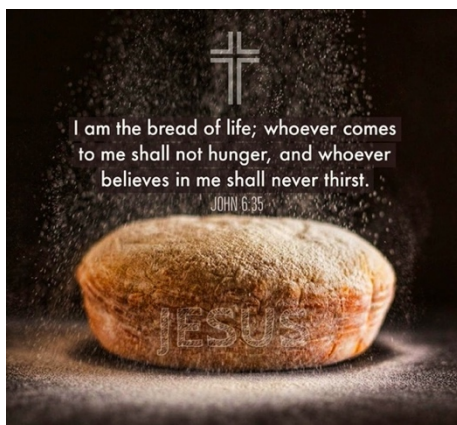
*"This is my name forever,
the name you shall call me
from generation to generation."*

This is the first time in the Bible when God calls Himself, **"I AM"**

Jesus Said:

"I AM the Bread of Life"

John 6:35



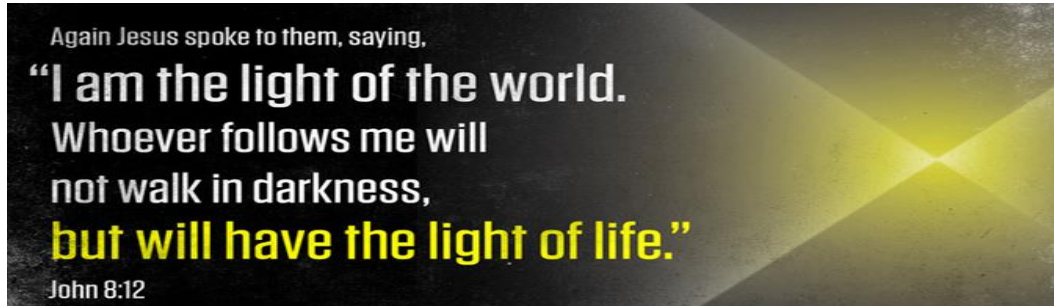
Just like real bread is yummy to our taste buds, feels good in our tummy, and gives us energy to keep going –

JESUS is the good bread from heaven that keeps our spirits going forever.

AND

"I AM the Light of the World"

John 8:12



Jesus guides us out of darkness -
Following Jesus out of darkness
is the best way to live.

AND



"I AM the Gate for the Sheep"

John 10:7



Following Jesus keeps me safe!

AND

"I Am the Good Shepherd."

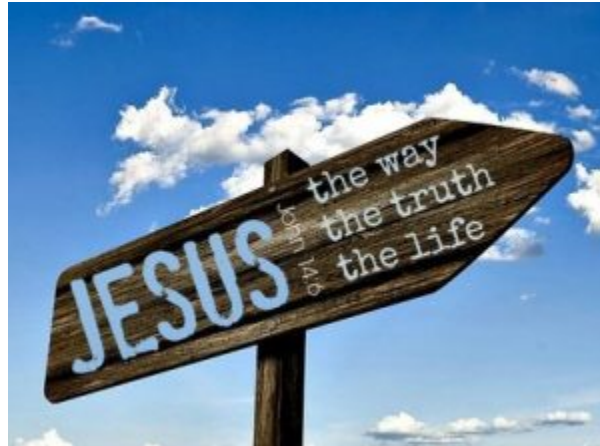
John 10:11



Jesus is committed to caring and watching over those who are His.

This lesson we hear Jesus say,
"I Am The Way, The Truth, And The Life
No one comes to the Father except through Me."

John 14:6



What do you think Jesus means when He says He is "the way?"
What do you think Jesus means when He says He is "the truth?"
What do you think Jesus means when He says He is "the life?"

Let's look at the last part of that scripture!

Jesus said, *"No one comes to the Father except through me."*

That part is SO IMPORTANT!

What do you think that part means?

It simply means that there is no other way to get to heaven than through Jesus.

We can't do a bunch of good things or accomplish certain tasks to get to heaven.

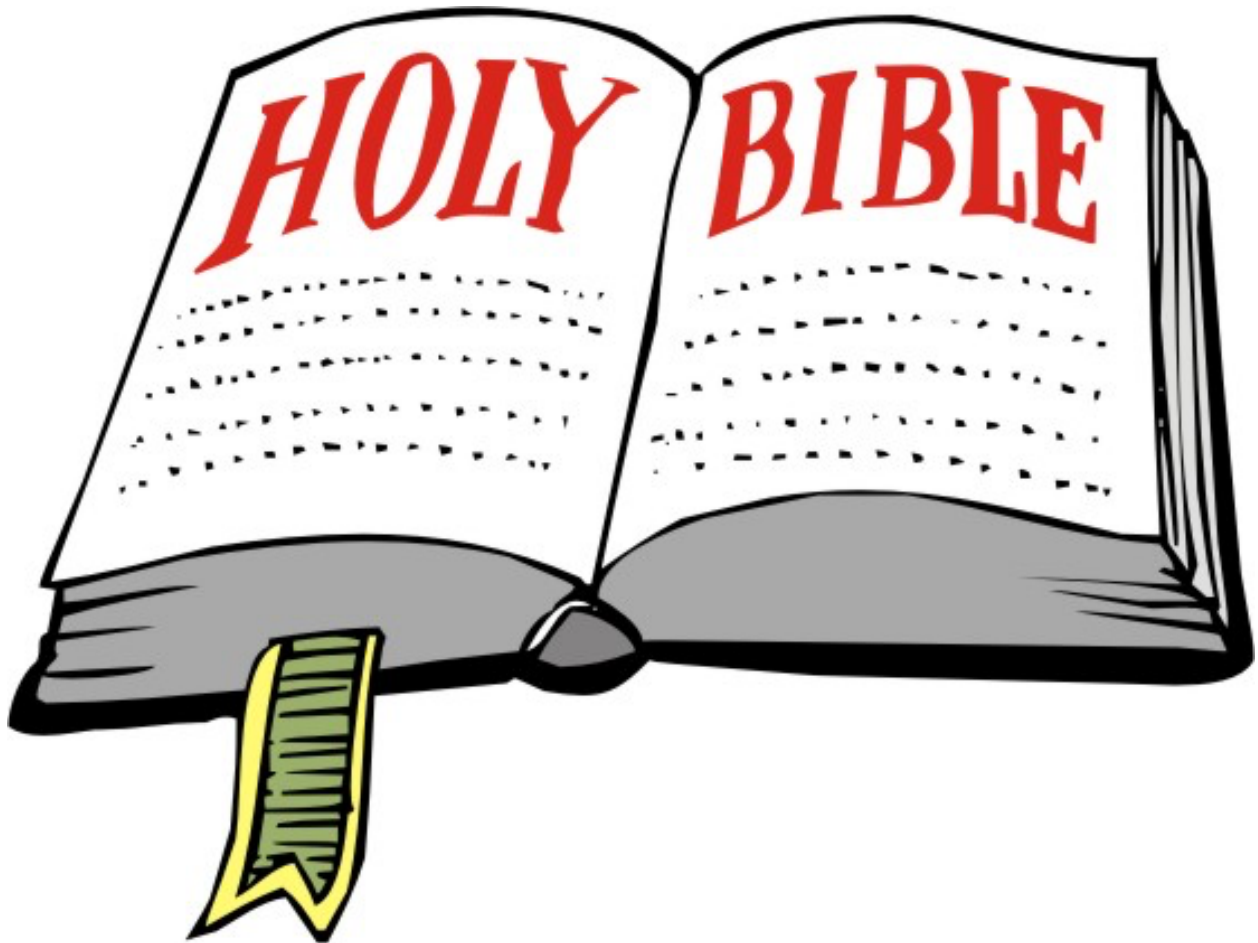
We just have to believe He is God's Son, receive His love and love Him back by choosing to follow Him.

It's that simple!

Jesus Is The Source Of All Truth And Knowledge About God.

Let's dive deeper and learn more about this today!

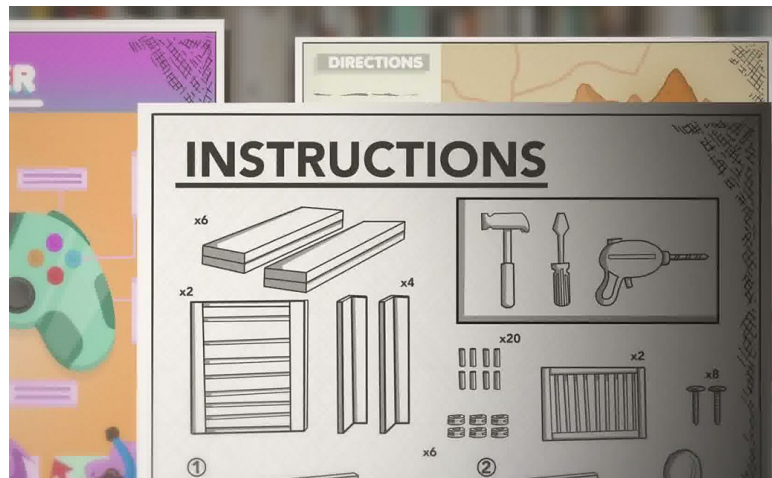
How do we find out **the way** to Jesus,
what **the truth** really is,
and what our **lives** should look like?



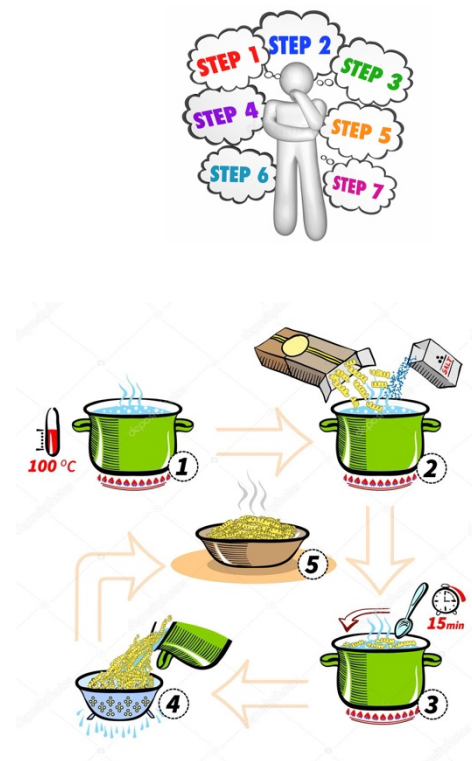
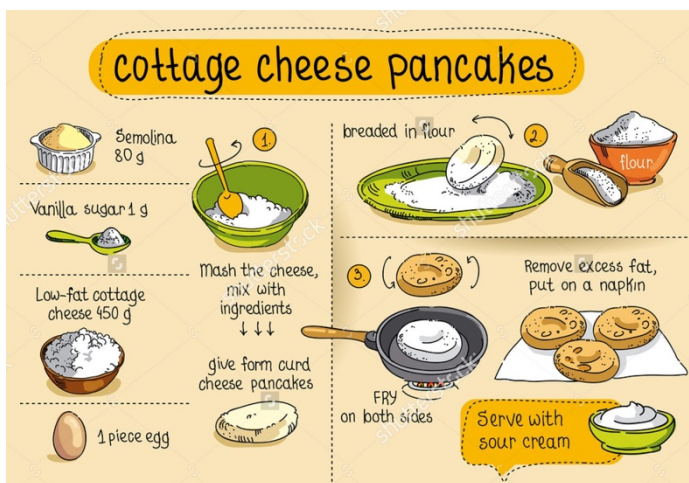
Get Your Bible

Look at it for a second. Hold it in your hands. Some Bibles have the title: **HOLY BIBLE**. That is because it is God's Holy Word. Jesus is also called the Word of God. When we read the Bible, it is like Jesus talking to us. God is using His Word, Jesus, to tell us who He is, how He feels about us, how we can live in His love now on earth and forever with Him in heaven. We want to always treat the Bible with respect because it is the same as honoring Jesus. Thank God for the gift of His words in the Bible.

When you have a brand-new toy, or a new bed that has to be put together, or a game with a lot of pieces, how do you figure out how to put it together or use it?



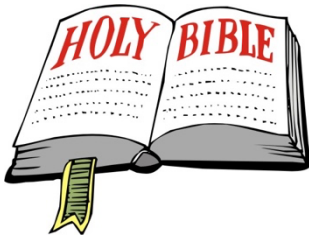
What about when you have a recipe that you want to make. How do you know what to put in and how much of everything?



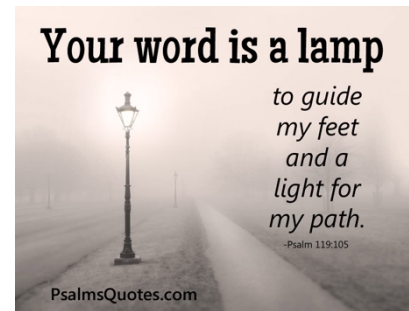
**So what if we have a problem in life, something we are sad about,
or mad about maybe.**

How do we know how to handle that situation God's way?

Do we have directions to read?



Yes! The Bible!



Let's look at some different situations that we might experience and see what we can find to help us.

You get to school, and you think you hear your friend saying mean things about you to another friend. What would you want to do?

Okay, let's look at how God says we should handle it.

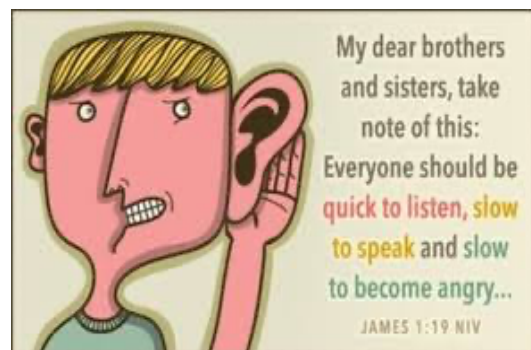
Find the book of James in your Bible.

(Remember to use the table of contents to find the book if you need to)

Find and read James 1:19

Hmmm...

How do you think this Scripture can help us?



Let's look at it piece by piece:

We can be quick to listen. We can start by asking our friend what they were saying. We might be completely wrong about what they were talking about!

Then we can be slow to speak. Take a moment to think about what they told you.

Then we can choose to be slow to get angry. We can let our friend know that we think that they might have been making fun of us and tell them that our feelings were hurt. We don't always have to get mad and scream. We can take deep breaths and choose to walk away. We can also calmly ask a teacher to help us talk to our friend and share our feelings.

Let's look at another situation.

You and your friend are playing outside, and your ball hits a window and breaks it. At that moment, we have two choices. We can go tell our parents what happened, and we might be in trouble. Or we could not tell them and lie about it when they see it and ask. *What would God tell us to do?*

Find the book of Proverbs.

Find and read: Proverbs 12:22

What do you think that scripture means?



God knows that if we lie and try to cover up what we did, we're going to end up in more trouble. Plus, when we lie, others can't trust us in the future. God knows that the sooner we fess up to what we did, the better it will be for everyone, especially us.

One more situation to think about-

**Your mom or dad tells you that you can't have any more candy.
You have already had enough for today. We have two choices.
We can listen and put the candy away, or we can throw a fit and sneak the candy when they aren't looking. *Let's see what God says about this..***

Find and read: Proverbs 6:20

How does this scripture help us?



God wants us to obey our parents. He knows that our parents know what is best for us. It is their job to keep us safe and healthy. This means that they might have to tell us "no" sometimes to do what is best for us. Can you think of something that your parents have said "no" to?

Why do you think they said "no" to that?

Think About It:

After learning about these things today, why do you think God created the Bible?
What steps can you take to use the Bible more in the future when you need it?

BIG IDEA:

We want to know and understand that Jesus shows us the way in life.

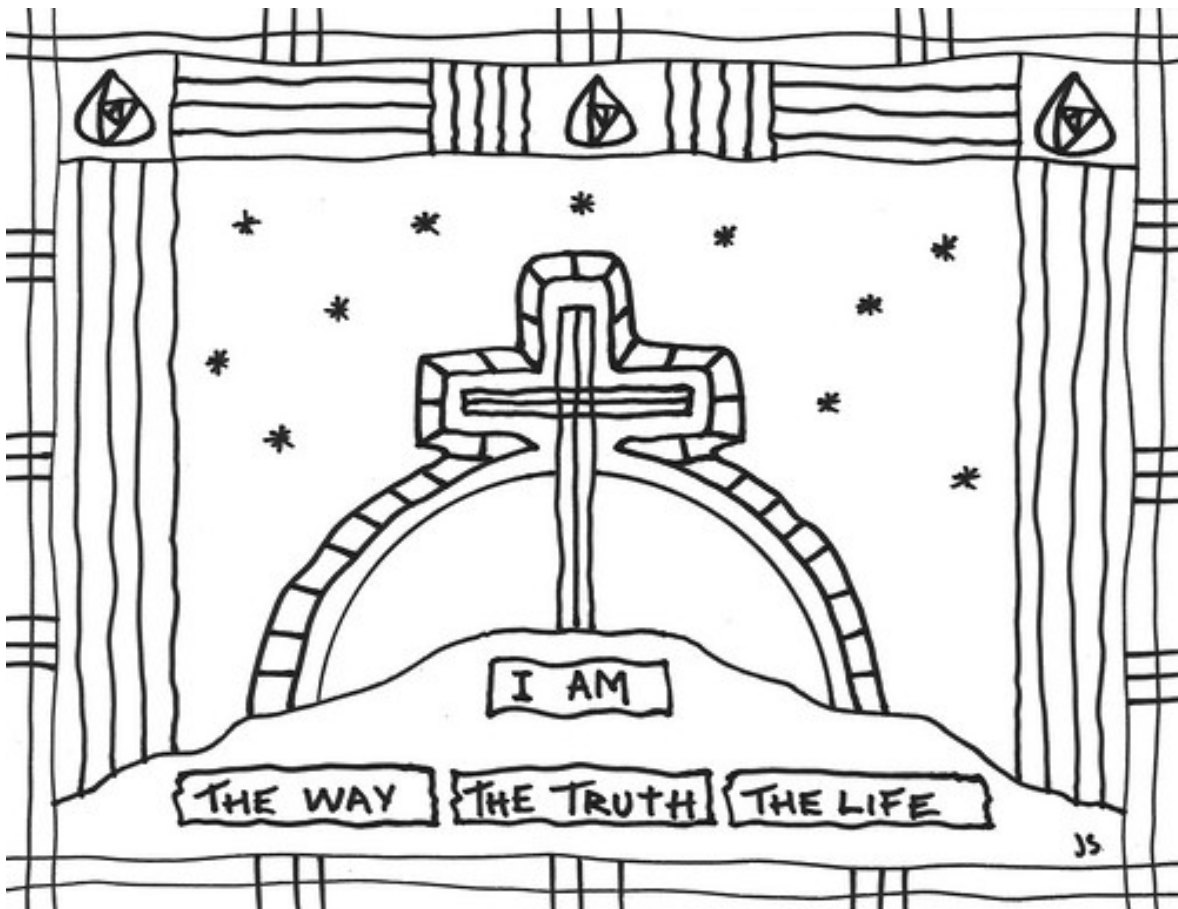
Jesus is the source of all truth and knowledge about God.

When we read our Bibles, talk to our parents or other Christians, pray and
learn to listen to God's voice,
we will learn how to let Jesus lead our lives.

Remember: "Jesus answered, *'I am the WAY, the TRUTH, and the LIFE.
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John 14:6

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My Response:

I Choose To Believe That:

Jesus is the Way – He is the ONLY way to the Father

Jesus is the Truth – He is the voice of ALL Truth

Jesus is the Life – He gives life TODAY and FOREVER

I Choose To:

Follow His Path

Listen to His Truth

Receive His Life By –

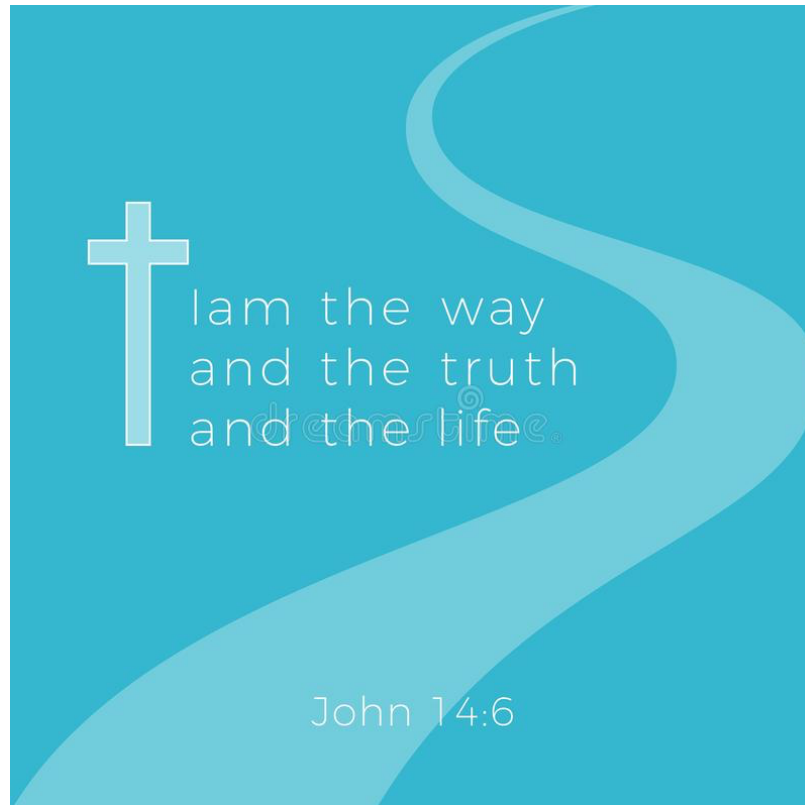
Reading My Bible

Talking to My Parents or Other Christians

Praying

I Choose To Remember That:

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TALK TO GOD

Use the ARK model (**A: Agree R: Revelation K: Keep**) to pray using Scripture.

*“Jesus answered, ‘I am the WAY, the TRUTH, and the LIFE.
No one comes to the Father except through me.’”*

John 14:6

Agree - LORD, I **AGREE** that You are the way, the truth, and the life. I agree that You are the ONLY way to the Father.

Reveal– Please show me more about what it means that You are the way, the truth and the life. Show me what it means that You are the ONLY way to the Father.

Keep– I want to **follow Your path, listen to Your truth, and receive Your life by** reading my Bible, talking to my parents or other Christians, praying to You, and trusting You to provide my way to the Father. Thank You, Jesus that You are **the source of all truth and knowledge about God.** Amen

Write or Draw Your Own Prayer Above

Finding the Way

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life.
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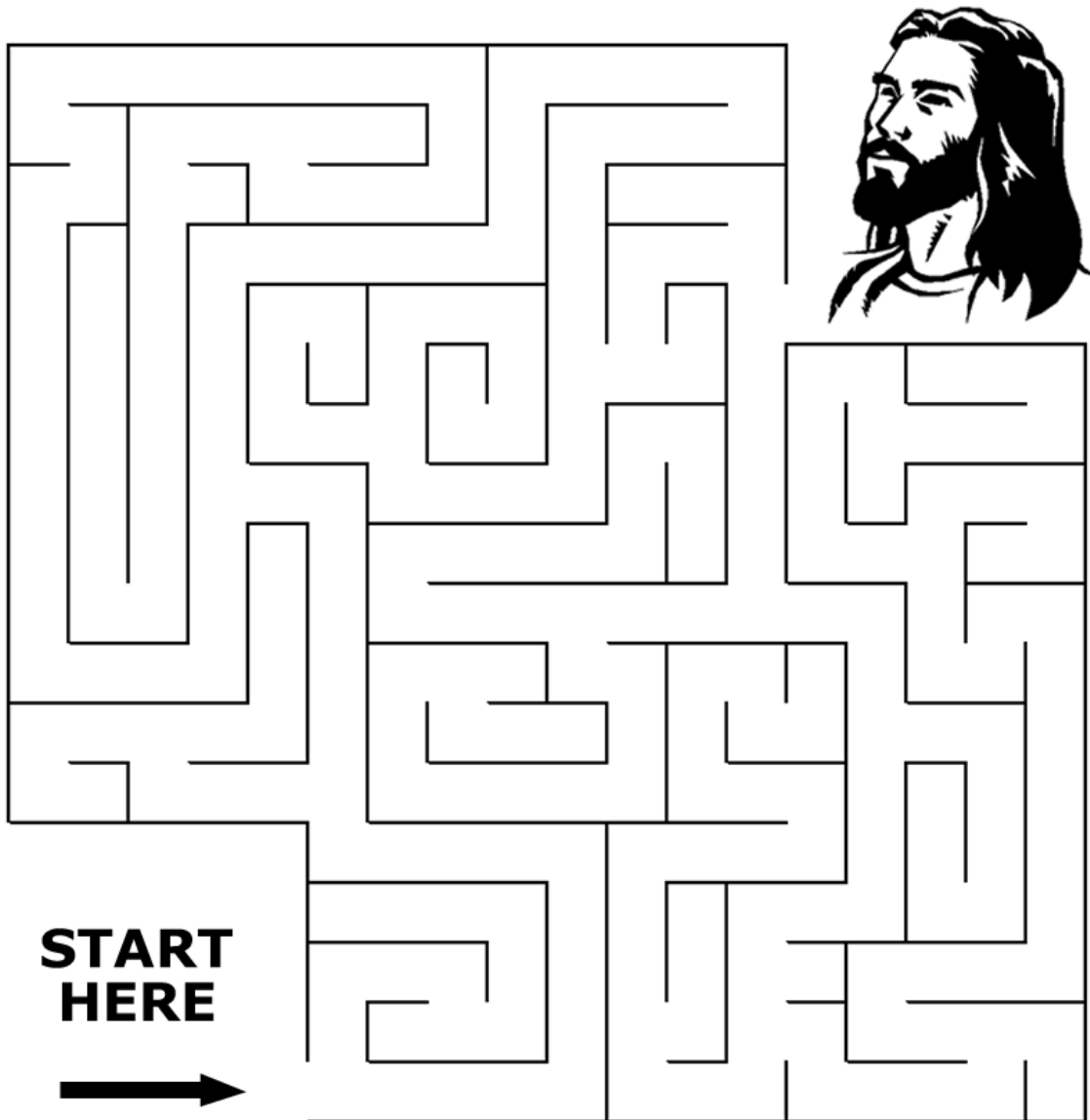
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FINDING THE WAY THROUGH THE MAZE

"I am the way, the truth, and the life."

John 14:6



Can you find the way to Jesus?

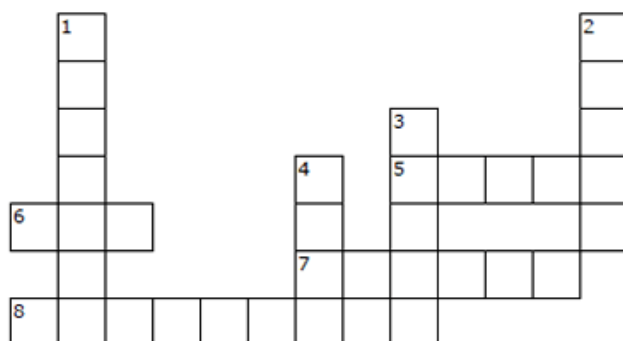
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ACROSS

5. Areas in a building that have their own walls, floor, ceiling, and door
6. The route or path to follow to get to a place
7. The male parent
8. To accept something as being true

DOWN

1. To get ready for something that will happen in the future
2. A building in which people, usually one family, lives
3. The actual facts about something
4. The period between birth and death

TRUTH	WAY	HOUSE	ROOMS
BELIEVE	LIFE	FATHER	PREPARE

TAKE HOME CHALLENGES:

- 1. This week read one or more of these Scriptures in the Bible.**

Corinthians 1:18

Ephesians 1:17

Exodus 3:14-15

John 6:35

John 8:12

John 10:7,11

Psalms 119:105

James 1:19

Proverbs 12:22

Proverbs 6:20

- 2. Memory Verse:** “Jesus answered, ‘I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.’” - John 14:6

- 3. Share this workbook with a family member and talk about:**

- a. God is...
- b. I am...
- c. My Response... (Share your feelings about what you learned together)

- 4. Do the coloring, activity pages, and writing or drawing a prayer suggested in this book.**

