



Friends of Jesus and Mary

VII Sunday of Easter, May 24, 2020

Acts 1, 12-14; Psalm 26, 1Peter 4, 13-16; John 17, 1-11

Jesus prays for His own.

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you, just as you gave him authority over all people, so that your son may give eternal life to all you gave him. Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ. I glorified you on earth by accomplishing the work that you gave me to do. Now glorify me, Father, with you, with the glory that I had with you before the world began. "I revealed your name to those whom you gave me out of the world. They belonged to you, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you gave me is from you, because the words you gave to me I have given to them, and they accepted them and truly understood that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for the ones you have given me, because they are yours, and everything of mine is yours and everything of yours is mine, and I have been glorified in them. And now I will no longer be in the world, but they are in the world, while I am coming to you."

Reflection:

Jesus speaks to His Father and asks Him to glorify Him so that the Father may be glorified. How do people glorify themselves in our world? Winning sports, becoming famous movie stars, getting high positions in companies, governments, making large sums of money...**How does God glorify Jesus and Jesus glorify God?** Suffering and dying on the cross in the hands of His enemies and later resurrecting from the dead. **Why does Jesus glorify the Father in this manner?** Jesus reveals God's extreme love for us. In order to be with us for eternity, He was willing to suffer and die. He shows His power and victory over death with His resurrection. **Jesus then asks God to give eternal life to those who love Him and He describes eternal life. What is it?** It is to know God and Jesus Christ. **How can we know God better?** We can pray more, read the bible more, go to mass attentively, go to confession regularly... **Jesus repeats that He and God are one and those who believe this will be glorified. How can we glorify Jesus?** When we trust in Jesus and we follow His commandments out of love for Him, we glorify Him.

Activity:

Choose from the next pages: Color and fill in the blanks. Review the 10 Commandments and play: One person says a Commandment and another must draw the corresponding symbol. Write or say a prayer asking for the people you love, just as Jesus prayed for His own. Complete the Ascension craft on the last page.

Prayer:

Jesus, help me not to seek the glory of this world but Your glory. Help me to imitate You in humility, obedience, service, and love. Help me to believe and always glorify you. Amen

Song: To God be the Glory, Lifetree Kids, <https://youtu.be/Y0dQbfbSW0Q>

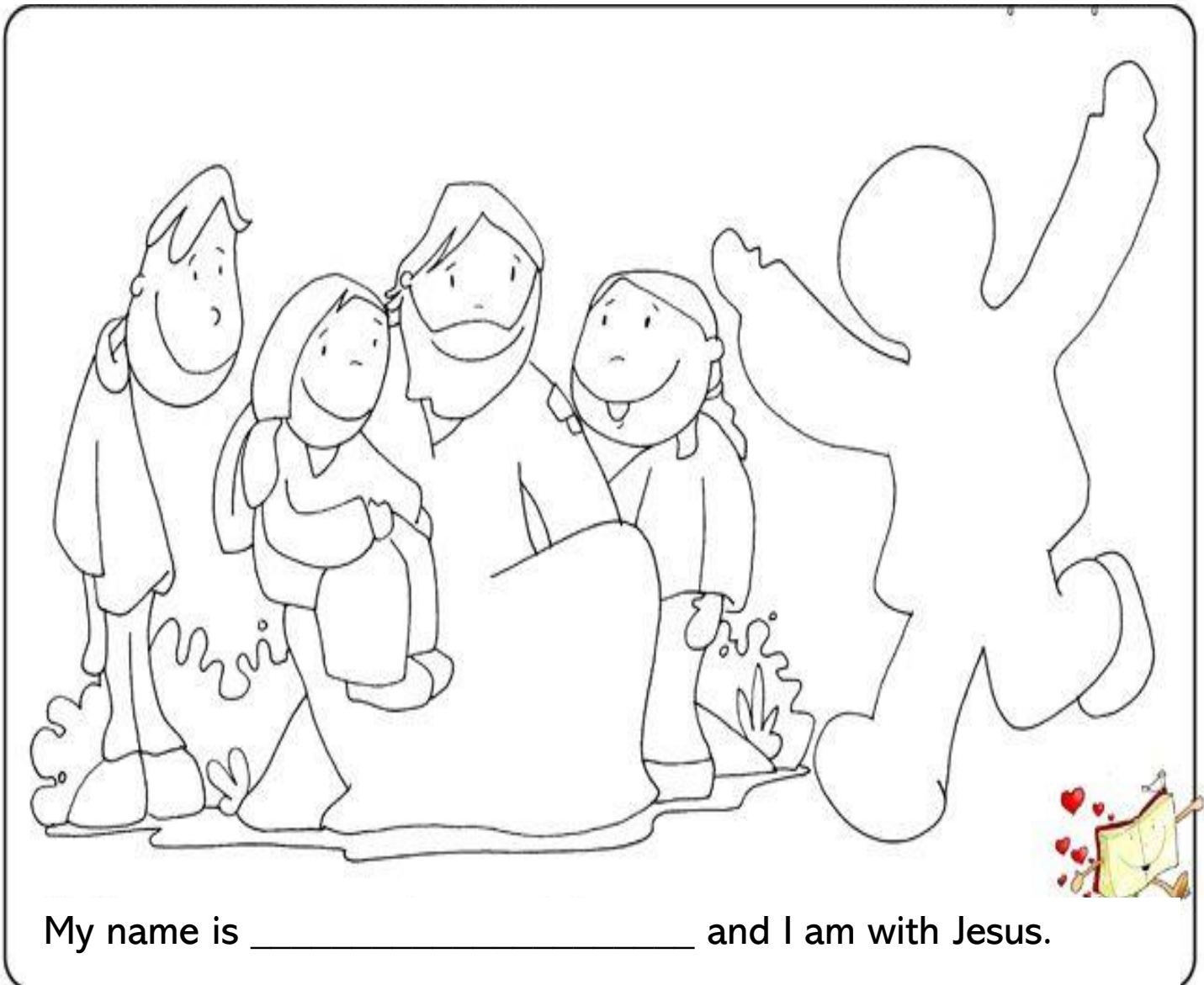
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WE WANT TO KNOW JESUS

COLOR & DRAW; FILL IN THE BLANKS



My name is _____ and I am with Jesus.

Now this is eternal life, that they should _____ you, the only true _____, and the one whom you sent, _____... They ... know that everything you gave me is from _____, because the _____ you gave to me I have given to them; they ... understood I came from _____, and they have believed that you _____ me.

(John 17, 1-11)



GOD ♥ **OTHERS**

LOVE GOD FIRST 1			OBEY YOUR PARENTS 4
HONOR GOD'S NAME 2			DO NOT KILL 5
HONOR GOD'S DAY 3			BE PURE 6
Remember God Loves You		DO NOT STEAL 7	
		DO NOT LIE 8	
		DO NOT WANT YOUR NEIGHBOR'S SPOUSE 9	
		DO NOT WANT YOUR NEIGHBOR'S THINGS 10	

Here are the Ten Commandments in an easy way to remember.
Do You Listen to the Maker?
Each of these stories is about a different commandment. Identify the commandment and write it under each picture.
Mix them up and try to match them with the pictures. Keep trying until you get it right.

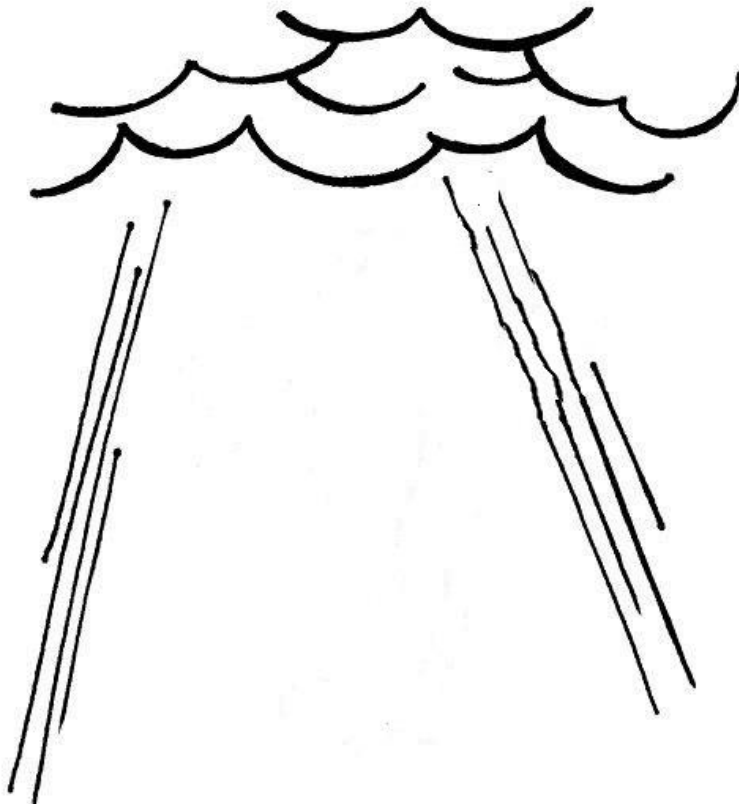
The comic panels show the following scenarios:

- Panel 1: A boy in bed says, "I'm too tired. I'm not going to church today." (Relates to Commandment 1)
- Panel 2: A sign says "MOVIES" and "X RATED". A boy and girl are looking at a movie poster. (Relates to Commandment 2)
- Panel 3: A boy says, "My parents said 'no'." Another boy asks, "You aren't going to listen, are you?" (Relates to Commandment 4)
- Panel 4: A boy says, "OH GOD!" while holding a book. (Relates to Commandment 3)
- Panel 5: A girl says, "I want her radio. She doesn't deserve it!" (Relates to Commandment 7)
- Panel 6: A boy says, "He will never notice it's gone!" while a girl looks on. (Relates to Commandment 7)
- Panel 7: A woman says, "I'm not going to tell her I broke it." (Relates to Commandment 8)
- Panel 8: A boy asks, "What did I do?" (Relates to Commandment 8)
- Panel 9: A woman says, "So why if she is married, I still want to ask her for a date?" (Relates to Commandment 9)
- Panel 10: A boy says, "Praying to God won't help. I'll rub my lucky rabbit's foot." (Relates to Commandment 10)



THE ASCENSION OF JESUS

Instructions: Cut the figure of Jesus and the scene with the apostles and the clouds and color. Glue a 4" ribbon to the back of Jesus. Cut a 1" horizontal slit under the clouds. Place the ribbon through the slit and pull up from the back to see Jesus ascend.



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