

CATECHESIS@HOME 2021 #13

"GO OUT TO THE WHOLE WORLD; PROCLAIM THE GOOD NEWS"

(Ascension of Our Lord | 7th Sunday of Easter)



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INTRODUCTION

This material has been prepared to provide families an opportunity to gather and spend time reflecting on the gospel reading of the 7th Sunday of Easter and doing activities related to the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is celebrated on Thursday (13th May 2021). This Sunday, the Church also celebrates "World Social Communications Sunday".

HOW TO USE THE MATERIAL

This document contains activities that members of the family may complete individually (just the children), in pairs (with parental assistance), or as an entire family. It would be helpful to print a hard-copy, so that members of your family may carry out different activities at the same time.

WHEN TO USE THE MATERIAL

During the week after the family has celebrated the Mass of 7th Sunday of Easter.

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we have gathered here in the name of Jesus. Today, we recall that Jesus has ascended into heaven and is seated at Your right hand. Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Jesus, guide us during this family gathering. We make this prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.



SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Invite someone to read John 17: 11-19. Then, as a family reflect on the questions given below and share your responses with one another. If necessary, parents are encouraged to rephrase the information and questions according to their children's level of understanding.

Time of reflection and response:

In the gospel passage today, we hear Jesus continue to pray for his followers. Jesus prays that his disciples may grow in joy, protection and holiness. As we reflect on where in our own lives, we too need these gifts daily in order to face the challenges that come our way. We also have to share these gifts with others.

Today, let us take to reflect on each gift, one by one, and ask the Holy Spirit for guidance on how much we know and appreciate and these gifts.

Joy

Jesus shares his joy with us. What do you think the term "joy" means? Describe an event or situation when you really felt joyful. Share an event or situation when you felt unjoyful. How can a person continue to be joyful even in difficult and challenging circumstances?

Protection

We know that Jesus watches over us and protects us daily. How aware and convinced are you that Jesus protects you daily? Share an event or occasion where you experienced the Lord's protection over your life?

Holiness

Jesus calls you to holiness. How would you describe a 'holy' person? Share an experience when you personally met a 'holy' person. If you have not, share why do you think you have not met anyone whom you consider to be "holy"?

ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Invite someone read Mark 16: 15-20.

Below you will find some activities for younger children, revolving around the Ascension of the Lord. Select the activities you would like to complete with your children, or try to complete them all if you can!

Activity #1: Find the words.

The Ascension of Jesus

While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up to heaven.



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

RISE

SUFFER

HEAVEN

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BLESSING

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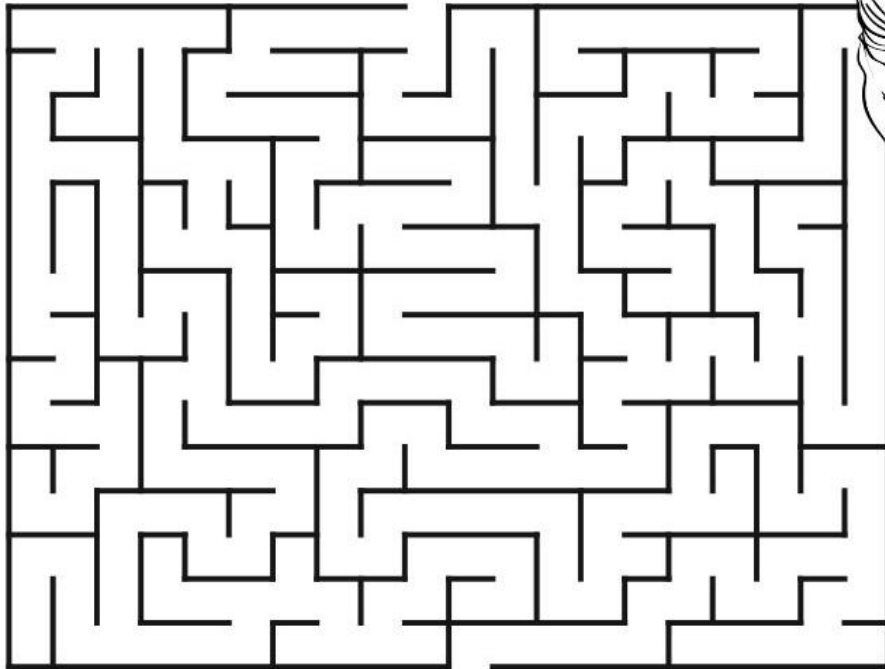
MOSES

MINDS

Activity #2: Guide the disciples.

Guide the disciples to watch Jesus ascend to Heaven.

END



START



Activity #3: Find the words.


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R	B	N	R	A	E	T	M	R	A
E	A	M	O	U	N	T	A	I	N
H	P	E	H	S	H	R	N	E	F
T	T	I	T	P	F	A	V	N	A
A	I	R	U	A	V	E	N	S	T
F	S	S	A	B	L	O	L	R	H
N	E	V	A	E	H	F	E	L	E

ELEVEN MOUNTAIN FELL

AUTHORITY HEAVEN EARTH

NATIONS BAPTISE NAME

FATHER SON SPIRIT



Activity #4: Find the words.

Ascension Day Word Search



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



JESUS

ASCENSION

POWER

JERUSALEM

AUTHORITY

MOUNTAIN

HOLY SPIRIT

DISCIPLES

PREACH

CLOUD

FATHER

BELIEVE

NATIONS

SON

JUDEA

BAPTISE

GOSPEL

HEAVEN

Activity #5: Break the code.

The Ascension of Jesus

While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up to heaven.

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



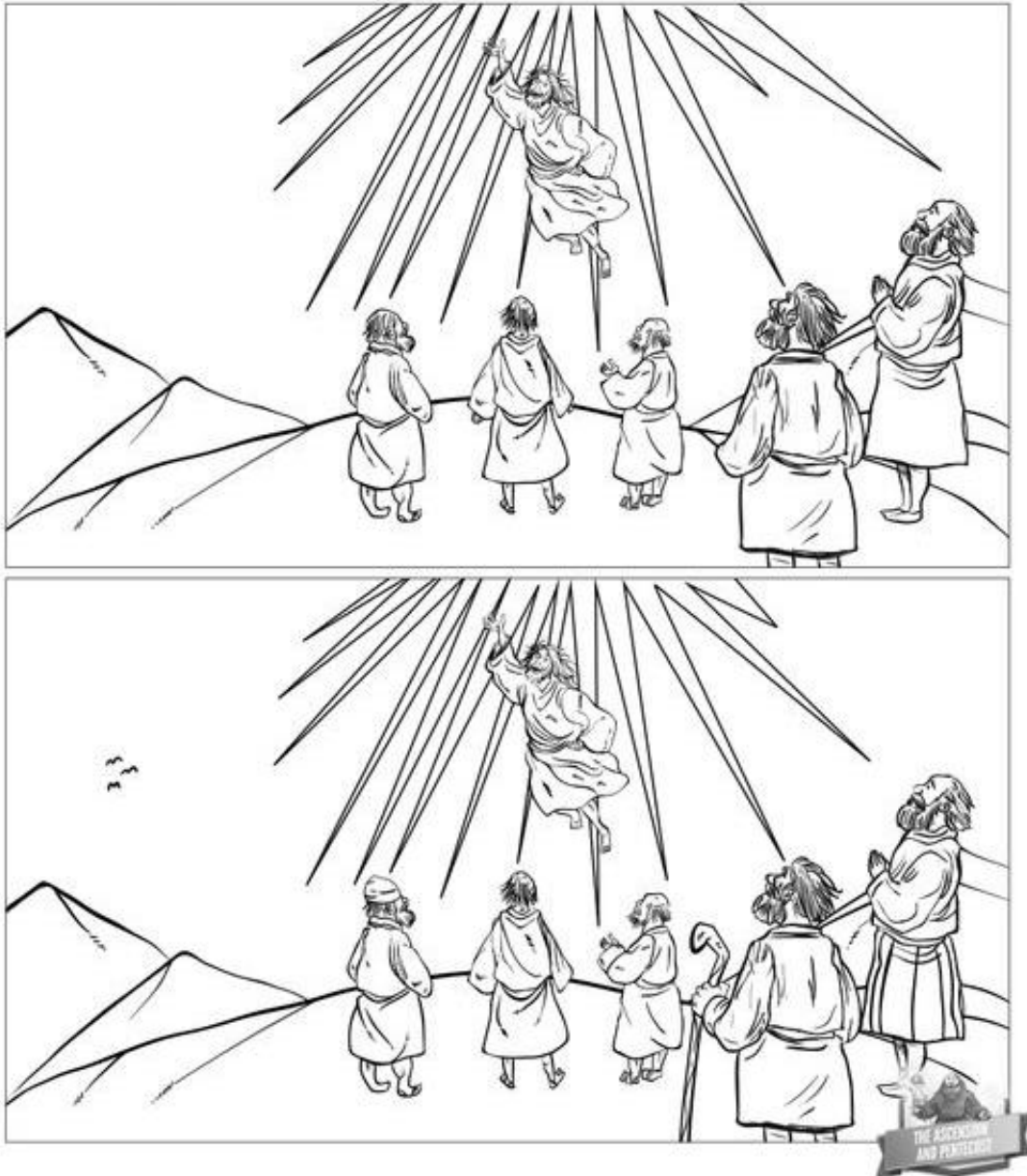
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

- 25-14-20-25-8-20-20-13-4 _____
- 11-16-13-18-13-4 _____
- 22-8-18-4-10 _____
- 10-15-7-8-16-26-14-7-13 _____
- 7-8-10-13 _____
- 7-13-16-13-18-26 _____
- 9-20-13-10-10-8-18-21 _____
- 26-12-17-13-18 _____
- 19-13-12-3-13-18 _____
- 2-11-7-10-19-8-16-13-4 _____

SCRIPTURE	RISE	REPENT	HEAVEN	BLESSING
MINDS	TAKEN	OPENED	WORSHIPED	FULFILLED

Activity #6: Spot the difference.

Spot 8 differences between the two pictures.



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For adults and older children:

The Church celebrates "World Communication Sunday" on 16th May 2021.
Read the message of His Holiness Pope Francis at:

http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/communications/documents/papa-francesco_20210123_messaggio-comunicazioni-sociali.html

or search the internet for: World Social Communications Sunday 2021.

Activity #7: Fill the blanks.

BibleWise

Jesus Said . . .

What did Jesus say before he returned to heaven? The answer is in the cloud below. Starting with the first letter, write every other letter on the lines below.

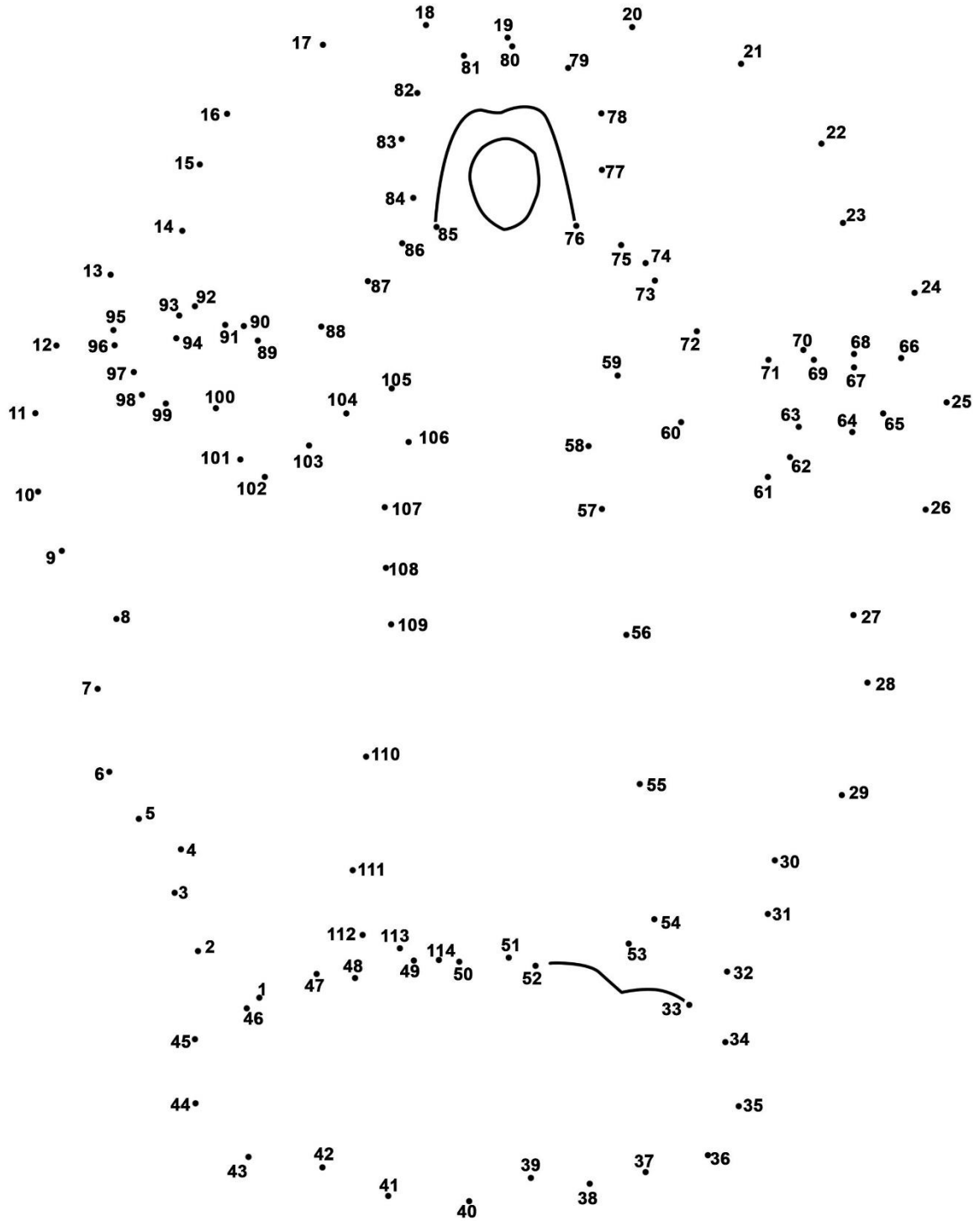


16 _____

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Mark 16:15

Activity #8: Connect the dots.



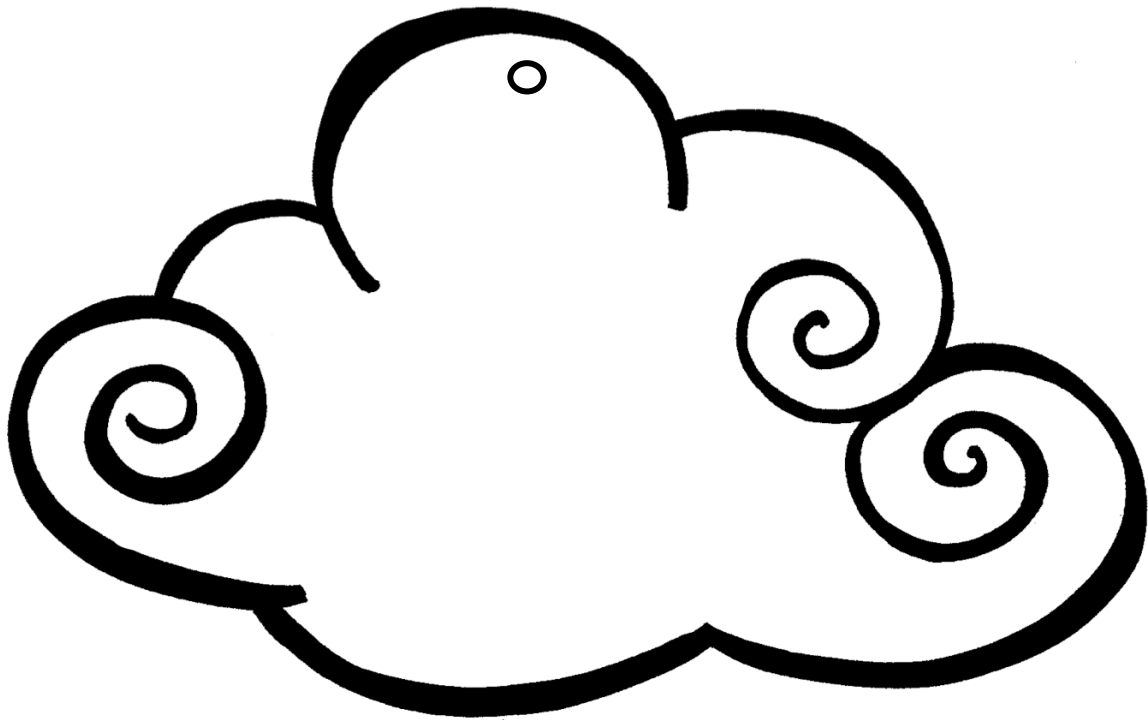
Activity #9: Colour by number.

Colour the following blocks of numbers using:

1. Yellow 2. Brown 3. Blue 4. Orange 5. Red 6. Green



Activity #10: Jesus' Ascension Craft.



1. Print the cloud and 'Jesus'.
2. Use glue and stick some cotton to the cloud.
3. Colour 'Jesus'.
4. Punch a hole in the head of 'Jesus' and the top of the cloud.
5. Thread a string through both and tie to 'Jesus'.
6. Pull the string on the cloud up to make 'Jesus' disappear into the cloud.

