

CATECHESIS@HOME 2022 #16

"FOLLOW ME"

(13th Sunday of Ordinary Time)



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INTRODUCTION

This material has been prepared to provide families an opportunity to gather and spend time reflecting and discussing about the scripture readings of the 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of each one gathered here today. Thank you, Lord Jesus, for bringing us the gift of life and faith. Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Peace, guide us during this family gathering. We make this prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.



SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Invite someone to read **Luke 9: 51-62**. 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:

Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem, but the Samaritan village they passed by would not receive him. His disciples wanted to call down fire to burn the village, but he rebuked them and moved on.

Why did the Samaritan village reject Jesus and his disciples?
What might cause me to reject Jesus or his disciples today?
Why do you think Jesus scolded his disciples for wanting to punish the village?
What are the quarrels and conflicts in my life that distract me from following Jesus on the road to Jerusalem?

As they travelled to Jerusalem, they met people who wanted to follow Jesus, and also people that Jesus called to follow him. But Jesus reminds them that it is not easy to follow him, and they would have to give up many things on the way.

Why do I want to follow Jesus?
How far am I willing to follow Jesus?
What are the sacrifices that I may have to make in order to follow Jesus?

Today, Jesus shows us that the road he walks is not an easy one. Although he wants us to follow him, he wants us to be sure of ourselves and be resolute in facing all the challenges that might come our way. We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to guide us and give us the strength to follow Jesus to the end.

Say together as a family:

"Lord Jesus, you came down from heaven that we might have life in your name. You ask us to believe and to put our hope in you. We know that you love us and watch over us always. May we continue to grow in our faith and follow you, especially in times of trouble."

FOLLOW-UP ACTIVITIES

Below you will find some activities for younger children, revolving around the Gospel passage today. 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 Cost of Following Jesus

Jesus replied, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God." Luke 9:62 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 9:57-62 (NIV).

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

FOXES	WHEREVER	HOLES	FATHER	FAMILY
PLOW	LOOKS	BIRDS	HAND	KINGDON
HEAD	ROAD	BACK	PLACE	WALKING
FOLLOW	ALONG	NESTS	BURY	MAN

Activity #2: Break the Code

First Things First

Still another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but first let me go back and say goodbye to my family." Jesus replied, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."
Luke 9:61-62 (NIV)

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



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

- 6-15-24-5-19 _____
- 1-9-18 _____
- 19-15-14 _____
- 8-5-1-4 _____
- 8-15-12-5-19 _____
- 13-1-14 _____
- 14-5-19-20-19 _____
- 2-9-18-4-19 _____

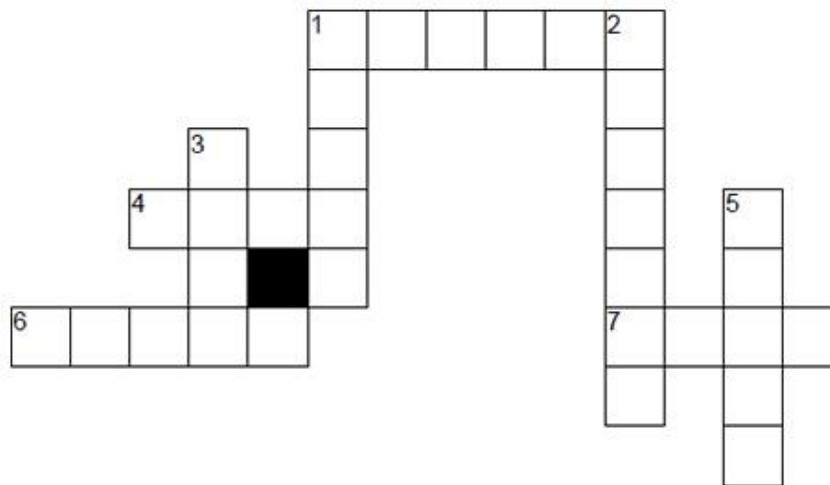
NESTS	SON	HOLES	FOXES
AIR	MAN	BIRDS	HEAD

Activity #3: Solve the Puzzle

First Things First

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ACROSS

1. To walk behind someone
4. An opening in the ground where an animal might live
6. Creatures with feathers and wings, usually able to fly
7. A home for birds

DOWN

1. Animals similar to dogs with a long, bushy tail
2. Traveling on foot
3. A pathway for vehicles, people, and animals
5. The Son of God

ROAD	NEST	FOLLOW	WALKING
FOXES	JESUS	HOLE	BIRDS

Activity #4: Unscramble the Message.

Unscramble the words in the boxes. Complete the sentence below using the letters in the numbered boxes to find out what Jesus prayed for.

WLFLOO

1	21	10	32	9	31	

EOESLTRU

23	3	12	28		25	16	7		

DOAR

19	26	6	20

SENW

27	11		4

OUPHLG

		30			5	

HNAD

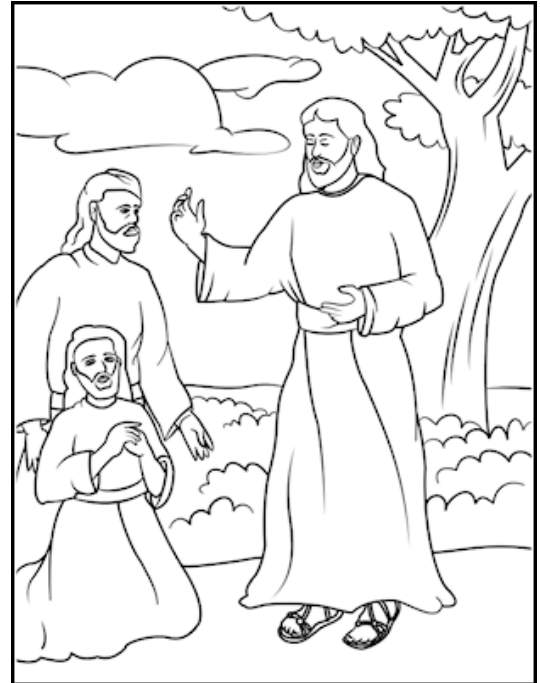
8	13	14	15

CBAK

17	22		

KGMIDNO

	18	24		33	2	29	



PLOUGH	ROAD	HAND
FOLLOW	BACK	NEWS
RESOLUTE	KINGDOM	

		X		
1	2		3	4

		V	
5	6		7

8	9	10	11	12

13	14	15

16	5	7

17	18	19	20	12

21	1

16	8	7

22	18	23

		V	
5	13		7

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24	7	12	16	12		

17	25	16

16	5	3

4	26	27

28	1

29	13	27

5	13	4

24	30	31	5	11	23	7

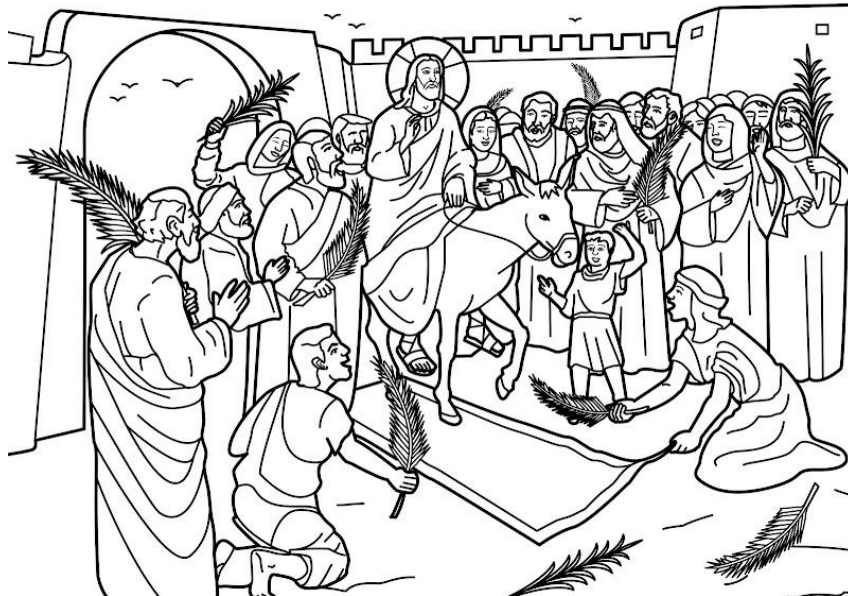
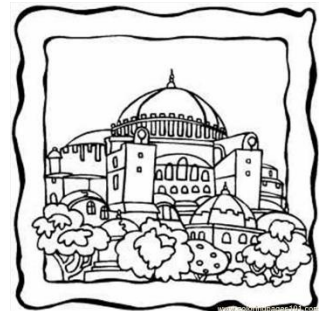
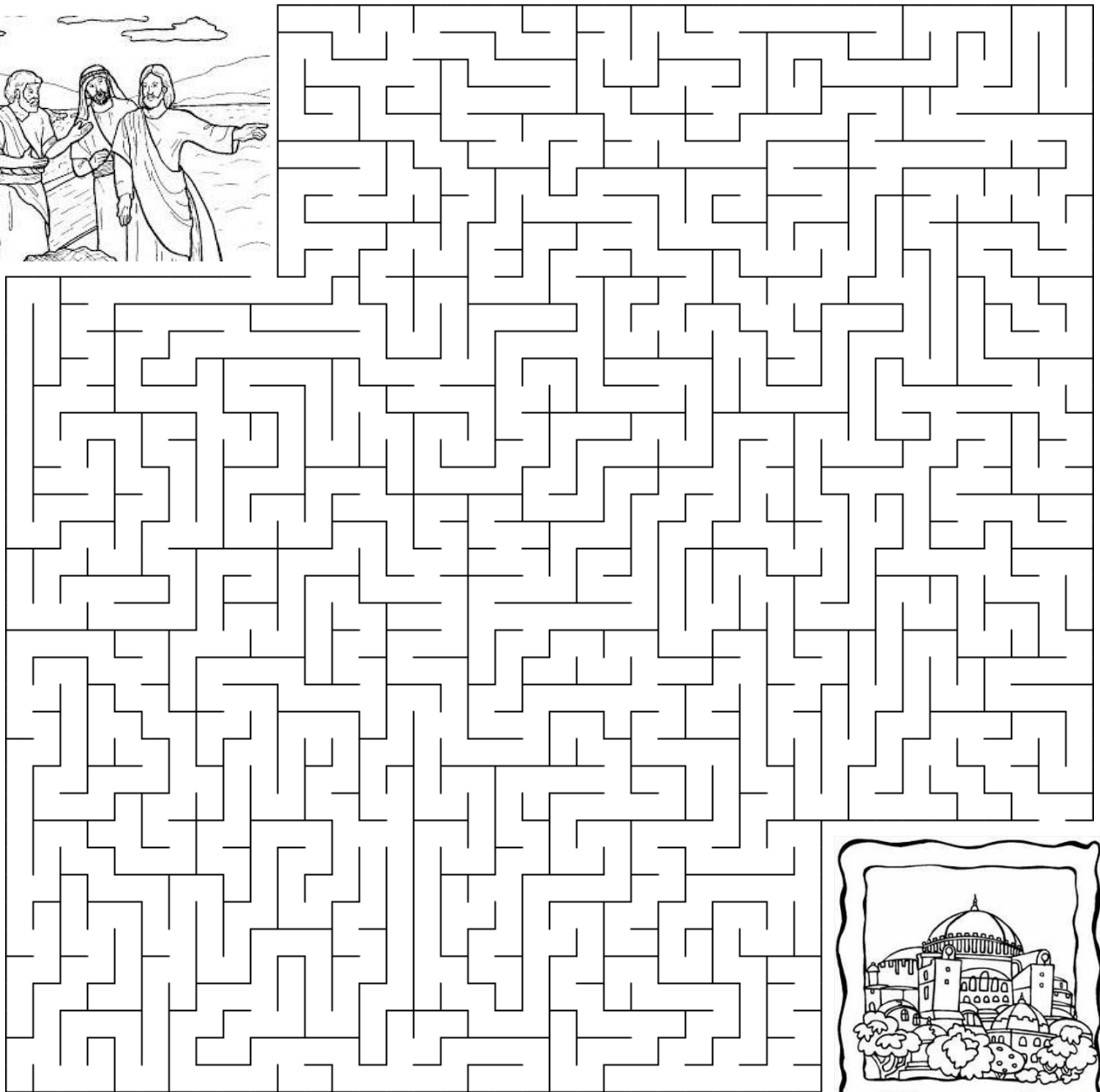
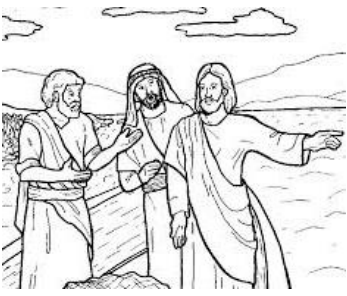
16	26

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32	6	

5	18	4

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5	11	13	33	

Activity #5: Help Jesus and his disciples get to Jerusalem.



Activity #6: Fit the Word to its Shape

The Cost of Following Jesus

Jesus replied, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."
Luke 9:62 (NIV)

Enter the correct words in the boxes based on the shape of the letters.



1.

2.

3.

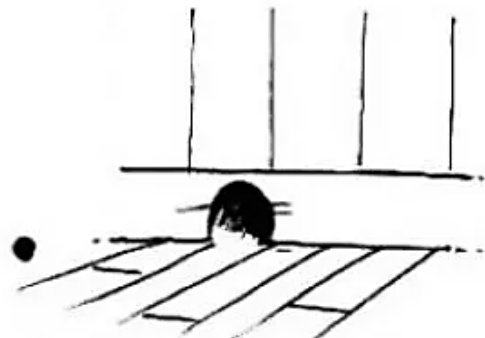
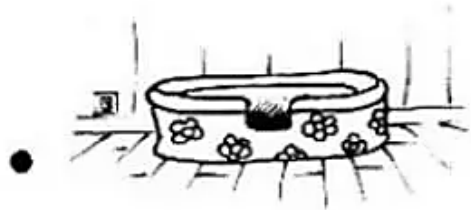
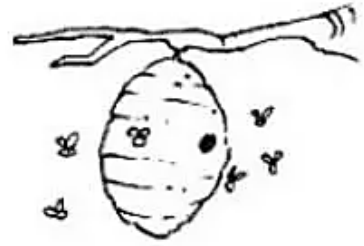
4.

5.

6.

plow	kingdom	follow
foxes	hand	birds














Activity #7: Match the Animals to their Homes

























Where does Jesus live? Find out in the next activity!









Activity #8: Break the Code










Follow Me









A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
												









N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
												









































Activity #9: Following in Jesus' Footsteps

LORD GOD

Help me to be a disciple this week. AMEN

This week I will follow Jesus by doing this.

Sat

Fri

Thurs

Wed

Tues

Mon

Color in the foot day by day as you follow Jesus!

Follow Jesus

Activity #10: Colouring Page

Jesus says, "Come, follow me."



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