

A DEAD MAN COMES BACK TO LIFE

The story of Lazarus



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INSTRUCTIONS FOR EDUCATORS

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This Bible story teaching pack is titled “A dead man comes back to life: The story of Lazarus”. This is the retelling of the story of the death and resurrection of Lazarus in the bible. We explained that Lazarus fell sick. Then, his sisters – Mary and Martha sent for Jesus. But Jesus delayed his visit and Lazarus died. Mary and Martha surely thought that was the end of Lazarus, but Jesus showed his great power and authority over death. Jesus prayed for Lazarus, and he came back to life! Then, many people believed in Jesus.

What does the story mean for kids? Kids will learn that we can trust in God even when we don’t understand everything. Also, Jesus has power over death and can do miracles. Finally, kids will know that they can talk to God, and when they do, God listens and hears their prayers.

The bible references for the story are as follows: John 11:1 – 45.

We ask that you take the time to prayerfully read the bible references provided and study the materials too. We pray “that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him” (Ephesians 1:17)

We do not take for granted the call and ministry of training kids in a godly way – right from their childhood. “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it” (Proverbs 22:6).

We do not underestimate the potentials for kids to understand and store God’s word in their hearts from their early age. “And that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus”

(2 Timothy 3:15).

Ultimately, we do not underestimate the power and will of God to bring these children into an enduring relationship with Him. But Jesus said, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven” (Matthew 19:14).

This is our desire, hope and joy – that each child might come to experience love and grace in Jesus as they understand His words.

In this Bible story teaching pack, you have the following:

1. Story book/cards.

You will get a book or a pack of large cards depending on how you print yours. This is the section that contains the retelling of the story of Lazarus. There are words and pictures to hold the attention of the children.

2. Conversation cards

These cards will provide some questions for you to explore with the kids. Encourage them to explore the story and lessons from the story of Lazarus using the questions in these cards. Use these cards in a group activity. You will be amazed at what you find out.

3. Story starter cards

Each of these cards contains a story prompt or beginning sentence and a corresponding picture to help kids retell the story of Lazarus in their own words. Use these cards in a group activity. They will feel confident that they can tell the story and even go on to tell their friends and families. Are you a parent? You will enjoy listening to your child retelling this story.

4. Memory verse and prayer cards

Print these memory verse cards and ask the children to recite them a few times after the study. Then, ask them to take them home, so they can learn to recite the verses during the week. You can quickly ask them to recite the verse before the next study in the following week.

A prayer card is also provided – please use this only as a guide. The goal is for each child to be able to use their own words while praying to God.

5. Quiz cards

Questions are provided in the quiz cards. The questions are related to the study; thus, you can assess their understanding in this group activity.

6. Crossword puzzle

Print the puzzle to be used as assignment or solved after the study. The answers are included in the puzzle sheet.

7. Maze

Print the maze to be used as assignment or solved after the study.

8. Word search

Print the word search to be used as assignment or solved after the study. The answers are included in the word search sheet.

9. Word scramble

Print the word scramble sheet and get the kids to unscramble the words. A list of words is provided to make this quick, easy, and fun. If you are using with an older kid, you might want to cut out the word-list section and get them to unscramble the words without using the wordlist.

10. Learn and colour

Another activity aimed at emphasizing the study as kids interact with the pictures and the words.

Please note that the instructions are generic to educators.

You know your child/children best; so, feel free to adapt the contents as relevant to the different age groups you are teaching.

We hope you will find these resources useful in your homes, classes, churches, or any other location where you teach children the word of God.

We welcome any feedback you might have about using these resources. Please send an email to contact@godlypearls.com or reach out to us through our [Facebook page](#).

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A title in the *Bible story teaching pack* by Godly Pearls

Bible References: John 11:1-45

You can use this resource to:

- ❖ *Discuss the death and resurrection of Lazarus from the Bible.*
- ❖ *Discuss lessons from the story and what it means for kids today. Some suggestions are provided in the main story.*
- ❖ *Engage kids in the various activities to reinforce the story and the lessons.*

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There was a man named Lazarus. He lived in Bethany with his two sisters named Mary and Martha. One day, Lazarus became sick. His sisters sent a message to Jesus, saying, "Lord, your dear friend is very sick".

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When Jesus heard the message, he said, "Lazarus's sickness will not end in death". After two days, he told his disciples, "Lazarus is dead. I'm glad I wasn't there, so that you will really believe. Come, let us go to him".

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When Jesus and his disciples got to Bethany, they told him that Lazarus was already dead and has been buried for four days. When Martha saw Jesus, she said, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But I know that God will give you anything you ask”. Jesus told her, “Your brother will rise again. If you believe, you will see the glory of God”.



Martha quickly went to call Mary. “The Teacher is here and wants to see you”, she said to her sister. Mary quickly ran to meet Jesus. When she saw Him, she fell at his feet and said, “Lord, if only you had been here, my brother would not have died”.



When Jesus saw Mary and some people around them crying, he was deeply troubled. “Where have you put him”?, Jesus asked. They said, “Lord, come and see”. Then Jesus wept. The people saw Jesus crying and said, “See how much he loved Lazarus!”

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“Take away the stone”, Jesus told them. Martha reminded Jesus that Lazarus had been dead for four days and the grave will have a terrible smell. Jesus reminded her that if she believed, she would see the glory of God. So, they took the stone away.

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Jesus knelt and prayed. "Father, thank you for hearing me. You always hear me, but I said it so that the people here will believe that you sent me". Then, Jesus shouted with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"

Lazarus walked out of the grave, all wrapped in clothes. Jesus then said, "unwrap him and let him go!"

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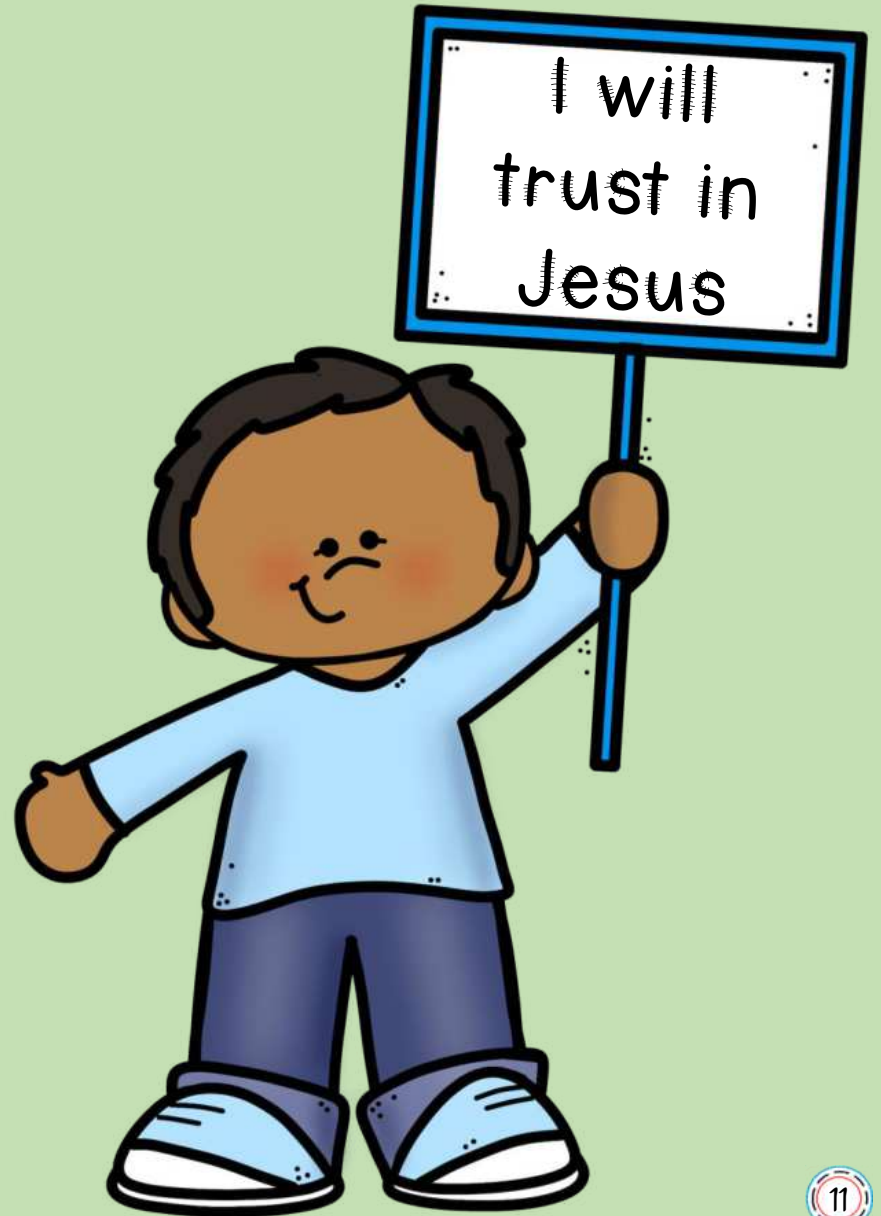


Lazarus, who had been dead and buried for four days, was raised back to life! It's a miracle! Martha and Mary were very happy. When many people saw this miracle, they believed in Jesus.

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Mary and
Martha trusted
Jesus even
when they did
not understand.



Jesus has
power over
death and can
do miracles.



When we talk to
God, He listens.
He will do what
we ask him to do
for us.

God hears
me when I
talk to Him.



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We hope you find it impactful on you and the kids you teach the word of God. We hope this resource will enable a deeper understanding of who God is - and help develop a personal and life-long relationship with God who loves us so much.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. We will be happy to help as much as we can.

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QUIZ CARDS

Where did Lazarus live?

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How many days was the body of Lazarus in the grave?

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Why did Jesus cry?

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What were the names of the sisters of Lazarus?

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What message did Lazarus' sisters send to Jesus?

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What did Jesus say when he received the message about Lazarus?

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Martha did not want the stone to be taken away from the grave. Why?

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What other miracles of Jesus can you mention?

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What did Jesus say after he prayed for Lazarus?

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1

Lazarus was...



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2

His sisters...



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3

Mary said...



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4

Jesus asked...



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5

Then Jesus said...



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6

Jesus knelt...



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CONVERSATION CARDS

How do your parents care for you when you are sick?

1

How do you feel if you wanted to see a friend, but they did not show up?

2

What has made you so sad that you started to cry?

3

When has God answered when you talked to him? How do you know he heard you?

4



I CAN MEMORIZE



Jesus said to her,
"I am the resurrection
and the life. He who
believes in Me, though
he may die, he shall
live".

John 11 : 25

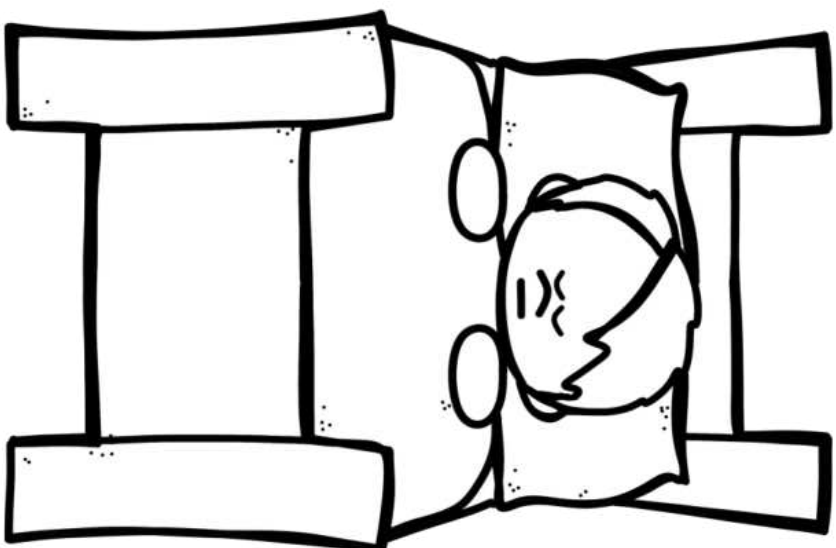


I CAN PRAY



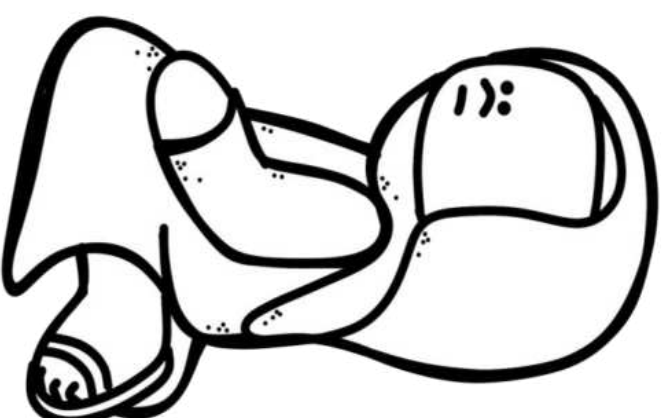
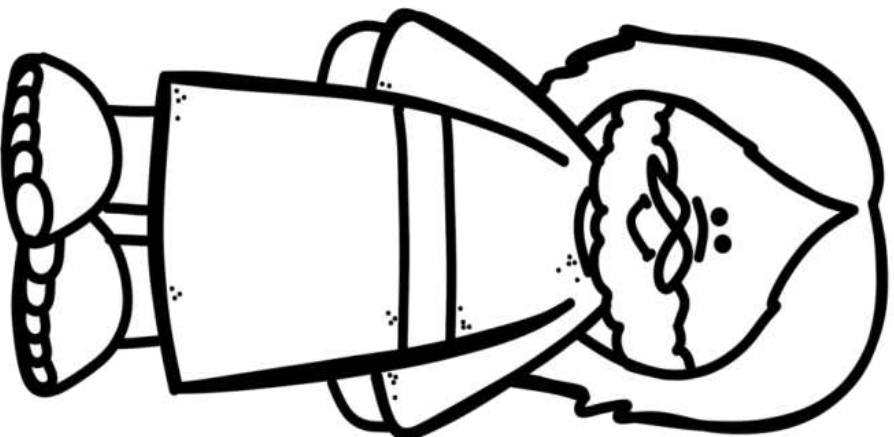
Dear God, thank You
because you can do all
things. Please help me to
put my trust in You. I ask
this in Jesus' name.
Amen.

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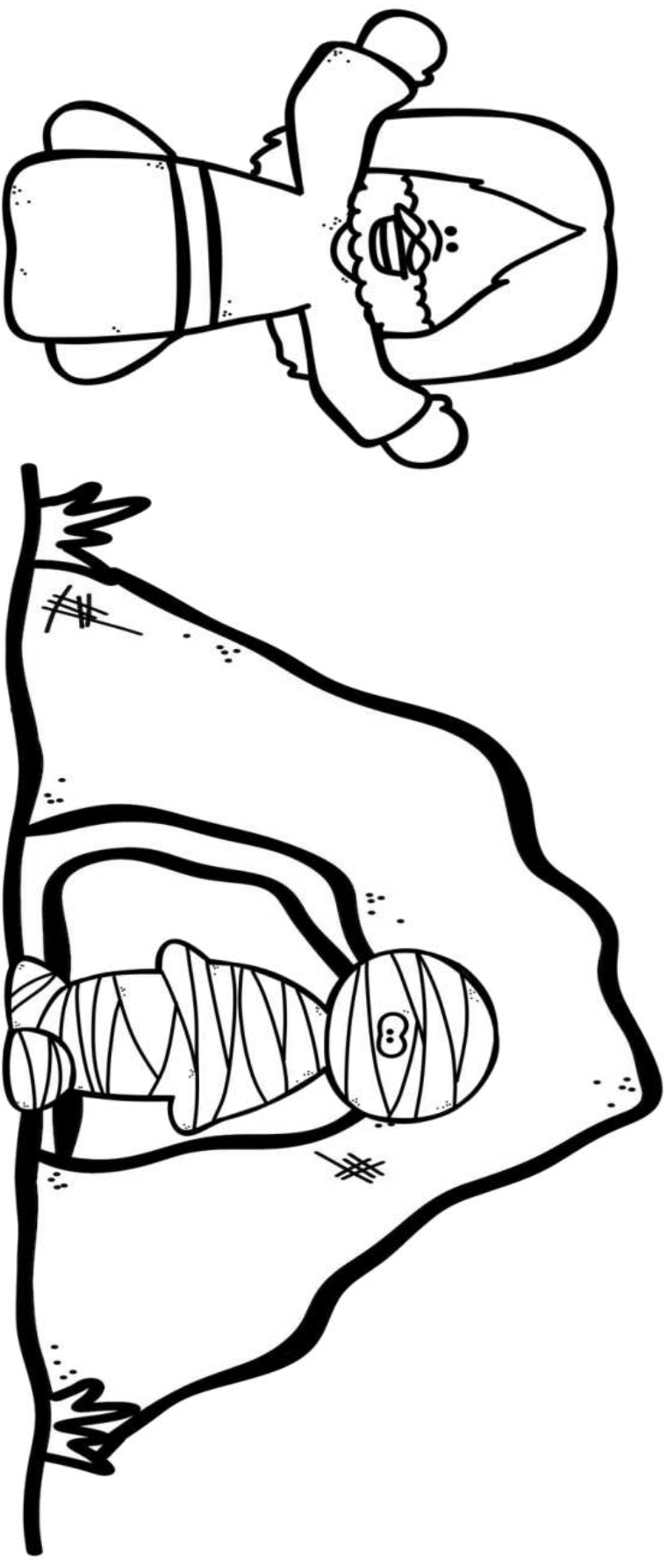
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Mary said to Jesus, "Lord, if only you had been here,
my brother would not have died".

Name:



Jesus shouted with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!". And Lazarus came out alive!

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Word Search

Find and circle the words below

Name:

s	l	c	d	e	p	p	a	r	W
B	p	h	t	a	e	D	j	r	s
y	e	b	a	x	m	f	e	a	y
r	g	t	e	j	S	h	h	h	a
o	n	h	h	s	c	t	f	z	f
l	e	s	e	a	r	l	o	r	h
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c	a	T	M	r	k	y	s	r	e
g	a	m	m	w	o	u	x	i	i
q	m	e	l	a	s	u	r	e	J

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Martha
Jerusalem
Death



Teacher
Stone
Glory
Wrapped

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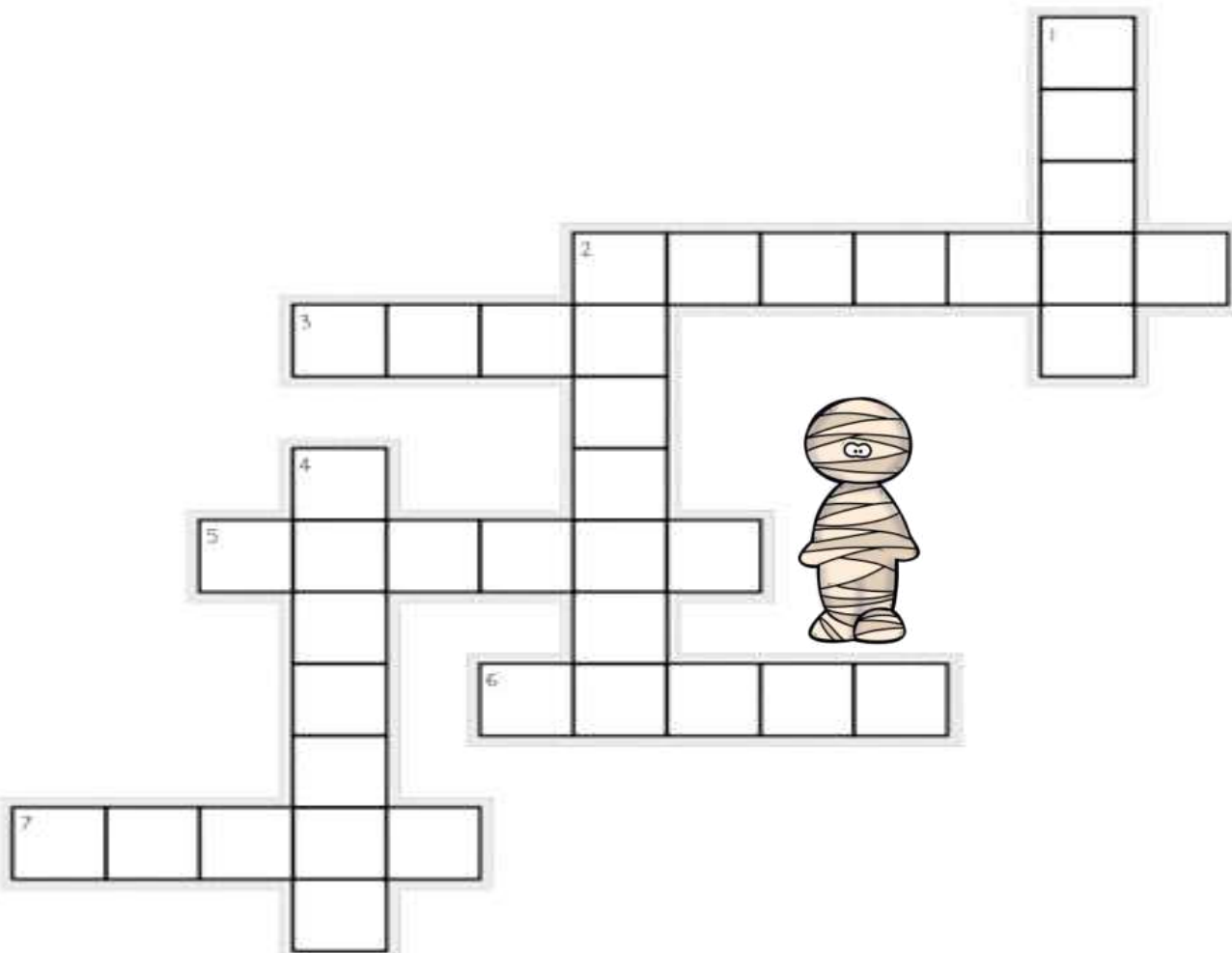
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Crossword Puzzle

Read each clue. Then, write the missing word in the puzzle.

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Across

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3. Lazarus was already dead for _____ days before he was raised back to life (4)
5. Mary and _____ were the sisters of Lazarus (6)
6. When Jesus saw people crying because Lazarus was dead, he also _____ (5)
7. "Your brother will rise again". Who said that? (5)

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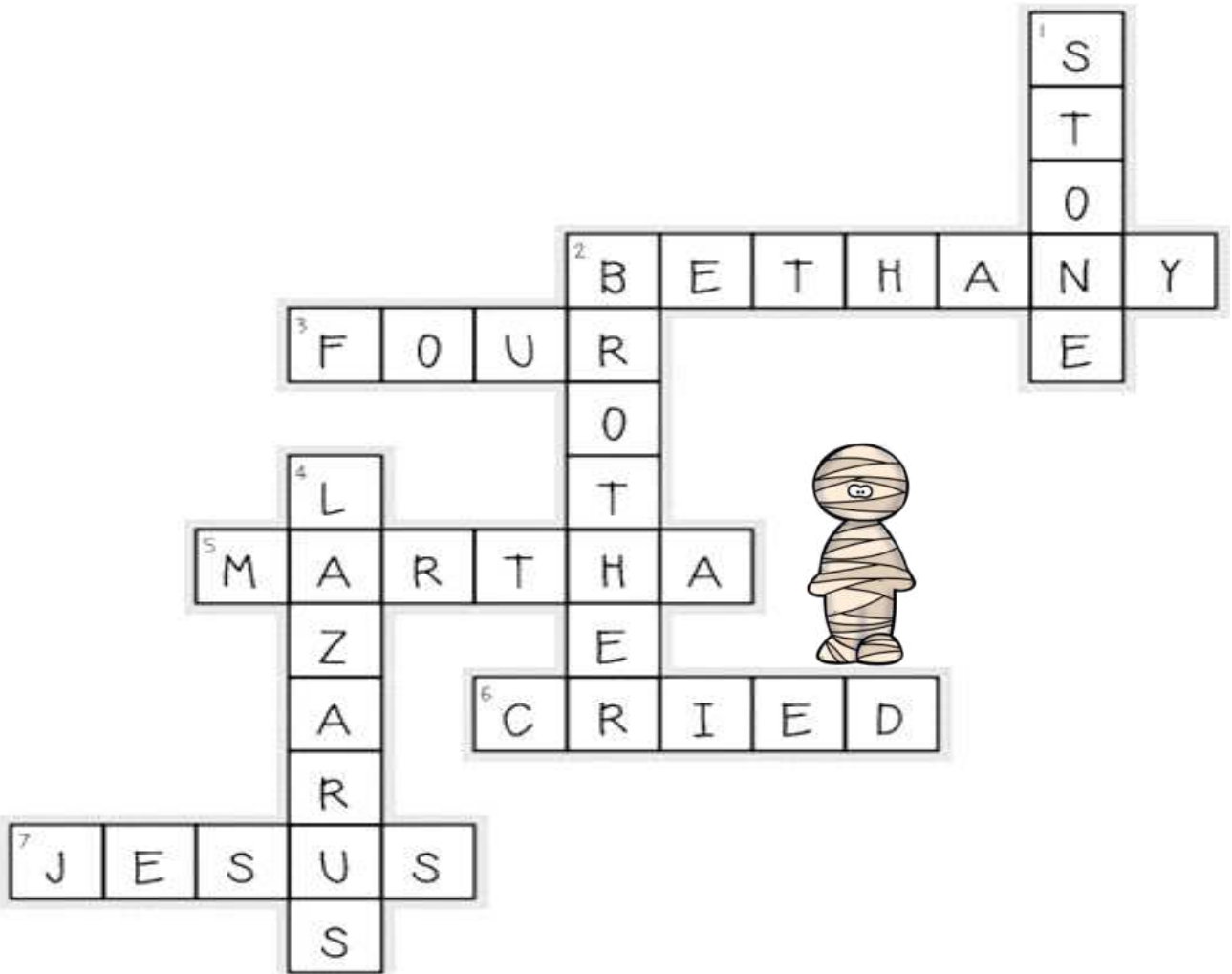


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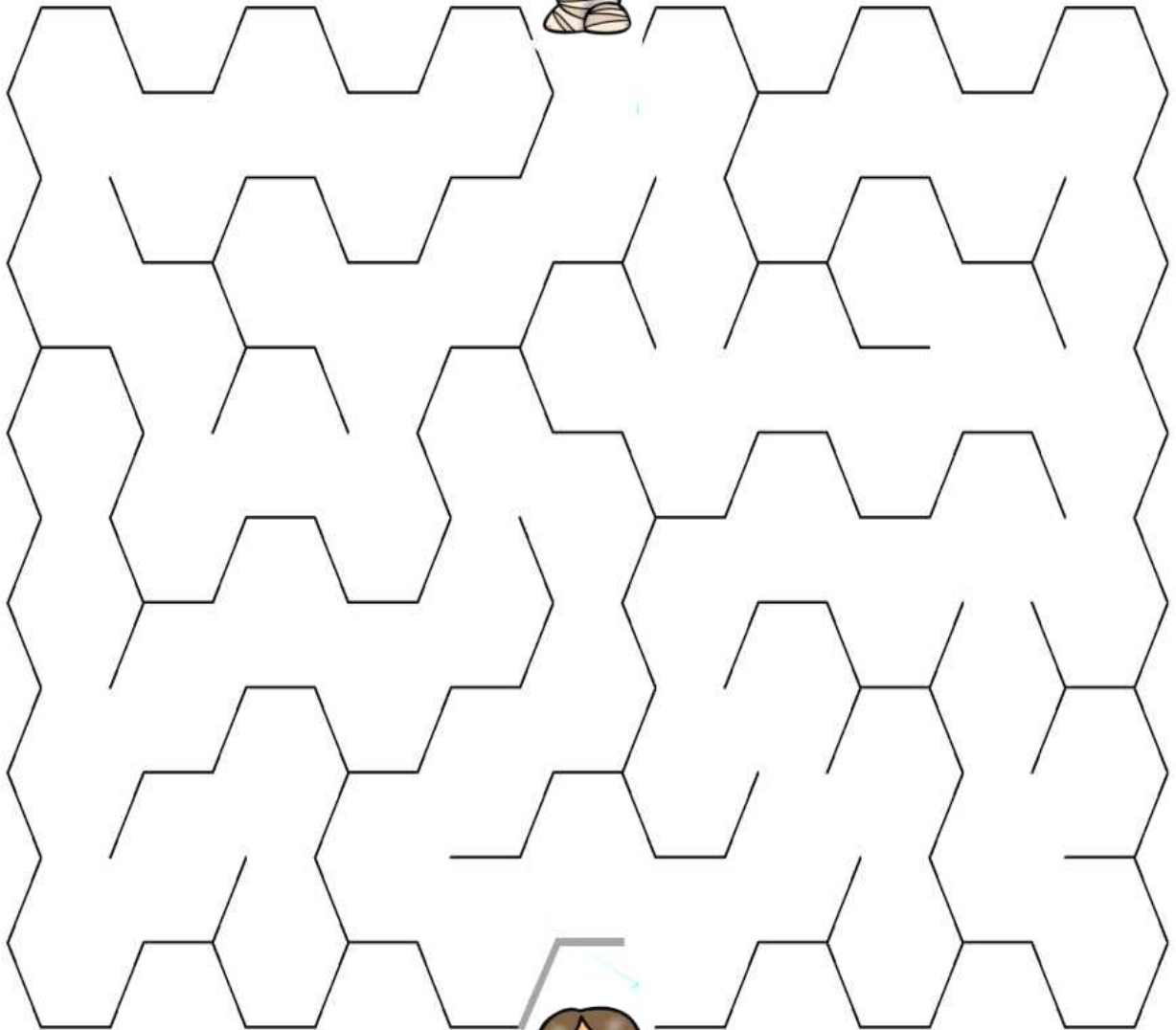
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Puzzle sheet

Lazarus is alive! Help him get to Jesus.

Name:



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Word Scramble

Instruction: Unscramble the words below using clues from the word list

Name:

RGAEV

UDTLROBE

EROBHTR

ATSOMH

OORMFTC

DEIISPLSC

EIBEVLE

ZRAALUS

Word list

Brother
Believe
Comfort
Grave



Thomas
Lazarus
Disciples
Troubled