Buzter's Busy, Buzzy Day

Key Word: Kindness

Key Verse: "... Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." *Matthew 25:40*

Buzter was a busy, buzzy bee who hummed to himself. He was happy in his work. When the worker bees returned to the hive loaded with nectar, it was converted into honey for the nursery bees and the Queen. Buzter hummed to himself as he flew from rose to rose, loading himself with nectar. Then Buzter saw an older bee lying on the ground on his back with his legs kicking in the air. Buzter laid down his load of pollen and flew to the side of the older bee. He managed to turn the older bee over onto his tummy. The older bee panted and gasped for a moment or two, then got to his feet and was able to fly off.

Buzter started collecting his nectar all over again. Toward the end of his shift, he was feeling tired and Buzter nearly flew into a sticky spider web. He saw the danger just in time, but another worker had not been so lucky. Buzter began tugging at his friend until they were free.

When Buzter returned to the hive, he was called to the Royal Court. The Queen herself had demanded to see him. "Buzter," began the Queen, "your quota of nectar is low today. In fact, you hardly ever bring in as much nectar as most of the other workers. How do you account for this?" Buzter always worked so hard, and he never realized he brought in less nectar. He couldn't think of any reason why. "Your Majesty," he said, "I'm very

sorry. I didn't know my work was substandard. I'll try much harder."

Buzter noticed that the Oueen was smiling. "There are very few of my workers who care about their fellow worker bees," she added, "but I know all about your little acts of kindness. Every day you help somebeedy. You have improved or saved the lives of many a struggling bee." Buzter's eyes opened even wider. "Your Majesty," he said uncertainly, "I don't remember ever saving anyone's life!" "That's just the point," replied the Queen. "There's so much love and goodness inside you that you offer these acts of kindness without even noticing. So from now on, I want you to help me to teach and prepare the baby bees in the nursery. It's the most important job, and it takes a bee who knows how to love. That bee is you, Buzter. Welcome."

If you go to that hive today, you'll hear a very loud humming indeed, for Buzter is still a busy, buzzy bee. Now there are lots more busy, buzzy bees, for Buzter is raising all those baby bees in the nursery to be just like him!

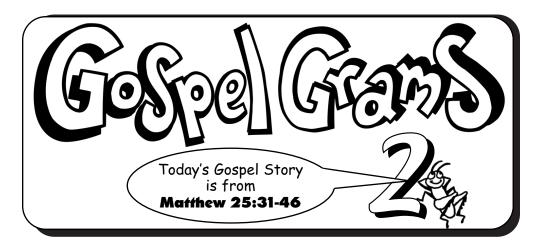
Questions

- 1. Why did Buzter help the other bees?
- 2. What can you do to help others?

Maze

Cryptogram

He will sit on the throne of his glory.





AntiMaze

Travel through this maze traveling from dot to dot by going through walls ONLY. Do not travel diagonally.

Cryptogram

Solve the puzzle (a verse from today's Gospel story) by figuring out the code and placing the corresponding letter in the space above that number. Four letters have been done for you.

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Tic Tac Toe

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