

The Fiery Princess

Key Word: Fire

Key Verse: "He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." Luke 3:16b

Princess Serena was nearly perfect. Nearly, but not quite, because when she was displeased or unhappy, Serena would immediately have a tantrum. Her face would go bright red, and she'd screw up her eyes and her mouth and scream.

One day, Serena screamed and stamped and roared so much that she completely lost her temper. The king ordered a search of the palace, but there wasn't a sign of the princess' temper.

People scoured every inch of the palace grounds, but to no avail. Serena's temper was nowhere to be seen.

At last the king called the princess. "My dear," he said kindly, "I fear the only person who can find your temper is you yourself. Take this horse and ride out into the kingdom. When you find your temper again, come back to us so that we may all rejoice."

For many months Serena rode the kingdom searching for her temper. Eventually, she found herself in a dark and gloomy wood, where she came upon a dilapidated cottage. She banged on the cottage door and shrieked at the top of her voice: "Open up! Now!"

The door opened. A very old and bent man stood there, smiling at her. Serena was astounded. She hadn't seen a smile for years. She bowed at the old man. He opened the door wider, and grinned a toothless grin.

Serena sat herself down and screamed at the old man. He responded by making tea and sandwiches. Serena was mystified. "Why aren't you afraid of my shouting?," she asked. "Everyone

is terrified of me. They all close their doors as soon as they see me coming."

"Shouting?" said the old man. "My dear, I can only just hear you. It's a joy to me to have someone who speaks up so clearly. My old ears don't hear too well."

"But don't you know who I am?" pressed Serena. "Nobody likes me. I've never been invited to tea before."

"My old eyes don't see too clearly," said the old man. "I like you just as you are." Then

Serena asked the old man if he'd seen her temper, or knew where it was. The old man looked astonished. "My dear," he said, "I think if you look inside yourself, you'll see you've already found your temper. And if you know where it's kept, you need never lose it again."

Serena looked inside herself and realized she was happy for the first time in years. She was so delighted to have her temper back that she gave the old man a big hug.

From that day onward, Serena never lost her temper again. But try as she might, neither did she ever find that little cottage in the woods again.

Questions

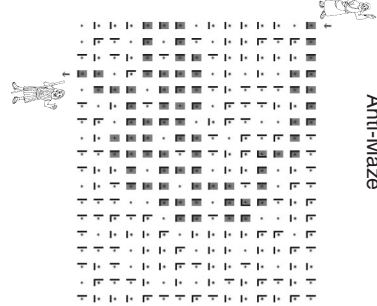
What element did John the Baptist use for baptisms?

What did he mean when he said that Jesus would be "baptized with fire"?

- Fill In The Space
- Please Bodily
 - Coming Spirit
 - Opening Heaven
 - Floor Fork
 - Wheat Water
 - Jesus Chaff
 - Hears Baptize
 - Thong Expect
 - Worthy Might
 - Sandals Unite
 - People Answered
 - Quench Saying
 - Clear Messiah

- Twisted Word Search
- 1 a b c d e f r h i j k l m n o p q r s t
 2 d e e l e v a i s e m
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Anti-Maze

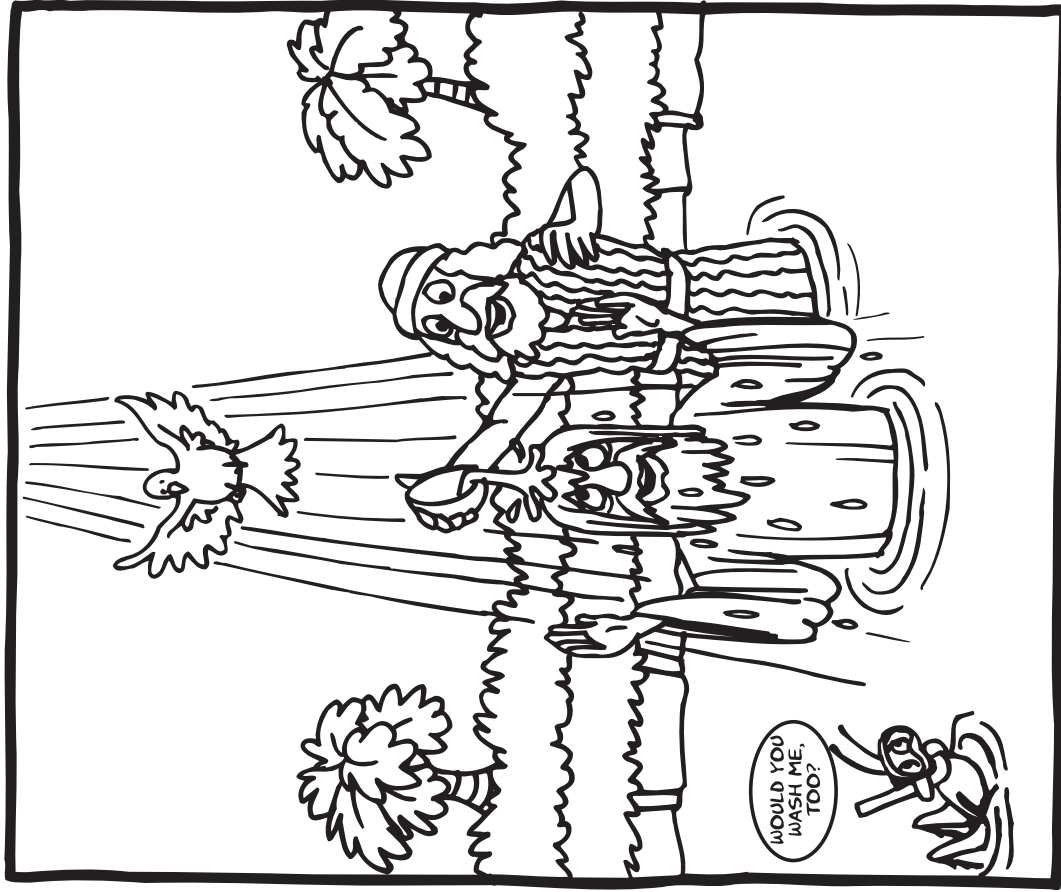


ANSWERS

Gospel Grams

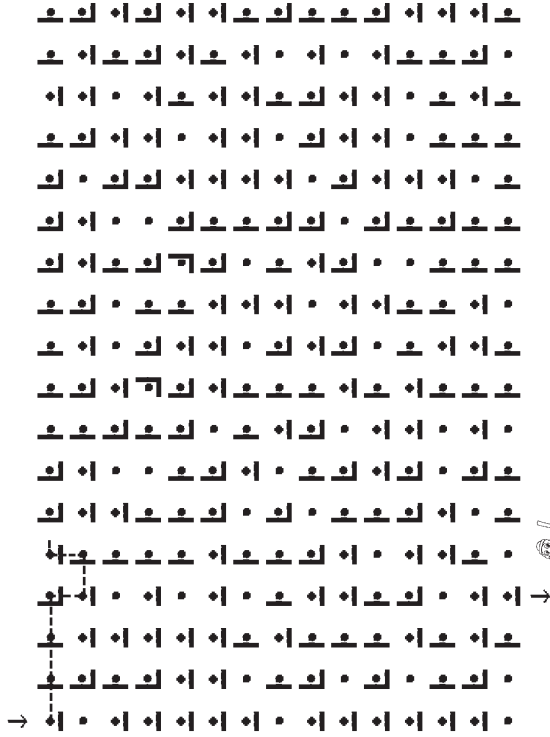


Today's Gospel Story
is from
Luke 3:15-17, 21-22



Anfi-Maze

In today's Gospel story, Luke 3:15-17, 21-22, John the Baptist talks about Jesus coming after him, but that Jesus is greater than he is. Travel with Jesus through this maze going from dot to dot through the walls ONLY to get to John. Do not travel diagonally. Help John share his message of receiving God's glory. We have started the path for you.



Fill In The Space

Place one letter of the alphabet in the blank space to make a word from today's Gospel story. Words are at least 5 letters long (except one 4 letter word). Use each alphabet letter only once. We have included an alphabet chart to mark off the letters as you use them, and the first one is done for you.

R	T	Y	U	M	P	L	E	A	S	E	D	R
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L	H	U	M	E	S		I	A	H	N	G	D

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

Twisted Word Search

Find each word in the Bible verses for this puzzle. The words twist and turn (either forwards, backwards, upwards, downwards, or diagonally) and most do not follow a straight line. One is done for you.

JOHN
 MESSIAH
 BAPTIZE
 SANDALS
 SPIRIT
 HOLY
 FORK
 CHAFF
 PRAYING
 DOVE
 SON
 BELOVED
 PLEASED
 VOICE
 POWERFUL

T G S D P X E C I O V Q B J O H N C A I
 R N E E L I E D V O N A I S P E M X A P
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