JESUS STARTS HIS MINISTRY

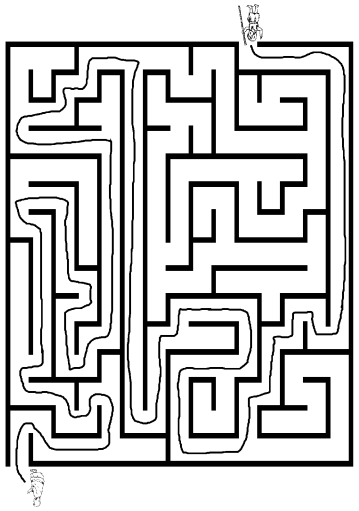
(The Jordan River) — Jesus had been getting ready to begin his ministry. He had been growing up in the farm town of Nazareth. Now he was thirty years old, and the time had come to start to preach and teach God's message to the people.

Jesus knew that his cousin, John the Baptizer, was down at the Jordan River. John was washing people who were sorry for their sins. They let John wash them to show how important God was in their lives.

When Jesus came down to the Jordan River he asked John to wash him too. He wanted everybody to know that God was important in his life and in the work he soon would do.

God showed people how important Jesus was by sending down his Spirit, to give Jesus power.

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22



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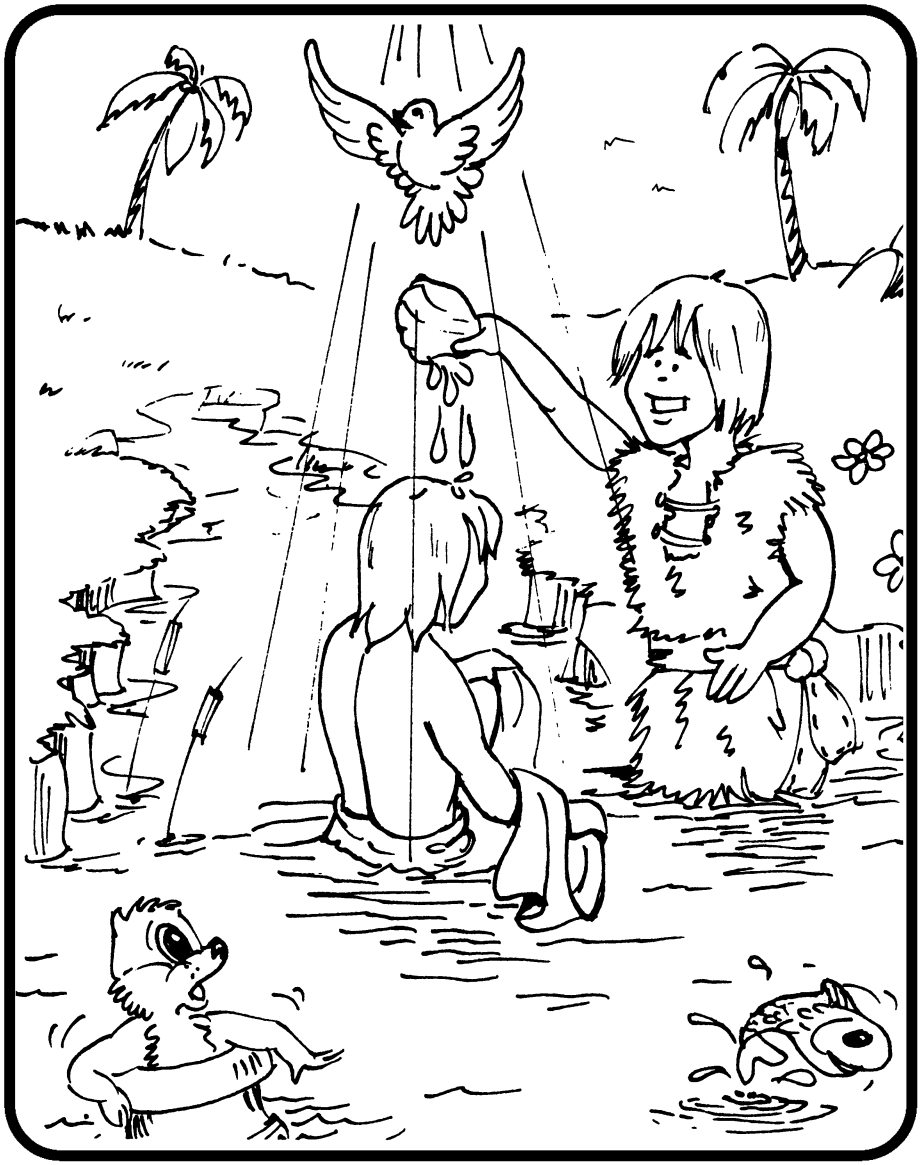
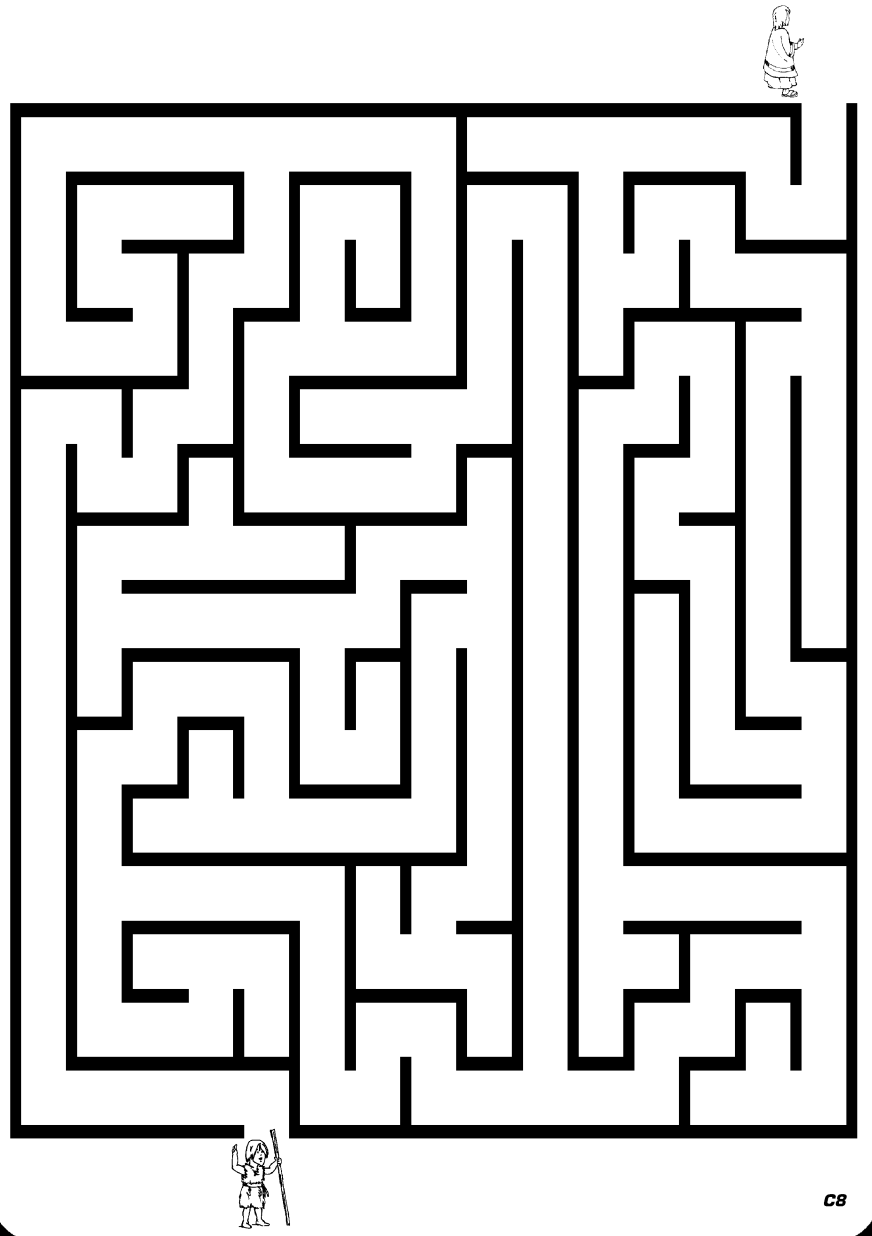


Draw a picture. When we are baptized God washes away our sins. But God wants us to keep our lives clean for him each day. Draw a picture of you washing yourself clean. You could be standing at the sink, sitting in a bathtub, or standing in the shower. Be sure to show some of the water.

Jesus went down to the Jordan River to be baptized by his cousin John. Here is a maze from today's Gospel story. Can you help Jesus find his way to John and the Jordan River through this maze?