

SECOND SUNDAY OF *Advent*

Today is the second Sunday of Advent. Advent is the season that comes four Sundays before Christmas. It is a time to get ready to celebrate Jesus and His coming into the world.

Are you ready for Jesus?

Today we have 6 things you might like to do as part of our time of worship.

1. Candle two (purple) of the Advent Wreath represents *Faith* with the “Bethlehem Candle” reminding us of Mary and Joseph’s journey to Bethlehem. Using a blank sheet of paper, draw a picture of Mary and Joseph that illustrates their great “FAITH”.
2. Join in singing “Come Thou Long Expected Jesus” as printed below. If we think it will take a long time for Christmas to come, imagine waiting hundreds of years for Jesus to be born!
3. Listen to the Scripture reading and write down 3 things about John the Baptist: _____

4. John the Baptist was a very important person with a very important job, but he said he wasn’t important at all compared to the one who was coming—JESUS! Jesus is more important than anyone! What are some reasons that Jesus is so important? What types of things would the newborn baby that we celebrate at Christmas, grow up to do?
5. Complete the children’s worship bulletin included with this guide. It is based on today’s Bible passage.
6. Say a prayer and thank Jesus for who He is and all He has done. Praise him for being so important. Know that even though Jesus is the most *important*, He thinks YOU are important –so important that he came to earth to save you and give you the chance to live with Him forever!

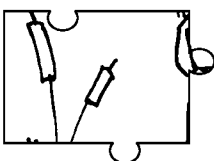
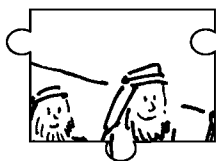
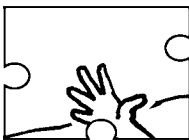


Come, Thou long expected Jesus
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in Thee
Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit,

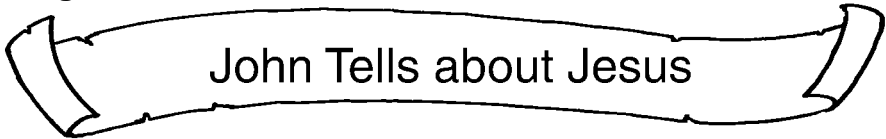
John said, "I baptize you with water. Jesus will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

Match the puzzle pieces.



Ages 3+

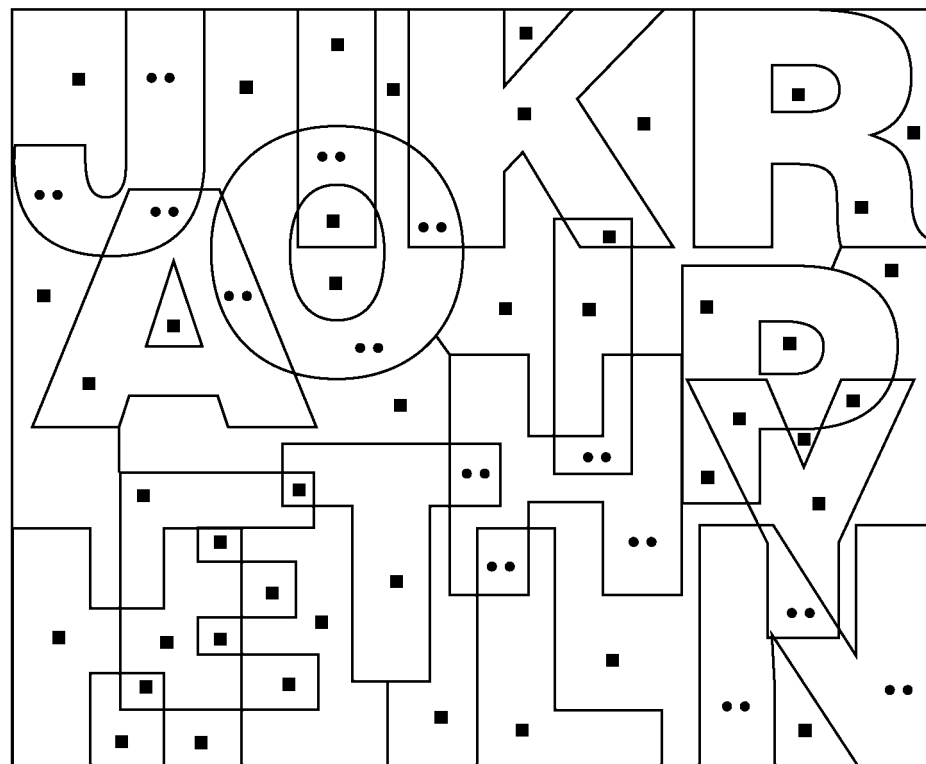
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John Tells about Jesus

Isaiah wrote, "I will send a messenger."
Who was that messenger?

Shade in the shapes that have . . .








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People came to John to learn about repentance and forgiveness.
 He baptized in the Jordan River.

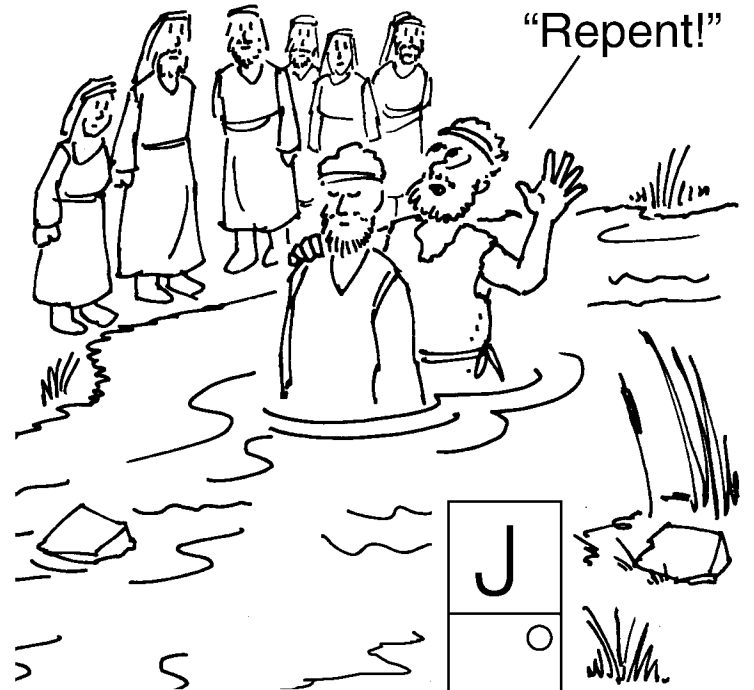
Use the code to finish the crossword.

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“There comes One Who is mightier than I.”



“Repent!”

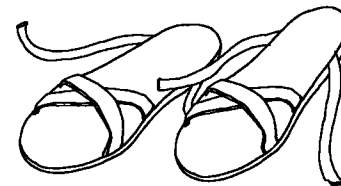


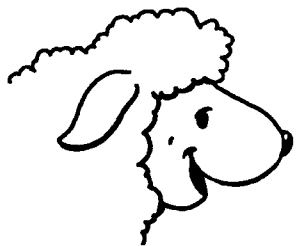
“Prepare the way for the Lord!”



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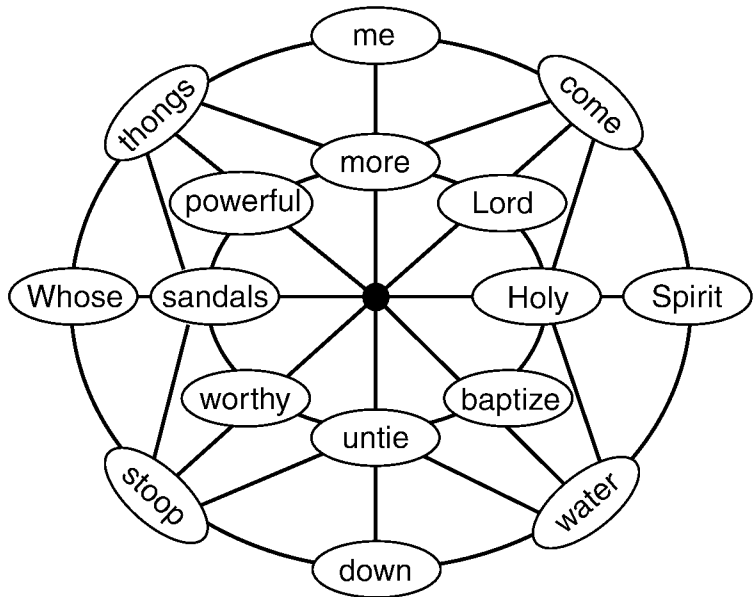




John spoke about the Lord.
What did he say?

Follow the arrows to fill in the blanks.

START →



“After _____ will _____ One _____
 _____ than I, the _____ of
 _____ I am not _____
 to _____ and _____.
 I _____ you with _____, but He will
 _____ you with the _____.”

John Tells about Jesus

This is the beginning of the gospel about Jesus Christ, the Son of God. This Scripture quotes from another book of the Bible. Which book?

Unscramble the hidden letters to fill in the blanks.



The book of _____
 the _____.

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What does this other book of the Bible say?

Use this code to fill in the blanks.

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John the Baptist came. Read more about him.

Find the missing sections of the words in the box to fill in the blanks.

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And so John __me, bapt__ in the __ert
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