

## A STORMY NIGHT (Children and Adults)

**TEXT:** "He is able to save." — Hebrews 7:25.

**SKETCHING PREPARATION:** Draw in title ladder, two frames, wave and mountain outlines and three links.

"HE IS ABLE TO SAVE" (Fill in)

ONE DAY AS THE SUN SANK, CHRIST SENT HIS DISCIPLES  
TO THEIR SHIP AND THE CROWD TO THEIR HOMES — (Matthew 14:23-33)  
Much to talk about as they walked to their boat. (Draw boat and men).

DARKNESS COMES UPON THEM AS THEY ROWED ACROSS LAKE.  
Some are afraid of the dark — some love it! (Darken sky)

A STORM LASHED THE LAKE. (Fill in blue waves)  
Wind against them, making no progress. Trying hard but not getting anywhere. A picture of many today. Their problem — Christ is not with them!

THE SAVIOUR SAW THEM AND WAS CONCERNED.  
He cared enough to come down from the mountain.  
He cared enough for us to come from Heaven.

HE WALKED ON THE WATER. (Draw in)  
They cried out in fear, "A ghost!" Christ is our best Friend and Only Hope. Instead of welcoming Him, so many are afraid of Him. "Be not afraid, IT IS I."

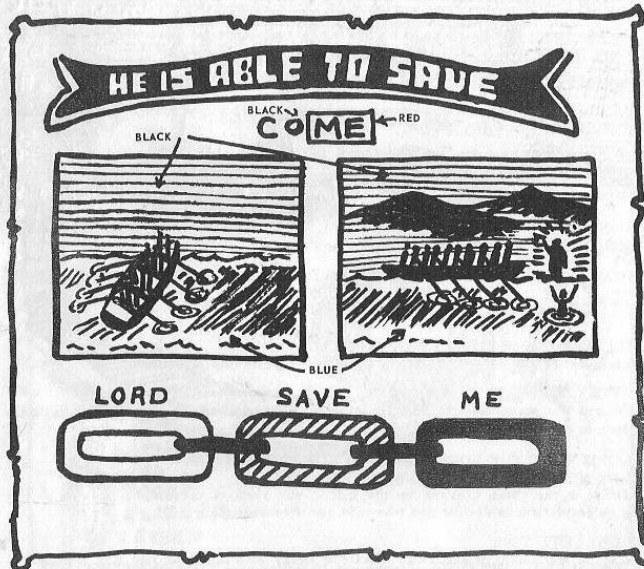
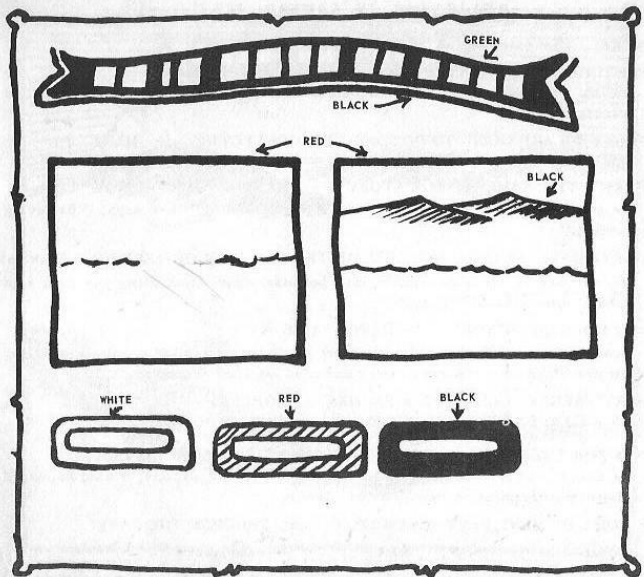
"IF IT BE THOU BID ME COME TO THEE ON THE WATER."  
Peter was not convinced.

"COME!" (Draw it in)  
An invitation with your name on it — (underline "ME"). His first step convinced him.

THE WALK ON THE WATER.  
THEN A LOOK AT THE DIFFICULTIES INSTEAD OF THE SAVIOUR.  
"Beginning to sink" (Draw Peter sinking)

"LORD, SAVE ME!"  
Immediately Jesus stretched forth His Hand and caught him.

THE GOSPEL CHAIN — THREE LINKS.  
"LORD" — No one else could save him. Not "James" or "Andrew", but "Lord!" — Acts 4:12.  
"SAVE" — Red for danger — Peter was sinking. Red for Christ's Blood given to save us.  
"ME" — Black because the one whose name is on here is a sinner and in danger of sinking unto destruction.  
Say to Him, "Lord, save me!" "Whosoever Shall Call Upon the Name of the Lord Shall Be Saved." — Romans 10:13



## THE MISTAKES OF A GREAT SOLDIER (Children and Adults)

TEXT: "the Blood of Jesus Christ...cleanseth us from all sin."— I John 1:7.

SKETCHING PREPARATION: Put the border in and prepare the title "ladder." Draw the faces and the areas of color. Pencil the eyes in lightly. Draw "shorthand" letters under the faces.

"SOME GREAT SOLDIERS HAVE MADE SOME GREAT MISTAKES" (Fill in title)  
Napoleon's attack on Moscow.

NAAMAN, A GREAT SOLDIER: (II Kings 5)

He was a great man with his master and honorable, a great deliverer and a mighty man of valor. (Verse 1)

"BUT HE WAS A LEPER" (Verse 2) (Fill in eyes and letters)

This spoiled everything. The best of us have a big "BUT" in our lives. Whatever our goodnesses or achievements "ALL HAVE SINNED." (Romans 3:23)

"HE WOULD CURE HIM OF HIS LEPROSY" (Verse 13) (Fill in eyes and letters)  
Good news from the little maid.

MISTAKE NO. 1 — HE GOES TO THE WRONG PERSON

The King of Syria says, "Go to, go, and I will send him to the King of Israel. (V. 5)

THE KING OF ISRAEL IS ANGRY

"Am I God (Fill in) to kill and make alive?" he asks Naaman. (V. 7) (Fill in eyes)

ELISHA SENDS FOR NAAMAN

Naaman waits with dignity (and leprosy) for Elisha to come out to him. A messenger comes and says, "Go and wash in Jordan seven times." He gets angry. (Fill in eyes) "I thought (fill in) he will surely come out to me." (V. 11)

MISTAKE NO. 2 — HE HAS THE WRONG PLAN

"Are not the rivers of Abana and Pharpar better than all the waters of Jordan?" (v. 11)

MISTAKE NO. 3 — NAAMAN WANTS TO GO TO THE WRONG PLACE

He turns back to Damascus with all his plans, pride AND LEPROSY.

GOOD ADVICE FROM HIS SERVANT

If the prophet had asked you to do some great thing, would you not have done it?"

"WASH AND BE CLEAN!" (v. 13) THE SIMPLICITY OF GOD'S SALVATION.

NAAMAN WASHES SEVEN TIMES IN THE JORDAN

"His flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child." (v. 14) Like a new birth.

MISTAKE NO. 4 — HE WANTS TO PAY THE WRONG PRICE

He wanted to pay for God's Salvation (Verses 15 and 16)

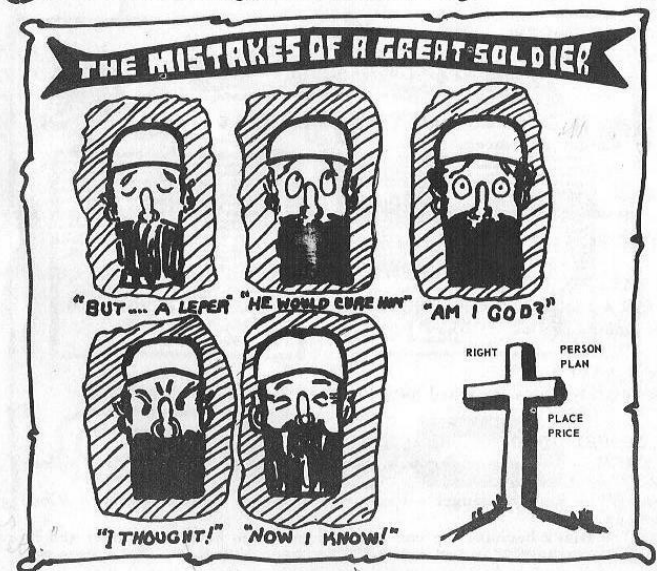
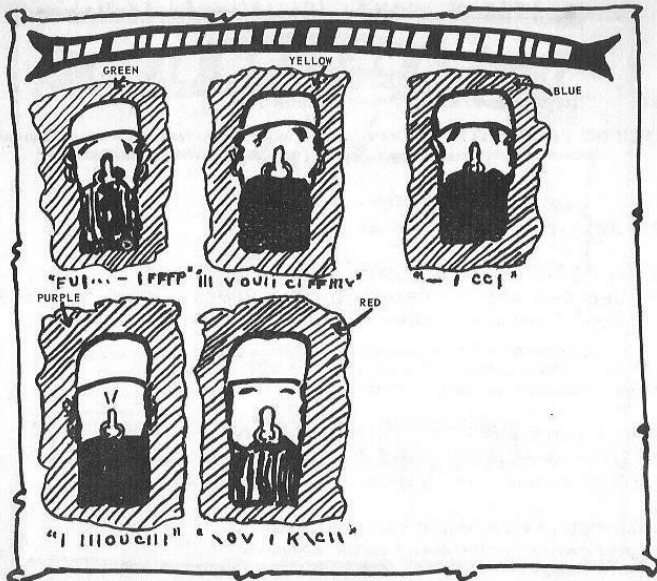
"Now I know (Fill in) that there is no God in all the earth, but in Israel." (Fill in eyes)

Are you saying, "I thought" or "Now I know"? (Draw in Cross)

Have you gone to the RIGHT PERSON? (Fill in) Humble yourself — you are a sinner. You cannot save yourself.

THE RIGHT PLAN — "Wash and be clean! Calvary is the RIGHT PLACE because it is the RIGHT PRICE — not corruptible things as silver and gold but the precious BLOOD OF CHRIST. (Fill in)

"WASH AND BE CLEAN!"



## THE DRAMA OF SALVATION IN THREE ACTS

**TEXT:** "... Once in the end of the world hath He appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself . . . Now to appear in the presence of God for us . . . unto them that look for Him shall He appear the second time." — Hebrews 9:24, 26, 28.

**SKETCHING PREPARATION:** Frame the sketch. Draw title "ladder" and the three text "ladders." Add areas of color as indicated on preparatory sketch.

NOTHING MORE DRAMATIC HAPPENED IN THE WHOLE HISTORY OF THE WORLD THAN THE DRAMA OF SALVATION

The Bible is a dramatic Book. It is full of dramatic happenings. But every situation fades into the background as the curtain goes up on the drama of salvation.

**HE APPEARED:** (Fill in)

There is nothing more dramatic than when the author himself walks on to the stage. The Creator of all things personally appeared upon the stage of this world. That's the story of salvation.

**HE APPEARED TO PUT AWAY SIN.**

Every lamb slain on Jewish altars said, "Sin must be recognized and dealt with," but in the Old Testament times the sacrifices only covered sin.

**AT CALVARY CHRIST PUT AWAY SIN BY THE SACRIFICE OF HIMSELF**

Your sin can be put away forever. The Resurrection guarantees it. The curtain falls as He ascends to Heaven.

**HE NOW APPEARS.** (Fill in NOW first)

That was the story of THE PAST. (Print the words under "He appeared") Christ is no longer here and we have to live in a difficult world. How is the life of victory over sin possible, NOW?

**HE NOW APPEARS IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD FOR US**

When we trust Him, He becomes our Advocate with the Father. His prayers support us in the Battle of Life.

*"SIMON, SIMON, BEHOLD, SATAN HAS DESIRED TO HAVE YOU THAT HE MIGHT SIFT YOU LIKE WHEAT BUT I HAVE PRAYED FOR THEE THAT THY FAITH FAIL NOT."* — Luke 22:31.

The Saviour knew what problems lay before Peter in the future, including his denials. Peter's eventual triumph and glorious victory evidenced on the Day of Pentecost can all be summed up in this, — "I have prayed for thee."

"He NOW appears in the presence of God for us." (Fill in "THE PRESENT") He can give us victorious salvation, NOW.

**HE WILL APPEAR**

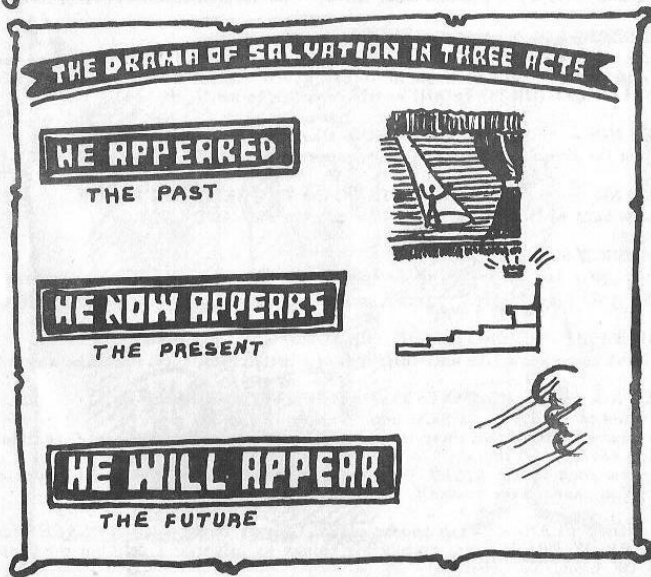
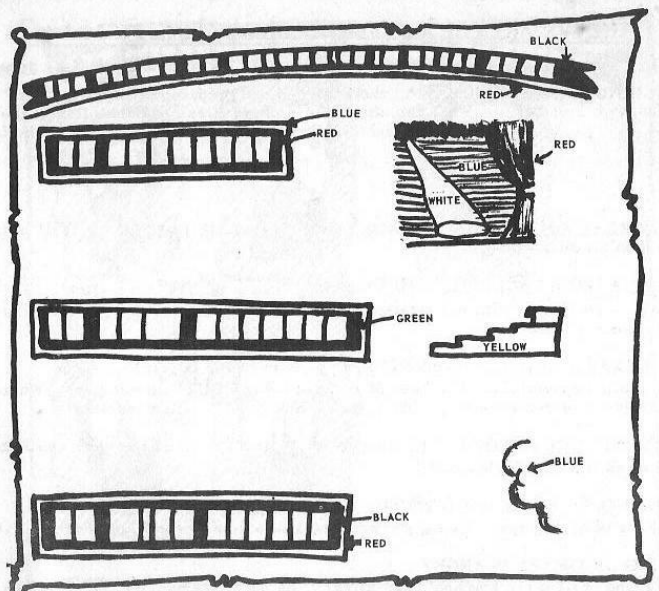
The final act in salvation's drama. (Fill in "THE FUTURE")

These three dramatic appearances are recorded in Hebrews 9. This Chapter records the Jewish Day of Atonement and its fulfillment in Christ. The Lamb was slain, the High Priest went into the Holy of Holies in the Tabernacle and presented the Blood of sacrifice there. All Israel waited with bated breath for Him to reappear.

**ARE YOU SO LOOKING FOR THE SECOND APPEARANCE OF THE SAVIOUR?**

All the prophecies of His first coming were fulfilled to the letter. All the prophecies of His second coming will be fulfilled. (Tell of some of the signs being fulfilled) As the days get darker, the promise of His coming gets brighter.

**HE WILL APPEAR THE SECOND TIME — TRUST HIM AS YOUR SAVIOUR TODAY AND BE READY**





## THE WORLD'S BIGGEST BOOMERANG

**TEXT:** "Be sure your sin will find you out." — Numbers 32:23

**SKETCHING PREPARATION:** Make the border. Draw the boomerang "ladder" and cloud background. Pencil the cross in lightly.

**THE BOOMERANG — THE INVENTION OF THE WORLD'S MOST PRIMITIVE RACE**

Many aborigines of Australia are still living in Australia's desert areas as they did a thousand years ago. They never planted a crop, never knew what a wheel was until the white man came. Yet they invented one of the most modern things in the world — a boomerang.

**THE BOOMERANG IS AN AIRFOIL — A PLANE WING.**

I own a boomerang. Everyone who sees it wants you to throw it. A friend of mine was sceptical as to whether a boomerang would come back but he threw it and it came back and almost brained him!

"BE SURE" (Fill in)

My friend exclaimed, "It sure comes back!"

**LET'S TALK ABOUT THE WORLD'S BIGGEST BOOMERANG**

"SIN" (Fill in) "YOUR SIN" (Fill in)

"All have sinned," God says and He means you.

"WILL" (Fill in), absolutely certain, "FIND YOU OUT!" (Fill in)

**KING AHAB FOUND BY BITTER EXPERIENCE THAT SIN IS A BOOMERANG,**

I Kings 21 and 22

HE COVETED NABOTH'S VINEYARD. "Give me thy vineyard." I Kings 21:2  
HE OBTAINED IT. Jezebel, his wife, had Naboth murdered. (Verse 13)

ELIJAH PRONOUNCES GOD'S JUDGEMENT ON HIM. (21:20, 22)

The boomerang of sin will come back.

THREE YEARS PASS IN PEACE. The boomerang does not immediately return. You could throw it and forget you did it. (22:1)

AHAB GOES TO WAR AGAINST SYRIA. King Jehoshaphat joins him. (22:4)

JUDGEMENT PRONOUNCED AGAIN. (22:17) "Be sure — will." — Numbers 32:23

AHAB DISGUISES HIMSELF. (22:30) He thinks he can avoid the boomerang.

A CERTAIN SOLDIER DREW A BOW AT A VENTURE (22:34) He escaped the thirty two captains and all their chariots but could not escape the One Who had said, "Be sure your sin will find you out." The arrow pierced between the joints of his armour.

**SIN IS THE WORLD'S BIGGEST BOOMERANG** (22:37, 38)

There is no escape but . . . (Begin to draw in the cross)

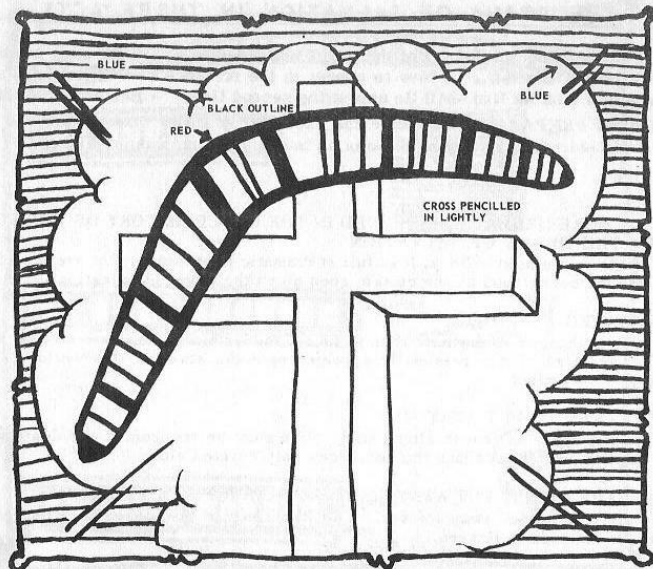
**AN ABORIGINE, AN EXPERT, THREW A BOOMERANG ONE DAY AND IT DID NOT COME BACK!**

How could this be? This dark-skinned Australian had demonstrated his skill to a crowd of us. He had made it come back perfectly a number of times but this time it didn't.

**I GOT IN THE WAY!**

And it hurt! (Finish the cross)

**CHRIST TOOK THE FULL FORCE OF SIN'S JUDGEMENT ON THE CROSS**



## THE SOLDIER WHO BUILT A CHURCH

**TEXT:** "He loveth our nation and he hath built us a synagogue." — Luke 7:5

**SKETCHING PREPARATION:** Make a border. Prepare the title "ladder." Draw in the window, filling in the diamond panes in various colors. Draw the three outline "Ladders" (what he thought, etc.).

CAPERNAUM — AN IMPORTANT GALILEAN TOWN — DISAPPEARED AND FOR CENTURIES NO ONE KNEW WHERE IT LAY BURIED. (Matthew 11:23, 24)

Archeologists have now excavated it. Tell Hum is the site of ancient Capernaum. (Begin filling in "The Soldier Who Built . . .")

ONE OF THE MOST INTERESTING BUILDINGS OF CAPERNAUM IS A RUINED SYNAGOGUE. (Fill in "A CHURCH")

Some authorities believe that the foundations of this church are part of the original church this soldier built.

HE WAS A ROMAN CENTURION. (Luke 7:1-10)

Capernaum was an important custom center on a trade route. This Roman Centurion was in command of one hundred soldiers stationed there. How interesting that part of the excavated church could be his and that we can see it today! (Fill in, "WHAT HE THOUGHT") More important, we can see after 2000 years what his actual thoughts were!

WHAT HE THOUGHT OF HIS SERVANT. (Luke 7:2) (Fill in)

Servants were slaves in those ancient days. How we think of others is so important.

WHAT HE THOUGHT OF HIMSELF. (Luke 7:6, 7) (Fill in)

The Jews thought much of him. "He is worthy . . . he loveth our nation and has built us a synagogue," Verses 4, 5. He realized that the best works are not enough. He used John the Baptist's words and those of the Prodigal. John 1:27, Luke 15:18, 19.

WHAT HE THOUGHT OF THE SAVIOUR. (Luke 7:7, 8) (Fill in)

"I have the power to command," he said to the Saviour. "But You have all power in Heaven and earth. Speak the word only and my servant shall be healed." (Matthew 8:8)

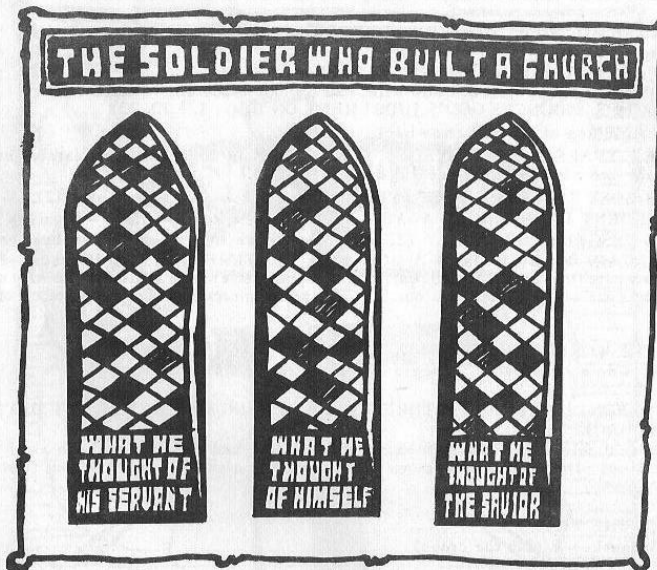
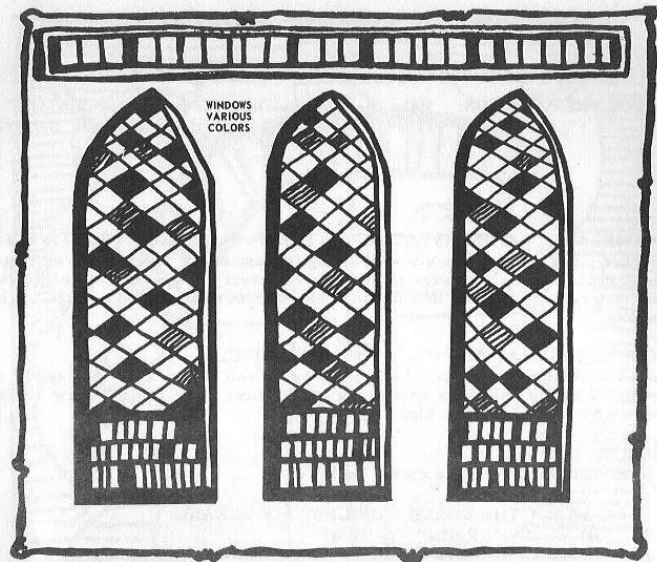
"I HAVE NOT FOUND SO GREAT FAITH, NO, NOT IN ISRAEL."

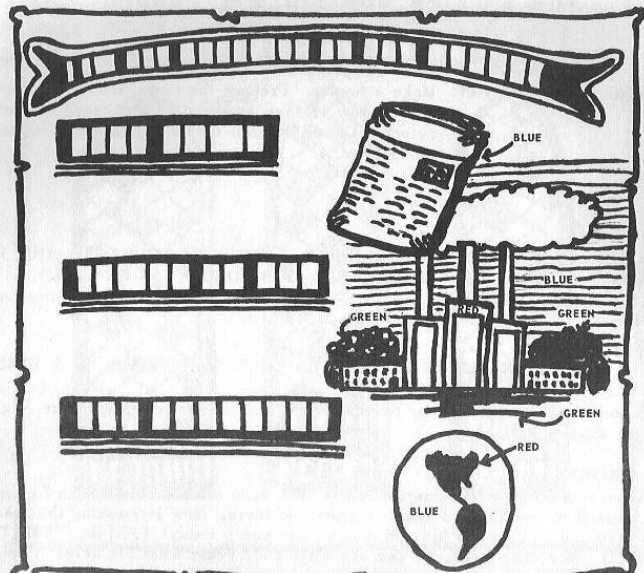
The Saviour marvelled at him. "His servant was healed in the selfsame hour." (Matthew 8:13)

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF YOURSELF?

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE SAVIOUR?

YOUR UNWORTHINESS IS YOUR CONDEMNATION.  
HIS WORTHINESS CAN BE YOUR SALVATION.





## A GOSPEL TO BE PROUD OF

**TEXT:** "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ for it is the Power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth." — Romans 1:16

**SKETCHING PREPARATION:** Put the border in. Prepare the title "ladder" and draw the three outline "ladders" and beside them the newspaper, power station, and the world.

AL CAPONE, PUBLIC ENEMY NUMBER ONE OF U.S.A. IN THOSE DAYS,  
WAS CAUGHT AT LAST

He had not a shadow of shame for his former life, "I spent the best years of my life giving people the lighter pleasures. All I get is abuse and the existence of a hunted man."

PARDON MY PRIDE — WHEN I SEE WHAT MEN BOAST OF, A SENSE OF GENUINE  
PRIDE COMES TO ME

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AL CAPONE WAS PROUD OF HIS SIN. I AM PROUD OF GOD'S ANSWER TO  
MAN'S SIN.

Paul had been an enemy of the Gospel but changed by the Saviour, he now writes to Rome, "I am not ashamed of the Gospel . . ."

A FEW REASONS HE WAS PROUD OF THE GOSPEL

We can echo them just as confidently today.

THE GOSPEL IS GOOD NEWS (Fill in "GOOD NEWS")

The word "Gospel" just means "good news." (Fill in "DAILY NEWS") No need to apologize for good news. Some news is hard to give. GOOD NEWS IS THRILLING. Ask any newspaper reporter. JOHN 3:16. The world's best news.

THE GOSPEL IS THE POWER OF GOD (Fill in "POWER OF GOD")

"Power" reminds us of the atom. The One Who made the atom is the Gospel's Saviour. "All power is given to Me in Heaven and in earth." Illustrate WITH A GOOD CONVERSION STORY — John Newton, Jim Vaus, etc.

THE GOSPEL IS FOR EVERYONE (Fill in "FOR EVERYONE" and draw in the world)

This is the Gospel of the God Who made everyone. He wants to save and satisfy everyone.

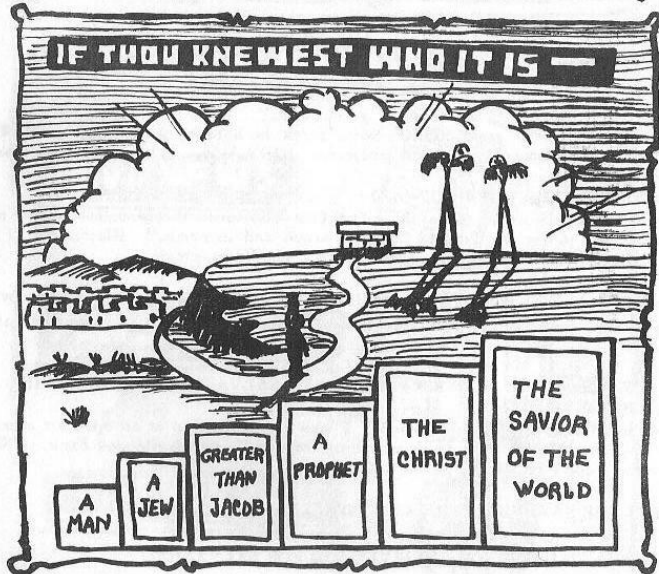
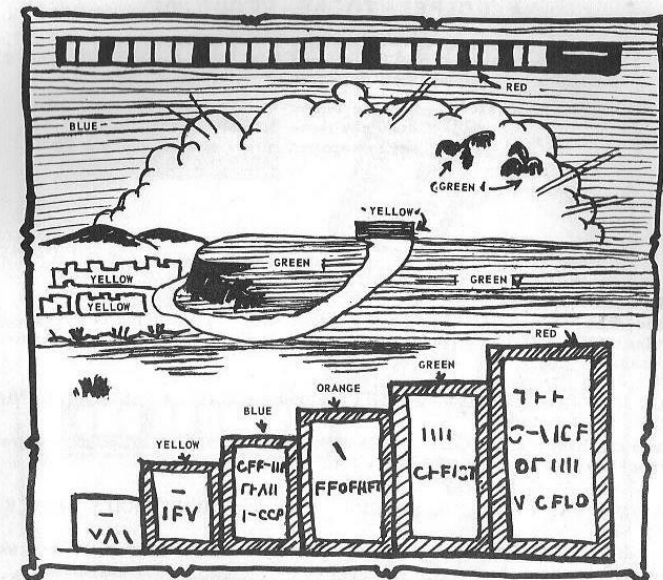
"THE GOSPEL IS THE POWER OF GOD UNTO SALVATION TO EVERYONE . . .  
THAT BELIEVETH."

"What has Christ ever done for me?" a man challenged us at an open air meeting. "Have you ever allowed Him to do anything for you," we challenged back. "No, I haven't and I don't intend to," was his reply.

FAITH IN THE SAVIOUR IS THE KEY TO SALVATION

HAVE YOU BELIEVED HIM FOR SALVATION?





## WHEN IGNORANCE IS NOT BLISS

**TEXT:** "If thou knewest the Gift of God, and Who it is that saith to thee, 'Give Me to drink;' thou wouldest have asked of Him, and He would have given thee Living Water," — John 4:10

**SKETCHING PREPARATION:** Draw border, text "ladder," put in color areas as indicated on preparatory sketch. Draw in the six squares and put in colors around inside edge. Sketch in the "shorthand" letters.

"WHEN IGNORANCE IS BLISS IT IS FOLLY TO BE WISE."  
This is an old proverb but ignorance is not always bliss.

THE THRILLING STORY OF HOW IGNORANCE WAS DISPELLED IN ONE WOMAN'S LIFE . . . (John 4:3-43)  
. . . . And through her to a whole town.

CHRIST COMES TO SYCHAR'S WELL

"He must needs go through Samaria," Verse 4. Why? Here's the answer.

THERE COMES A WOMAN OF SAMARIA TO DRAW WATER

She came at high noon because few people were around in that heat. (Fill in)

SHE SEES A MAN (Fill in) SITTING ON THE WELL.

"GIVE ME TO DRINK," HE SAYS. (Verse 7)

Yes! He is a Man and he was tired, hot and thirsty."

SHE LOOKS AT HIM AND SEES HE IS A JEW (Fill in)

"How is it that Thou, being a Jew, asks drink of me . . . a woman of Samaria?" (V. 9)

"IF THOU KNEWEST (Fill in) THE GIFT OF GOD AND WHO IT IS . . . (Fill in)  
YOU WOULD HAVE ASKED HIM . . . .

If she only knew Who it was! Now watch the unfolding revelation He gave to her.

"ART THOU GREATER THAN OUR FATHER JACOB?" (V. 12) (Fill in)

Is He greater than the patriarchs? John 8:58

"WHOSOEVER DRINKETH OF THIS WATER SHALL THIRST AGAIN: BUT  
WHOSOEVER DRINKETH OF THE WATER THAT I SHALL GIVE HIM SHALL NEVER  
THIRST," V. 13, 14

Our greatest need — for our soul — thirst to be satisfied.

"I SEE THAT THOU ART A PROPHET." (Fill in)

"Give me of this water," she says. "Go, call thy husband," — V. 16.

SIN LAYS IN THE WAY OF SOUL SATISFACTION.

"WHEN THE CHRIST (Fill in) COMES HE WILL TELL US ALL THINGS," V. 25

She tries to get into a religious argument to cover her sin.

"I THAT SPEAK UNTO THEE AM HE!"

What a revelation of the Saviour to a needy sinner!

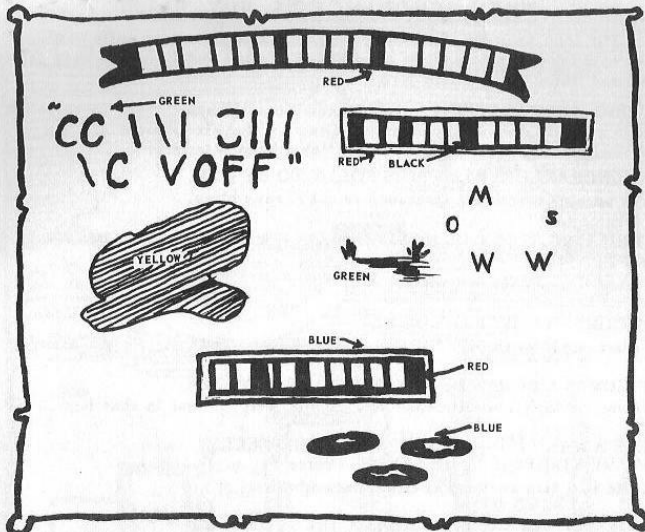
"COME, SEE A MAN, WHICH TOLD ME ALL THINGS THAT EVER I DID!"

She leaves her water pot, goes back to the city with the shattering news. BLISS  
HAS TAKEN IGNORANCE'S PLACE!

"THIS IS INDEED THE CHRIST THE SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD!"

Now the whole town knows Who He IS! V. 10

DO YOU?



## FAMOUS LAST WORDS

TEXTS: "Go and sin no more." – John 8:11. – – "Go and tell." – Mark 5:19.  
 "Go in peace." – Luke 8:48.

SKETCHING PREPARATION: Draw border, title "ladder," "shorthand" letters, and the two text "ladders." Fill in the color areas and the letters for the pig.

FAMOUS LAST WORDS (Fill in)

"What were your father's last words, Tommy," they asked. "'E didn't 'av none," replied Tommy. Mum was with him till the end!"

We are going to look at some of the last words the Saviour said to those He healed.

THE FIRST STORY IS ABOUT SAND AND STONES – John 8:1-11. (Outline the yellow circle in black and draw in the stones)

CHRIST IS INTERRUPTED BY THE PHARISEES BRINGING THE WOMAN TO HIM – Verse 3.

"Moses says she should be stoned," they said. "What do you say?"

HE STOOPED AND WROTE IN THE SAND – V. 6.

"HE THAT IS WITHOUT SIN . . . LET HIM FIRST CAST A STONE."

He could have dashed the life out of everyone of them.

"GO AND SIN . . ." (Fill in)

"Is that what Christ said, according to your way of living?"

"GO AND SIN NO MORE." (Complete text)

Calvary makes us hate our sins.

THE NEXT STORY IS ABOUT GRAVESTONES AND PIGS – Mark 5:1-20. (Draw in)

CHRIST CAME TO A GRAVEYARD AND MET THE DEMONIAK.

The demons plead to be allowed to go into the swine. THE PIGS COMMIT SUICIDE. Pigs wouldn't stand what a man would!

KEEPERS RUN BACK TO TELL CITY

The whole city pleads for Him to leave them.

THE MAN IS NOW CLOTHED AND IN HIS RIGHT MIND.

He pleads to go with Him.

"GO AND TELL" (Fill in)

He had a lot to tell.

THE FINAL STORY IS ABOUT MONEY (Draw in) – DISAPPEARING MONEY  
 Luke 8:43-48.

A WOMAN COMES INTO CROWD.

"If I may touch His garment," – Matthew 9:21.

NOT MUCH FAITH BUT SHE PUT ALL SHE HAD IN THE RIGHT PERSON. This is important. The biggest faith will not save. The smallest amount of faith in Him will, Matthew 17:20.

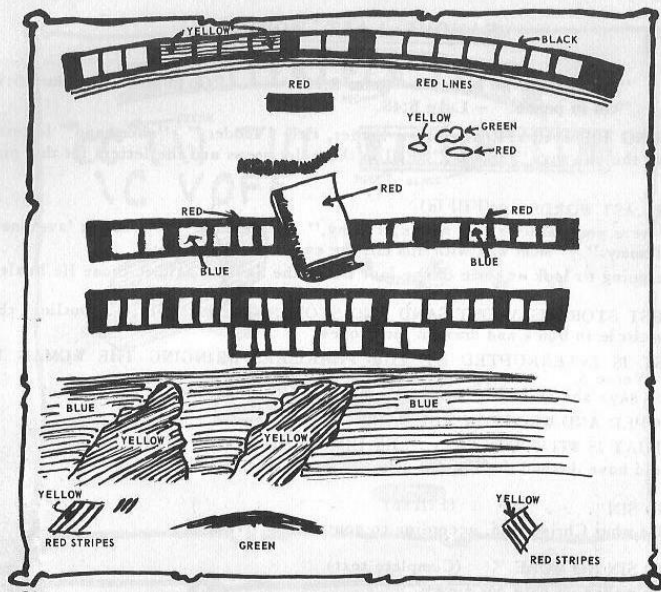
JESUS SAID, "WHO TOUCHED ME?"

He always recognizes the touch of faith. Faith is never lost in the crowd. He knew who did it. He wanted her confession. SHE CONFESSES BEFORE THE WHOLE CROWD.

GO IN PEACE (Fill in)

Faith in Him brings salvation. Stretch out the hand of faith today and know His peace.





## THE 'MUST' OF CALVARY

**TEXT:** "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness even so must the Son of Man be lifted up." — John 3:14

**SKETCHING PREPARATION:** Draw border, the title "ladder" (note the yellow section) the two text "ladders," (noting the blue background in the first one) the Bible, and areas of color as shown on preparatory sketch. Mountain background may be finished.

**THE BOY WHO WOULD NOT GET OUT OF THE LITTLE RED WAGON** (Draw wagon)

His Mother tried, then the manager of toy department but he wouldn't budge. Finally, the psychologist came and whispered something in his ear and out he got! The Manager was curious and asked what he had whispered. The psychologist smiled. I said, "If you don't get out of that wagon, I'll paddle the hide off you!"

**MODERN PSYCHOLOGY HAS TRIED TO TAKE SOME OLD FASHIONED WORDS OUT OF OUR DICTIONARY.** (Draw in "MUST")

You must never say "MUST" to anyone, they tell you.

**NATURE SAYS "MUST" AND MEANS IT!**

You *MUST* sleep. (Draw bed and "MUST")

Your heart *MUST* beat. (Draw heart and "MUST")

You *MUST* eat. (Draw in plate and "MUST")

**THE BIBLE IS AN UNPOPULAR BOOK BECAUSE IT DOGMATICALLY SAYS "MUST" AND PAYS NO ATTENTION TO THE CRITICS WHO DISAGREE**

"You *MUST* be saved," Acts 4:12. (Fill in) That's the *MUST* of salvation.

**BUT THERE IS A *MUST* ABOUT THE METHOD OF SALVATION**

Men would like to invent their own way of being saved.

**"THE SON OF MAN *MUST* BE LIFTED UP,"** John 3:14. (Fill in. Draw Tents)

Here is Christ's picture of God's way of salvation. (Numbers 21:1-9)

**SIN** (Fill in large "S" like a serpent then word "SIN")

God calls ordinary things sin — grumbling is serious. We all do it.

**SUFFERING** (Fill in and draw people dying and serpents)

The Lord *sent* fiery serpents. (Verse 6) He punishes sin — Not popular but true.

**SORROW** (Fill in) "We have sinned, we have spoken against the Lord," Verse 7.

But sorrow is not enough.

**SUPPLICATION** "Therefore the people came to Moses," Verse 7. Prayer is not enough.

**SERPENT:** Moses made a serpent of brass at God's command and lifted it up. (Verse 8, 9) (Draw in)

**THE INSTRUMENT OF JUDGEMENT BECOMES THE WAY OF SALVATION**

Here is the mystery of the Cross. Christ takes the judgement of sin in His Own Body on the Cross. This serpent had no sting and because He was sinless He could take the judgement of our sins. (II Corinthians 5:21)

**SALVATION WAS IN THEIR OBEDIENCE NOT THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT GOD SAW IN THE LIFTED SERPENT.**

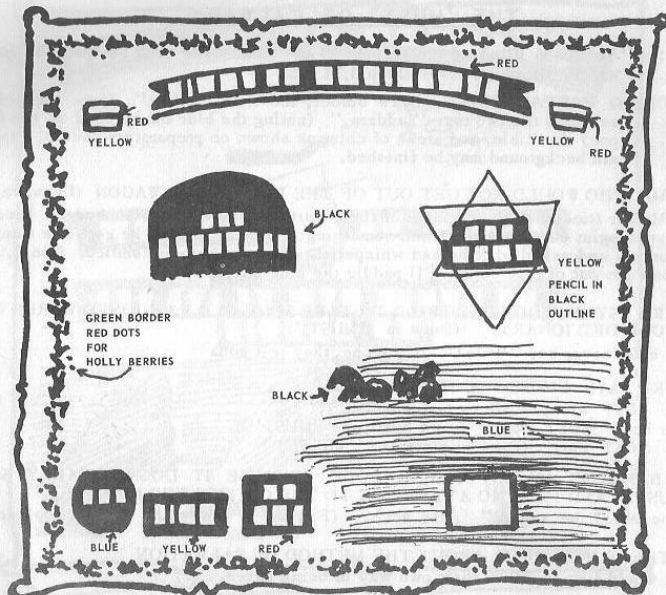
We will never understand all that Calvary means.

**"EVERY ONE THAT IS BITTEN WHEN HE LOOKETH UPON IT SHALL LIVE,"** THE LORD SAID.

They lived for a few more years but . . . .

**CHRIST SAYS, "WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH IN HIM SHOULD NOT PERISH BUT HAVE ETERNAL LIFE."**

Look and live. It is urgent!



## SIGNS OF CHRISTMAS

TEXT: "This shall be a sign unto you." — Luke 2:12

SKETCHING PREPARATION: Draw in the holly border with green and red dots. Prepare "ladders" for the shepherd, star, and gifts. Add color areas. The shepherd, star, and gifts can be lightly pencilled in.

"SIGNS OF CHRISTMAS" (Fill in title)

Lights, bells, Christmas songs, trees, toys — all say, "Christmas is here again!"

GOD HAS HIS SIGNS OF THAT FIRST WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS!

THE SHEPHERDS, THE STAR AND THE GIFTS ARE SOME OF THEM.

THE SHEPHERDS CAME TO THE ONE WHO WAS HIMSELF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.  
(Draw in the shepherd and lettering)

"There were in the same country SHEPHERDS abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock . . . unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, Which is Christ the Lord!" (Luke 2:8, 11) AND THEY CAME WITH HASTE AND FOUND . . . THE BABE LYING IN A MANGER. (Verse 16)

WERE THE SHEPHERDS WATCHING THE SHEEP OF SACRIFICE? They came to the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. "THE GOOD SHEPHERD THAT GAVE HIS LIFE FOR THE SHEEP" John 10:11. Mixed metaphors but glorious truths!

THE WISE MEN FOLLOWED THE STAR WHICH LED THEM TO THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR. (Draw in the star, house, etc. and lettering)

"There came wise men from the East to Jerusalem, Saying, Where is He that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen HIS STAR in the East, and are come to worship Him," Matthew 2:1, 2. And "when they saw the Star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child . . . and worshipped Him." (Verses 10, 11)

THOSE WERE DARK DAYS IN THE WORLD'S HISTORY BUT THE LIGHT OF PROPHECY TOLD OF HIS COMING.

"Thus it is written by the prophet . . . out of thee shall come a Governor," (V. 5, 6)

AS THE WORLD GETS DARKER TODAY, WE LIFT UP OUR EYES TO LOOK FOR THE SECOND APPEARANCE OF THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR. (Rev. 22:16)

He came. He will come again! Every Christmas star reminds us of His near return. (II Peter 1:19)

THE WISE MEN GAVE GIFTS TO THE ONE WHO HIMSELF WAS THE GIFT OF GOD!  
(Draw in the gifts and lettering)

"When they were come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down, and worshipped (Them? Never! —) "HIM" and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts; GOLD, (He is the King of kings, V. 2) and FRANKINCENSE AND MYRRH." (for He was born to die) Wise men always worship Him. Are you wise?

HAVE YOU SEEN HIM AS THE GOOD SHEPHERD WHO GAVE HIS LIFE FOR YOU?  
HAVE YOU RECEIVED HIM? HE IS GOD'S CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR YOU? John 3:16  
ARE YOU READY FOR HIS APPEARING AS THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR?

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Some people do not like the Christmas tree. "It is of heathen origin," they say. And it *is* but Christ has done with that tree what He does with any heathen He touches — He has transformed it into a symbol of Himself. A CHRISTMAS TREE REMINDS US OF THAT TREE IN EDEN'S GARDEN. The tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Sin made Christmas necessary.

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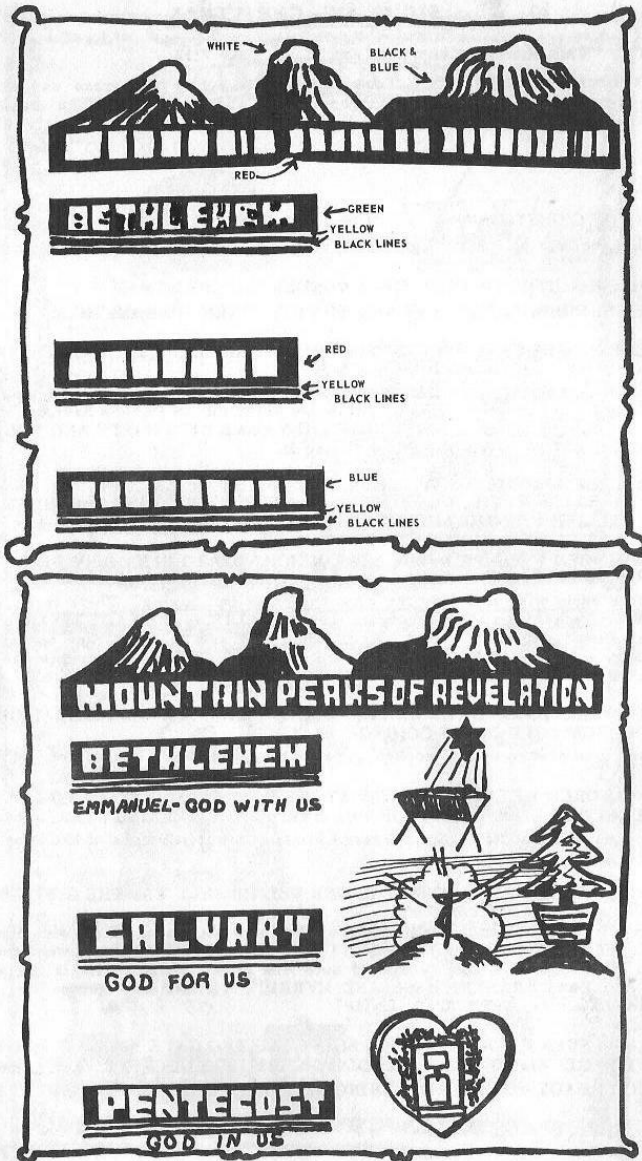
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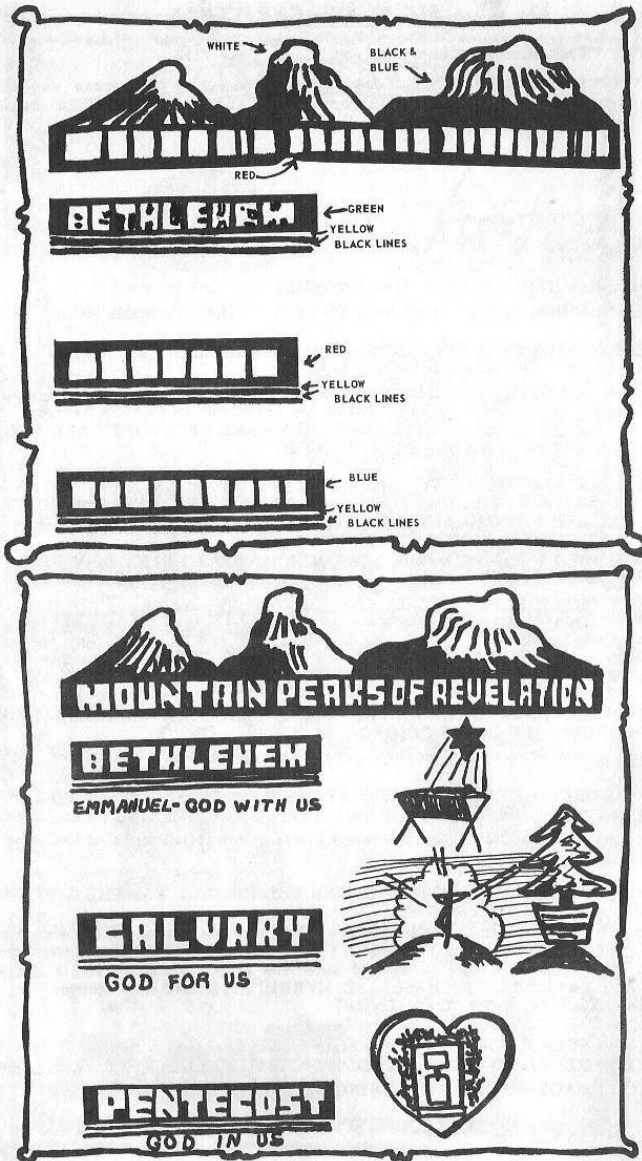
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## "HOW SWEET ARE THY WORDS" (Christians)

**TEXT:** "How sweet are Thy Words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth," — Psalm 119:103

**SKETCHING PREPARATION:** Draw border "ladder" and three outline "ladders." Fill in areas of color as indicated in preparatory sketch.

### BIBLE STUDY IS AN ABSOLUTE NECESSITY

Reading the Bible is not enough. Start studying it! Buy yourself a good concordance. A **STRONG'S CONCORDANCE** is recommended.

A **CONCORDANCE** IS A BIBLE DICTIONARY (Fill in title)

It shows where every word in the Bible can be found and **STRONG** gives its meaning in the Hebrew and Greek.

**NOW FOR AN EXAMPLE OF BIBLE STUDY USING A CONCORDANCE**

**TRUST:** (Fill in)

Psalm 11:1 — "In the Lord put I my **TRUST**: how say ye to my soul, Flee as a bird to your mountain?"

**STRONG:** "TRUST" — (Hebrew) To flee for protection.

"I HAVE FLED TO THE LORD FOR REFUGE ("Trust") HOW SAY YE . . . FLEE . . . TO YOUR MOUNTAIN."

I have fled to Mount Calvary for refuge. (Draw in Calvary and man running) Don't tell me to run to MT. WORRY, MT. RELIANCE-UPON-MEN, etc. etc. (Draw in dark mountain)

**ON AN OFFICE DOOR:** "Why pray when you can worry?" You have to give up one or the other! **YOU CANNOT BE IN TWO PLACES AT THE ONE TIME WITHOUT BEING TORN APART.** This accounts for the rise in mental illness. "I WILL TRUST AND NOT BE AFRAID." — Isaiah 12:2.

**PURPOSE:** (Fill in)

Acts 11:23 — "He . . . exhorted them all that with **PURPOSE** of heart they would cleave unto the Lord."

**STRONG:** "PURPOSE" — (Greek) To place before, to exhibit, a setting forth, i.e. proposal, the **SHEW BREAD** (in the Temple)

"PURPOSE" IN ACTS 11:23 IS THE SAME WORD AS "SHEW BREAD" IN HEBREWS 9:2

How could this be? **SHEWBREAD** in Hebrew means "Presence Bread" — the Bread of the face." (See Exodus 25:30 and Leviticus 24:5-8) (Draw table and bread) II Timothy 3:10- "Thou hast fully known . . . my purpose," Paul says.

**OUR PURPOSE OF LIFE IS AS OPEN BEFORE GOD AS THE SHEWBREAD IN THE TEMPLE**

What does God see in you? What is your purpose? Riches, success, etc., or devotion to Him and His will?

**SET** — (Fill in)

"I have **SET** the Lord always before me because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved." — Psalm 16:8.

**STRONG:** "SET" (Hebrew) To level, compare, equal, adjust, counterbalance.

"EQUAL" (Isaiah 40:25) "COMPARE" (Proverbs 3:15) ARE THE SAME HEBREW WORD AS "SET" — Psalm 16:8)

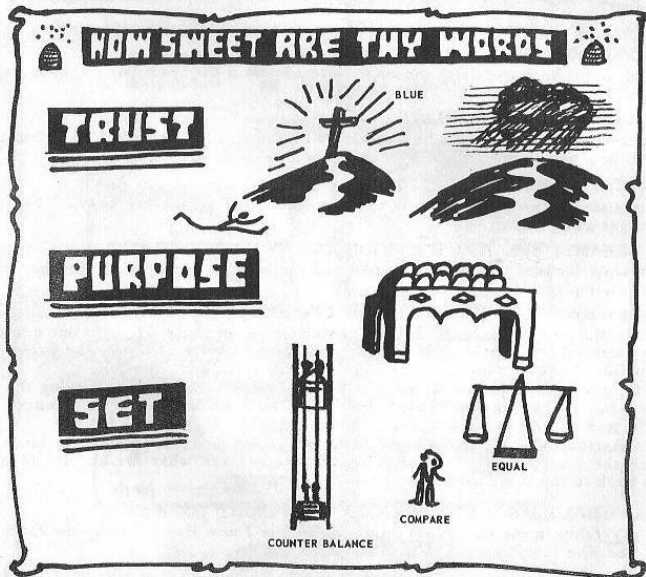
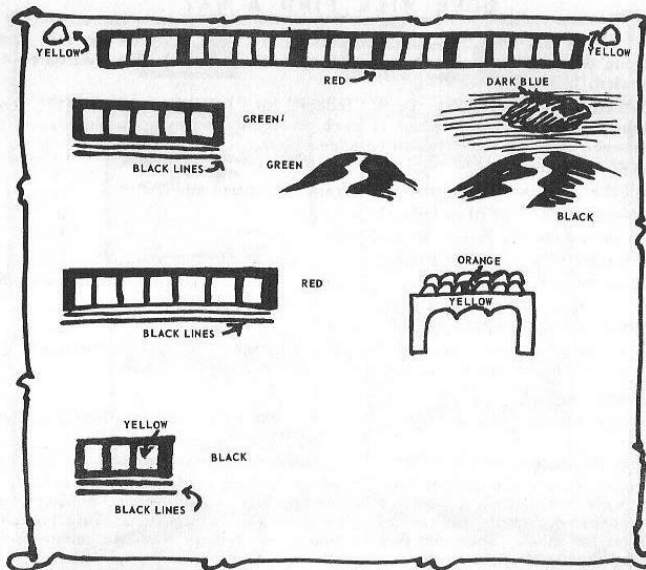
How can this be? Compare — one thing against another. Equal — the same as something else. Counterbalance — one weight balancing another.

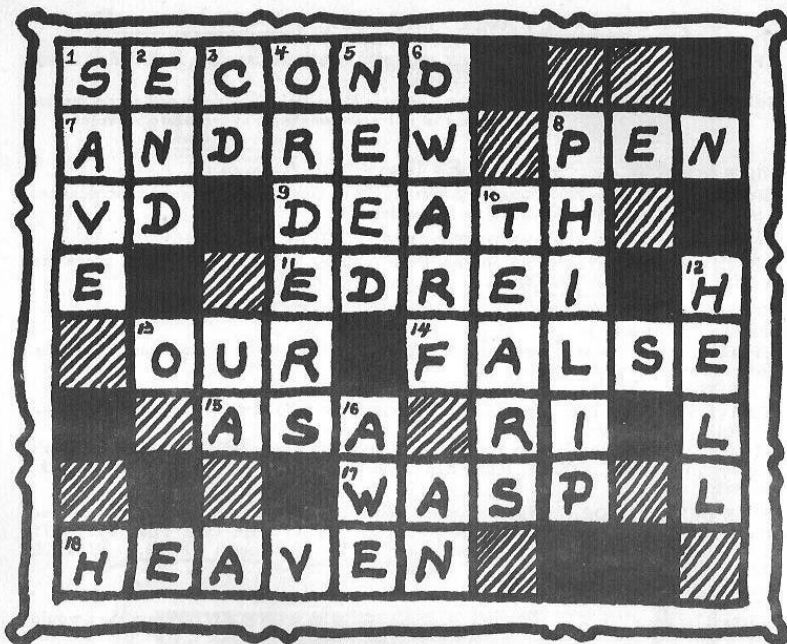
**DAVID DID THIS WITH GOLIATH** — (I Samuel 17)

He said, "You are a giant but God is a bigger giant than you." (Verse 45) Saul saw Goliath. (Verse 33) David saw the Lord. (Verse 37)

**HAVE YOU SET THE LORD BEFORE YOU — COUNTERBALANCED YOUR PROBLEMS WITH HIM?**

"Adjust" your life in the light of Psalm 16:8 and Verse 9 will be true for you.





**PERSONAL WORK CROSSWORD (Christians)**

**TEXT:** "Preach the Gospel to every creature." - Mark 16:15.

**PREPARATORY SKETCH:** Draw crossword and fill in various square with different colors. Ask audience the questions and fill in answers as they give them.

"NOT EVERYONE IS CALLED TO PERSONAL EVANGELISM."

This is Satan calling and he hopes you are listening!

PERSONAL WORK IS THE MOST IMPORTANT WORK IN THE WORLD.

DR. CHAPMAN'S IRISH JANITOR claimed the Spirit's power and in a few months led sixty people to Christ.

NOW FOR OUR CROSSWORD!

Listen closely! A couple of misstatements have been slipped in to catch you!

NOTE: "A" is for ACROSS and "D" for DOWN.

A. (1) WHAT COMMANDMENT IS CLOSELY CONNECTED WITH PERSONAL EVANGELISM?

SECOND (Fill in) "Am I my brother's keeper?" One of the world's oldest questions. The answer is "Yes!"

D. (5) WE WILL NEVER START PERSONAL WORK TILL WE SEE THIS

NEED - WILBUR CHAPMAN - "Get quietly alone, read John 3:36, 'The wrath of God abideth on him.' Put your unsaved girl, wife, husband in there."

D. (3) A WOMAN IN THE NEW TESTAMENT, "SHE HATH DONE WHAT SHE . . . (First and last letter)

C . . . . D

D. (2) "WHAT SHALL BE THE . . . OF THOSE WHO OBEY NOT THE GOSPEL?"

END AN INFIDEL once said, "Did I firmly believe as millions say they do that the knowledge and practice of religion in this life influences destiny in another, religion would be to me everything. I should labor in its cause alone. I would strive to look upon eternity alone and on the immortal souls around me soon to be everlastingly miserable or everlastingly happy. I would go forth to the world and preach to it in season and out of season and my text would be, 'What shall it profit a man if he gain the world and lose his own soul?'"

A. (8) A MOST USEFUL WEAPON IN PERSONAL WORK

PEN Write to your friends and relatives. Send them some good Gospel booklets or tracts.

A. (13) WE ARE ALWAYS SAYING PERSONAL EVANGELISM IS SOMEONE ELSE'S RESPONSIBILITY. IT IS . . . .

OUR

A. (14) PETER MET CHRIST FIRST OF ALL WHEN CLEANING HIS NETS - TRUE OR FALSE?

FALSE

A. (7) WHO BROUGHT HIM TO CHRIST?

ANDREW Andrew brought 3000 to Christ through Peter at Pentecost. EDWARD KIMBALL brought a million souls to Christ when he led Moody to Him.

D. (8) WHO WAS CALLED AWAY FROM PERSONAL WORK WITH A NEGRO TO GO TO A REVIVAL?

PHILLIP Was he?

D. (6) WE ARE TO GROW IN GRACE. SOME OF US COULD BE DESCRIBED AS A . . . .

DWARF

A. (9) A SERIOUS CONSIDERATION WHEN WE THINK OF OUR LOVED ONES OUTSIDE CHRIST.

DEATH

D. (4) IN MARK 16:15 ("PREACH THE GOSPEL TO EVERY CREATURE") WE HAVE OUR . . . .

ORDERS CHARLES PEACE, a double murderer said to the Chaplain, "Do you believe it? If I did I would crawl across England to tell men."

A. (11) WHERE OG WAS KILLED

EDREI We read of his bed and then his defeat. "Awake thou that sleepest."

D. (10) A USEFUL THING IN PERSONAL EVANGELISM

TEARS General Booth, "Try tears."

A. (15) A GOOD OLD TESTAMENT KING.

ASA

A. (17) DON'T BE LIKE THIS IN PERSONAL WORK.

WASP If you "pressurize," they may sign a decision card just to get rid of you!

D. (16) GOD SAYS WE OUGHT TO TREAT HIS WORD WITH THIS

AWE

A. (18) A REASON WHY WE SHOULD WITNESS TO THE LOST - WE BELIEVE IN THIS.

HEAVEN

D. (12) ANOTHER REASON

HELL JUDGE MINGINS was an infidel in his youth. After his conversion he visited his old companions in Philadelphia. One of them asked him, "Do you believe in hell and that all will go there who reject Christ?" "Certainly!" "Does Christianity dry up all the milk of humanity in your veins?" said his friend. "You have lived under my roof for three days and have not said a word to save me!"

D. (1) CHRIST CAME TO DO THIS.

SAVE



## WHO ARE THESE OPEN AIR CAMPAIGNERS?

Open Air Campaigners is probably the foremost exponent of outdoor preaching of the Gospel in America. Based on the Word of God the presentation of the Gospel is Christ centered, direct, positive, challenging, and is being used of the Holy Spirit to turn men's hearts to Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.

Think of it — there are 70,000,000 people in this country who never darken a church door! This missionary organization is seeking to reach this great and needy body of unreached men and women and boys and girls. Converts are referred to sound local churches.

This interdenominational work, founded in Australia more than sixty years ago, has been a leader in the evangelical ranks. Uncounted numbers of spiritual Christians trace their conversions to Christ to the ministry of Open Air Campaigners.

In recent years representatives were sent to the United States and Canada to establish the work here with the same high standards for excellence in its ministry, methods and equipment. With an efficient fleet of Gospel vans, specially equipped to provide a preaching platform, canopy, lighting and visual aids, a staff of U. S. trained men now "witness for Christ by all means everywhere."

