

Jesus Teaches with Parables

Section 9 – Lesson 8

Sunday Morning

1st & 2nd Grades

PRAYER: *(Ask the children if there are any special things we need to pray for today. Lead the class in prayer, or have a child say the prayer)*

PRETIME: “As Hungry as a Pig” Dot-to-Dot Page

ATTENDENCE: *(Have one student at a time place a sticker on their chart while the others complete the pre-time activity. This is a good time to practice/recite the memory work – 12 apostles.)*

DEFINITIONS: *(Discuss the meaning of the words prior to telling the story.)*
Today’s Word - Parable

BIBLE STORY:

Tell the story of the prodigal son. Show the children how to read the reebus (picture story) so that they can tell the story, too. Talk about forgiveness, and how we are always supposed to forgive others.

QUESTIONS: Go over the question sheet with the children.

1. How many sons did the man have in our story today?
2. What did the younger son decide he wanted to do?
3. Did the father give his son some money?
4. When he left home did he do good things or bad things?
5. Did he waste his money until it was all gone?
6. Did he get hungry?
7. What did he eat?
8. What did he say he would do?
9. When he got nearly home who came running to meet him?
10. What did his father do when he ran to meet him?
11. Was the father glad to see his son?
12. What did the father do to celebrate his son’s return?

SONG: “God Is Calling The Prodigal Son”
“Love Your Friends”

ACTIVITY: Question Sheet.

MEMORY WORK:
Proverbs 16:7

TAKE-HOME HANDOUTS(S):
*The reebus (picture story) of “The Lost Son”,
“A Wonderful Father” word puzzle,
“As Hungry as a Pig” Dot-to-Dot Page.*

SONG

**“Love Your Friends”
(Sung to: “Row, Row, Row Your Boat”)**

Love, love, love your friends,

Love them all the time.

Show them that you care for them

By being good and kind.

Love, love, love your friends,

Love them every day.

Show your love with a smile

Every single day!

The Lost Son

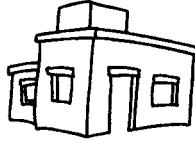
Use the pictures to read the story.



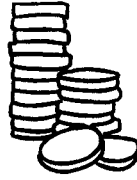
father



son



home







money








city










pigs




There was a  who had two s. One day the younger  said, " give me my share


of your .

 The  gave him the . The  left . He went to a faraway

. Soon all his  was gone. He got a job feeding . The  was so hungry he

ate some of the  food. Then the  thought, "My 's servants have food and clothes.

I will go  and be a servant." The  had been watching for his  each day. When

he saw him, the ran out to meet his  and hugged him. Then they brought fine clothes for

the  and had a big party. The  was glad his  was  again.

(Luke 15:11-32)

You are forgiving and good, O Lord. Psalm 86:5

A Wonderful Father

Our heavenly Father is great. He loves us and cares about us. Find out two more things about God by writing the first letter of each picture in the blank above it.

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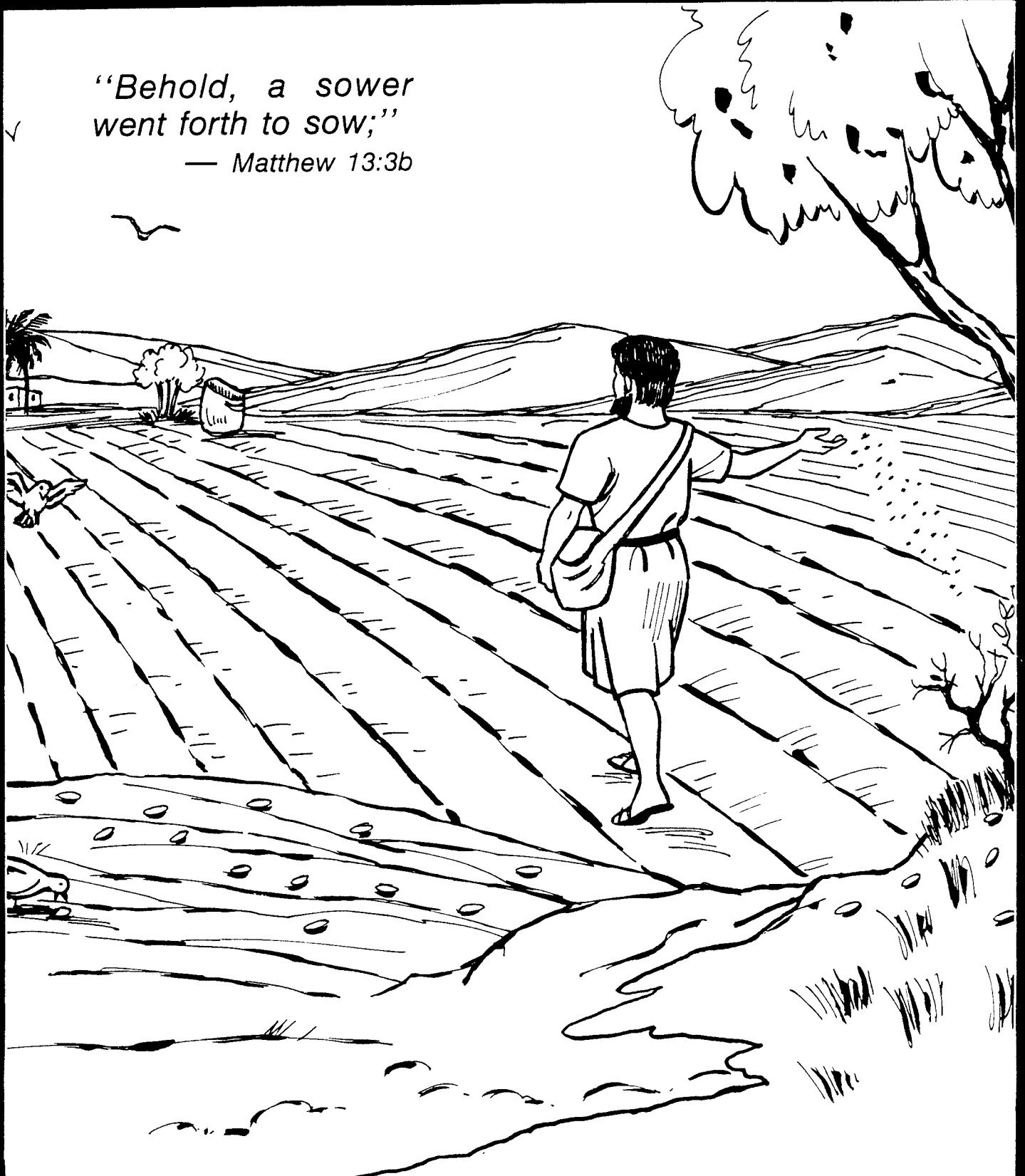
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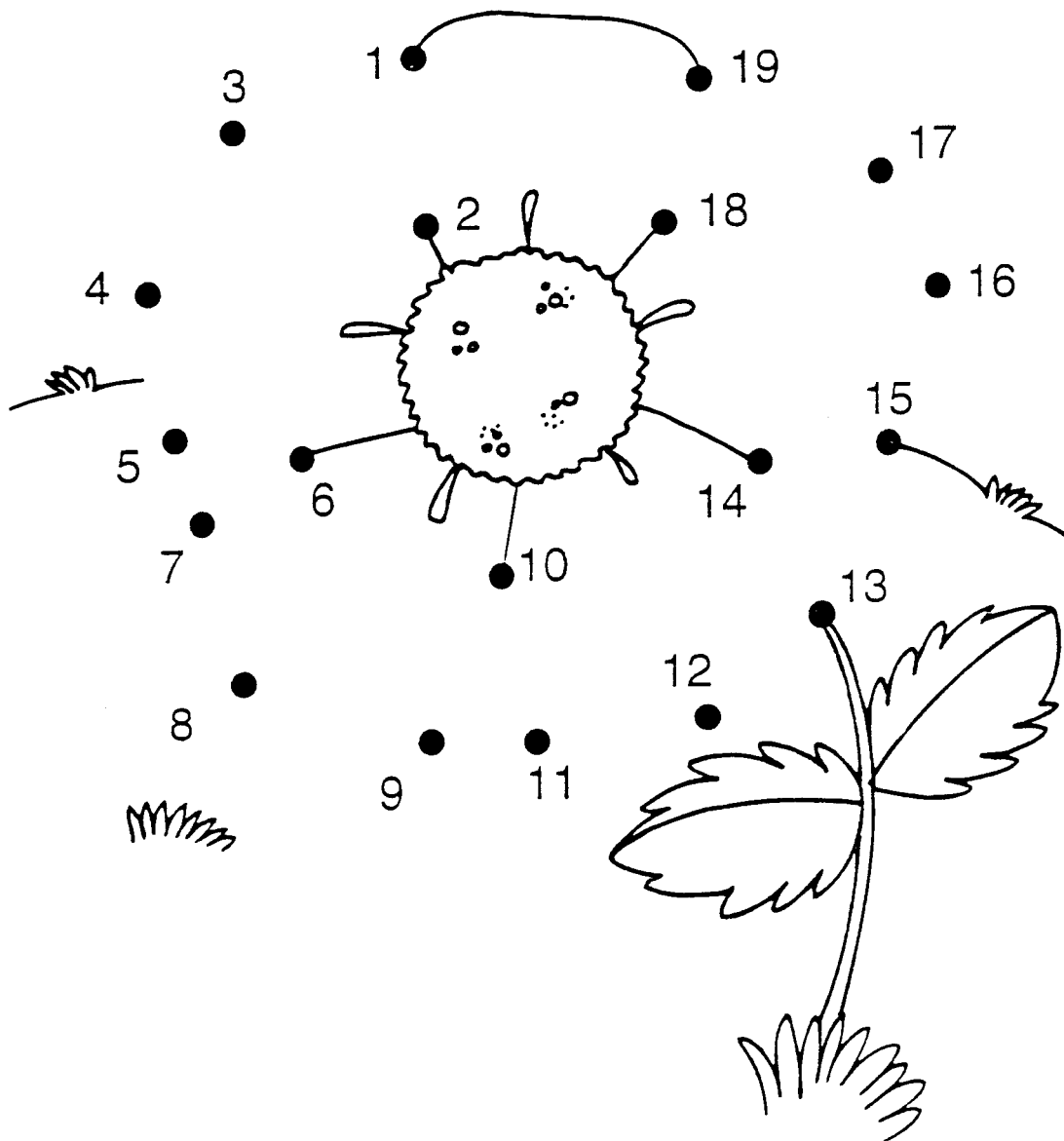
A Story About A Sower

✓ “Behold, a sower
went forth to sow;”

— Matthew 13:3b

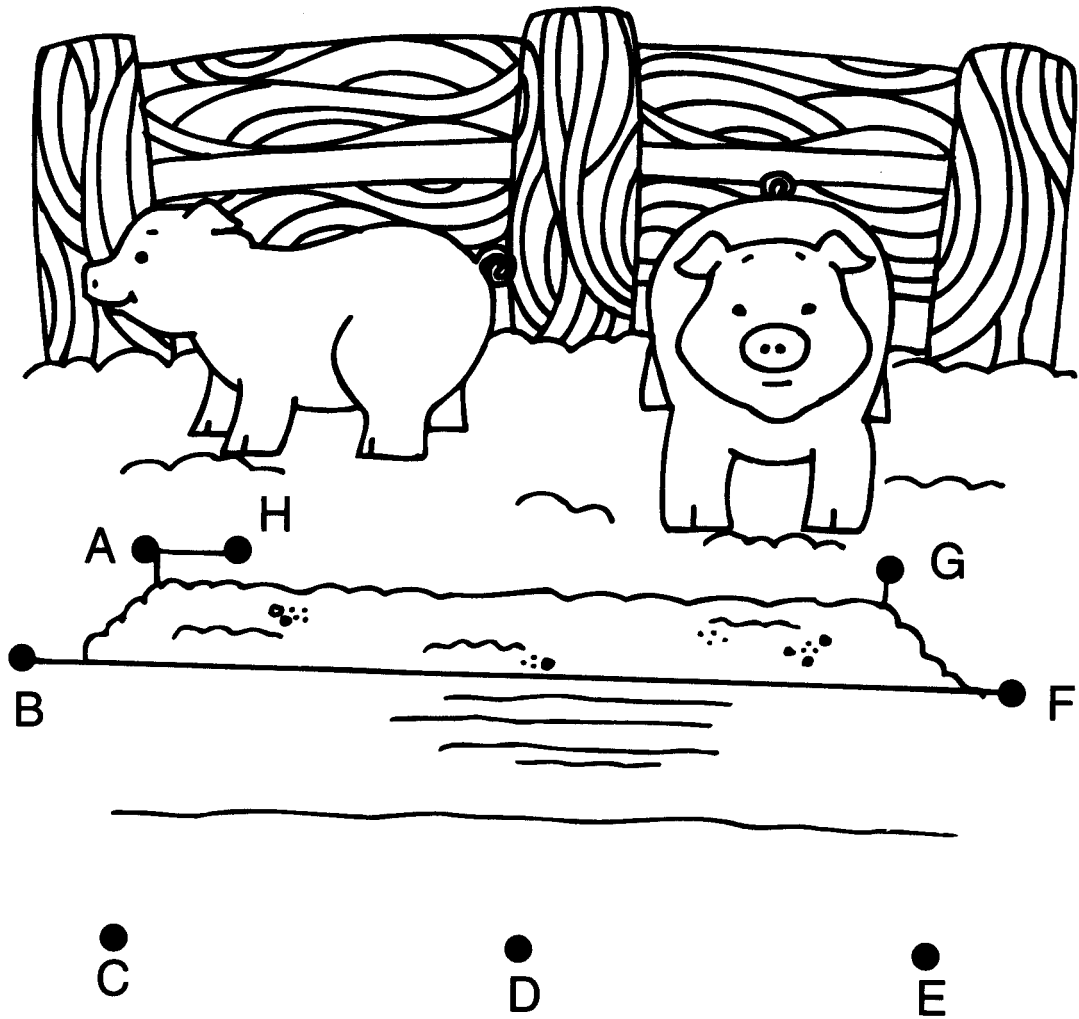


Pretty Petals



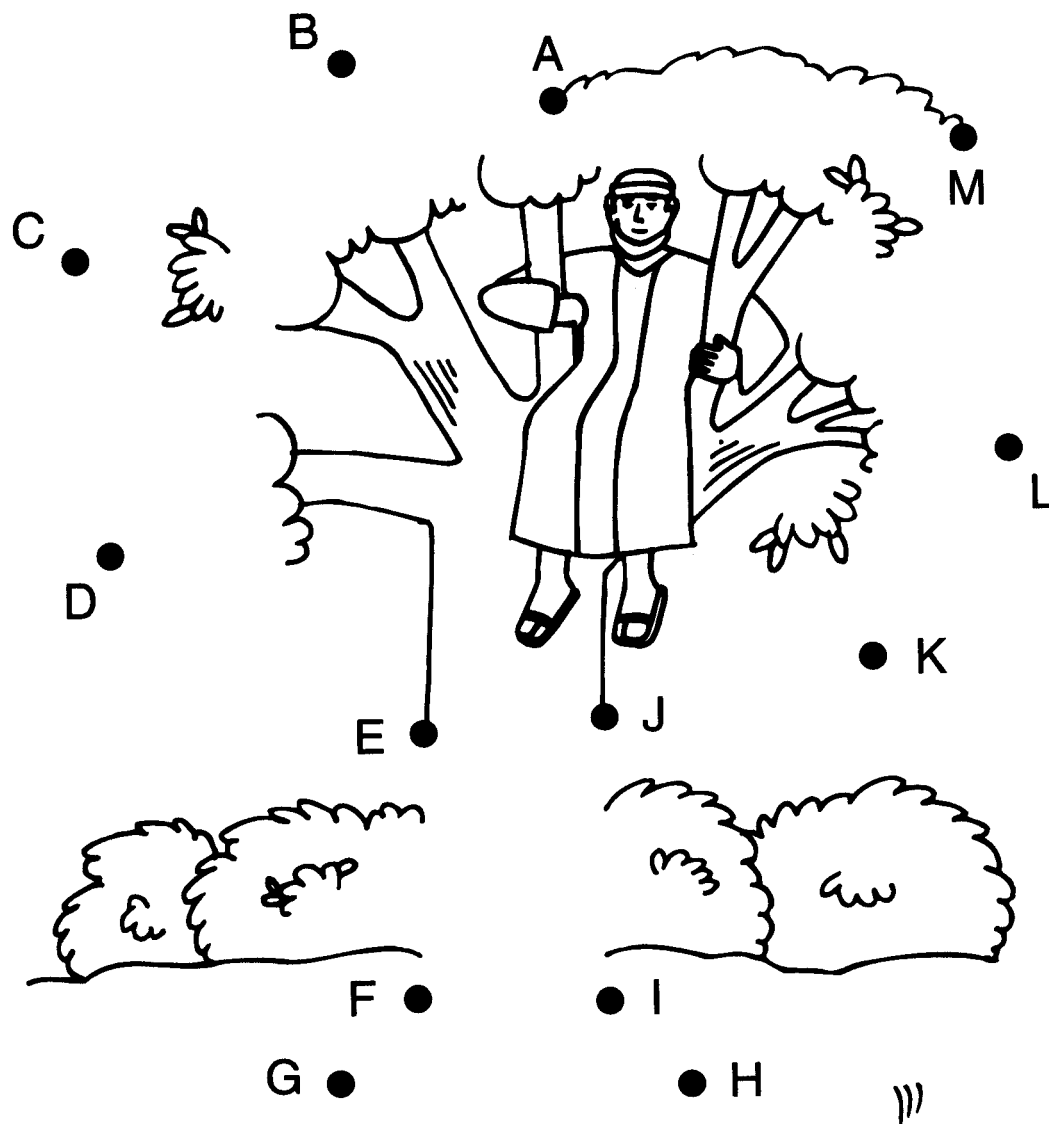
There are so many of these.
Some are large, and some are small.
They add such beauty to the earth.
I'm glad God made them all.

As Hungry as a Pig



The prodigal son had money.
He spent it as fast as he could.
When he was broke and hungry,
He thought that this looked good.

I Can See Now!



Zacchaeus climbed this
So he would be up high
And able to see Jesus
When he came walking by.

The Lost Son
(Circle the correct answer)

- 1) How many sons did the man have in our story today? 2 or 3
- 2) What did the younger son decide he wanted to do? Leave Home or Stay At Home
- 3) Did the father give his son some money? Yes or No
- 4) When he left home did he do good things or bad things? Good or Bad
- 5) Did he waste his money until it was all gone? Yes or No
- 6) Did he get hungry? Yes or No
- 7) What did he eat? Pig's Food or Fish Food
- 8) What did he say he would do? Go Back Home or Stay Where He Was
- 9) When he got nearly home who came running to meet him? His Brother or His Father
- 10) What did his father do when he ran to meet him? Hugged Him or Shook His Hand
- 11) Was the father glad to see his son? Yes or No
- 12) What did the father do to celebrate his son's return? Nothing or Had A Party (Feast)

Lion-Lamb

"...Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, ..." I Samuel 17:34

Materials:

Two 8" paper plates
Yellow yarn
Cotton balls
Glue
Scissors
Crayons

Directions:

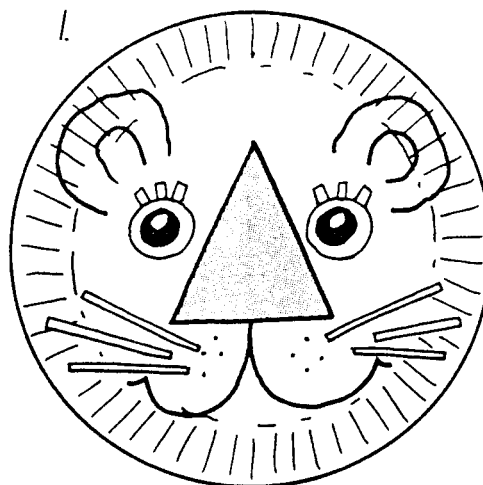
To make the lion:

1. Draw a face on a paper plate as shown. Draw a triangle in the middle of the plate. Add eyes and mouth. Make the ears as indicated. Add eyelashes, whiskers, and other details.
2. Cut short lengths of yellow yarn (about 2" lengths) and glue around the rim of the plate for its mane.

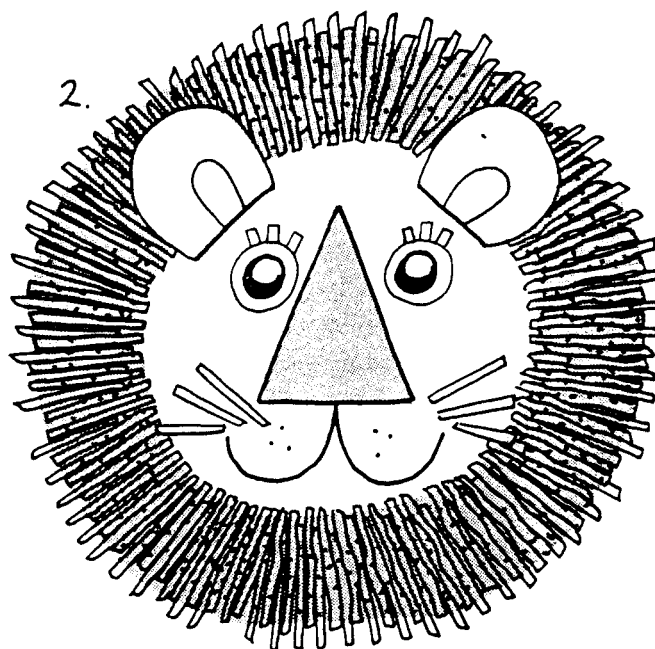
To make the lamb:

3. Draw a lamb's face as shown, making round nose and eyes; ears are long and fluffy.
4. Fluff up cotton balls and glue on the forehead of the lamb.
5. A Bible verse can be printed on the back sides of the lion and the lamb. Pick a verse that is in accordance with the story being told, or Scripture being studied.

Lion

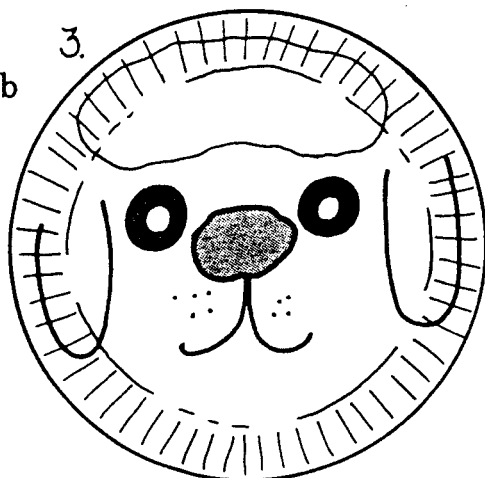


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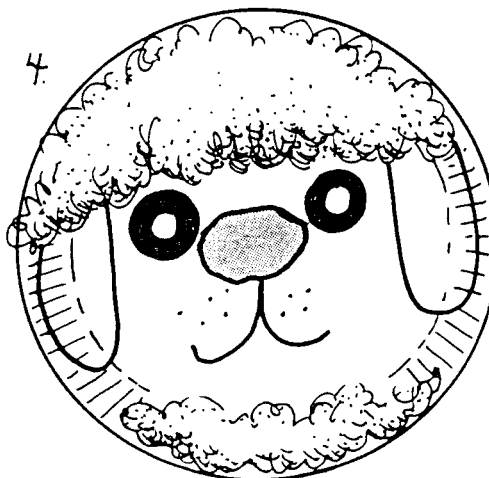


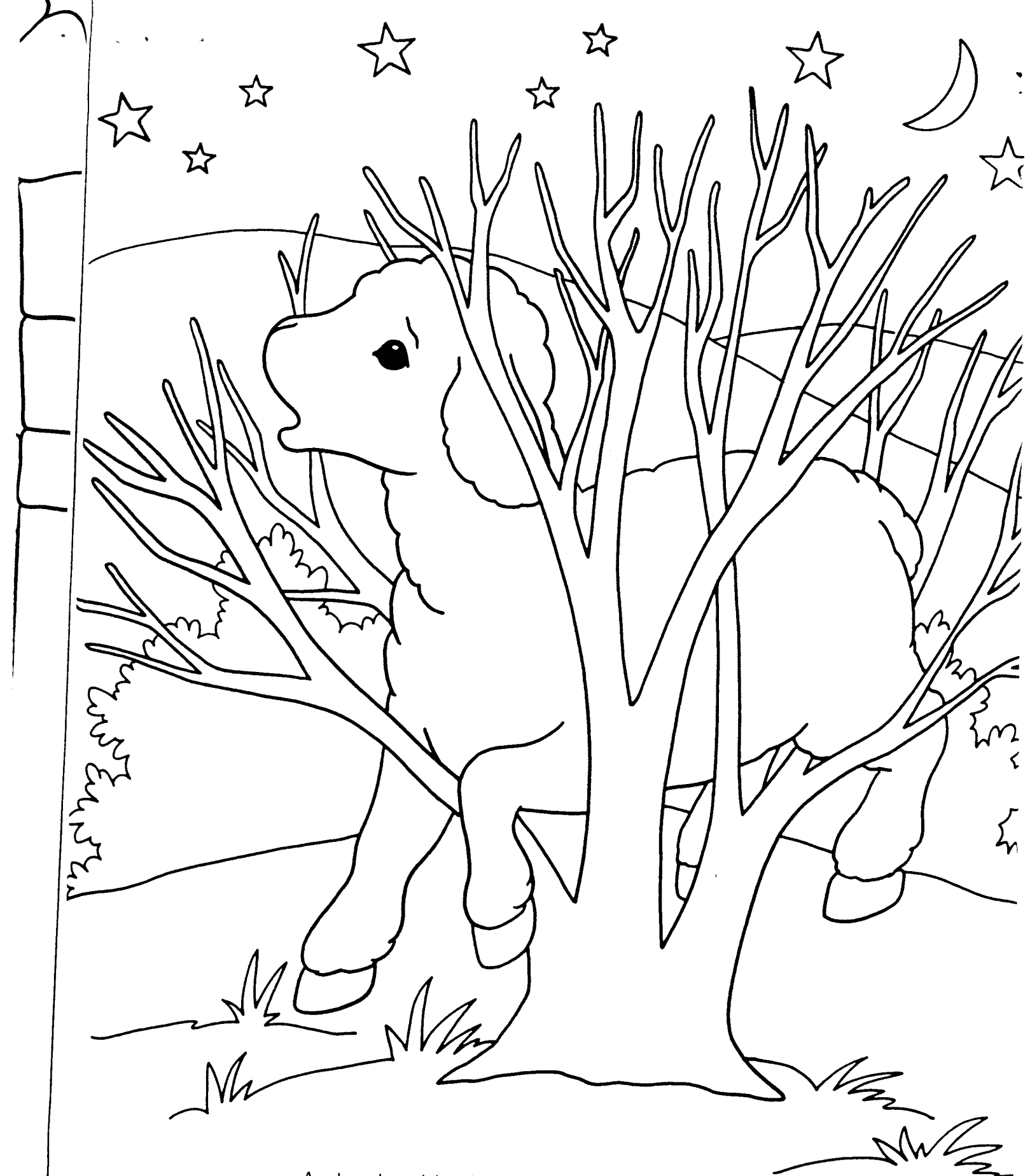
Lamb

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A shepherd had one hundred sheep.
One night, one little sheep got lost.
The shepherd went out to find the lost sheep.

Matt. 13:1-17 (the sower)

Concept Development - Christianity - Learning through parables

Definitions

Parable - a short story to help you understand God's truth

Sower - a farmer who plants seeds by casting them out onto ground that has been made ready

Soil - earth, dirt, the ground

Lesson

While you read have them color the sower page. Read: Matt 13:1-17.

Take-home

Draw a line from 'seed and soil' to spiritual analogy.

Visual

Have dishes of examples of soils and plant growth or real pictures of examples of good and poor soils.

Songs

"12 apostles"

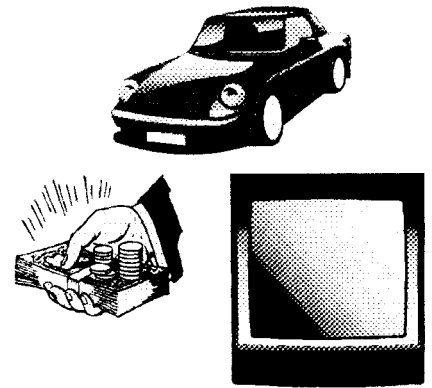
"God is calling the prodigal"

"Scattering Precious Seed"

"Are You Sowing the Seed"

Draw a line to the pictures that represent the soil.

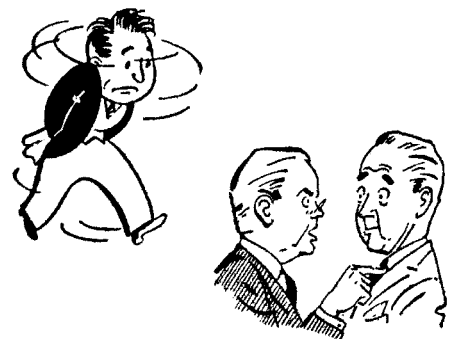
Good soil



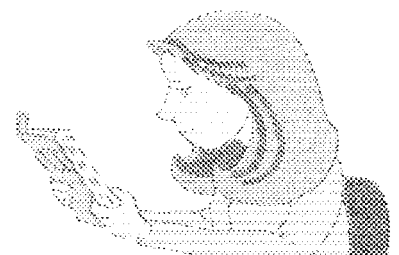
Thorny soil



Rocky soil



Way side



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