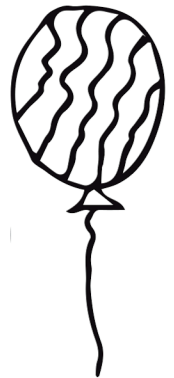


JESUS LOVED PARTIES



LUKE 14:7-14

• CHILDREN'S •
• MISSION •

Draw a picture of what happened, or what you did, this past week.

WHO? WHAT? WHERE? HOW? WHEN? FUN? WORK?



Was there a time in the past week when you knew God was near?

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**Imagine you are hosting a huge banquet
– a big party with a delicious feast!
What food would you be eating? Who have you
invited? Where is everyone sitting?
Draw the kai, people and decorations...**

Think about the beautiful banquet you drew on the previous page...



Jesus was once at a party with a bunch of people who believed they were very important.

When Jesus saw how the guests had all tried to take the best seats, he told them:

"When you're invited to a special feast, don't sit in the best place. Someone more important might've been invited. Then the person who invited you will come and say, "Give your place to this other guest!" You'll be embarrassed and have to sit in the worst place.

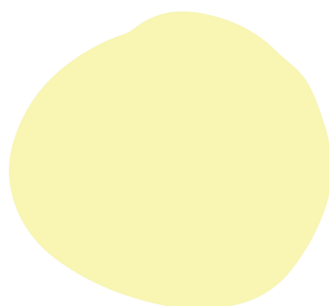
"Instead, when you're invited, go and sit in the worst place. Then the person who invited you might say, "My friend, take a better seat!" & you will be honoured in front of all the other guests.

If you put yourself above others, you'll be put down.

But if you humble yourself, you will be honoured." Luke 14:7-11

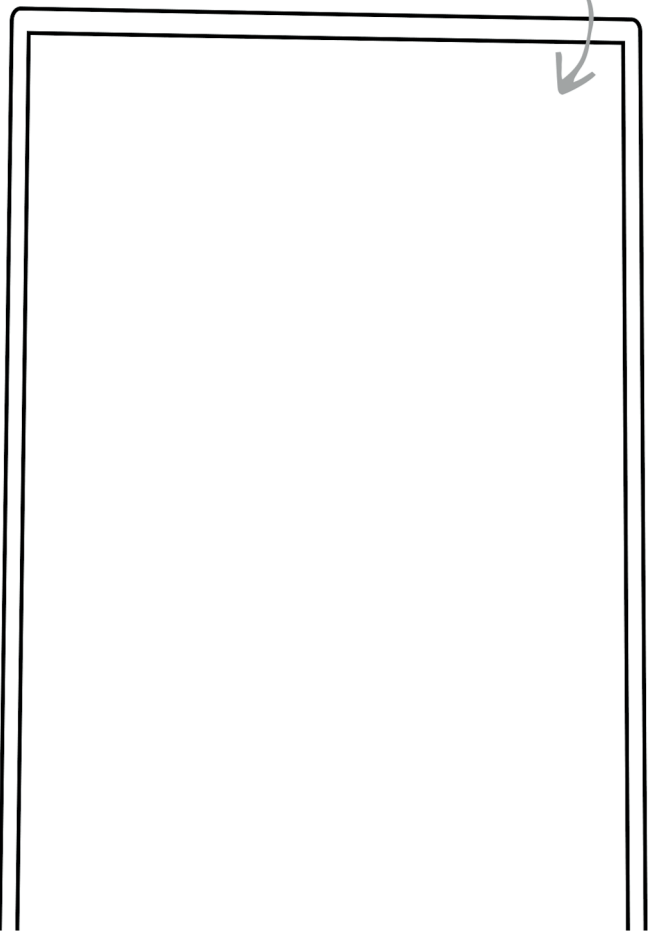


I WONDER... why this was important to Jesus?



Draw a face here to show how you feel about this story

I WONDER... if you have ever made room for someone else? Draw a picture of it here



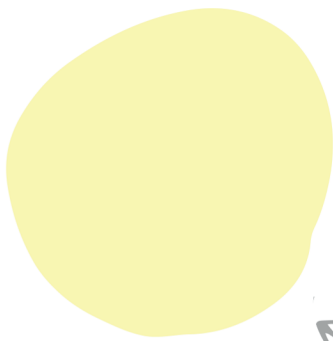
Keep thinking about your drawing of the beautiful banquet...



At the same party as the story on the previous page,
Jesus said to the person who'd invited him:

"When you give a dinner or a banquet, don't invite your friends and family and relatives and rich neighbours. If you do, they'll probably invite you in return, so you will be paid back. When you give a feast, invite those who are poor; people who might not be able to pay you back. Then later, God will bless you and reward you." Luke 14:12-14

I WONDER... what you think about what Jesus said to the person hosting the party?



Draw a face here to show how you feel about this part of the story

I WONDER... what Jesus was really talking about? Just special parties? Or something more?

Are there any changes you feel like making to your drawing of the beautiful banquet?

When we hear stories of God, stories from the Bible, we all have
our own thoughts and feelings about the story.

Sometimes it's helpful to draw or write something to help us keep wondering
about the story, or to show what we think & feel about the story, or about God.

You can use this page to write questions, draw a picture about the story,
write a letter to God, or anything else that would be helpful for you!

HAS ANYTHING LIKE THIS EVER HAPPENED TO YOU..?

* You have received an invitation to a party?

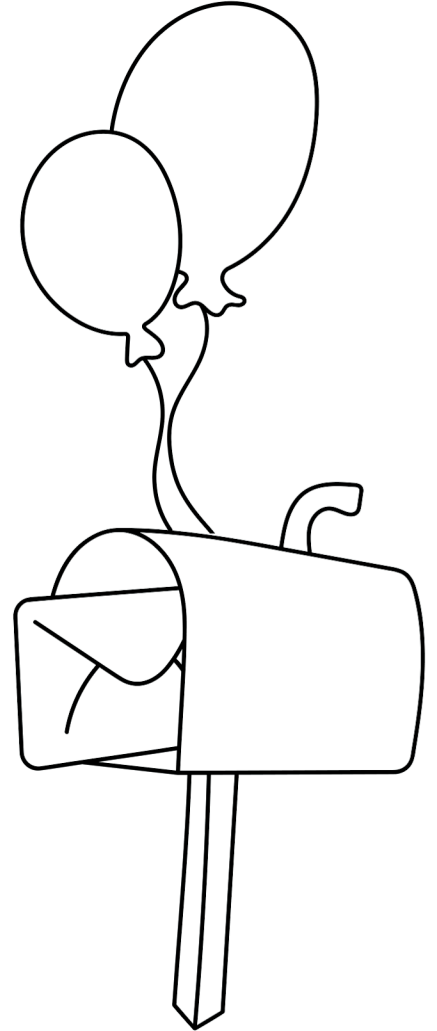
* You have seen someone put balloons on their letterbox to welcome guests and show them the way to a party?

I WONDER...

who you have welcomed to be part of your life? Who are the people that you've invited to be your friend?

Is there anyone who you have overlooked?

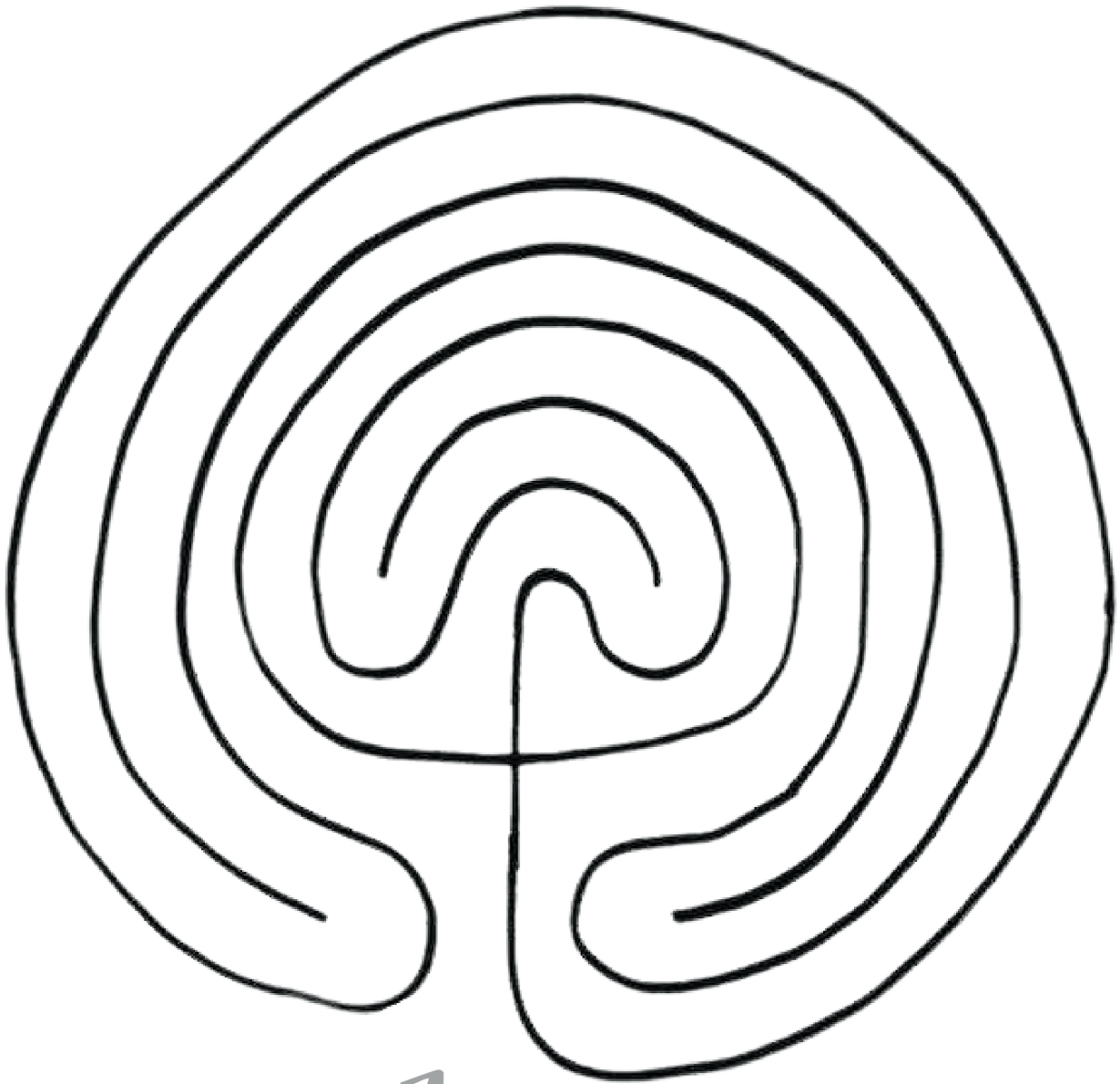
Draw or write your answer here



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This is called a labyrinth.

You are invited today to use it as a way to pray – to talk and listen to God.



Start here



- 1. As you use your finger or pen to trace your way into the middle, talk to God.**
- 2. Once you reach the middle, pause and take 3 deep breaths for God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.**
- 3. As you trace your way out, listen to what God is saying to you.**

What I said to God



What God said to me



How many can you find?

Words can be found across, up, down, diagonally, forwards & backwards!

V M Z R T I E U H O C A E A U
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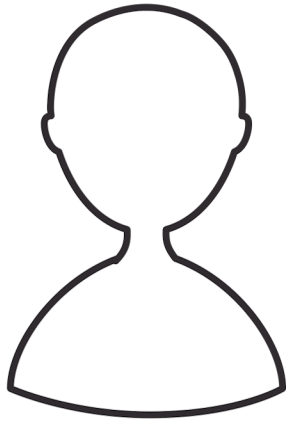
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WELCOME

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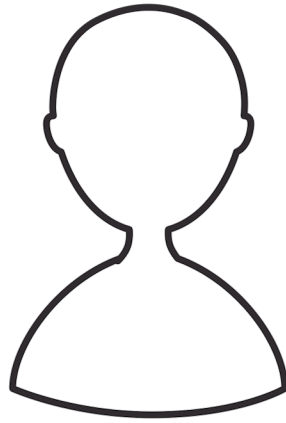
After church or when you get home, ask some other people the question below and record their answers here.

"Who is the most important person you've ever eaten with?"



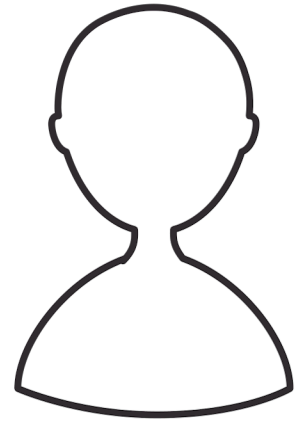
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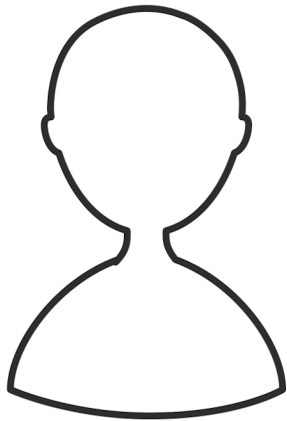
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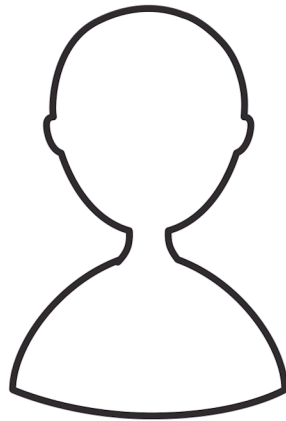
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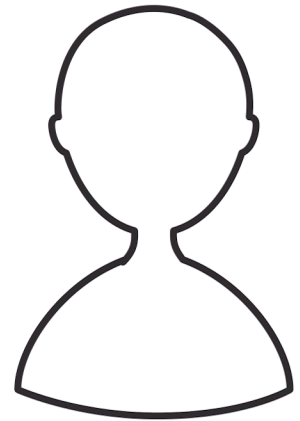
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