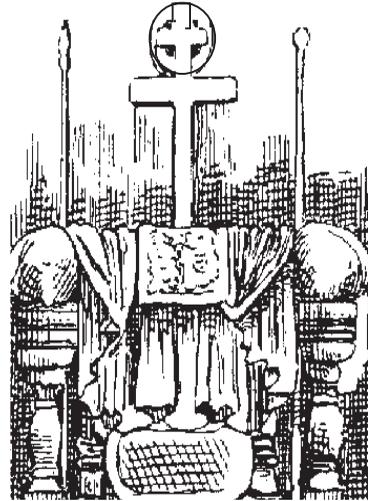


The Parable of the King's Return
is about Jesus...

Jesus went to H_____.
Some people don't like Him
He will c_____ back.



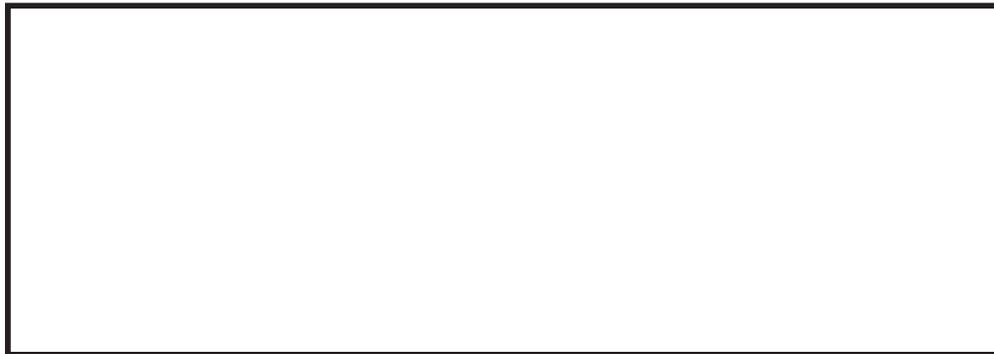
The Parable is also about us...

Jesus gave us the G_____ to share
while He is gone!

The Parable reminds us that
Jesus will come back as King and Judge...

Jesus will R_____ faithful servants,
But will punish His E_____.

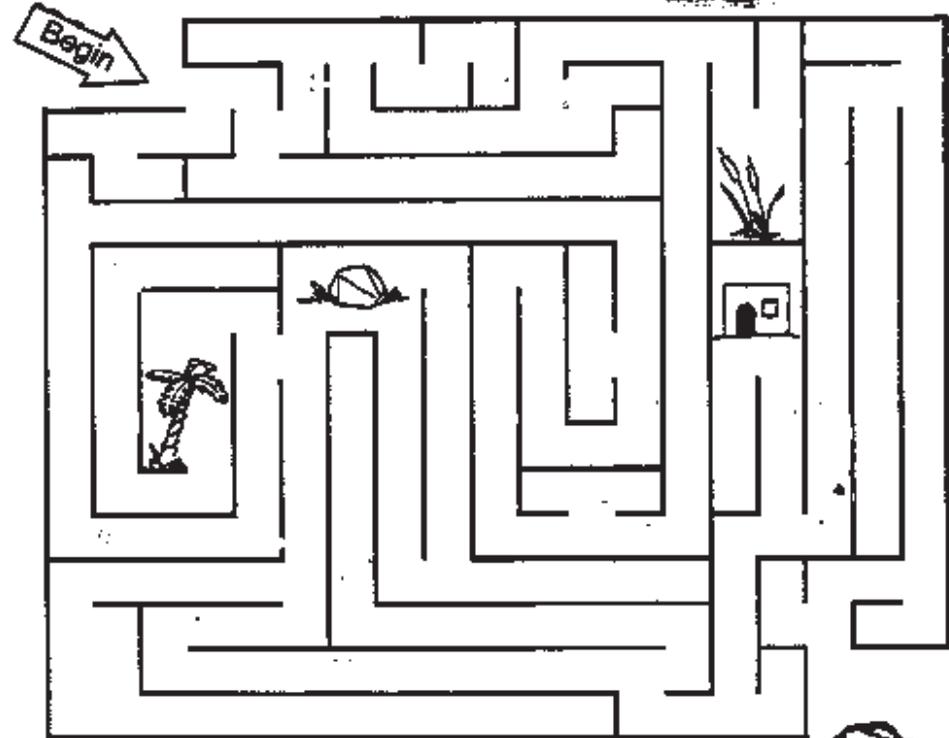
Are we ready for Him to come back?



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Help the Shepherd find his lost sheep!



Write your name
on the sheep

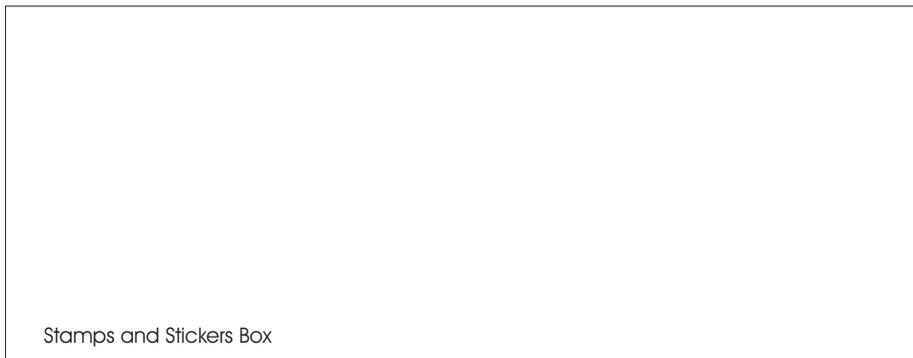


WHAT SHOULD THEY DO?

- Butcher
- Baker
- Candlestick maker
- Sheriff
- Judge
- Town Thief
- Cobbler
- Town Crier
- Milkmaid
- Rich Count
- Town Beggar

What sorts of things does Jesus want you to do until He comes back?

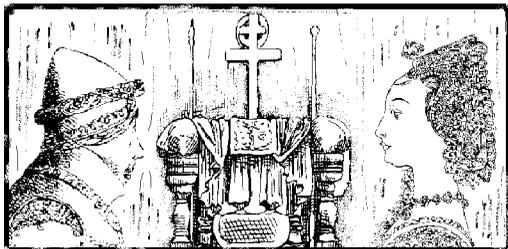
- O _____ Him
- L _____ each other
- P _____ and
- T _____ others
- about Jesus



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The Mayor needs help! Everyone wants to know what to do to get ready for the King's coming! He has speeches to write, but look who's giving him advice!



The King's Return

Luke 19:11-27

While they were listening to this, he went on to tell them a parable, because he was near Jerusalem and the people thought that the kingdom of God was going to appear at once. He said: "A man of noble birth went to a distant country to have himself appointed king and then to return. So he called ten of his servants and gave them ten minas. { about three months' wages.} 'Put this money to work,' he said, 'until I come back.' "But his subjects hated him and sent a delegation after him to say, 'We don't want this man to be our king.'

"He was made king, however, and returned home. Then he sent for the servants to whom he had given the money, in order to find out what they had gained with it. "The first one came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned ten more.' "'Well done, my good servant!' his master replied. 'Because you have been trustworthy in a very small matter, take charge of ten cities.' "The second came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned five more.' "His master answered, 'You take charge of five cities.'

"Then another servant came and said, 'Sir, here is your mina; I have kept it laid away in a piece of cloth. ²¹ I was afraid of you, because you are a hard man. You take out what you did not put in and reap what you did not sow.' "His master replied, 'I will judge you by your own words, you wicked servant! You knew, did you, that I am a hard man, taking out what I did not put in, and reaping what I did not sow? ²³ Why then didn't you put my money on deposit, so that when I came back, I could have collected it with interest?'

"Then he said to those standing by, 'Take his mina away from him and give it to the one who has ten minas.' "'Sir,' they said, 'he already has ten!' "He replied, 'I tell you that to everyone who has, more will be given, but as for the one who has nothing, even what he has will be taken away. But those enemies of mine who did not want me to be king over them -- bring them here and kill them in front of me.'"

The Rich Man's Barns

Luke 12:15-34

Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." And he told them this parable:

"The ground of a certain rich man produced a good crop. He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.' "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of good things laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.'"

"But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?' "This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich toward God."

Then Jesus said to his disciples: "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. Life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest?"

"Consider how the lilies grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will not be exhausted, where no thief comes near and no



moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

FOR WHERE YOUR TREASURE IS



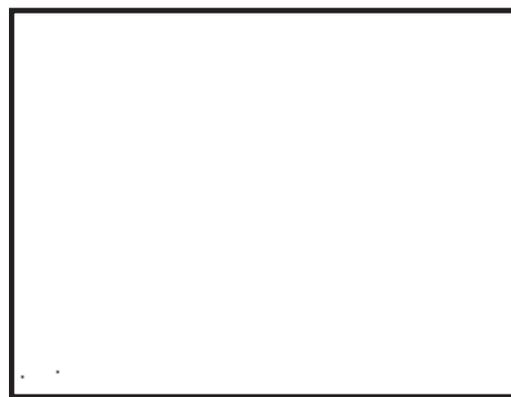
"Eat, Drink
and
Be Merry!"

- Which of
men is
- Generous
 - Worries
 - Selfish
 - Humble
 - Hoards



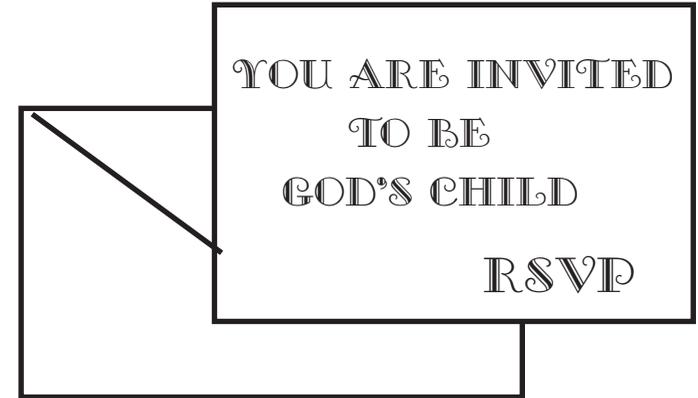
A Worldly Rich Man

Where does their
"treasure" come from?



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Invitations often ask for a reply - an RSVP!
How will you respond to Jesus' invitation?



R_____ God's Gift of Grace

1 John 1:12

S_____ aside my Sin

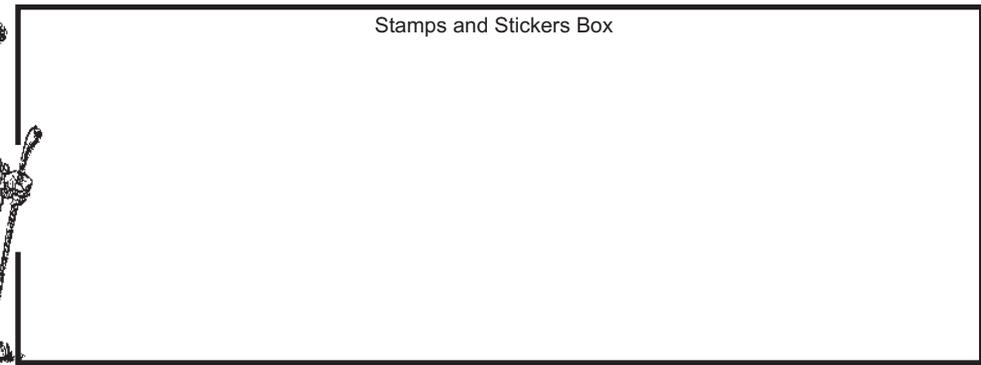
Hebr 12:1

Venture forth in _____

Col 1:23

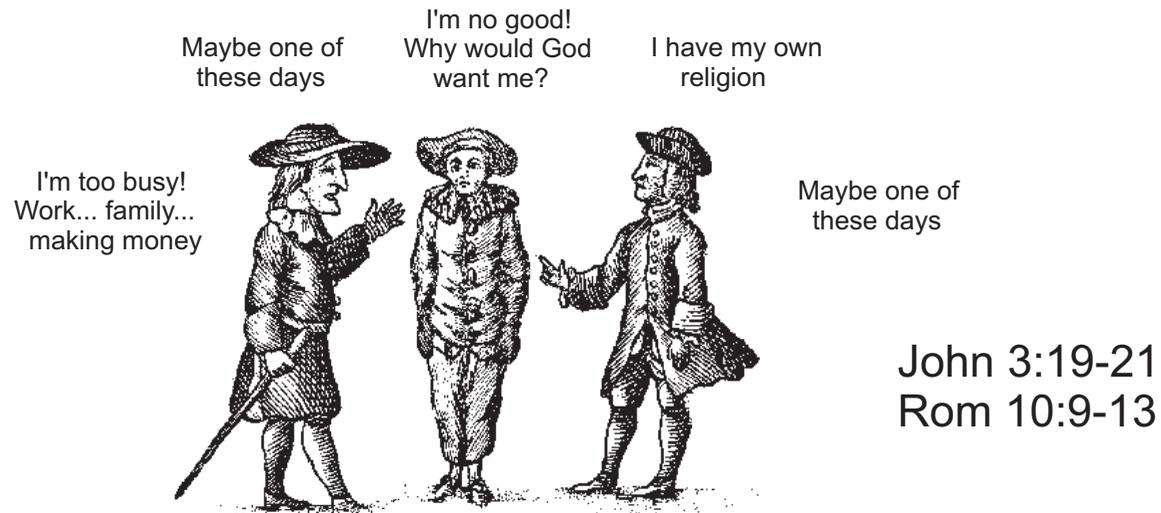
I_____ asking Jesus into my heart

1 Thess 5:17



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These Fair Goers have all sorts of Excuses
How does God answer each of them?



What kinds of excuses do your friends have for not trusting Jesus?
Write some of them here....

THERE YOUR HEART WILL BE ALSO

these two
probably:

Greedy
Trusts
Thankful
Proud
Shares

"Seek First
God's
Kingdom"

Where is their
"treasure" stored?



A Heavenly Rich Man

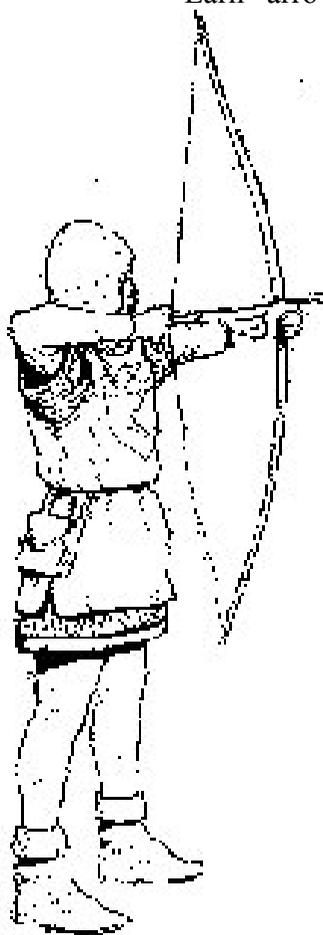


Archery Practice:

Earn "arrows" by memorizing passages and then saying them to an Archer.

Practice at home with Mom and Dad or Friends!!

- Get 2 Arrows and earn a Robin Hood Hat!
- Get 2 more and earn a Bead Cross!
- Learn all 6 and you get a Feather in your hat!!



John 10:11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

Luke 12:32, 34 "Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 5:8 But God shows his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

1 John 2:15-17 Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. The man who does the will of God lives forever.

Isaiah 41:10 So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God.

The King's Banquet Invitations



Luke 14:15-24

When one of those at the table with him heard this, he said to Jesus, "Blessed is the man who will eat at the feast in the kingdom of God."

Jesus replied: "A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests. At the time of the banquet he sent his servant to tell those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.'

"But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said, 'I have just bought a field, and I must go and see it. Please excuse me.'

"Another said, 'I have just bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out. Please excuse me.'

"Still another said, 'I just got married, so I can't come.'

"The servant came back and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and ordered his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind and the lame.'

"'Sir,' the servant said, 'what you ordered has been done, but there is still room.'

"Then the master told his servant, 'Go out to the roads and country lanes and make them come in, so that my house will be full. I tell you, not one of those men who were invited will get a taste of my banquet.'"



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OF	ALVATION

Repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in His name to all nations - you are witnesses...

Luke 24:47-48