

# BIG CROWDS COME TO HEAR JOHN PREACH

*(The Wilderness of Judea)* — Out in the dry desert a strange looking man named John the Baptist was preaching. When people heard that he was a good preacher, who was not afraid to tell the truth, they began to come out to the desert to see what he looked like. They were amazed to see what John was wearing. He had on wild animal skins and he ate grasshoppers and wild honey that he found out in the desert.

The most interesting thing about John was not his clothes or what he ate. It was what he said. John said God's special person was coming soon. People should get ready for God's person by telling God they were sorry for doing what was wrong. Some people agreed with John. He took them to the Jordan River and washed them in it.

Mark 1:1-8

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PREACHER	TRUTH
HONEY	SKINS
WILDERNESS	FOOD
CLOTHES	JOHN
RIGHT	DESERT

WORD MATCH

ANSWERS

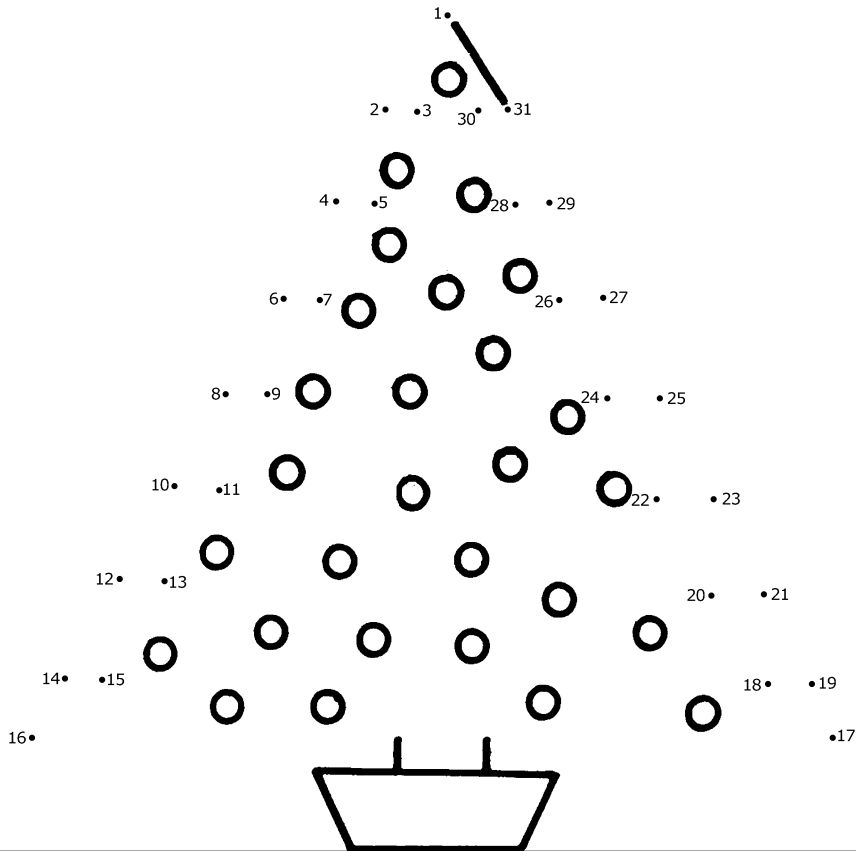
# GOSPEL GRAMS



## SUNDAY ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN



**Finish The Picture.** Sometimes it's hard to wait. During Advent we are waiting for a special season. Here's a picture of something we will see when the waiting is over. Finish the picture by connecting all the numbers.



**Word Match.** Below are some words from today's Gospel story. Connect the word in the right column with the one it matches in the left column.

DESERT  
JOHN  
FOOD  
SKINS  
TRUTH

RIGHT  
CLOTHES  
WILDERNESS  
HONEY  
PREACHER

**Make a Square.** Play this fun game with a friend. Each of you takes turns connecting two lines together. When your line completes a square, you win that square. When you win a square, either write your initial in it or color it your color. Then you get another turn! The one with the most squares wins!

