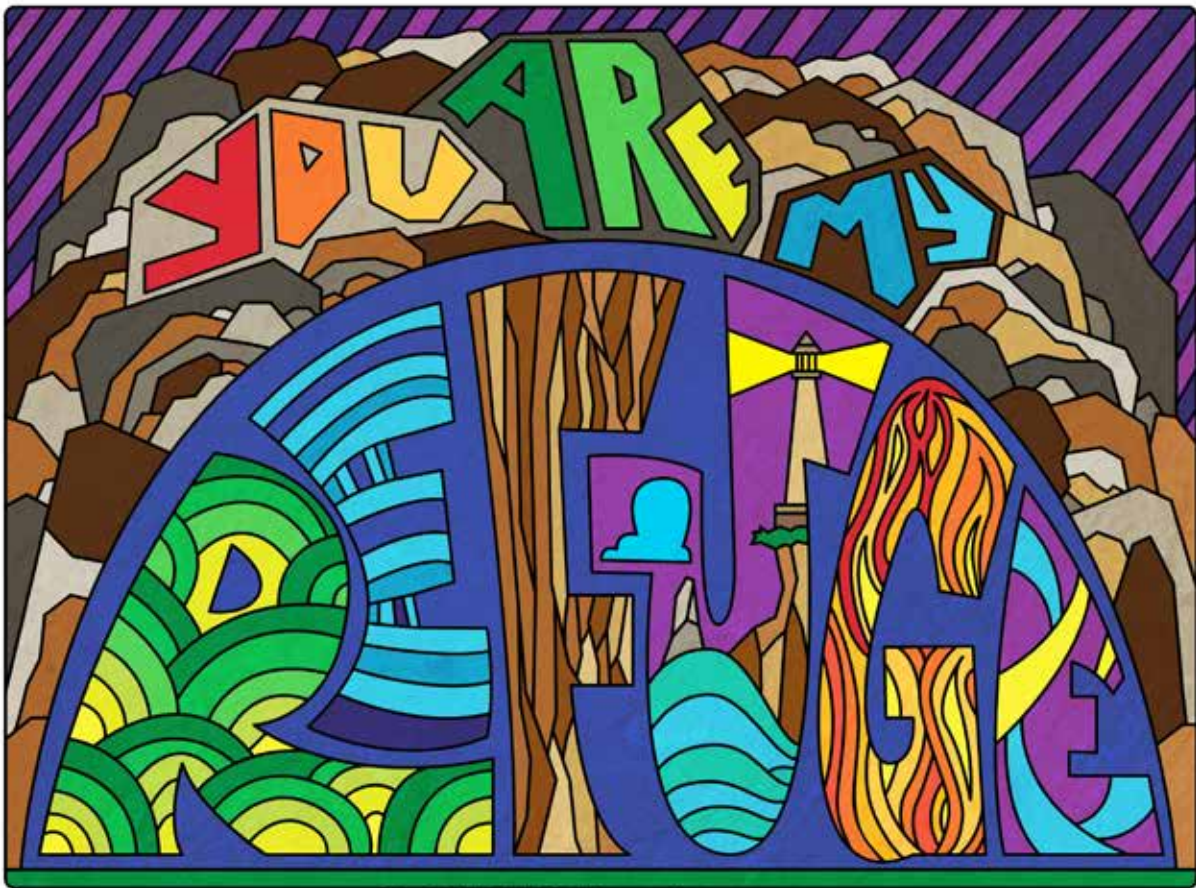


FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 10, 2020

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16



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INTRO

Share a time when someone else was tearing you down, spreading gossip and rumors about you, and/or hurting your feelings.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

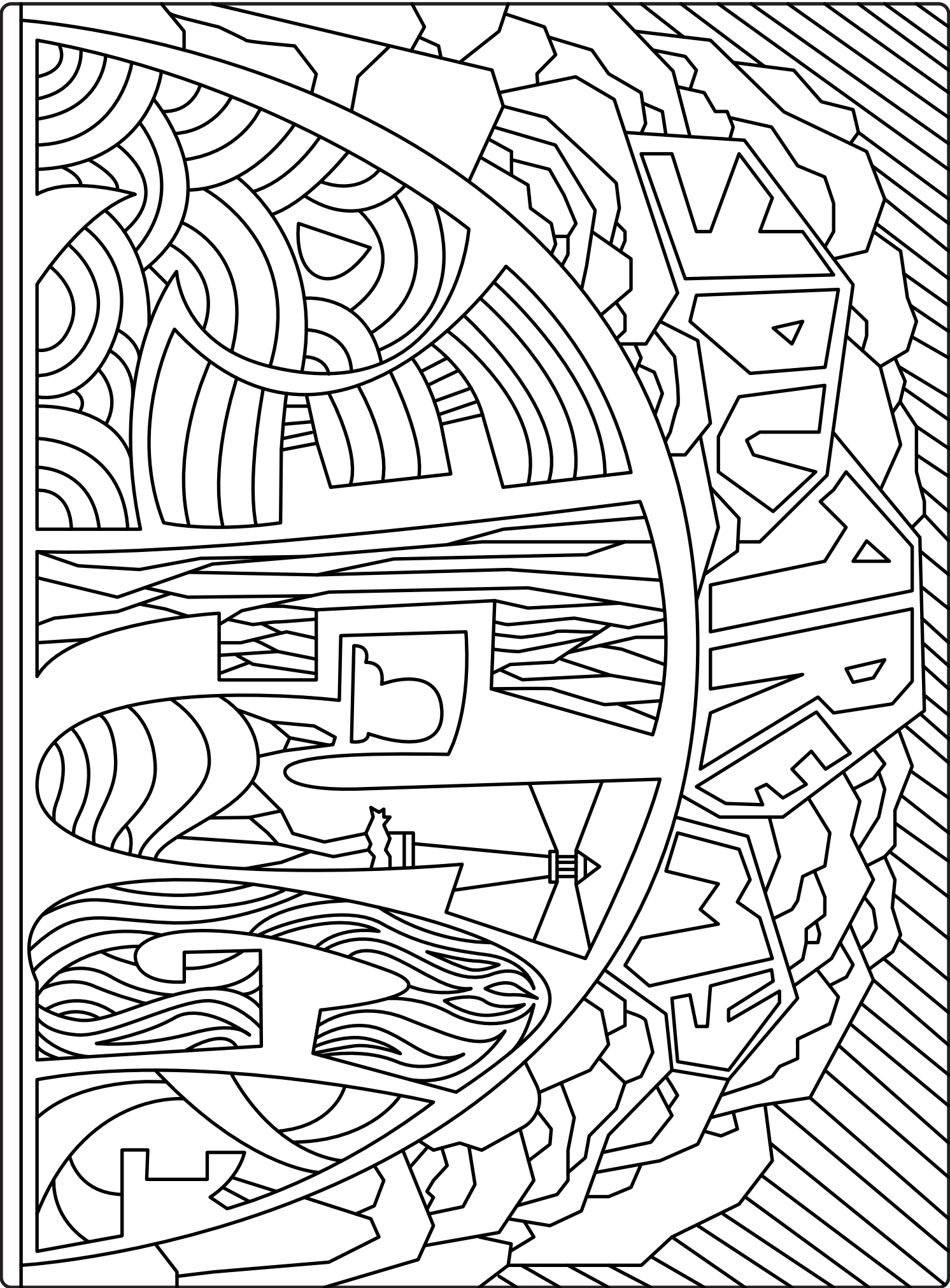
- Have you ever had someone say unkind or untrue things about you? How did it feel?
- What did you do in response?
- What or who made you feel safe when that happened?

WRAP-UP

Explain to the children our passage for today is from Psalms, and the psalmist is hurting because someone is spreading gossip and rumors about them, trying to ruin their reputation. In response, the psalmist cries out to God for help, saying God is their refuge. Explain what a refuge is. Show the children the illustration for the morning. Explain that even though the psalmist was hurting and struggling, they knew God was still with them and still loved them, no matter what. Nothing anyone else did or said could take that away. Tell the children God feels that way about all of us. No matter what, we are created in the image of God. Invite the children to think about what that means, allowing them to share some of their answers. Tell them we are God's beloved. And even when someone else is being unkind or attacking us, we can turn to God and find safety. As you close, invite the children to pray with you.

PRAYER

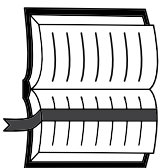
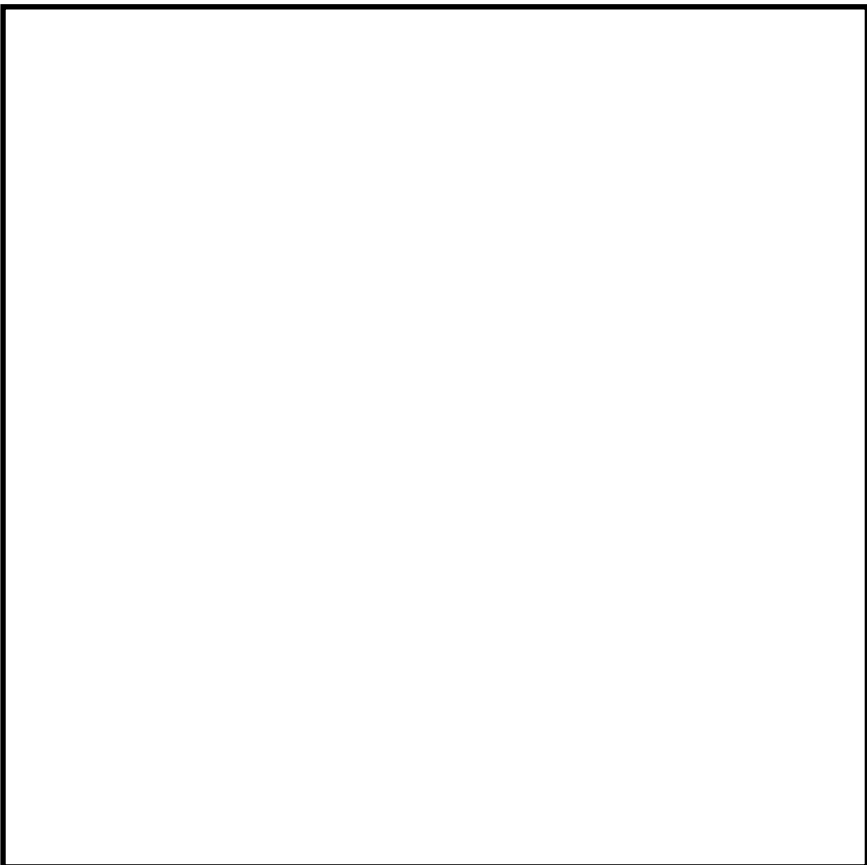
Holy God, thank you for always loving us, for always being with us, and for always being a refuge when things are hard. Help us to remember this and feel safe. **Amen.**





DRAW IT

Do you like to build things? 1 Peter 2 describes Jesus as the first building block toward a good life, and how we become the next blocks, building off of Jesus. Draw what that looks like to you.



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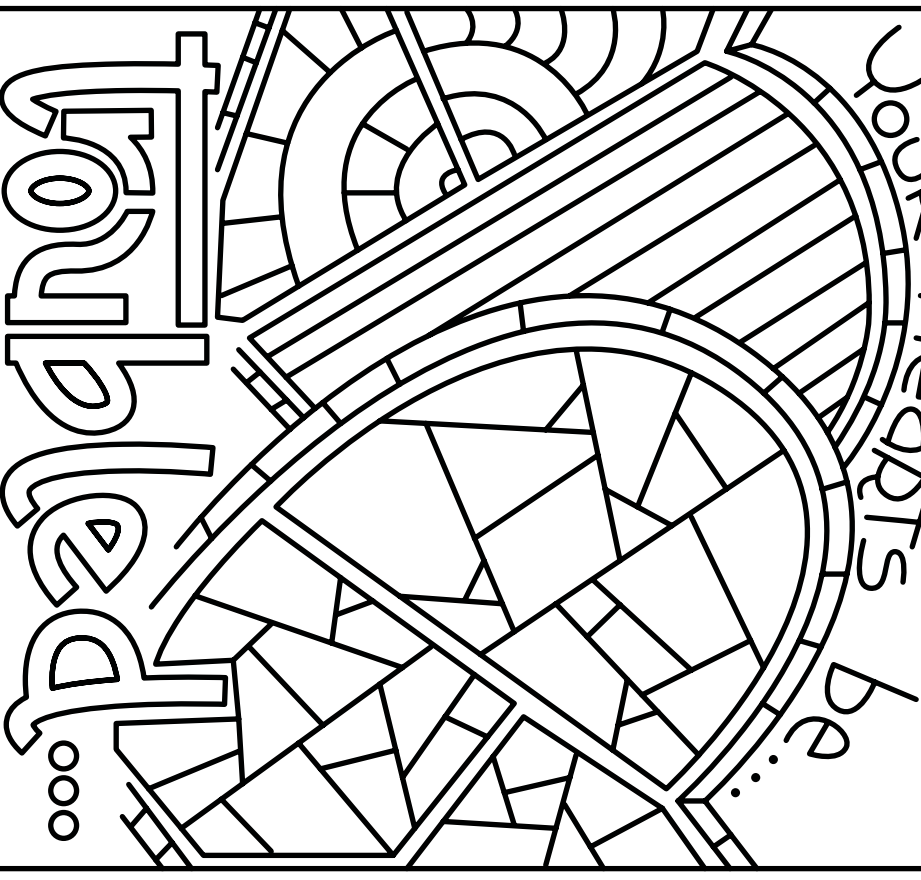
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Activities based on Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16, 1 Peter 2:2-10, John 14:1-14.

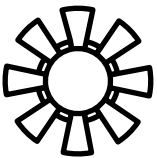
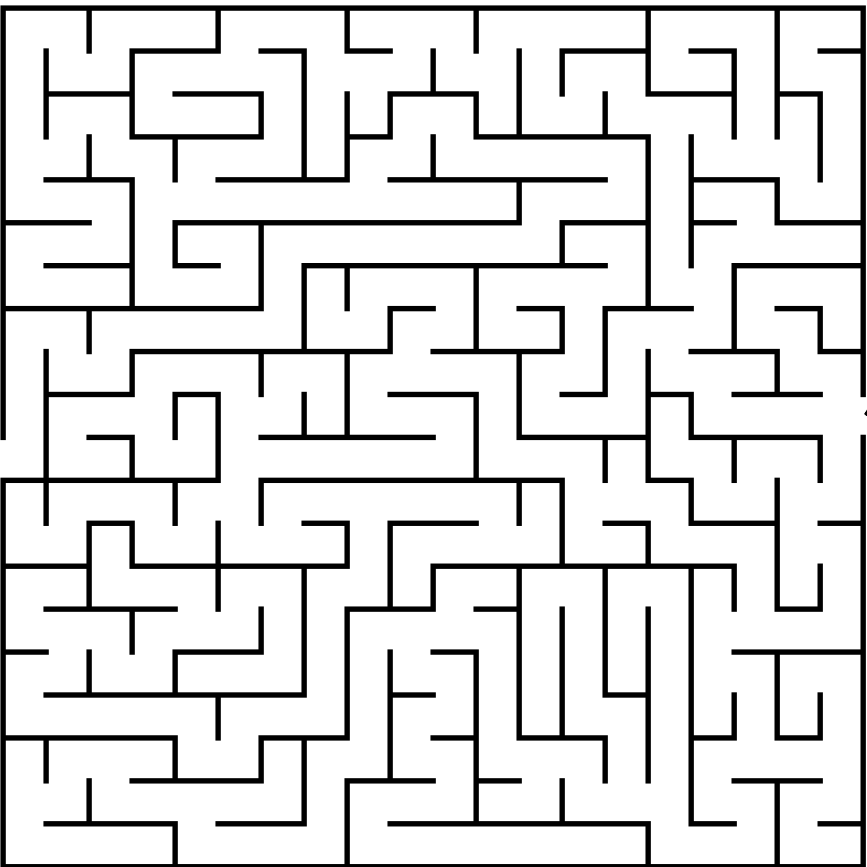
Do not let

Your Hearts be



SOLVE (the) MAZE

In John 14, Jesus describes himself as the Way to having a full, abundant, and meaningful life. Jesus is with us on the path with all of its twists and turns. Make your way through the maze!



WORD SEARCH

Try to find the words from Psalm 31 in the word search below. Words may go diagonal, up OR down and forward OR backward.

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| RESCUE | FAITHFUL | LOVE |