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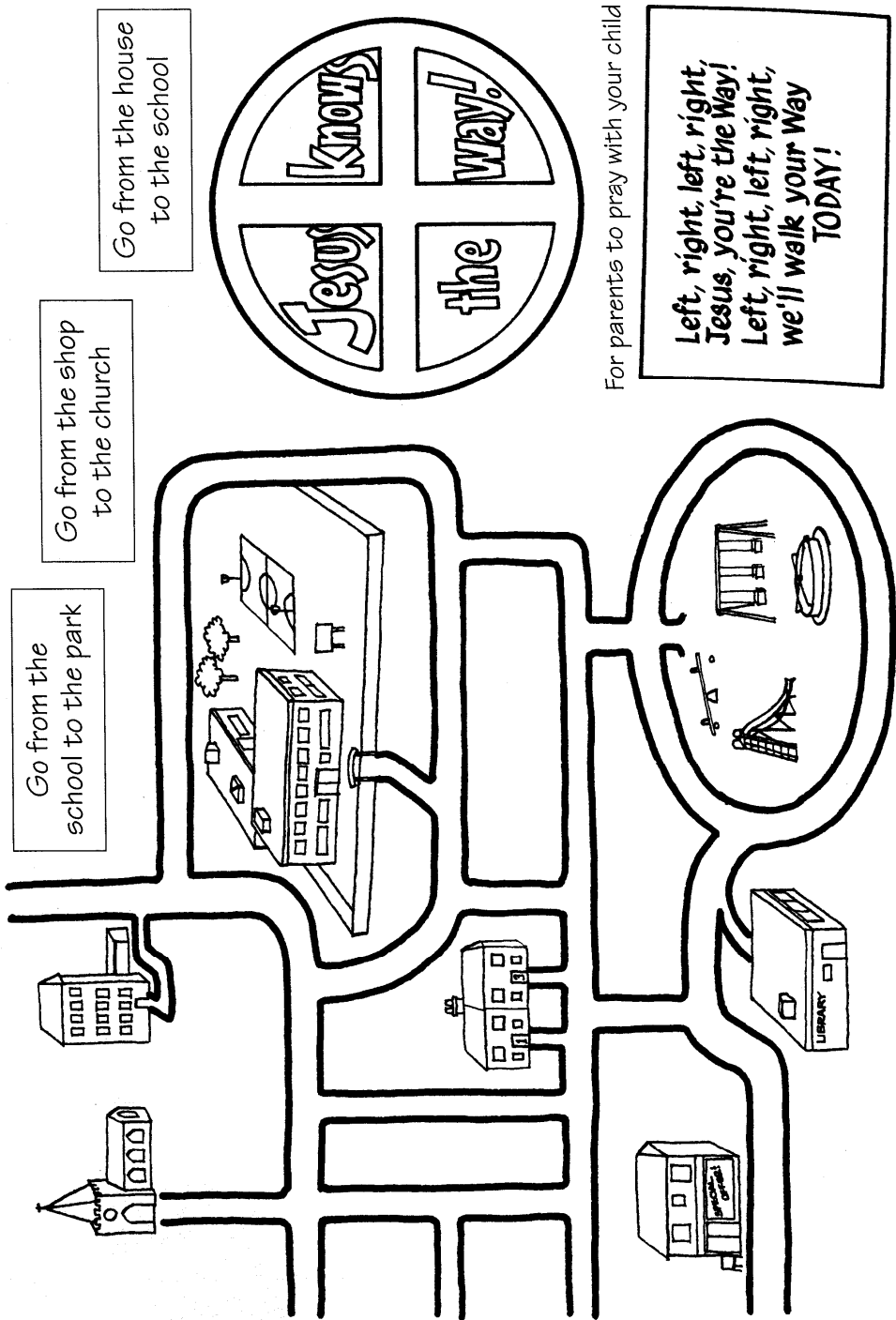


The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany 5 February, 2023

John 14:6

Jesus said: "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life".

Heavenly Father, we thank you for sending your Son to show us the way to live. Thank you for your Holy Word which will keep us on the right path in our journey through life. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

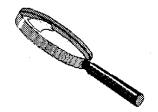


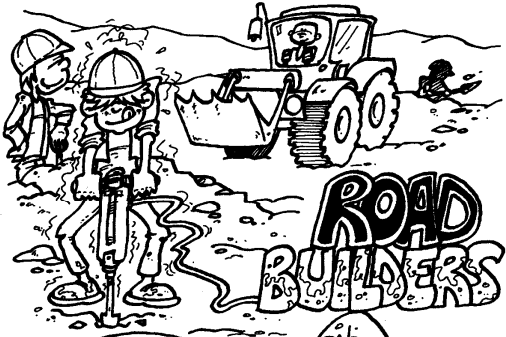
Word Search: John 14:1-14 (CEV)

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TAKE ON A CHARACTER, MEET UP AND DISCUSS THE PLANNED ROAD!

The birdwatching representative who wants the road to take a route well away from the nesting birds on the marsh.

One of the workmen who can explain the layers of stone and reinforced concrete which make it strong and safe. He can recommend this firm's road.

MP who wants a safe road over the marshy area, but can offer no more government money.

The road manager who can deal with the marsh and make a strong, safe road, but it will cost more money.

A student whose car got stuck in the marsh on the old trace, and who speaks for many who need a good road.

THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE

DOESN'T IT DEPEND ON ME? I CAN LIVE MY WAY, YOU LIVE YOURS.

The trouble with that is when our ways clash. Jesus' way is all about love and respect for God and one another.

BUT THAT'S TOO HARD TO KEEP UP.

True. That's why Jesus said he was the Way - we can do it by living in him.

HOW DO YOU LIVE IN JESUS?

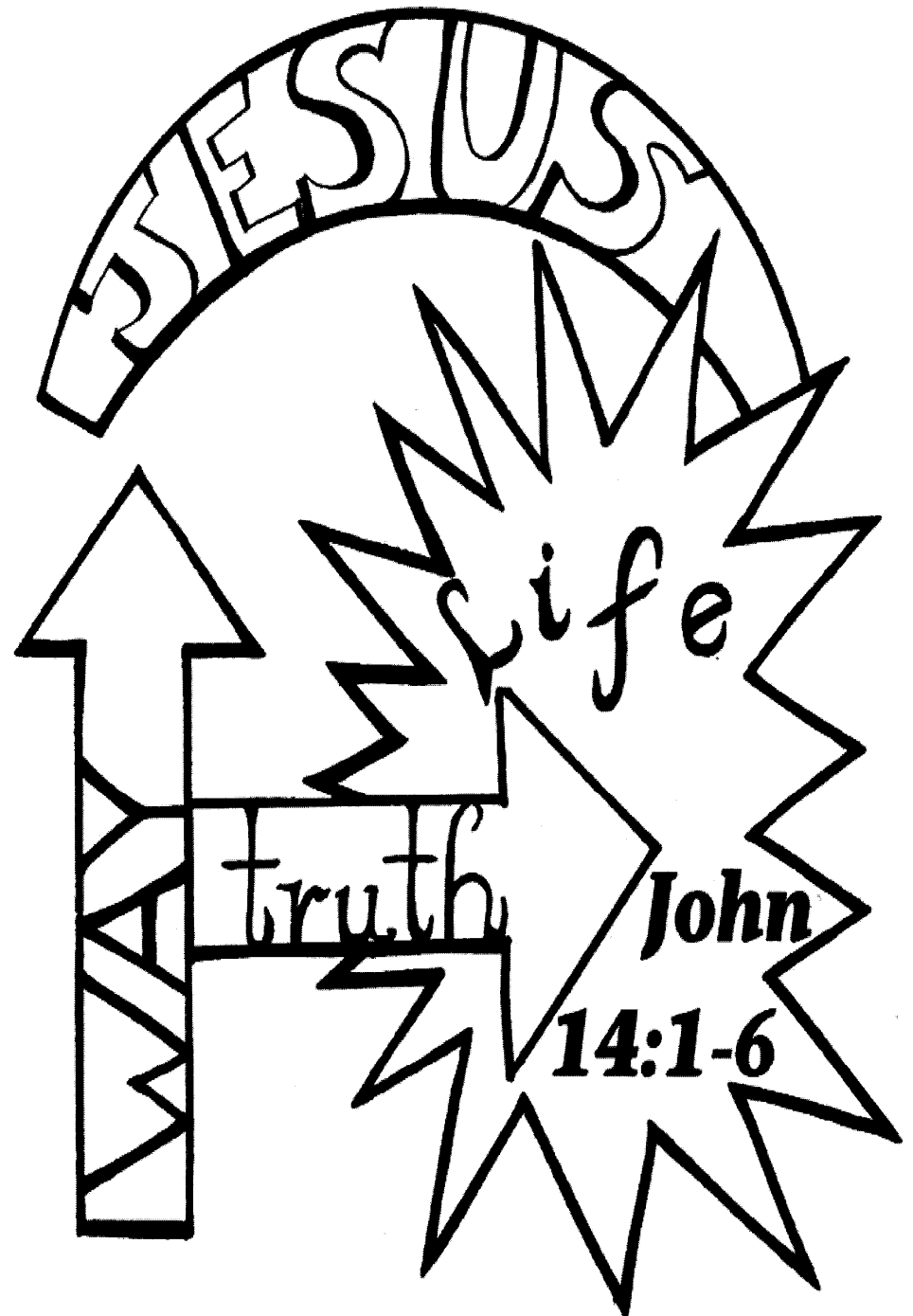
You commit yourself to him, and he gives you his living Spirit, for free.

IT TOOK ME YEARS TO TRUST THAT JESUS REALLY IS THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE. NOW MY LIFE FEELS SO MUCH MORE SATISFYING, I WISH I'D TAKEN THE PLUNGE YEARS AGO! IT'S NOT EASIER, MIND YOU, JUST WONDERFUL!

IF EVER I'M NOT SURE WHICH WAY TO GO, I THINK, 'NOW WHAT WOULD JESUS DO HERE?' AND IT'S ALWAYS THE HONEST, LOVING WAY THAT COMES UP.

I'VE FOLLOWED JESUS ALL MY LIFE AND HE'S NEVER ONCE LET ME DOWN. FRIENDS HAVE, SOMETIMES, BUT JESUS - NEVER!

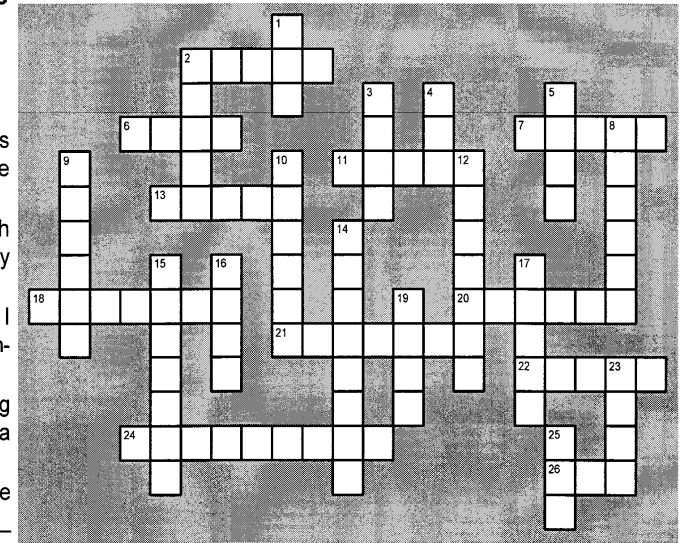
YOU, LORD, ARE MY ROCK AND MY STRONGHOLD;
LEAD ME AND GUIDE ME FOR THE HONOUR OF YOUR NAME.
SET ME FREE FROM THE NET THAT HAS BEEN HIDDEN TO CATCH ME;
FOR YOU ARE MY REFUGE.
INTO YOUR HAND I COMMIT MY SPIRIT.
(-FROM PSALM 31-) - AMEN -



Crossword: John 14:1-14 (CEV)

Listen CAREFULLY to the Reading and fill in the blank spaces.

Afterwards you will be able to complete the crossword puzzle below.



- 24 across) Jesus said to his _____, "Don't be worried! Have faith
- 25 down) in _____ and have faith in me. There are many rooms in my
- 2 across) Father's _____. I wouldn't tell you this, unless it was
- 21 across) true. I am going there to _____ a place for each of you.
- 19 down) After I have done this, I will come _____ and take you with me.

14 down) Then we will be _____. You know the way to where I am going."

20 across) _____ said, "Lord, we don't even know

3 down) where you are going! How can we _____ the way?"

13 across) I am the way, the _____, and the life!

9 down) Without me, no one can go to the _____. If you had

17 down) known me, you _____ have known the Father. But from now

16 down) on, you do know him, and you have _____ him."

10 down) _____ said, "Lord, show us the Father. That is all we need."

6 across) Jesus replied: "Philip, I have been with you for a _____ time.

5 down) Don't you know who I am? If you have seen me, you _____

1 down) seen the Father. How can you _____ me to show you the

18 across) Father? Don't you _____ that I am one with the Father

26 across) and that the Father is _____ with me? What I say isn't said

22 across) on my own. The Father who _____ in me does these things

7 across) Have _____ in me when I say that the Father is one with me

23 down) and that I am one with the Father. Or _____ have faith in

8 down) me simply because of the _____ I do. I tell you for

15 down) _____ that if you have faith in me, you will do the same

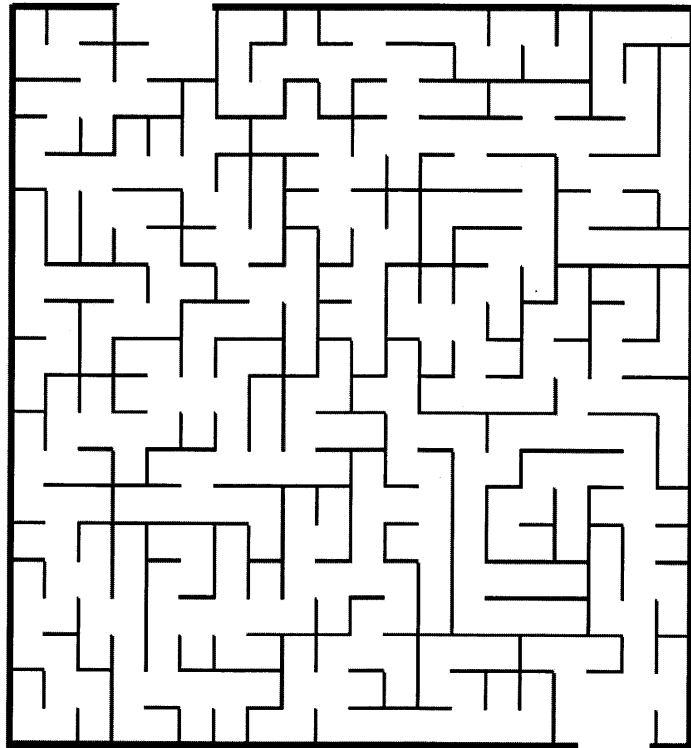
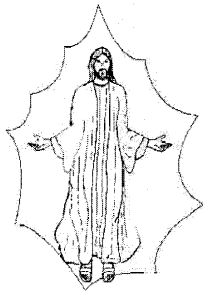
12 down) things that I am doing. You will do even _____ things,

11 across) now that I am _____ back to the Father. Ask me, and I

4 down) will do whatever you ask. This way the _____ will bring

2 down) _____ to the Father. I will do whatever you ask me to do.

Finish



Jesus wants us to follow him so that we can be in Heaven with him some day. Help the children find their way through the maze to Jesus.



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