

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower...I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing."

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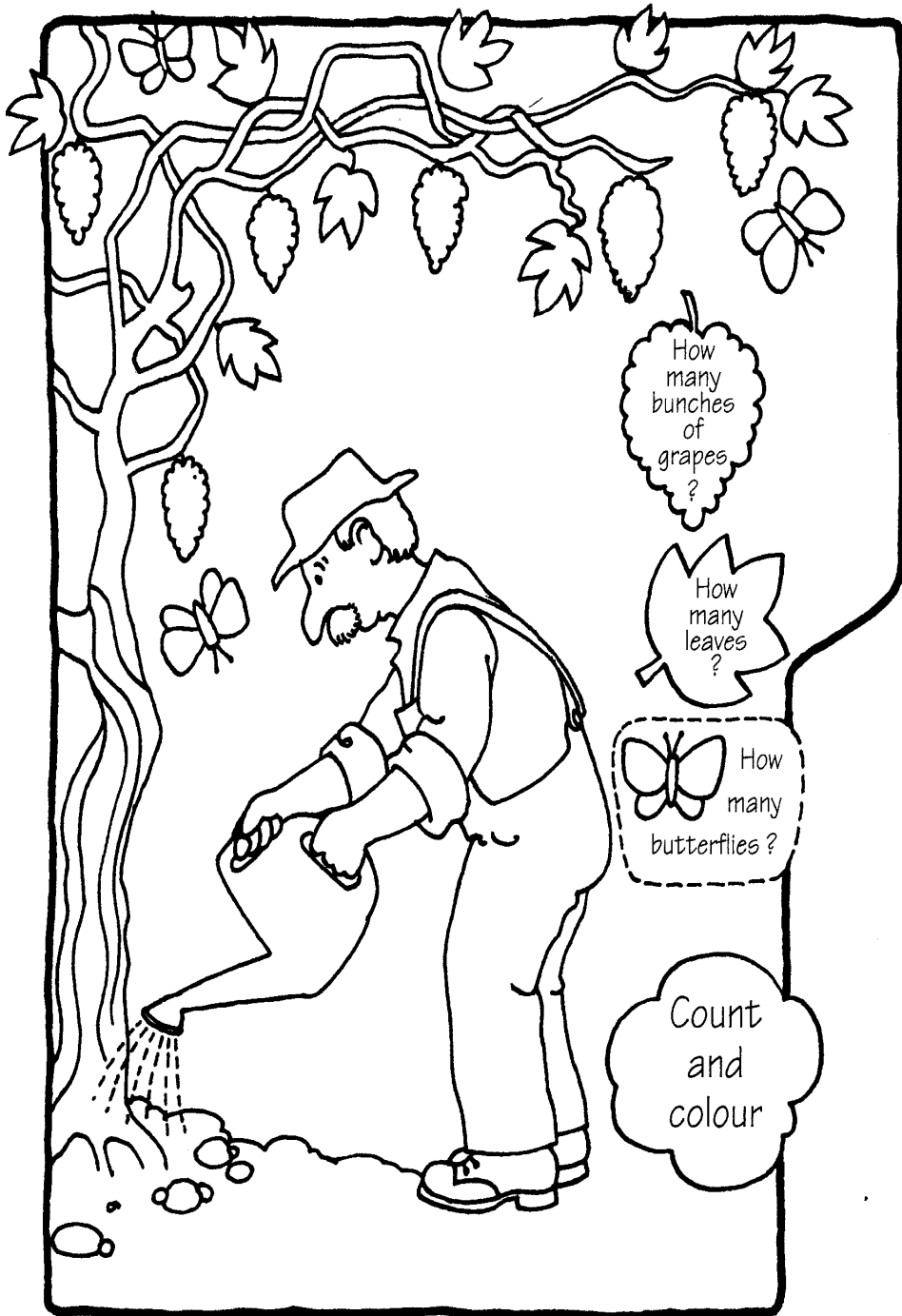


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John 15:5

Jesus said: I am the vine and you are the branches. If you remain with me and I with you, you will bear much fruit, apart from me you can do nothing.

Dear Father, help us remember that we need to stay plugged into Jesus if we are going to produce the kind of good fruit you want from us. **Amen.**

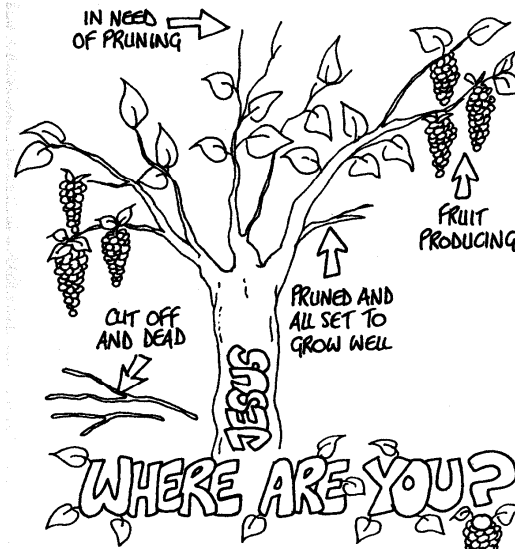


How many bunches of grapes?

How many leaves?

How many butterflies?

Count and colour



- CHECKLIST ①**
ARE YOU GROWING IN ANY OF THESE?
- love joy peace
 - patience kindness
 - goodness
 - faithfulness
 - gentleness
 - self-control

- CHECKLIST ②**
ARE YOU DOING ANY OF THESE EACH DAY?
- talking to God
 - listening to God
 - wanting to live God's way
 - reading your Bible
 - thanking God

BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD,
 FILL ME WITH LIFE ANEW,
 THAT I MAY LOVE
 WHAT THOU DOST LOVE,
 AND DO
 WHAT THOU WOULDST DO.

I AM THE TRUE VINE
 IS THAT ANOTHER WAY OF SAYING 'LIVE IN ME AND I WILL LIVE IN YOU' ?

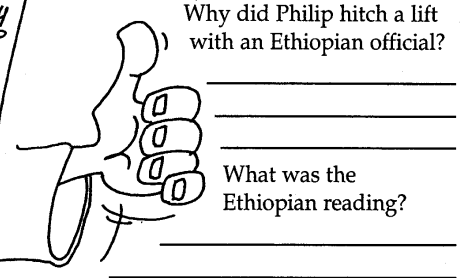
Yes. It's a good picture of the way Jesus' life fills our life, so that we can live lovingly.

SO JESUS NEEDS US AS WELL AS US NEEDING HIM ?

That's right. We work together. Your words and hands and feet can bring God's love to the places you go and the people you meet.

WHAT IF WE TRY TO GO IT ALONE?

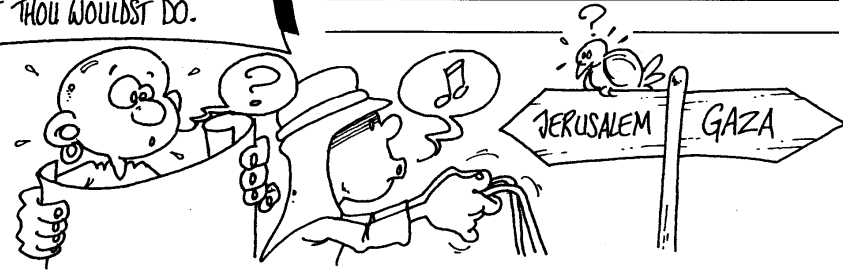
Soon the stocks run out. That's why we need to be joined on to the living supply which keeps renewing and refilling us.



Why did Philip hitch a lift with an Ethiopian official?

What was the Ethiopian reading?

What do you think Philip said to help the Ethiopian understand what he was reading?

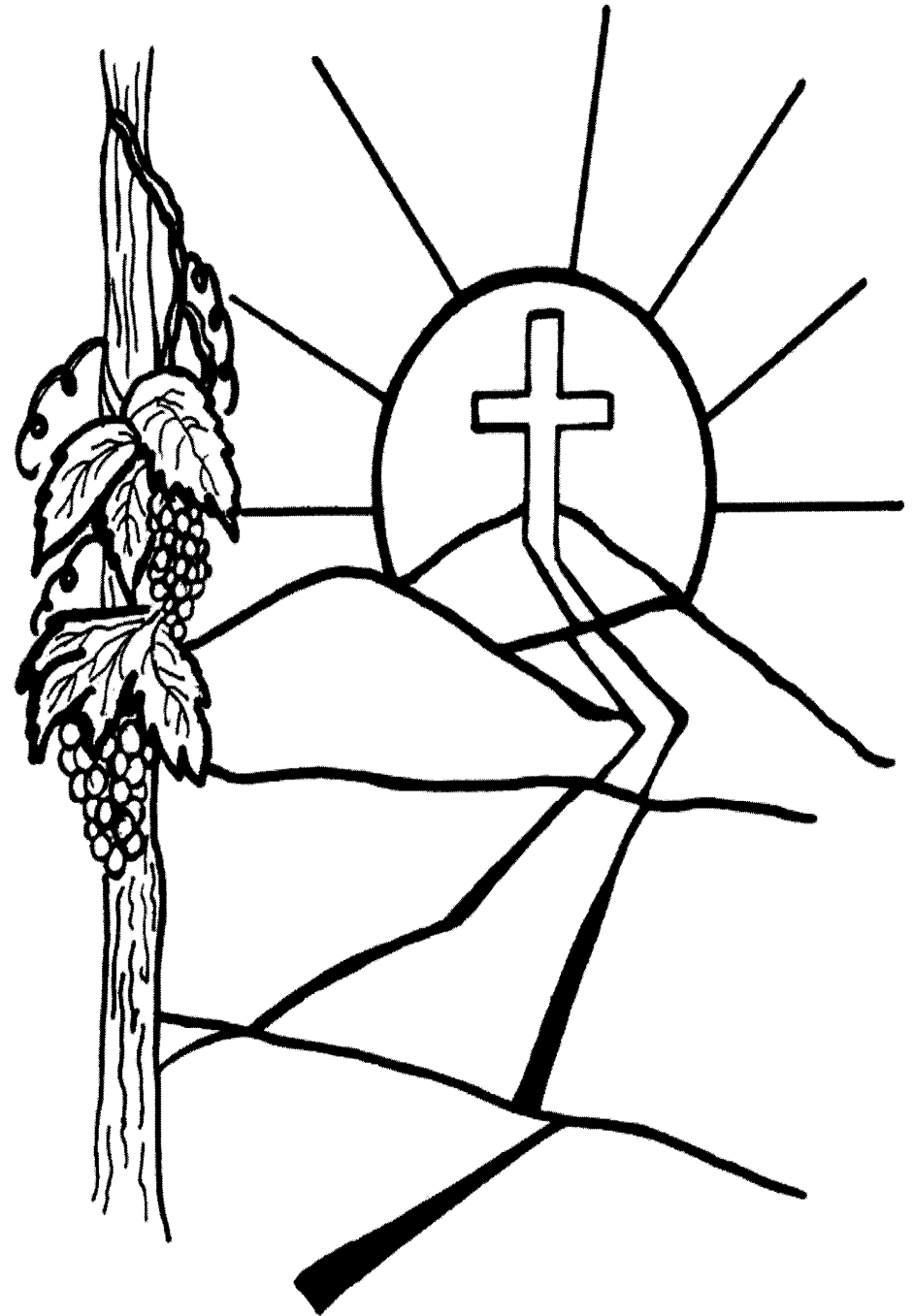
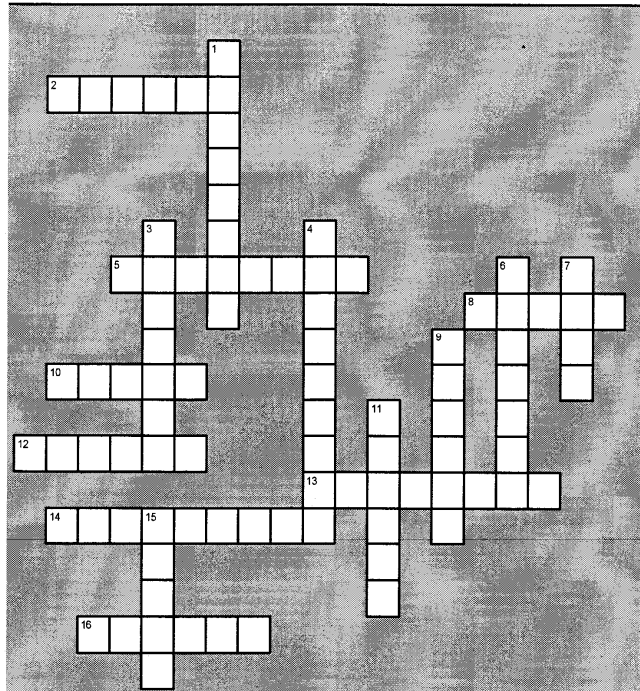


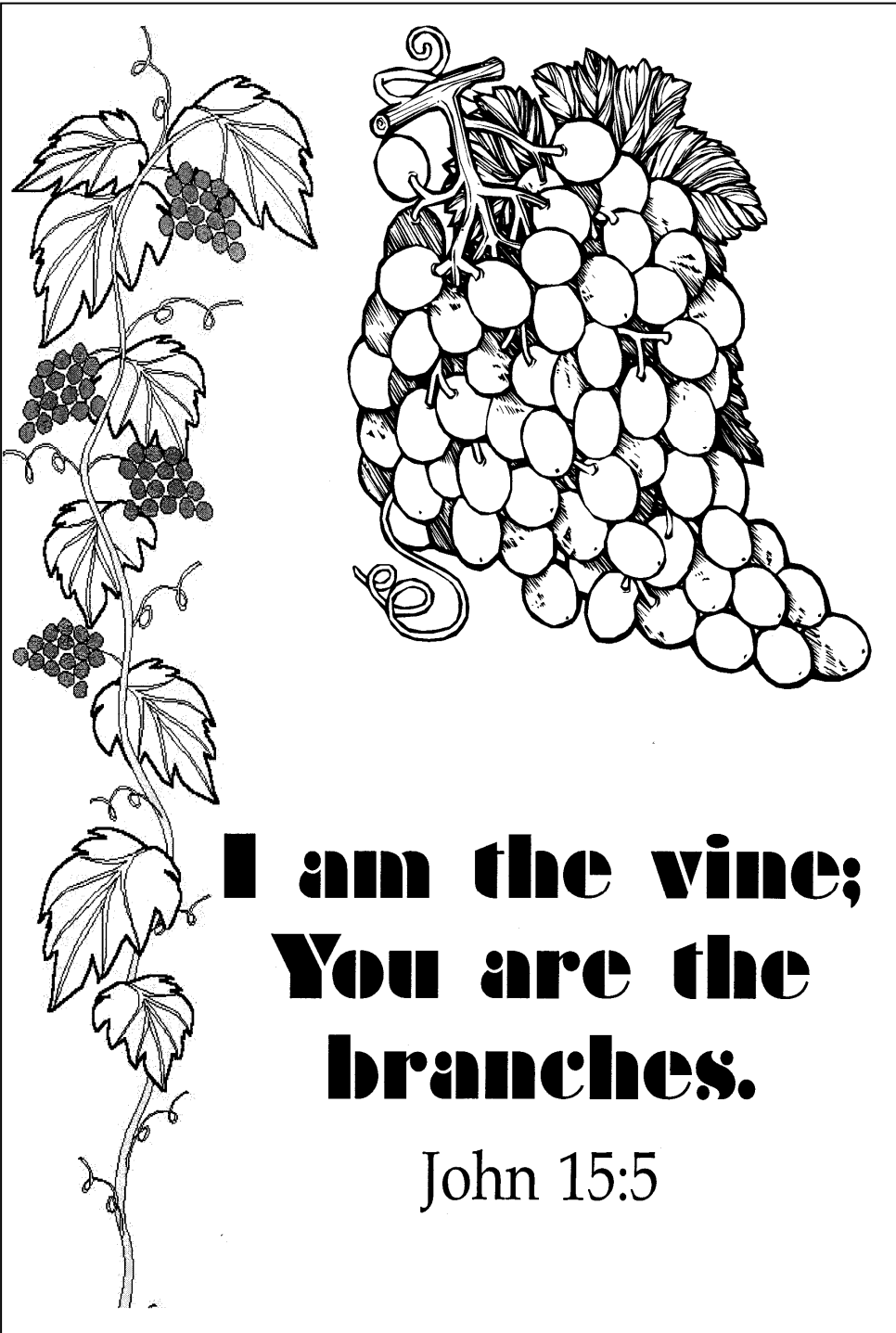
Crossword: John 15:1-8 (CEV)

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

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

- 10 across) _____ said to his disciples:
 13 across) I am the true vine, and my Father is the _____.
 16 across) He cuts away every _____ of mine that doesn't produce fruit.
 3 down) But he trims clean every branch that does _____ fruit, so that it will produce even more fruit.
 15 down) You are already _____ because of what I have said to you.
 9 down) Stay joined to me, and I will stay _____ to you.
 8 across) Just as a branch cannot produce _____ unless it stays joined to the vine, you cannot produce fruit unless you stay joined to me.
 7 down) I am the _____.
 5 across) and you are the _____.
 6 down) If you stay joined to me, and I stay joined to you, then you will _____ lots of fruit.
 1 down) But you cannot do _____ without me.
 2 across) If you don't stay joined to me, you will be _____ away.
 11 down) You will be like dry branches that are gathered up and _____ in a fire.
 4 down) Stay joined to me and let my _____ become part of you.
 12 across) Then you can pray for whatever you want, and your _____ will be answered.
 14 across) When you be-come fruitful _____ of mine, my Father will be honored.





**I am the vine;
You are the
branches.**

John 15:5



Word Search: John 15:1-8 (CEV)



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| JESUS | GARDENER | BRANCH | PRODUCE |
| CLEAN | JOINED | FRUIT | VINE |
| BRANCHES | PRODUCE | ANYTHING | THROWN |
| BURNED | TEACHINGS | PRAYER | DISCIPLES |

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