

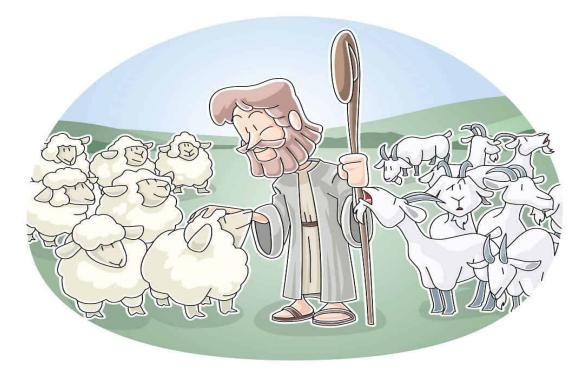
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THE PARABLE OF THE SHEEP AND THE GOATS

Jesus told a story about sheep and goats which you can find in Matthew 25:31-46

There is a great version of the story on Youtube with a bit of explanation about why Jesus may have chosen sheep and goats as the illustration for this parable.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iWSkdx-XwWY



Jesus told this story to highlight how some people like to help those in need while others are not so keen. He wanted us to understand that when we help others we are doing God's work as every person is made in the image of God and so we should treat them all as if they were Jesus.

How could you help someone this week? How would you feel if someone you helped turned out to be Jesus?





Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" Matthew 25:37-39



PUPPET SHEEP AND GOATS

These cute little puppets are just made from simple card cut outs which are then stuck to a lolly stick or any other kind of stick that you can find. You can stick some cotton wool onto their heads to make them even cuter!

PRAYER

Lord Jesus help me to recognise you in others, especially those who are in need. Help me to treat everyone that I meet as though I was meeting you. AMEN A St. Luke's Prestonville 64 Old Shoreham Road, Brighton, BN1 5DD 01273 557772 info@stlukesonline.co.uk

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Matthew 25:31-46

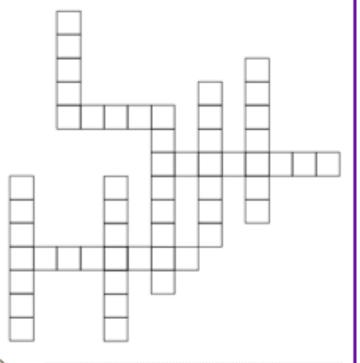
Use the green words from the text below to complete the crossword puzzle. Then answer the question at the bottom.

It is said that the Son of man will sit on a throne of glory with angels surrounding him. The nations will gather before him and he will separate them - like a shepherd separates his sheep and goats. The Son of man will put the sheep in his right hand and the goats in his left hand.

The King will tell the sheep to come and enjoy the kingdom, "For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in. Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me." The sheep will ask when they did those things for the King. The King will reply that anytime the

sheep helped their neighbor in those ways, they were actually helping the King.

Turning to the goats, the King will be angry and say, "Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink: I was a stranger, and ue took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not." The goats will be confused and insist theu never saw the King needing help. The King will say that when you ignore your neighbor in need, you ignore the King. Therefore, the sheep will be rewarded with life eternal and the goats will be punished forever more.

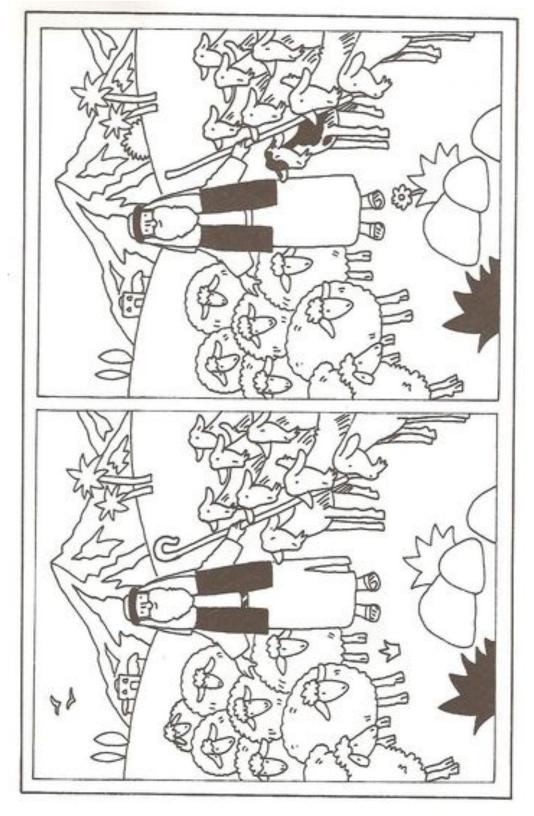


According to the parable, why is it important to help someone in need?

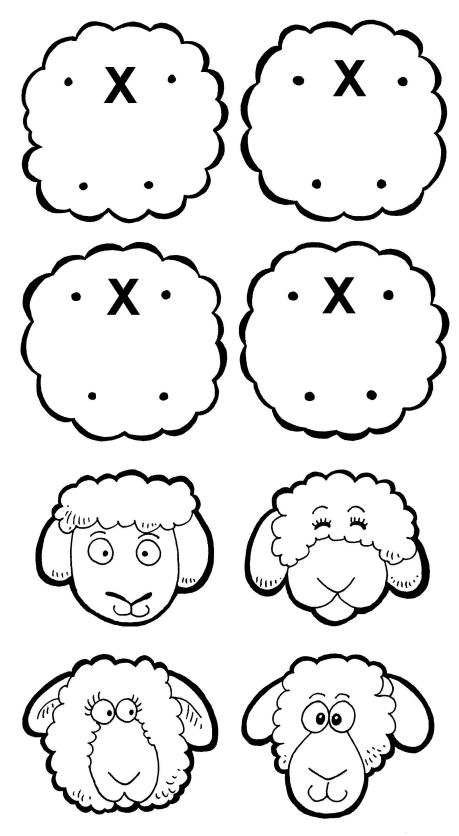
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SPOT THE DIFFERENCE (THERE ARE 10)









Print the sheep design on to white card.

Cut out the shapes.

Make four holes where the four dots are.

Thread thick short wool or cord through the four holes from the back.

Knot at each end.

Glue head on to X



