# Welcome to SPC Kids Corner!

Sunday, March 12, 2023

# THE WEDDING BANQUET

Matthew 22:1-14



#### **Key Verse:**

"For many are called, but few are chosen." Matthew 22:14

#### The Point:

All are invited to be part of God's feast.

#### **Making Connections:**

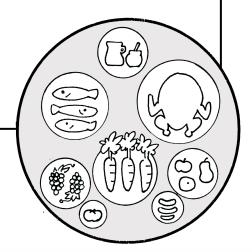
The Ways of the Kingdom

#### Bible Nuts & Bolts:

Difficult Passages

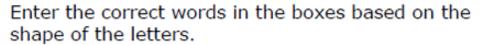
#### **Spiritual Practice:**

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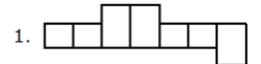


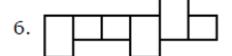
# The Wedding Banquet

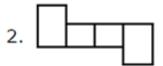
So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, both good and bad, and the wedding hall was filled with guests. Matthew 22:10

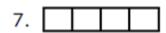


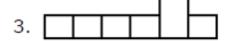


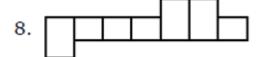


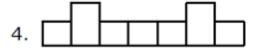


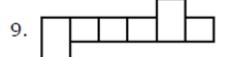


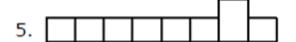












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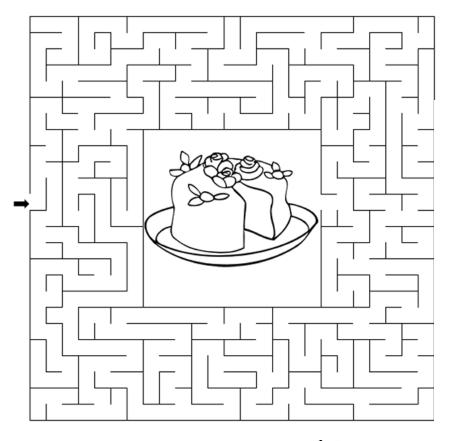
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#### Maze Puzzle

## **Word Search Puzzle**

You are invited to the wedding banquet! Can you find your way to the wedding cake?

Matthew 22:1-14



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You're Invited!

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# **Coloring Page**



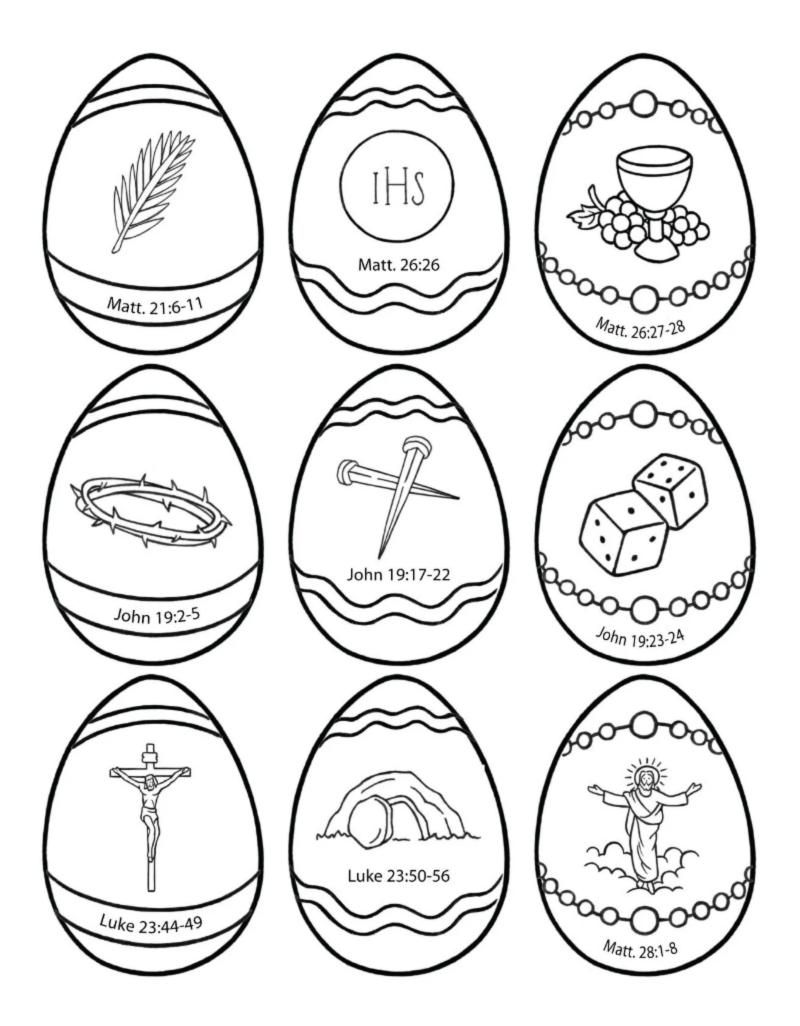
Inviting others to Jesus.

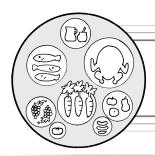
#### **Decoder Puzzle**

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

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# THE STORY @ HOME



Living the Word: Teaching Kids God's Story Narrative Lectionary, Year 1 (2022-2023) Lesson #1-25 Matthew 22:1-14

#### LAST WEEK

Jesus uses the Parable of the Laborers in the Vineyard to teach his followers about God's generosity in the kingdom of heaven (Matthew 20:1-16).

#### THIS WEEK

Jesus tells the Parable of the Wedding Banquet, about a king who throws a lavish wedding celebration for his son and invites people off the streets to attend (Matthew 22:1-14).

#### STORY SUMMARY

Jesus tells us a parable about a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. The wealthy king, who throws an elaborate wedding feast, is enraged when some invitations are ignored and others are met with brutality. The king then instructed his slaves to invite everyone—the good and the bad—that they saw on the street to be a guest at his wedding feast. The wedding hall was filled with guests.

#### PRASTICE SERVICE

When we share God's love with each other we are reminded of how important and special it is to live in fellowship with and service to each other. The boundary of our "feast" knows no end. We all sit at God's table as God's family. Share a feast together and talk about the things that make your family special.

#### THEPOINT

All are invited to be part of God's feast.

#### BIBLE NUTS & BOLTS

#### Difficult Passages

Parts of the Bible can be difficult and confusing. It is good to let students know that you do not have all of the answers. Researching might help you gain an understanding of these confusing passages. Some resources may include learning about the genre of parables, looking up meaning and historical context in books or online (warning: uses sources you trust), praying about it, looking at a variety of Bible translations, using Bible tools to find similar passages, or speaking directly with your pastor or trusted spiritual teacher.

### NEXT WEEK

Jesus teaches his disciples about being prepared and using their gifts wisely with the parables of the Ten Bridesmaids and Talents (Matthew 25:1-13 [or 25:14-30]).



# Lesson #1-25

Matthew 22:1-14

## Family Discussions

Use the questions below or other questions you think of to discuss today's Scripture reading (listed above) with your family.

- In what way does this text teach about the Ways of the Kingdom?
- What does this Scripture have to do with our lives today?
- What part of this Scripture is the most interesting to you? Why?

## Family Devotions

As you hear and study these stories each week, consider what God has to say to you and your family. What is God's message to us? How should we respond?

#### Sunday—Read Matthew 22:1-14

The wedding banquet.

Share a meal together as you read this text.

#### Monday—Read Matthew 22:15-22

It's a trap!

Jesus often seemed to speak in riddles. Share your favorite riddle.

#### Tuesday—Read Matthew 22:23-33

The Sadducees' question.

Who are you most looking forward to seeing again after the resurrection?

#### Wednesday—Read Exodus 3:1-6

The God of your father.

Take off your shoes as you read this passage. How can your home be "holy ground?"

#### Thursday—Read Matthew 22:34-40

The greatest commandment.

Share one way that you will keep these commandments this week.

#### Friday—Read Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Hear, O Israel.

Look online to learn more about a mezuzah.

#### Saturday—Read Leviticus 19:17-18

Love your neighbor as yourself.

In the midst of all of these other laws we find two about loving your neighbor. What does it say about their importance that Jesus quotes only these two?