

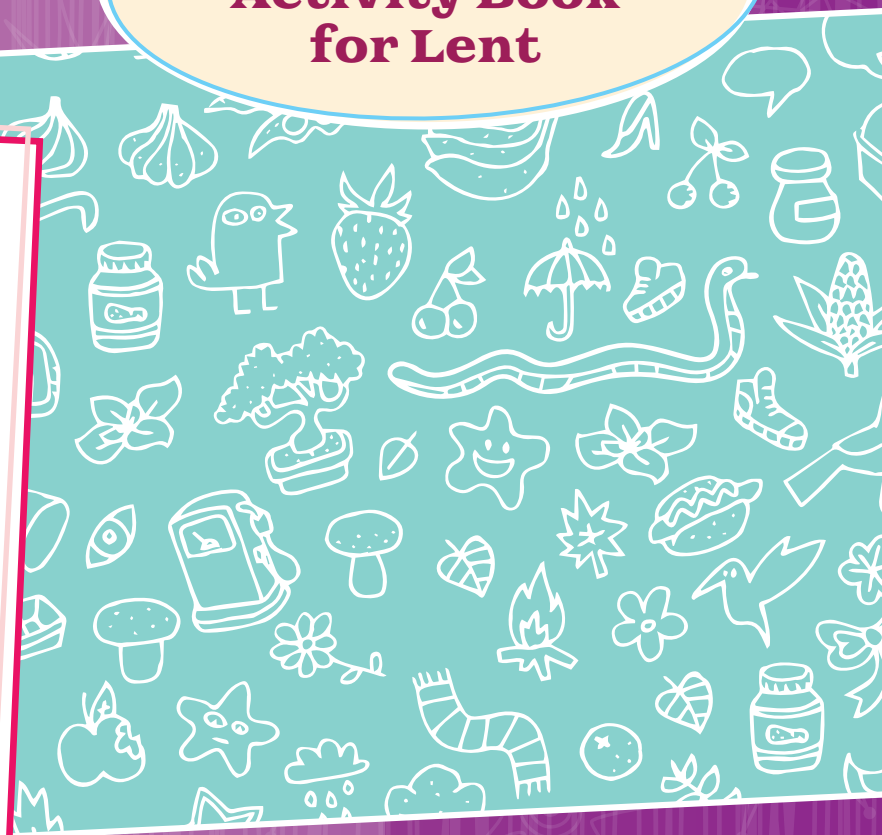
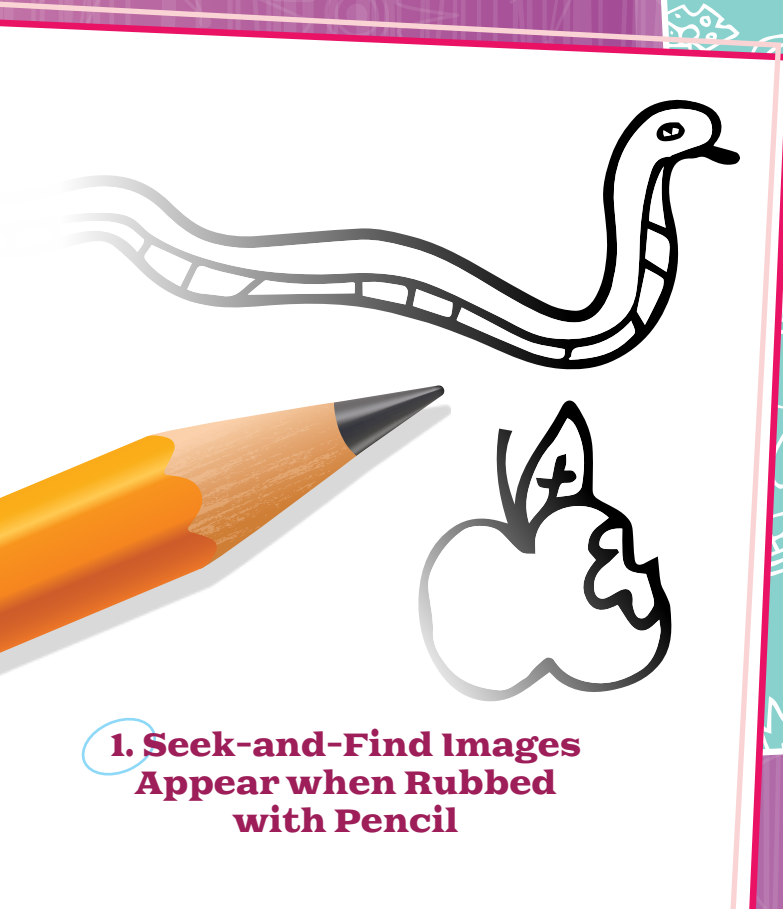


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**A
Seek-and-Find
Activity Book
for Lent**



**1. Seek-and-Find Images
Appear when Rubbed
with Pencil**

**2. Search through Picture Puzzles
to Find the Lost Lenten Images**

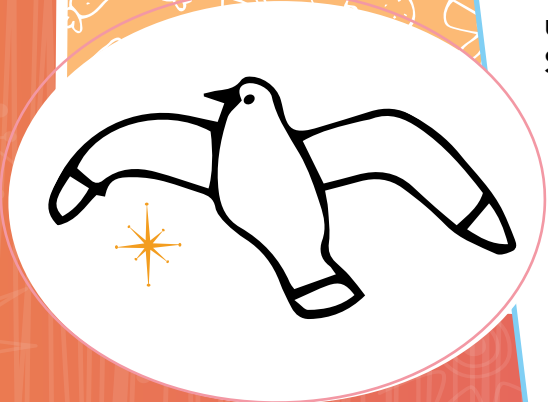
DAY 2 Luke 2:1-7

Once we have lost our way by disobeying God, how can we ever be found again?

God has a way! God loved the world so much that he sent his only Son to be our Savior.

Just like each of us, Jesus came into the world as a baby. But when he was born, the only cradle his mother could find for him was a manger, the place where animals ate.

Christ the Lord must love us very much to come this far to find us!



DAY 3 Luke 3:21-22

While the serpent is a picture-symbol for someone who wants us not to listen to the word of God, the dove is a symbol of Someone who does want us to hear it.

When Jesus was baptized, the Holy Spirit came down in the form of a dove, right as the voice of God from heaven was saying, "This is my beloved Son!"

The Holy Spirit still wants us to listen to God's Word, and to recognize Jesus as the Savior God sent so that we who were lost might be found again.

DAY 4 Matthew 4:1-4

Jesus is very hungry. He has gone without food for 40 days in the wilderness. And now the devil invites him to turn stones into loaves of bread, saying, "... if you are the Son of God."

It is just because Jesus is the Son of God that he will not listen to the devil. "Listening to the Word of God is more important than bread," he tells the devil.

He is right, of course. Listening to the Word of God and doing what it says is more important than anything. Especially a loaf of bread!

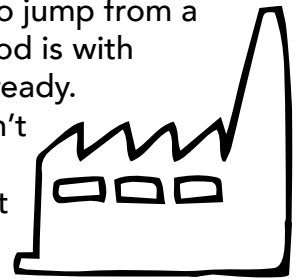


DAY 5 Matthew 4:5-7

Now the devil is trying to get Jesus to do something foolish—jump from the top of the temple tower.

Jesus knows that this temptation is foolish. More than that, he knows that it is a temptation of the devil. In the beginning, Adam and Eve hadn't realized that, and look at all the trouble it caused.

Jesus doesn't have to jump from a tower to prove that God is with him. He knows that already. And so do you. So don't do anything foolish, anything God wouldn't want you to do.



DAY 6 Matthew 4:8-11

One more temptation the devil tries on Jesus. "Fall down and worship me, and I will make you the ruler of everything." The devil is offering Jesus a crown.

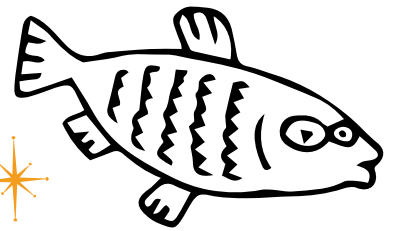
Jesus will get a crown, but not by doing what the devil wants. He will do what his heavenly Father wants, suffering and dying on the cross to take away the sins of the world. On the cross he will wear a crown made of thorns.

But after he is risen from the dead and ascended into heaven, Jesus will be the King of everything, forever—not by taking the devil's crown but by obeying God.



DAY 7 Matthew 4:18-20

"Follow me, and I will make you fish for people," Jesus said. The people who heard him knew all about fishing. That is what they did for a living.



But now Jesus has a new job for them. How does someone fish for people? The disciples will spend three years following Jesus to learn how. They will listen to his words and see the wonderful things he does. They will even see him alive after he has died on the cross. Then they will be ready to "fish for people."

It must have worked. Look, they even managed to catch you!

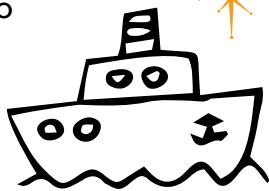
DAY 8 Mark 4:35-41

Jesus and the disciples were all sailing together across the lake when a great storm arose. It looked as though the boat would sink any minute, and they would all be lost.

And where was Jesus? He was asleep in the back of the boat! "Don't you care?"

Jesus did care. And he does care. Even when it seems as though the Lord is not paying attention, he really is. And he is able to take care of it for us.

"Peace! Be still!" he says to the wind. And it happens! There is a great calm. And then he reminds us to keep trusting in him. That is always important, isn't it?



DAY 9 Mark 6:7-13

"If you're going to go somewhere, you'd better get your shoes on," Jesus tells his disciples. The shoes they wore in those days were sandals, and the disciples were "going to go somewhere." Jesus is sending them out to tell the good news and to heal people in his name. They are going to be "fishing for people."

They are not the only ones. Jesus invites you to follow him, too. Are there any people you can tell about Jesus? Any you can invite to church or Sunday school? Any who need some kind of help or kindness? Get your shoes on!



DAY 10 Luke 15:1-7

"If you were a shepherd and lost one of your sheep, what would you do?" Jesus asks. The answer is obvious: you go and look for that lost sheep until you find it.

And when you find it? You are very happy, of course—and so is the sheep! It's always good to be back where you belong, where someone cares for you.

Jesus tells us that he is the Good Shepherd, and we are his dear sheep. When we were lost, he came and found us. That made him very happy. It makes us happy too!

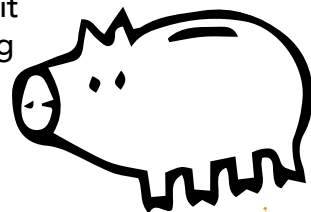


DAY 11 Luke 15:8-10

The difference between a lost sheep and a lost coin is that a sheep knows when it is lost. It cries out for help. A coin doesn't know that it is lost. Wherever it is, it just keeps on shining as though it were where it's supposed to be.

But it isn't. It's lost. And it needs to be found. Jesus tells us that some people who are lost don't know how lost they are—but they still need somebody to find them. That is why Jesus came into the world ... and why he sends us out to help.

Do you know anybody who is lost but doesn't know it?



DAY 12 Luke 15:11-24

How happy everyone is when the lost is found. In the story Jesus told about a boy who had run away from home and was gone for a long time, the father was so happy when his son finally came home that he decided to invite everyone to a big party. If anybody wanted to know why he was so happy, the father explained: "This son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!"

Do you think the son was happy too? We know that while he was away from home, he was very sad. But now he has been welcomed back! Just the way Jesus wants you to be with him always. That will make you both very happy!





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Search the pages of this out-of-sight Lenten activity book to see the hidden pictures, puzzles and objects that tell the story of our salvation.

Daily devotional thoughts paired with invisible-ink images and seek-and-find picture puzzles help children discover the love of our Savior who seeks us out when we are lost. Simply rub the pages with the side of a pencil to uncover the items that were once missing. Then hunt through the picture puzzles to find the Lenten items you have uncovered!

There is something new to see and do on every page as children pray through Lent in a surprising new way.

