

Crossword Puzzle

Nurturing Faith... Every Day in Every Way

July 21, 2019

Genesis 18:1-10a

Psalm 15

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

6th Sunday After Pentecost



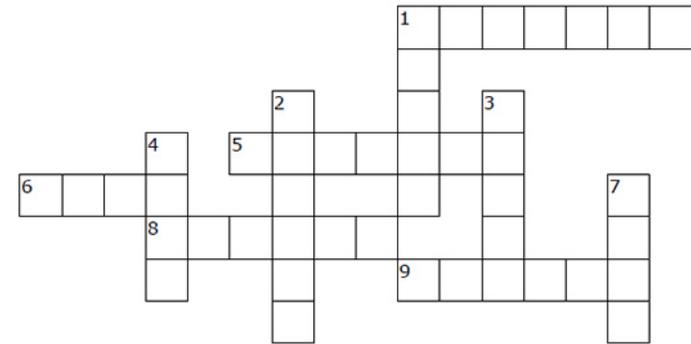
Good morning, friends! I have a question for you. What did you have to do to get ready to come to church this morning? (allow for answers) Most of us got to eat breakfast, brush our teeth, comb our hair, make our bed, maybe even help a little sibling get ready.

What if we took the time to get all ready to come to church and we just never made it out the door? What if we were so busy getting ready picking the right pair of shoes, cooking and eating a big breakfast, or we got distracted by watching tv that we never made it here?! Would we have missed out on the important thing? Why do we come to church? (allow for answers) We come to church to worship God, to pray, to hear God's word and learn about Jesus, and to be in communion with our church family.

Today's gospel lesson from Luke tells us the story about Mary and Martha, two sisters who were Jesus' friends. Jesus came into town and stopped by their house. Martha was busy cleaning and cooking and making sure the house was just right. Mary sat down at Jesus' feet and listened as Jesus taught her. This made Martha mad! She thought that Mary should be busy helping her instead of sitting down. Martha wanted Jesus to tell her to get up and help, but Jesus told Martha that Mary was doing exactly what she needed to be doing.

Having Jesus come to your house and then not even taking the time to listen to him is a lot like getting ready for church and then not making it here. Yes, it's important to do work, but it's just as important to sit and hear what Jesus has to say. Today, instead of letting your mind wander during service, see if you can pay attention and focus on Jesus as you listen to the sermon, sing the hymns, and pray. What do you think Jesus is trying to teaching you today?

Loving God, thank you for your son, Jesus. Help us to remember that it is important to listen to what he has to say. Amen.



ACROSS

- To be concerned about something; to be troubled
- A very small town
- The place where a family lives
- To pay attention to what someone says
- A spoken or written reply to a question

DOWN

- An adult female human
- A female having the same parents as another person
- The son of God
- To give assistance to someone
- Activity, such as a job, which a person performs; labor

WORK	WORRIED	ANSWER	VILLAGE	WOMAN
HELP	HOME	JESUS	SISTER	LISTEN

Activity: Play the telephone game. One person whispers a sentence to another. The sentence gets whispered down the line of people. The last person gets to say the sentence out loud. Did you hear what was originally said?

Discussion Question: The word disciple means student. Both Mary and Martha were Jesus' disciples and so are we. What are some of the things that Jesus has taught you?

Family Table Prayer for July:

Fireworks and fireflies

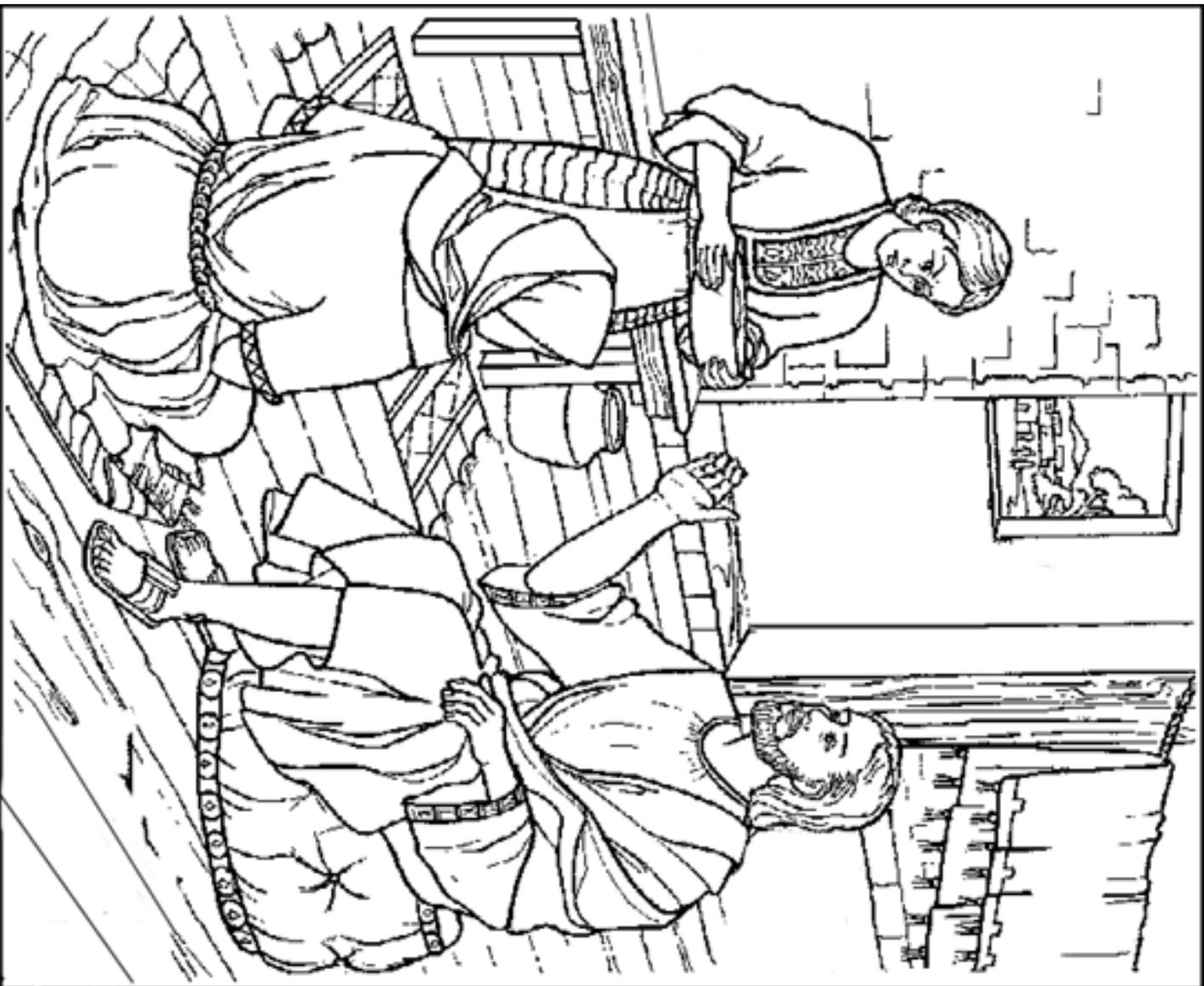
Picnics and the sun

Thank you, God for Summer days,

And for your Children, each and every one!

July Memory Verse: Ephesians 4:32 Be kind and compassionate to one another and forgive each other just as in Christ, God has forgiven you.

Coloring Page



Jesus visits in the home of Mary and Martha.
Luke 10:38:42