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BE CAREFUL OF WHAT WE SAY

Most of us have been given the gift of being able to talk. Those people who are unable to talk use sign or hand language to speak with other people.

Whether we talk, use sign language, send messages with a mobile phone using text messaging, send emails or use facebook on the computer, it can be so easy to get ourselves into trouble by saying things that may not be true or saying things that can hurt other people.

In the Bible, Apostle James tells us even though our tongue is a very small part of our body, it can often get us into trouble if we do not learn to control it. He reminds us that we do good things, like praying and giving thanks to God, offering our help to people and saying the simple things like "please" & "thank-you". He also tells us that with this gift of speaking, we can tell lies and spread rumours about people.



He gives us the example of a water fountain and says, "Can this fountain bring fresh water and salt water together?" We know the answer to this is "no", so we should try to bring only fresh water (or good things) when we speak. We should try not to bring salt water (or bad things) when we speak.

Let us then, as we live each day, remember to be careful of what we say. Is it good or is it bad?

Joseph's Brothers' Terrible Lie

Trace over the
dotted lines.
Then color the
picture, making
sure to show red
spots on
Joseph's coat.



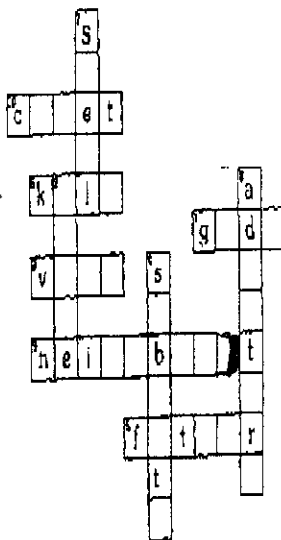
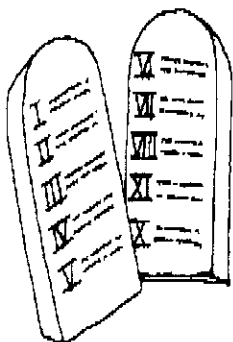
Joseph's brothers went back to their father and told him a lie about what had happened to Joseph. They sprinkled goat's blood on Joseph's special coat. Jacob thought a wild animal had killed his favorite son.

Rules to Live By

Use the clues in the box to the right to complete this crossword.

Turn to Exodus 20 in a King James Version of the Bible to find the answers to the following:

1. You shall have no other ___ before Me.
2. You shall not make any graven ___.
3. You shall not take the name of the Lord in ___.
4. Remember the ___ and keep it holy.
5. Honor your ___ and mother.
6. You shall not ___.
7. You shall not ___.
8. You shall not commit ___.
9. You shall not bear false witness against your ___.
10. You shall not ___ anything that is your neighbors.



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God gave Moses the Ten Commandments which tell us how to treat God and how to treat other people.

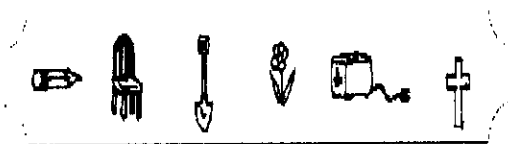
Joseph Ends Up in Prison

Look at the picture. Circle the items in the picture that are shown in the box below.

Joseph was put in prison in Egypt. He had not done anything wrong, but someone lied about him.

Joseph kept praying and trusting God.

The prison guard saw that Joseph was a good, honest person, so he put him in charge of all the prisoners.



Bible Activity



Find the verses in the bible and fill in the missing words:

Matthew 12:36-37

“But I say unto you, That every _____ word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of _____, For by thy words thou shalt be _____, and by thy words thou shalt be _____.”

Proverbs 10:31

“The mouth of the just bringeth forth _____; but the _____ tongue shall be cut off.”

Proverbs 11:9

“An hypocrite with his mouth _____ his neighbour: but through knowledge shall the _____ be _____.”

Proverbs 12:18

“There is that _____ like the piercings of a sword: but the _____ of the wise is health.”

Proverbs 18:7

“A fool’s mouth is his _____, and his lips are the _____ of his soul”

Proverbs 18:8

“The words of a talebearer are as _____, and they go down into the _____ parts of the _____.”

Proverbs 21:23

“Whoso keepeth his _____ and his _____ keepeth his soul from _____”

Psalms 34:13

“Keep thy tongue from _____, and thy lips from _____ guile”

Job 27:4

“My lips shall not speak _____, nor my tongue _____ deceit.”

Ecclesiastes 5: 2-3

“Be not _____ with thy mouth, and let not thine _____ be hasty to utter anything before God: for God is in _____, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy _____ be few. For a _____ cometh through the _____ of business: and a _____ voice is known by multitude of _____.”

The Crow and the Fox

One day a big, black crow, found some cheese.

“I will fly up into this tree with it,” she said.

“I want to eat it now.”

A fox came by and saw the bird.
He saw the cheese as well.
He, too, wanted to eat the cheese.

He went round and round the tree
while he thought how he could get the
cheese.

Then he said to the crow,
“You look very nice.
If you can sing very nicely as well,
I think you must be Queen of all the
birds.”

The crow was very pleased.
She liked to be called a Queen.
“Yes, I can sing,” she said.

But as she said this the cheese fell from her beak.

Down to the ground it fell.
The fox picked up the cheese and ran away.

“You may be Queen of the birds.
You may look nice and you may sing well,
but you do not think very well,”
he said as he ran off..

Moral:

Beware of people who say nice things they do not mean.

