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Book of Books

HELLO, EXPLORERS! We hope you had a blast today at *Operation Arctic*! We met Blizzard the polar bear today. Polar bears are unique Arctic animals—they don't live anywhere else in the wild! Polar bears aren't the only unique thing we learned about today. We also learned how unique the Bible is—it's the Book of books! The Bible is God-breathed (inspired); every word of it is from God Himself! The original writings didn't have even one mistake. Since God wrote it and He cannot tell a lie, every word of the Bible is completely true. The Bible has been read by more people than any other book in the world, and it's been written in the most languages—over 2,000! There are more copies of the Bible than any other book, and it's a life-changing book that will never go away. This Book of books is a superstar!

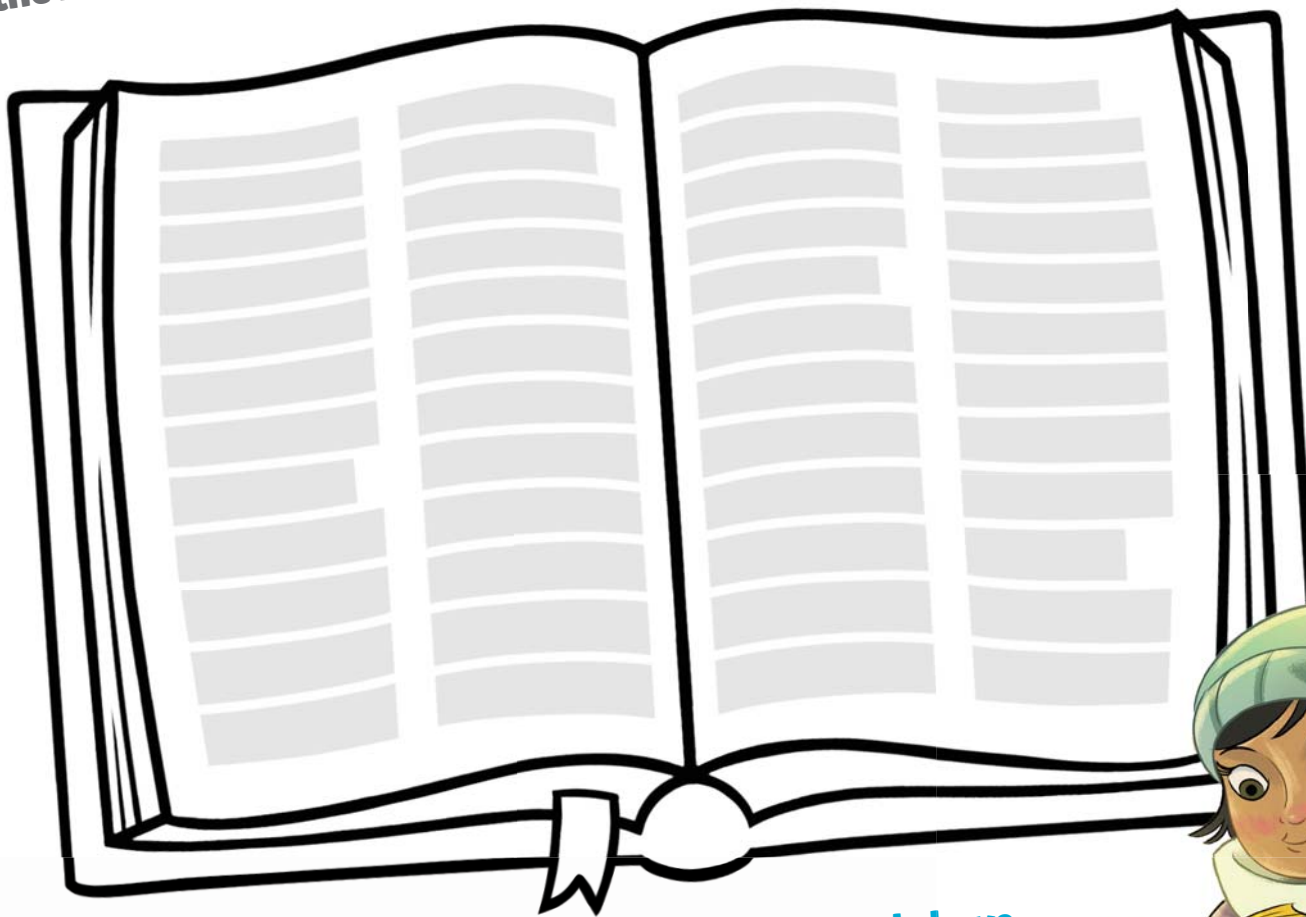
The Bible is a one-of-a-kind book, written by God Himself!

Color the Bible and circle the statements that are true about the Bible. Cross out the statements that are not true.

God wrote the Bible.

The Bible is perfect.

The Bible has mistakes.



The Bible is life-changing.

The Bible is not true.

More people have read the Bible than any other book.



BIBLE GEM VERSE CHALLENGE

Today's Verse

**All scripture is
given by inspiration
of God**

2 Timothy 3:16

Challenge: Make up motions to key words in this verse and do them as you say it.



Tomorrow's Verse: "Thy word is a . . .
light unto my path." Psalm 119:105

**Ask yourself this
question:** Do I have a
Bible at my home?



GO AND DO

1. Every person in the Bible was a real person who lived a long time ago. Draw a picture of what you think one of them looked like.
2. Talk to God (that's prayer!) and ask Him to help you love Him and love His Word more.
3. Ask an adult who follows Jesus to show you her Bible and read Genesis 1 from it. What does she love about it?
4. With an adult, check answersvbs.com/oakids for more fun information!

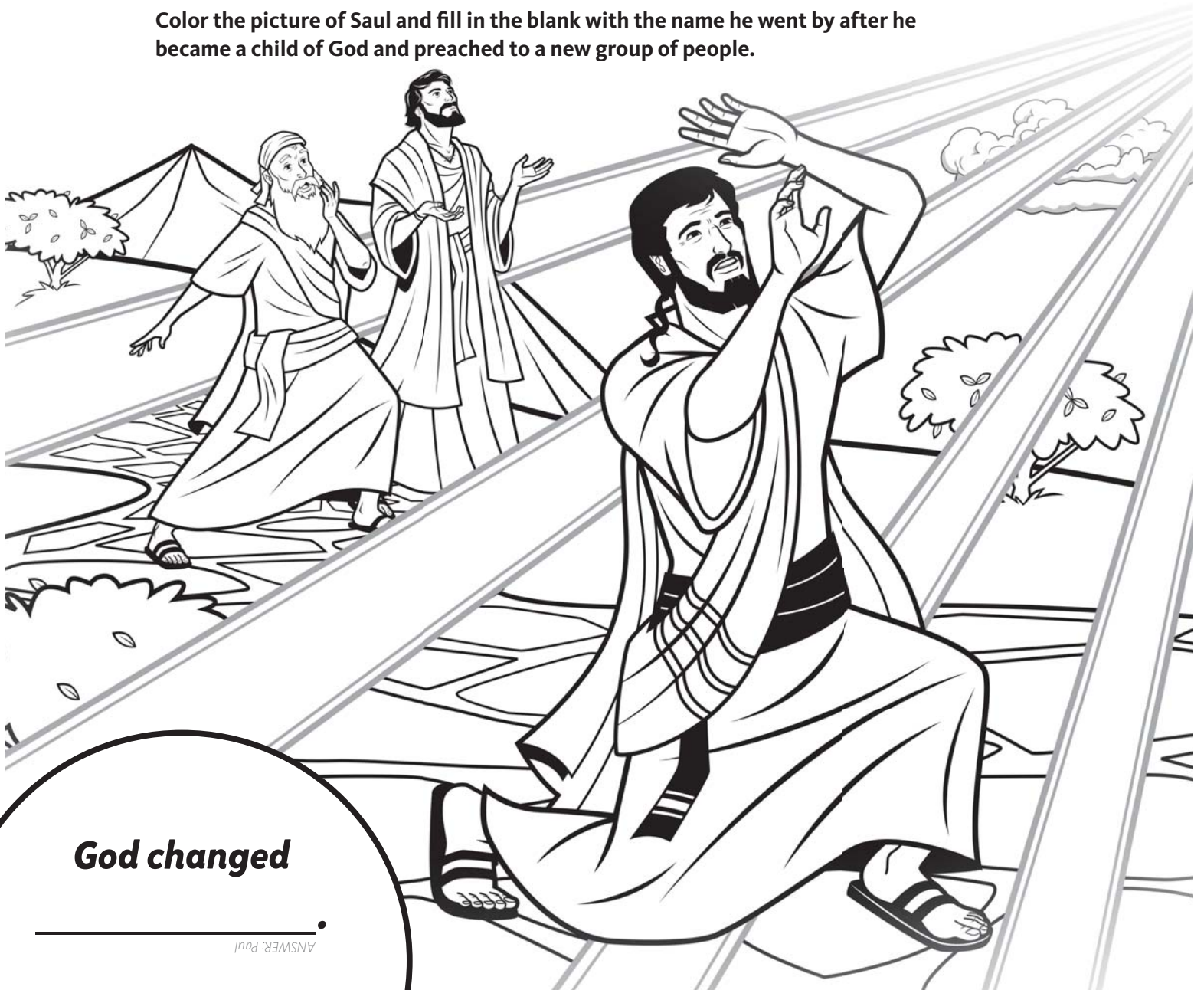
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Incredible Impact

WELCOME BACK, EXPLORERS! We hope you had an awesome time at *Operation Arctic* today! Our animal pal, Snowball the Arctic hare, reminds us that just like Arctic hares can change colors, God uses His Word to change us, too. If we are part of God's family, His Holy Spirit is working inside us to help us become more and more like His Son, Jesus! A man named Paul heard the Word of God and became a changed man! Paul was mean to those who loved Jesus, but on his way to Damascus, God changed Paul so that he became a follower of God. He wanted to tell everyone he could about God. Just like He changed Paul, God promises to change His children so we act more like Jesus. The Bible is an important part of that change. God uses His Word to show us where we need to change. It has incredible impact!

The Bible has had an incredible impact on the people of earth—it has the power to change lives!

Color the picture of Saul and fill in the blank with the name he went by after he became a child of God and preached to a new group of people.



God changed

ANSWER: Paul

BIBLE GEM VERSE CHALLENGE

Today's Verse

**Thy word is a . . .
light unto my path.**

Psalms 119:105

Challenge: Find a flashlight and go into a dark room (bathroom, closet) or make a fort. Use the flashlight to light up your dark space and say your verse. Now turn off the flashlight and see if you can remember it.



Tomorrow's Verse: "... A wise man . . . built his house upon a rock." Matthew 7:24



1. From the Bible, we learn that God is loving and kind, so we are to be loving and kind. Ask an adult who loves Jesus to read Ephesians 4:32 to you. Pray and ask God to help you to be loving and kind. What can you do today to show someone God's love and kindness? Go and do it!
2. Talk to God and ask Him to change you to be more and more like Him as you read and learn from the Bible.
3. Ask an adult who follows Jesus to share a favorite Bible verse or Bible account. How has it impacted him?
4. With an adult, check answersvbs.com/oakids for more fun information!

Ask yourself this question: Do I want to be more like Jesus?



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Bedrock Base

HELLO, EXPLORERS! Today our animal pal, Spike the narwhal, reminded us that the Bible isn't like a slippery, icy, sinking floor—it's a bedrock base for our lives! Only a foolish builder would build their house on the sand. A wise builder knows to use a strong foundation, like a rock, to build on. The word "bedrock" has the word "rock" in it because it's the solid rock under the ground. It's a firm foundation, just like the Bible is a firm foundation in our lives. The Bible never changes and is never wrong—it's the absolute authority. When we hear God's words and do them, we're like a wise man whose house is on a rock. God wants us to be wise and build our lives on His Word!

The Bible is the bedrock base we build our lives on—the absolute authority!

Fill in the blanks, then practice being a wise builder by drawing a house on the rocks.



A man . . . built his house upon a . Matthew 7:24

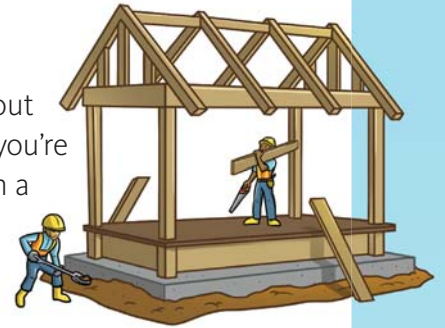
BIBLE GEM VERSE CHALLENGE

Today's Verse

... **A wise man ...
built his house
upon a rock.**

Matthew 7:24

Challenge: Act out this verse. Pretend you're building a house on a large, sturdy rock while saying it.



Tomorrow's Verse: "... Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

Ask yourself this question: Do I trust and believe every word of the Bible?

GO AND DO

1. Find building blocks and make a sturdy house. Or, draw a picture of a sturdy house. How does it make you feel knowing God's Word is a rock-solid base that never changes?
2. Ask an adult to read Matthew 24:35 and John 17:17 with you. Talk to God and thank Him that every word of the Bible is true.
3. Talk to an adult about things that have changed during his or her lifetime (e.g., transportation, technology, news headlines, scientific theories). How is God's Word different from all that?
4. With an adult, check answersvbs.com/oakids for more fun information!



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Letter of Love

GOOD DAY, EXPLORERS! Our animal pal, Shaggy the musk ox, cares for her young in amazing ways. Even more than Shaggy cares for her children, God cares for His children! Isn't it neat to learn that the Bible is like a letter of love written for us by the God of love? In the beginning of the Bible, we see God's love for us through the beautiful world He created for us to enjoy. And we see His care for His people in the promise He gave Adam and Eve after they sinned (disobeyed God's commands). He promised that He would one day send a Savior (Genesis 3:15). The Bible tells us that *all* of us have sinned (Romans 3:23), and because of that sin, we aren't allowed to live in Jesus' perfect heaven. God is holy, and He must judge sin. The punishment for sin is death and eternal separation from His goodness in hell. We deserve to be punished for our sins. God loved the world so much that He sent His only Son Jesus to live a perfect life, die on the Cross, and rise from the dead so that whoever repents of (turns from) their sin and believes in Jesus will have eternal life. That's the best news a letter could ever have!

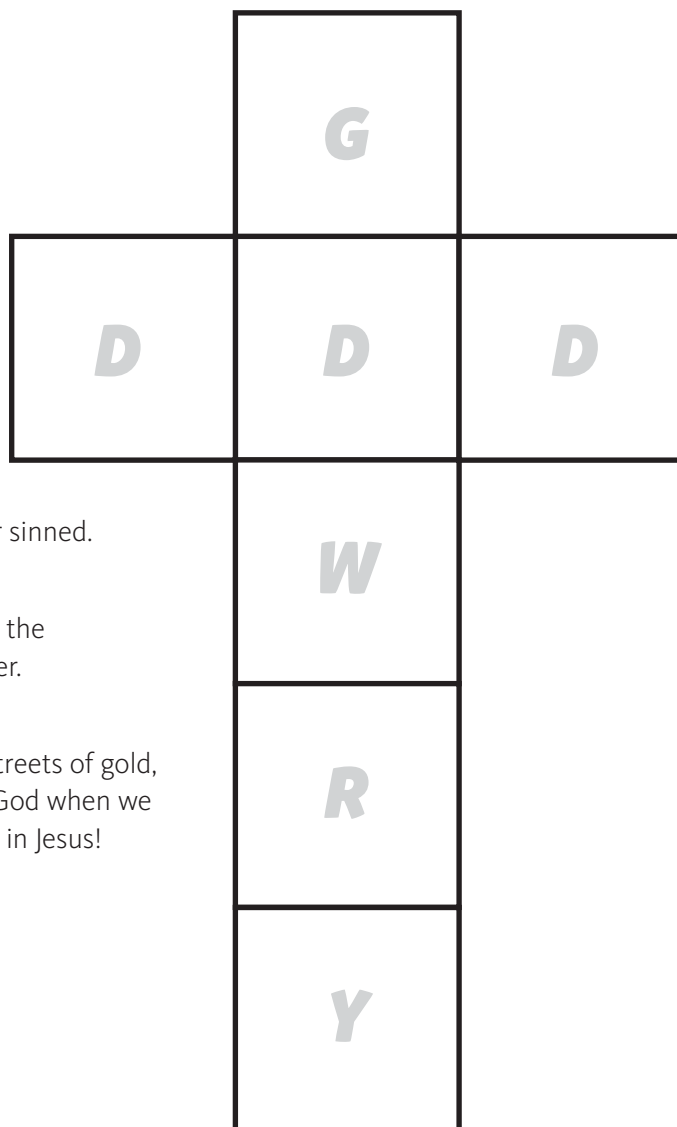
The Bible has a thrilling theme running throughout its pages—it's a letter of love!

Color the cross with the correct colors to remind us of God's love for us from the beginning of the Bible to the end.

HINTS:

- G**— Reminds us of the beautiful garden God created.
- D**— Reminds us of the sin that changed the world.
- W**— Reminds us of Jesus, who was perfect and never sinned.
- R**— Reminds us that Jesus died on the Cross to take the punishment for our sins and rose three days later.

Y— Reminds us of heaven, with its streets of gold, where we can live forever with God when we repent of our sins and believe in Jesus!



BIBLE GEM VERSE CHALLENGE

Today's Verse

**... Christ died
for us.**

Romans 5:8

Challenge: Find an envelope and a piece of paper. Ask someone to help you write the verse on the paper and decorate it. Put it in the envelope and "mail" it to someone. (Either really mail it, or leave it for them somewhere they will find it.)



Tomorrow's Verse: "... Thy word ...
great spoil." Psalm 119:162

1. With an adult's help, see if you can find the first book of the Bible. How about the last?
2. Talk to God and ask Him to help you remember that He loves you! You have a heavenly Father who loves you! Thank Him!
3. Ask an adult if he ever received a love letter from someone. Has he ever thought of God's Word as a letter of love from God for him?
4. With an adult, check answersvbs.com/oakids for more fun information!



**Ask yourself
this question:** Have
I asked God to forgive
me, turned from my sin,
and trusted God with
my life?



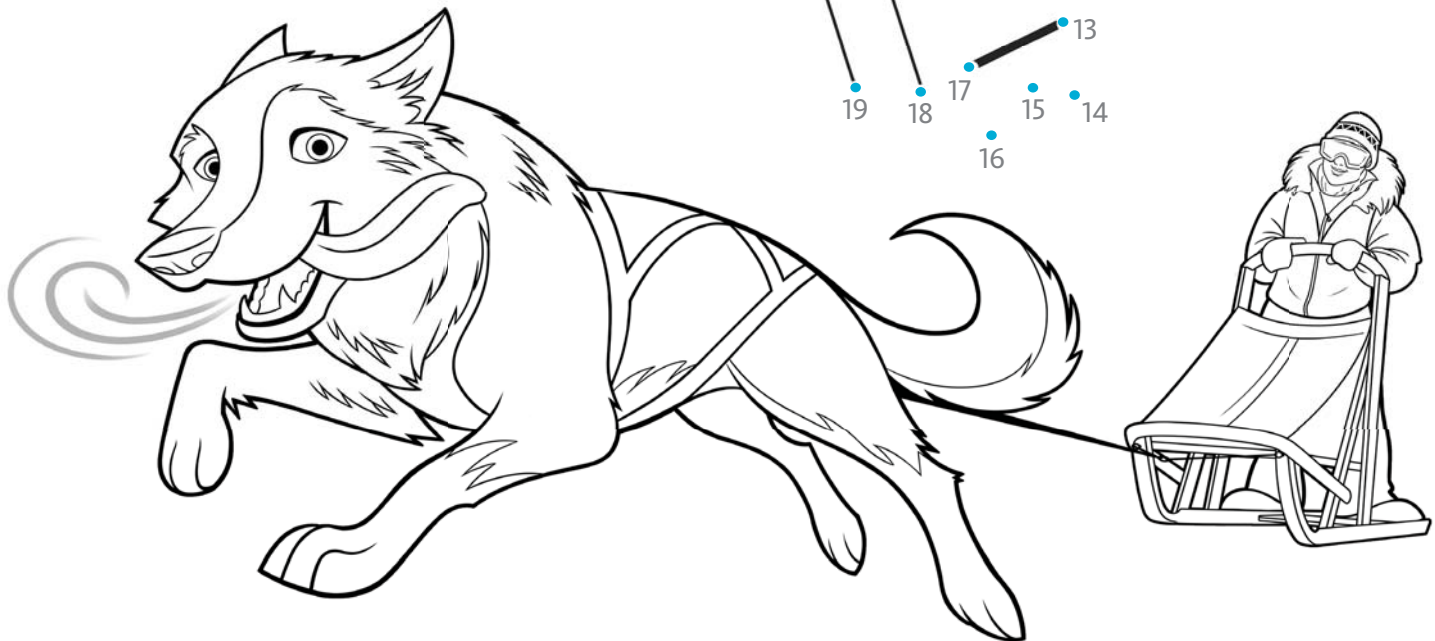
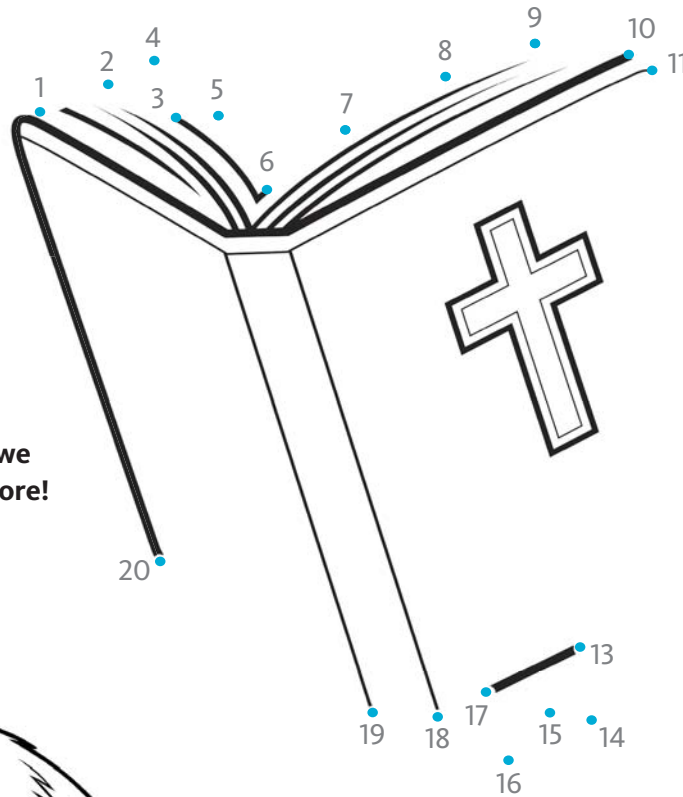
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Exciting to Explore

HELLO, EXPLORERS! We hope you had an incredible time at *Operation Arctic* this week! Today, our animal pal, Dash the husky, reminds us how eager dogsled teams are to explore the Arctic! They are a great example to us when it comes to exploring our Bibles! The Bible is exciting to explore, and we should be ready to learn it, love it, and live it! We need to be exploring our Bibles every day so we can be spiritually fed. Just as you can't eat once a week and be healthy and strong, you can't explore the Bible once a week and expect to be strong in the Lord. Mary and Martha are a great example of just how important being in God's Word is (Luke 10)! Martha was busy getting the house ready for guests, but Mary simply sat at Jesus' feet and listened to Him. Mary had the right attitude. She wanted to spend time with Jesus. We need to spend time daily with Jesus, too, and explore His Word!

The Bible is exciting to explore! Let's learn it, love it, and live it!

Read Luke 10:38–42 with someone, and then connect the dots to complete a picture. Hint: Mary sat and listened to Jesus' Word. The picture will be what we should be excited to explore!



BIBLE GEM VERSE CHALLENGE

Today's Verse

**... Thy word ...
great spoil.**

Psalm 119:162

Challenge: Try some silly survival skills as you say your verse.

- Lick your elbow while saying your verse.
- Stand on one foot while saying your verse.
- Do a split while saying your verse.
- Rub your head and pat your tummy while saying your verse.



Ask yourself this question: Is the Bible my greatest treasure?

GO AND DO

1. Can you remember the five letters that spell the word "Bible"? What does each letter stand for? Do the BIBLE handshake if you remember it!
2. Talk to God and ask Him to help you learn it, love it, and live it (the Bible) more and more!
3. Ask an adult about what she likes to read in the Bible and where and when she likes to do so. Ask her to read Psalm 119:162–163 with you.
4. With an adult, check answersvbs.com/oakids for more fun information!