
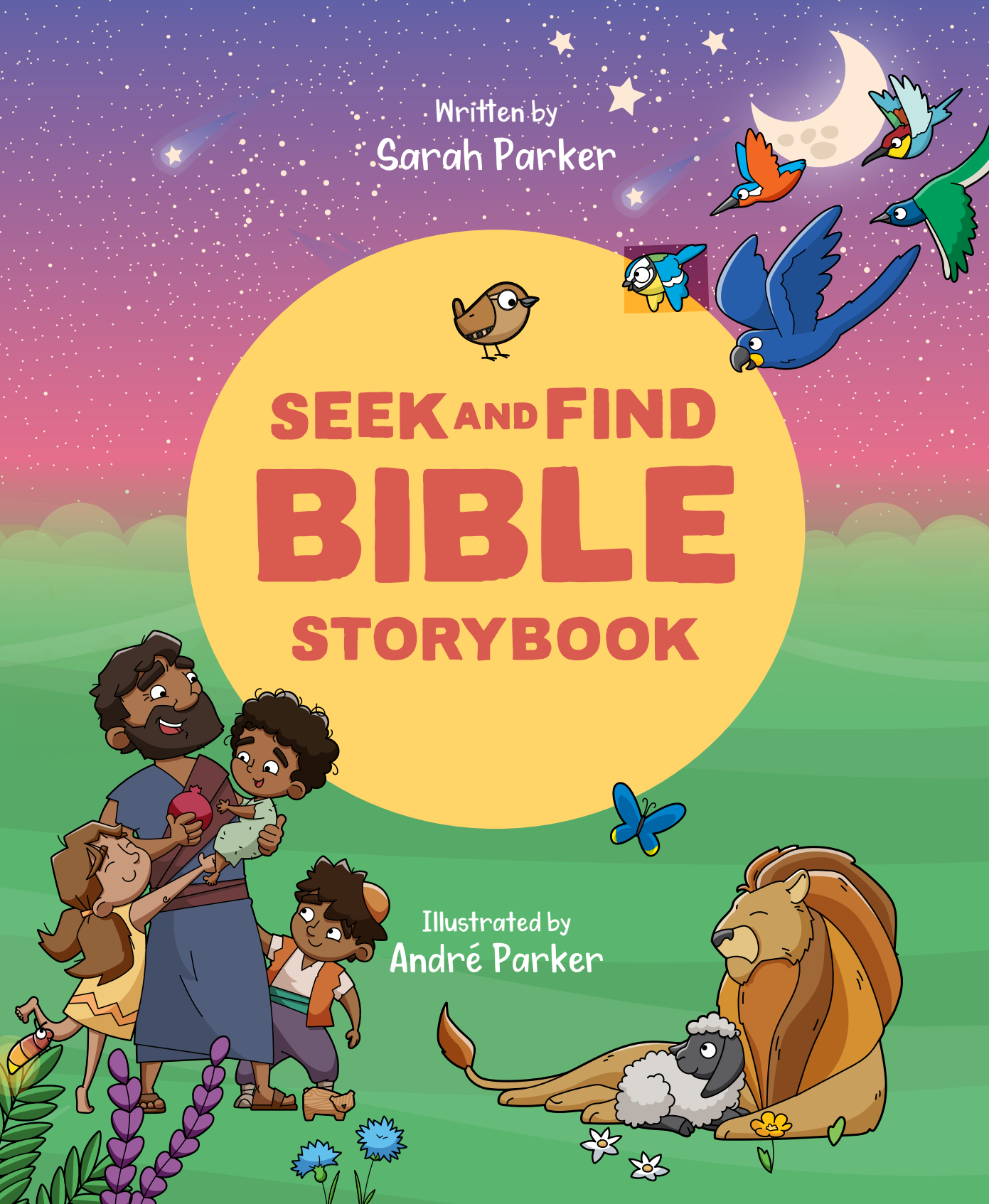


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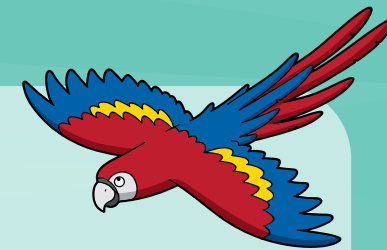
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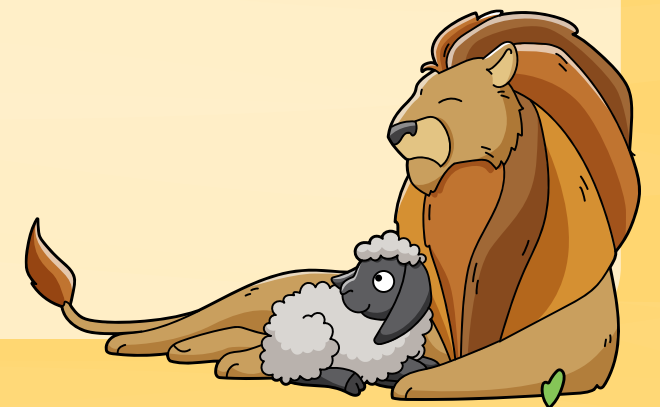
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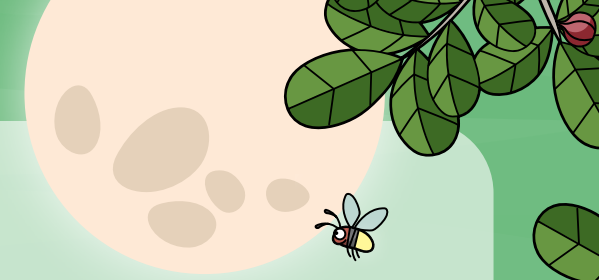
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# WELCOME!

The Bible is amazing! It's full of true stories that teach us all about Jesus and how much he loves us. There's so much to discover!

We really hope you have as much fun exploring this book of Bible stories as we have had creating it for you.

Have fun reading the stories and prayers, and enjoying each action-packed page as you **SEEK AND FIND** every item!

Sarah ♡ Andre



# HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

You can have fun exploring these Bible stories in any way you want, but here's a good way to get started:

## READ, THINK, PRAY

### 1. READ

Read the Bible story and find out about our amazing God.



### 2. THINK

This section helps you to think about the story you've just read.

### 3. PRAY

Use these short prayers to talk to God about what you've discovered.



## EXTRAS

### FACT FILE

This section gives you some extra information from the Bible story.

### BIBLE REFERENCE

Here's where to find the full story in your Bible.

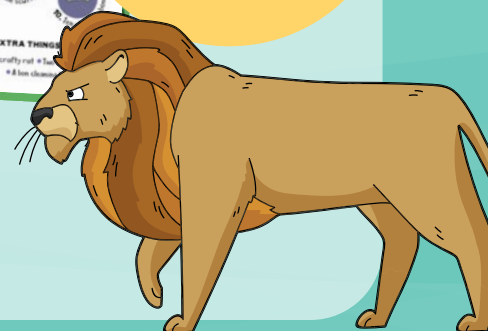
### KEY POINT

A simple line to remember what this story teaches us.

### SEEK AND FIND

Can you find all the things in the picture?

Hello!  
I'm Ruth Wren!  
I'm hiding on every **SEEK AND FIND** page. Can you find me?





# Old Testament Bible Stories

# GOD'S AMAZING GARDEN

## 1. READ

In the beginning God made everything. Just by speaking he made day and night. He made the sky and the land and the sea. He made trees and plants and the sun and the stars and the moon. He made all the animals that swim and fly and roar and squawk and buzz.

And then God made Adam and Eve.

He put them in a beautiful garden to live in and to enjoy — it was an amazing place to be!

God had filled the garden with wonderful things: awesome animals, yummy fruit and pretty flowers.

And God lived with Adam and Eve in the amazing garden. Everything was good and right because God was there!

READ THE  
BIBLE STORY  
**GENESIS  
1-2**

**GOD IS  
OUR AMAZING  
CREATOR!**

## 2. THINK

God is the Creator of EVERYTHING, and in the beginning he made the world good and beautiful. He made people like you and me to live in his world and to enjoy all his amazing creation with him.

- Can you think of one way you can look after God's world?
- Which of God's amazing animals do you like the best?

## GOD MADE YOU!

You are so special.

The same God who made the stars and the moon and the whole wide world... also made YOU!

He made you wonderfully and with so much love. You are so, so precious to God!

FACT  
FILE

## 3. PRAY

Dear God,

Thank you for making this beautiful world. You are **OUR AMAZING CREATOR!** Please help us to enjoy all the beautiful things you made and to look after your world.

Amen

Now turn the page to  
**SEEK  
AND  
FIND!**



# SEEK AND FIND

Can you **SEEK & FIND** all these things in the picture?



1. One sleepy sloth



2. Two happy people



3. Three splashy waterfalls



4. Four big-eyed bushbabies



5. Five beaky toucans



6. Six spotty geckos



7. Seven tiny hummingbirds



8. Eight orange fruits



9. Nine beautiful butterflies



10. Ten white dandelions

## EXTRA THINGS TO FIND:

- A lazy leopard
- A playful otter
- An orange bird

READ THE  
BIBLE STORY  
**GENESIS**  
3 - 4

# LEAVING GOD'S GARDEN

## 1. READ

God said Adam and Eve could eat any fruit in God's perfect garden, except the fruit from one special tree.

One day God's enemy – disguised as a sneaky snake – told Eve she could eat the fruit from the special tree and be like God. Eve trusted the sneaky snake instead of trusting God. She ate the fruit and gave some to Adam.

Because they had disobeyed God, suddenly Adam and Eve knew things weren't good and right any more. They tried to hide from God. But God knew what they had done.

Adam and Eve had to leave the garden. They couldn't be with God anymore. But God still loved them, and he made them a special promise. One day he would send a Rescuer called Jesus, who would make all things good and right again.

**GOD LOVES US  
EVEN WHEN WE DO  
THINGS WRONG**

## TRUST

Trust means believing what someone says, even before they do it. Trust is like saying, "I know you will take care of me" and then feeling happy and safe inside. We can **ALWAYS** trust God!

## FACT FILE

## 2. THINK

Adam and Eve's story reminds us that God knows what's best for us. Even though Adam and Eve didn't listen to God and broke their close friendship with him, God still loved them and promised to send a Rescuer to make everything right again.

- Should Adam and Eve have listened to the sneaky snake or to God?
- Who loves you more than anyone?

## 3. PRAY

Dear God,

Thank you that **YOU LOVE US** even when we do things wrong. Thank you for promising to send Jesus to make everything good and right again. Sorry that sometimes we choose not to listen to you. Please forgive us and help us to remember how much you love us and to trust you.

Amen

Now turn the page to  
**SEEK  
AND  
FIND!**

# SEEK AND FIND

Can you **SEEK & FIND** all these things in the picture?

-  1. One sneaky snake
-  2. Two big trees
-  3. Three prowling civets
-  4. Four mossy logs
-  5. Five blue-tongued skinks
-  6. Six white bones
-  7. Seven grey jackdaws
-  8. Eight angry wasps
-  9. Nine prickly chestnuts
-  10. Ten bristly thistles

## EXTRA THINGS TO FIND:

- A half moon
- A piece of fruit
- A fire that won't light



# ABRAHAM AND SARAH

READ THE BIBLE STORY  
**GENESIS**  
18 v 10-14,  
21 v 1-7

## 1. READ

God had promised Abraham and Sarah that their family would grow to be as many as the stars in the sky and the sand on the seashore. Now, that's a lot!

There was a problem though: Abraham and Sarah were very, very old and wrinkly. So old that they could no longer have any children. They wondered if God was wrong.

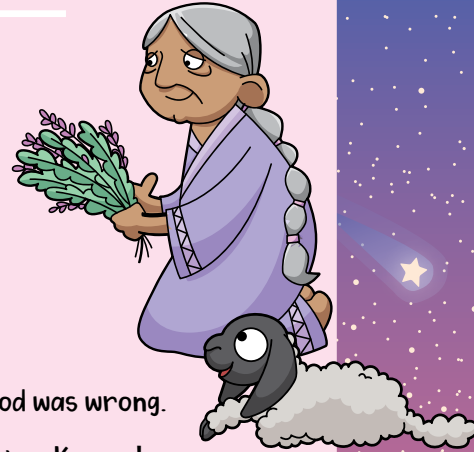
They forgot that God is a Miracle-Worker and a Promise-Keeper!

When Abraham was 100 years old, God gave them a little baby son! They named him Isaac. God had kept his promise!

Abraham and Sarah were so, so happy! Over time, their family grew and grew and grew!



**GOD IS A PROMISE-KEEPER!**



## 2. THINK

God kept his promise to Abraham and Sarah even though it seemed impossible. God will never break a promise, so whether we are very, very old or very, very young, we can always trust God to keep his promises!

- Can you think of any other promises God has made?

## ABRAHAM'S FAMILY

Many years later, after lots and lots of babies were born into Abraham and Sarah's family, a very special baby was born. His name was... Jesus! Turn to page 88 to find out why that was such good news for the whole world!

FACT FILE

## 3. PRAY

Dear God,

Thank you that you kept your promise to Abraham and Sarah. Thank you that you are a **PROMISE-KEEPER**, and so we can trust you for everything, even when things feel impossible to us. Please help us to trust you a little bit more every day. Amen

Now turn the page to **SEEK AND FIND!**



# SEEK AND FIND

Can you **SEEK & FIND** all these things in the picture?



1. One promised child



2. Two happy parents



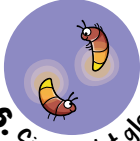
3. Three colourful blankets



4. Four spring lambs



5. Five pottery jars



6. Six bright glow-worms



7. Seven red flowers



8. Eight shooting stars



9. Nine almond blossoms



10. Ten wooden toy animals

## EXTRA THINGS TO FIND:

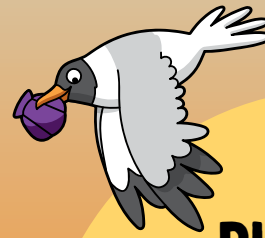
- A humped camel
- Something scratched on a tree
- A toy ark





# JESUS CALLS HIS DISCIPLES

READ THE BIBLE STORY  
**LUKE**  
5 v 1-11



## THE DISCIPLES

FACT FILE

As well as Peter and Andrew, Jesus had other disciples who followed him – twelve all together. Their names were:

Peter, Andrew, James, John, Philip, Nathanael, Matthew, Thomas, James (another one!), Thaddeus, Simon and Judas.

### 1. READ

Time passed, and Jesus grew into a man. One day, he saw two brothers called Peter and Andrew. They were fishermen and had been out all night without catching a single little fishy. Jesus stepped into their boat and said, "Let down your nets for a catch".

Peter said, "We already tried all night. But because you say so, I'll try again." As soon as he let down the nets, they filled with so many splishy, splashy fish that the nets began to break! Peter and Andrew couldn't believe it! They called their friends James and John to help bring all the fish to the shore.

Then Jesus said to them, "Come and follow me, and I will make you fishers of people". The brothers left everything and followed Jesus.

**JESUS CALLS US TO FOLLOW HIM**

### 2. THINK

Fishers of people? That sounds strange! Jesus meant that Peter and Andrew would tell people all about him – and instead of bringing fish into a boat, they would bring people into God's wonderful family.

- Can you think of someone who tells you all about Jesus?
- Did you know that Jesus calls you to follow him too? And you can tell others, just like the disciples!

### 3. PRAY

Dear Jesus,

You know all about us because you are God's Son. Please help me to **FOLLOW YOU** by listening to you and telling others about you, just as Peter and Andrew did.

Amen

Now turn the page to **SEEK AND FIND!**

# SEEK AND FIND

Can you **SEEK & FIND** all these things in the picture?



1. One amazing Jesus



2. Two rocking boats



3. Three long oars



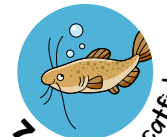
4. Four surprised fish



5. Five black-headed gulls



6. Six hungry grebes



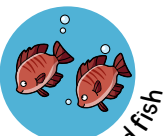
7. Seven big catfish



8. Eight tiny shells



9. Nine wooden floats



10. Ten red fish

## EXTRA THINGS TO FIND:

- A little crab
- Three floating feathers
- A lost hat

# STORIES JESUS TOLD

READ THE  
BIBLE STORY  
**LUKE 15**  
v 1-31

## 1. READ

Jesus told three stories to show us how much God loves us.

First, he told us about a shepherd who had 100 woolly sheep. When one sheep got lost, the shepherd left the 99 safe ones to find the lost one and bring it home safely.

Next, Jesus told us about a woman with ten special, shiny coins. She lost one, so she searched her whole house until she found it. When she finally found it, she celebrated with all her friends.

Lastly, Jesus told a story about a dad with two sons. One of the sons left his dad's house and made some very bad choices. When he had lost everything, he remembered how much his dad loved him and went home. He thought he would be in big trouble... but when his dad saw him, he ran to him, hugged him and threw a big party!

Just like the shepherd, the woman and the dad, Jesus always wants to find us.

## JESUS CAME TO FINDS US



## 2. THINK

These stories show us that God loves us so much!

- The shepherd searched for his lost sheep. When we make wrong choices, Jesus never gives up on us. He comes to find us.
- The lady searched until she found her lost coin and then celebrated.\* Every person is important to Jesus.
- God is a loving Father, just like the father in the story. God loves us so much – when we say sorry and come back to him, he forgives us and welcomes us with joy.



## 3. PRAY

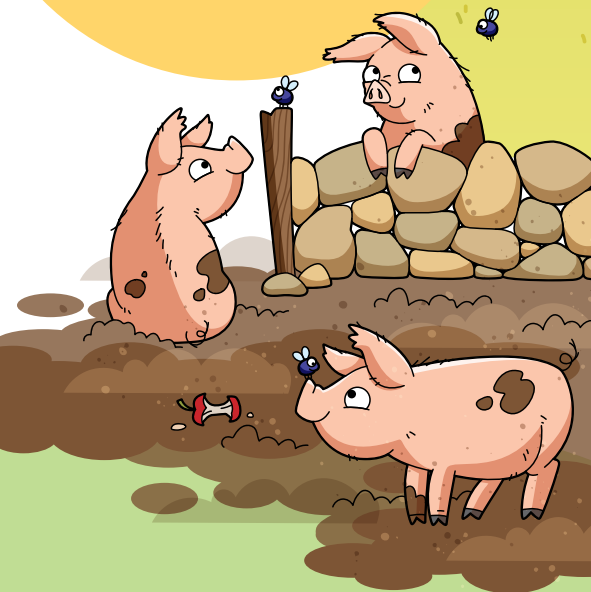
Dear Jesus,

Thank you for always loving us and that **YOU CAME TO FIND US**. Please help us to remember how much you care about us. Thank you that you welcome us into your family. Amen

## A PARTY FOR YOU!

FACT  
FILE

\*Jesus said that when even one person believes in him and trusts him as their special Friend, there is a party in heaven! God is so, so happy when we are friends with Jesus. Isn't that amazing?!



Now turn  
the page to  
**SEEK  
AND  
FIND!**



# SEEK AND FIND

Can you **SEEK & FIND** all these things in the picture?

1. One teaching Jesus
2. Two sweepy brooms
3. Three muddy pigs
4. Four bright lamps
5. Five white clouds
6. Six curious mice
7. Seven grey woodlice
8. Eight buzzy flies
9. Nine pretty flowers
10. Ten woolly sheep

## EXTRA THINGS TO FIND:

- A shiny ring
- An apple core
- Three cooking pots



# AN EARTHQUAKE IN PRISON

READ THE  
BIBLE STORY  
**ACTS 16**  
v 22-34

## 1. READ

Paul and his friend Silas were put into a scary prison for telling people about Jesus. But instead of being sad, they prayed and sang songs to God. The other prisoners listened to them.

Suddenly, in the middle of the night, there was a huge earthquake! CRASH BANG BOOM! The prison doors flew open, and the chains fell off all the prisoners.

The jailer woke up and was very afraid. He thought the prisoners had escaped and that he would be in big, big trouble. "We are here!" said Paul. The jailer was amazed and asked, "What must I do to be saved?" Paul and Silas told him, "Believe in Jesus!" That night, the jailer and his whole family believed in Jesus and were baptized. Paul and Silas were free, and they told even more people about Jesus.

**GOD CAN  
TURN BAD  
INTO GOOD**



## 2. THINK

What started as something bad turned into something good – more people became followers of Jesus!

Paul and Silas were in prison (something bad), but they trusted Jesus.

God used an earthquake (something scary) to set them free and help the jailer believe in Jesus (something good).

Even when things seem bad, God can bring something good out of them!

## 3. PRAY

Dear Jesus,

When bad things happen and we don't understand why, thank you that you can **TURN BAD INTO GOOD**, just like you did for Paul and Silas. Please help us to trust you more each day.

Amen

## BAPTISM

FACT  
FILE

Baptism is a special sign to show that someone's life has changed. The water is a picture of being washed clean and saying to everyone, "I love Jesus, and I want to follow him!"



Now turn  
the page to  
**SEEK  
AND  
FIND!**

# SEEK AND FIND

Can you **SEEK & FIND** all these things in the picture?



1. One happy jailer



2. Two free prisoners



3. Three barred windows



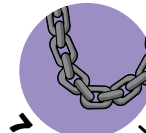
4. Four wooden buckets



5. Five metal locks



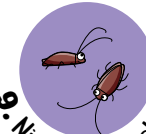
6. Six curious rats



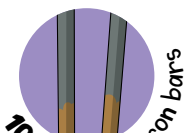
7. Seven clanky chains



8. Eight tiny keys



9. Nine little cockroaches



10. Ten rusty iron bars

## EXTRA THINGS TO FIND:

- A scuttly spider
- A shiny sword
- A rat with a key



# WITH JESUS FOR EVER

READ THE BIBLE STORY  
REVELATION  
21 v 1-4

## 1. READ

One day Jesus is coming back just as he promised, and it will be the happiest day ever!

The Bible tells us that when Jesus comes back, there will be no more pain, no more crying and no more sadness. God will wipe away every tear, and he will make everything new and perfect.

We will all live with Jesus for ever in a beautiful place where there is nothing bad – there will be only joy, peace and love. We will get to be with Jesus all the time.

What an amazing day that will be!

## JESUS IS COMING BACK!



## 2. THINK

When we feel sad or things are hard, we can remember the amazing promise Jesus made – that he is coming back!

One day there will be no more pain or tears. Everything will be full of joy and peace with Jesus for ever.

This gives us hope because we know that something better is coming.

## 3. PRAY

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for the wonderful news that **YOU ARE COMING BACK** and that there will be no more pain or crying but only happiness and joy! Help me to look forward to that special day.

Amen

## WHAT WILL IT BE LIKE?

Jesus says we will live with him for ever in a new earth. We don't know exactly what that will be like, but we do know that Jesus will be there and it will be like the best day of your life... but for ever!

FACT FILE

Now turn the page to **SEEK AND FIND!**

# SEEK AND FIND

Can you **SEEK & FIND** all these things in the picture?



\* Be careful not to count Ruth Wren!

## EXTRA THINGS TO FIND:

- A rainbow
- A girl tickling a snow leopard
- A big dinosaur



# WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED?

God is our amazing Creator!  
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God always hears our prayers  
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God takes care of his people  
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God looks after us  
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God loves us to talk to him  
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God is always in control  
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God loves us and looks after us  
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God shows us the best way to live  
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Jesus is coming back!  
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# KEEP DISCOVERING

We hope you've had lots of fun reading these Bible stories, and that they've helped you discover just how amazing, powerful and loving God is — and just how much Jesus loves you.

This book is only a tiny peek at the big adventure of the real Bible. So as you grow, keep reading, exploring and asking questions! There's always more to discover.

Always remember that you are God's masterpiece. He sees you. He knows when you are happy, and he sees every tear. He sees when you are brave and every time you feel unsure. God knows all about you — your questions, the things you're great at, the things you struggle with, and the things you're still learning. And he loves you always. On your best days and your hardest days, his love never changes.

God wants you to love him too and to be your Friend. That's why he sent Jesus! Because of Jesus, you can talk to God at any time — you can thank him for good things, ask him for help and know that he's always listening. You're never alone because Jesus is always with you.

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