

Year 2

Week 98

God Answers Hezekiah

Scriptures: II Chronicles 32, II Kings 20

Key Verse: 2 Kings 20:5 " 'Return and tell Hezekiah the leader of My people, 'Thus says the LORD , the God of David your father; I have seen your tears; surely I will heal you. ' "

Key Points:

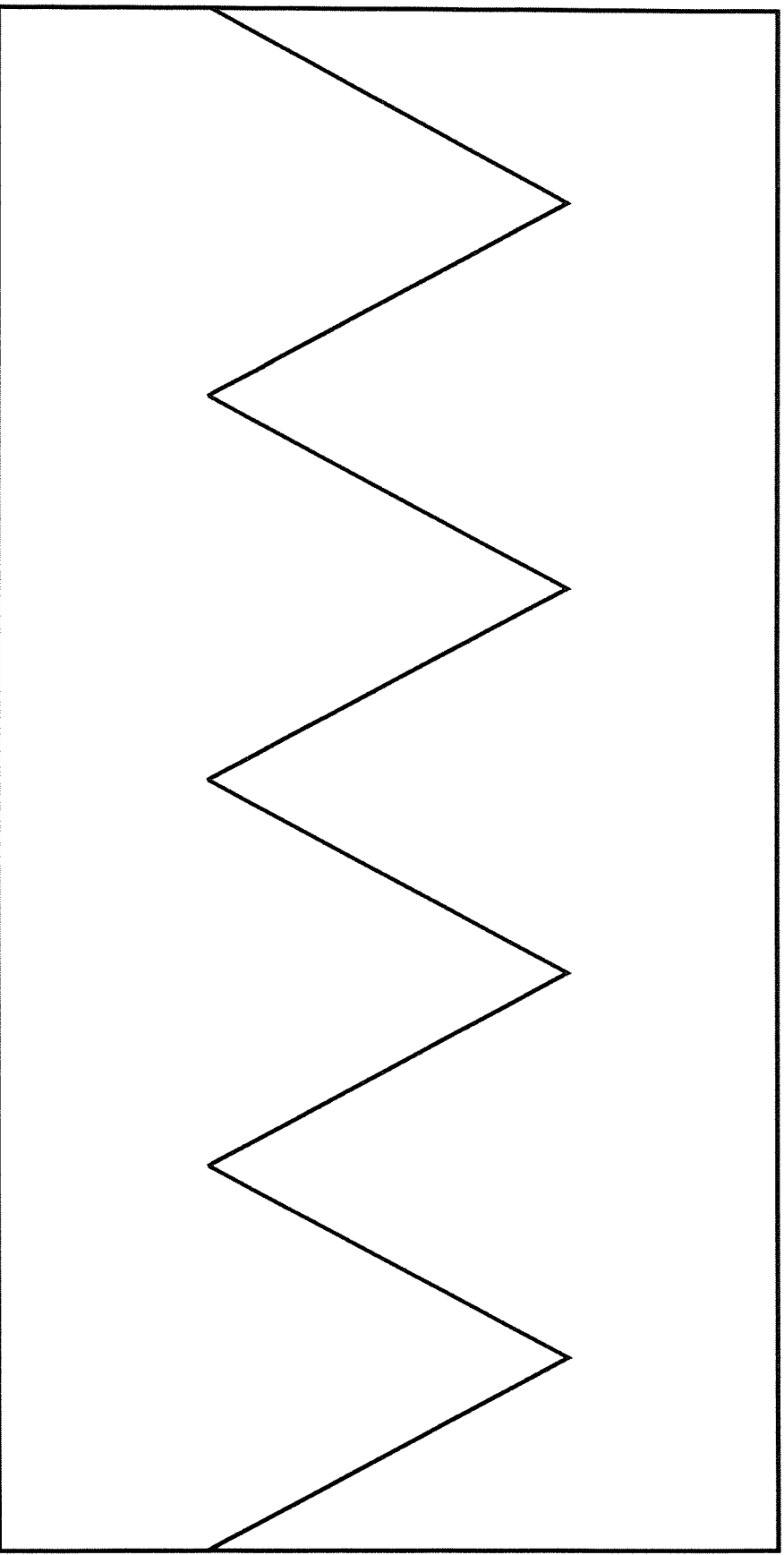
1. Hezekiah was sick and near death. The prophet Isaiah told him to put his affairs in order because God said he would die. Hezekiah asked God to spare his life. God told Isaiah to convey that He had heard Hezekiah's prayer, and that He would add fifteen years to his life. Hezekiah asked Isaiah for a sign to prove that God would indeed spare him. Isaiah asked God to move the shadow backward ten degrees on a sundial.

2. After God spared Hezekiah's life, Hezekiah became proud. This angered God. Hezekiah realized his fault and humbled himself, so God spared Judah during the life of Hezekiah.

3. Hezekiah became very rich (2 Chronicles 32:27-30), and when the Babylonian ambassadors came to visit Jerusalem after Hezekiah's sickness, they asked to see everything in his house, his treasury, his armory, and his kingdom. Anything they wanted to see, he was happy to show them. After the Babylonians left, Isaiah came to see Hezekiah. He asked Hezekiah how much he had shown the Babylonians. When he heard that Hezekiah had shown them everything, Isaiah told him that, after his death, everything he had would be taken away to Babylon. Hezekiah's own descendants would be servants in the house of the Babylonian king.

4. Hezekiah died and was buried with his fathers. Manasseh becomes king of Judah.

Basic Zigzag Crown



114. HEZEKIAH RESTORES TEMPLE WORSHIP

(2 CHRONICLES 29:20-36)



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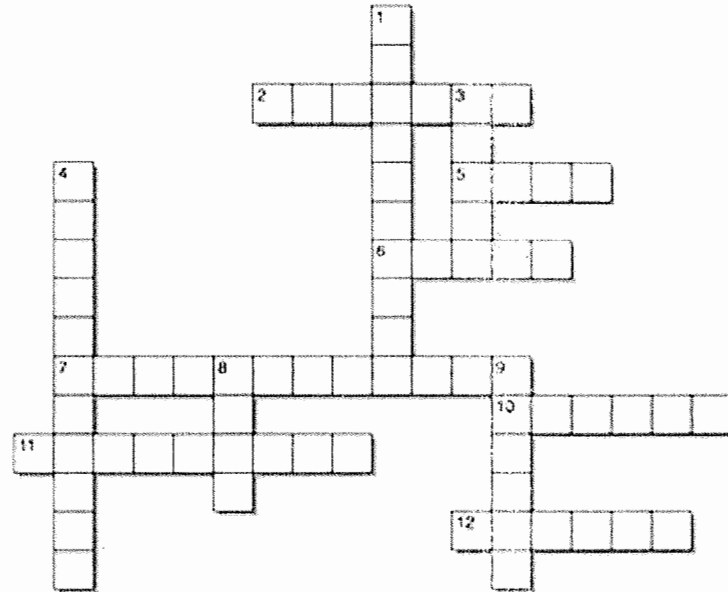
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KING HEZEKIAH'S GOLD



ACROSS

- 2) Hezekiah cut down the _____. (2 Kings 18:4)
5) Hezekiah gave the Assyrians ____ from the Temple. (2 Kings 18:16)
6) Enemies attacked Israel because they worshipped _____ gods.
(2 Kings 17:15)
7) The King of Judah kept God's _____. (2 Kings 18:6)
10) Hezekiah asked for help from this prophet. (2 Kings 19:20)
11) The king of Assyria ordered his soldiers to attack this city.
(2 Kings 18:17)
12) Hezekiah took gold and silver from the _____, (2 Kings 18:16)

DOWN

- 1) Hezekiah was _____ years old when he began to rule Judah.
(2 Kings 18:1)
3) The ____ of God killed many enemy soldiers. (2 Kings 19:35)
4) Name of the Assyrian king who attacked Judah. (2 Kings 18:13 ESV)
8) Hezekiah was the son of this man. (2 Kings 18:1)
9) The king of Assyria demanded three hundred talents of ____ and thirty
talents of gold. (2 Kings 18:14)

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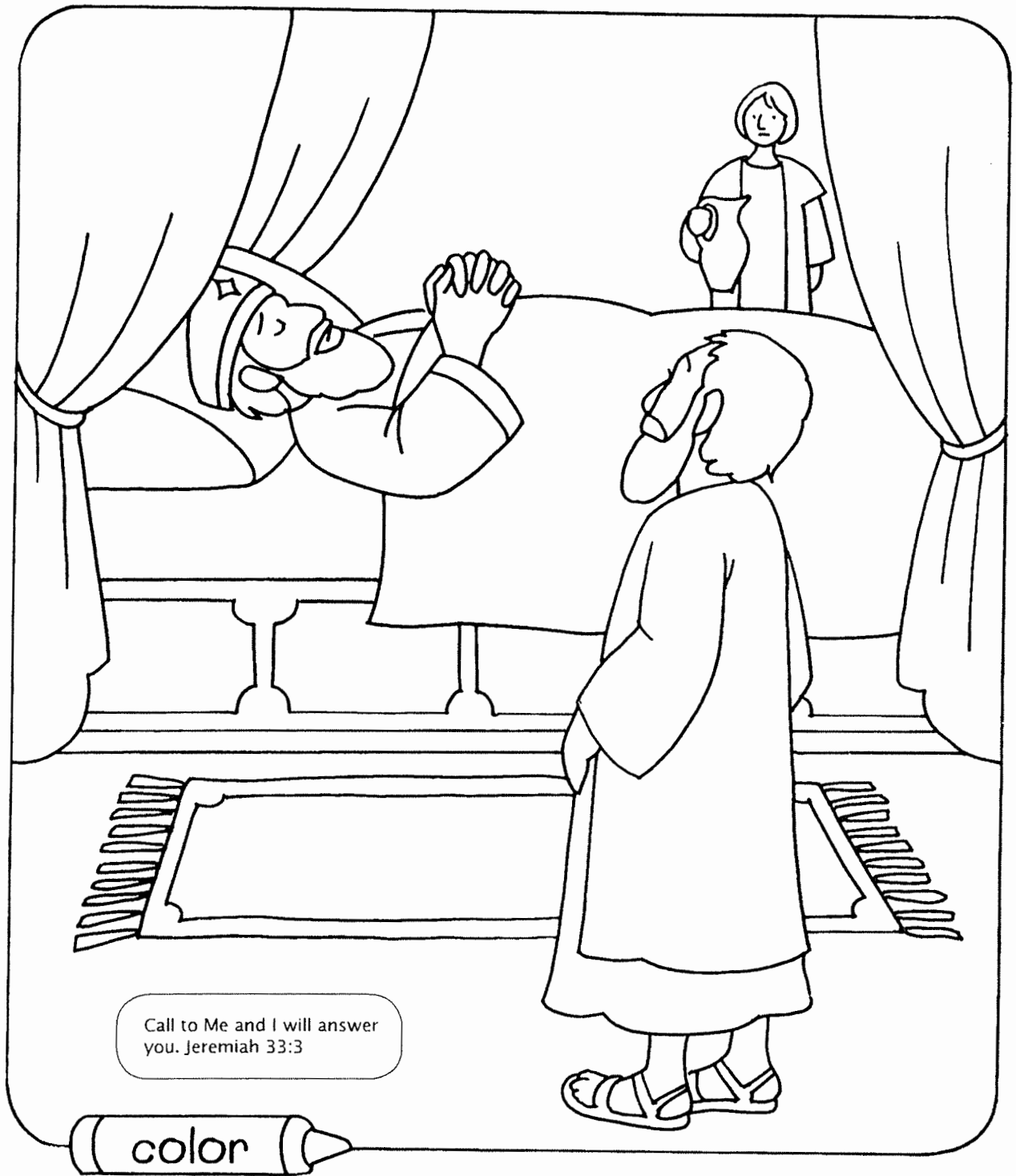
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God Reverses the Sun's Shadow
2 Kings 20:1-11; Isaiah 38:1-8



Craft Guide

- Make a paper plate sundial -

Lesson 8: God Reverses the Sun's Shadow

Paper-Plate Stage

Materials: For each project, you will need a copy of Activity Pages 8A and 8B from the Early Childhood Teacher Guide, a 9-inch paper plate, construction paper, paper brads, markers or crayons, and scissors.

Instructions: Make copies of Activity Pages 8A and 8B. Have the children color both pages. Cut each section of pictures out. Glue the Bible story scenes to one half of the plate and the scenes that show prayer opportunities to the other half. Cut out the hand, or trace around the child's hand onto construction paper and cut it out. Use a paper brad to attach the hand through the middle to the center of the plate. Move the hand backwards to retell the story. Move the hand forward on the bottom half to talk about how God wants us to pray to Him at all times. Let the children make the Hezekiah figure into a storytelling figure by attaching it to a straw or cup.

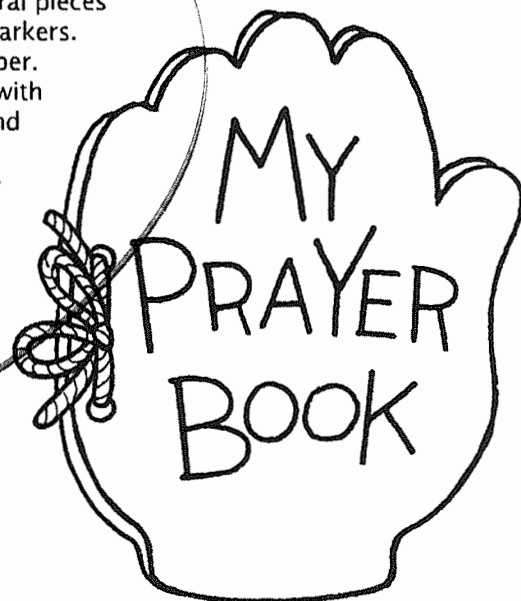
Option: You will need a place to store this project so it can dry and be sent home next week. Have children make clay plaques of their handprint. Ahead of time, make the clay by mixing 1 cup salt, ½ cup flour, and 1 cup water in a saucepan. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly until thick and rubbery. Cool and store in an airtight container.

In class, roll a ball of clay for each child into a circle and flatten so that it is about ¼-inch thick. Have each child make a hand imprint in the clay, keeping fingers together so that it looks like a praying hand. Poke a hole at the top for hanging. Let the clay dry. In two days, turn it over to dry on the other side. Help the children string yarn through it the next week. If desired, they can paint or decorate it with art supplies. Send it home the next week along with the Bible Words. As you are working on the project, talk about how God promises to hear and answer our prayers.

Prayer Book

To Prepare: For each book, you will need several pieces of craft paper, paper punches, yarn, scissors, and markers.

First, fold in half two or more pieces of craft paper. Then trace and cut out several praying hand pages with the edge of the hand on the fold. Open the pages and punch two holes along the edge of the fold. Cut a piece of yarn, and tie the pages together on the outside of the book. Inside write the names of people for whom you would like to pray, draw their pictures, or add photos or special prayers.



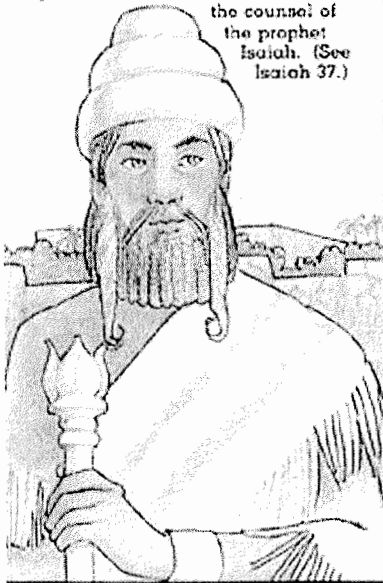
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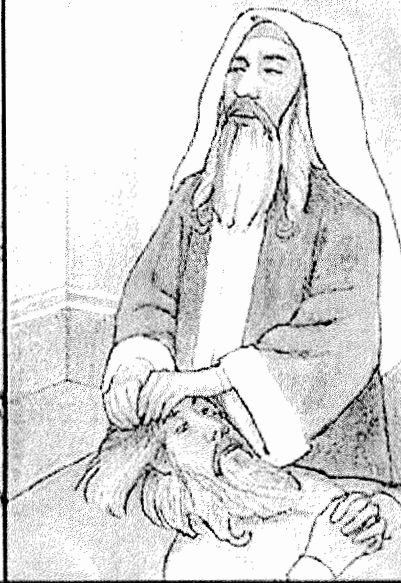
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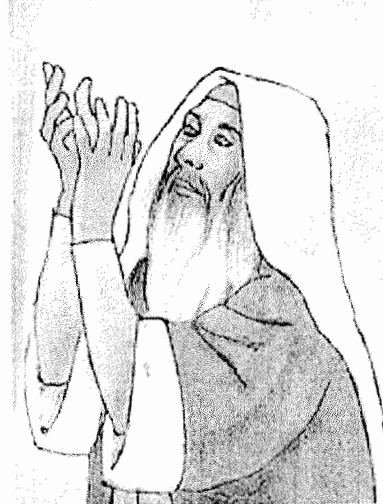
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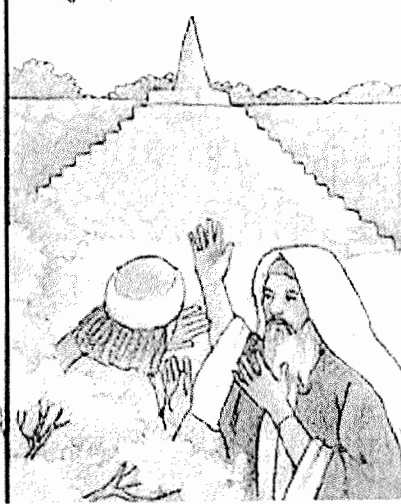
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HEZEKIAH CLEANSSES THE TEMPLE

(2 CHRONICLES 29:3-19)

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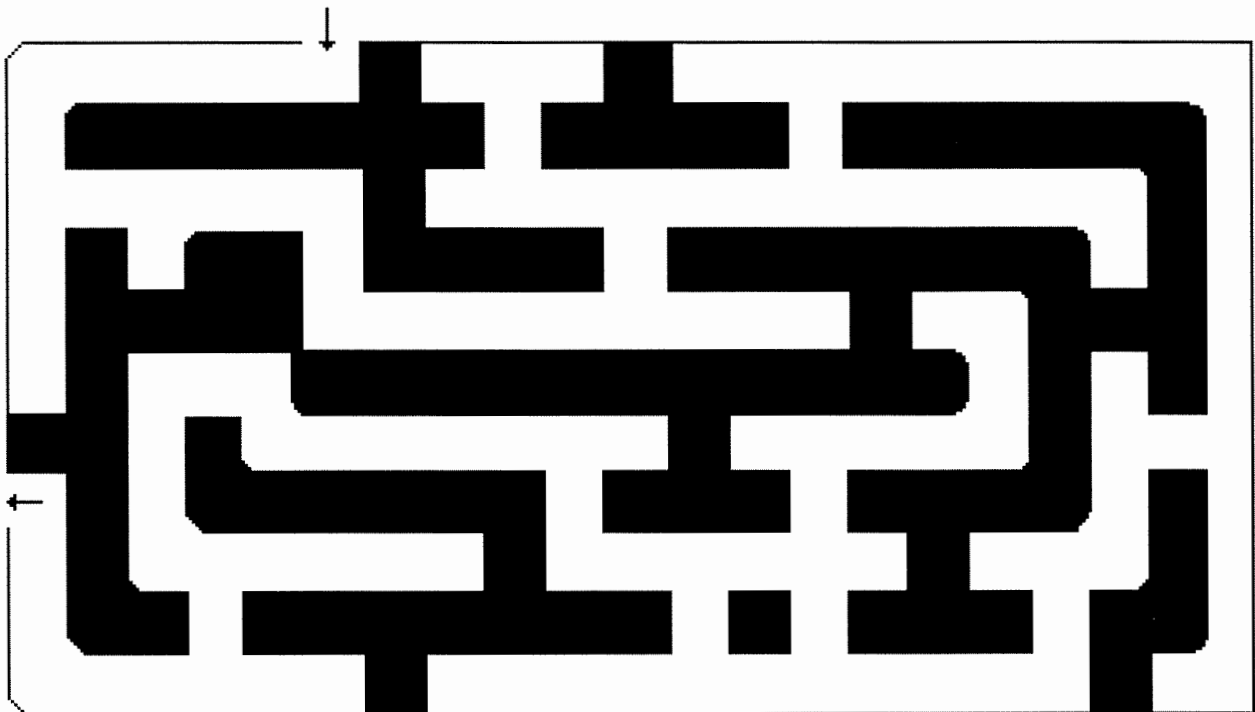
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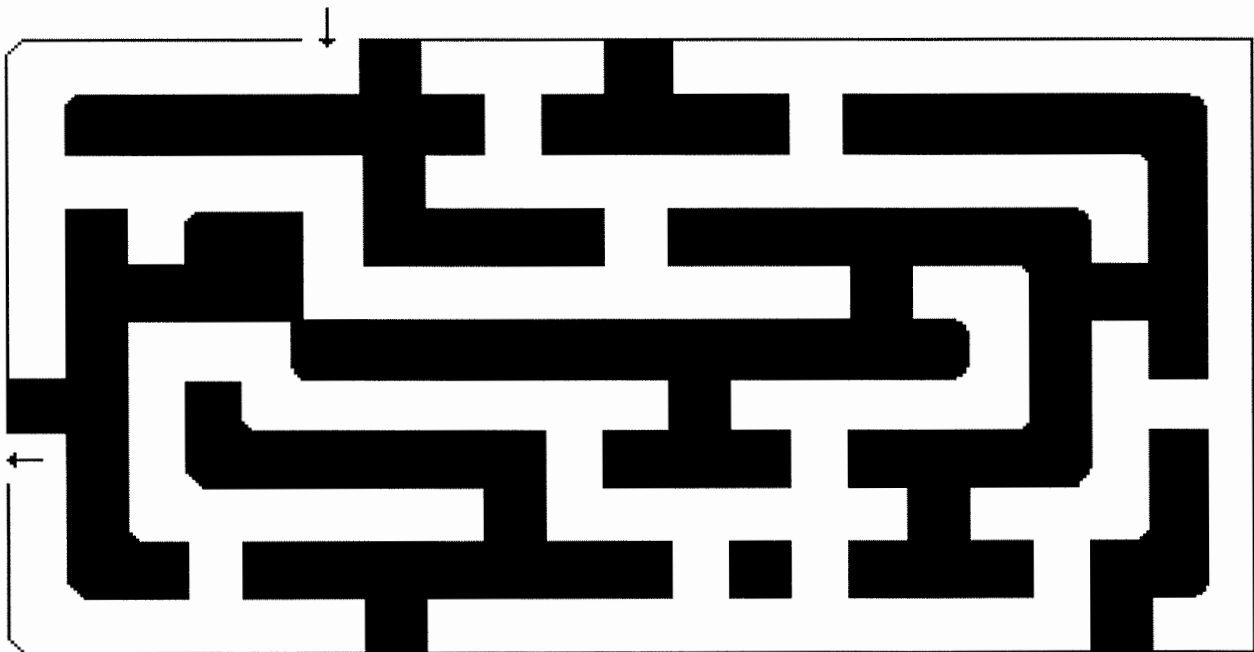
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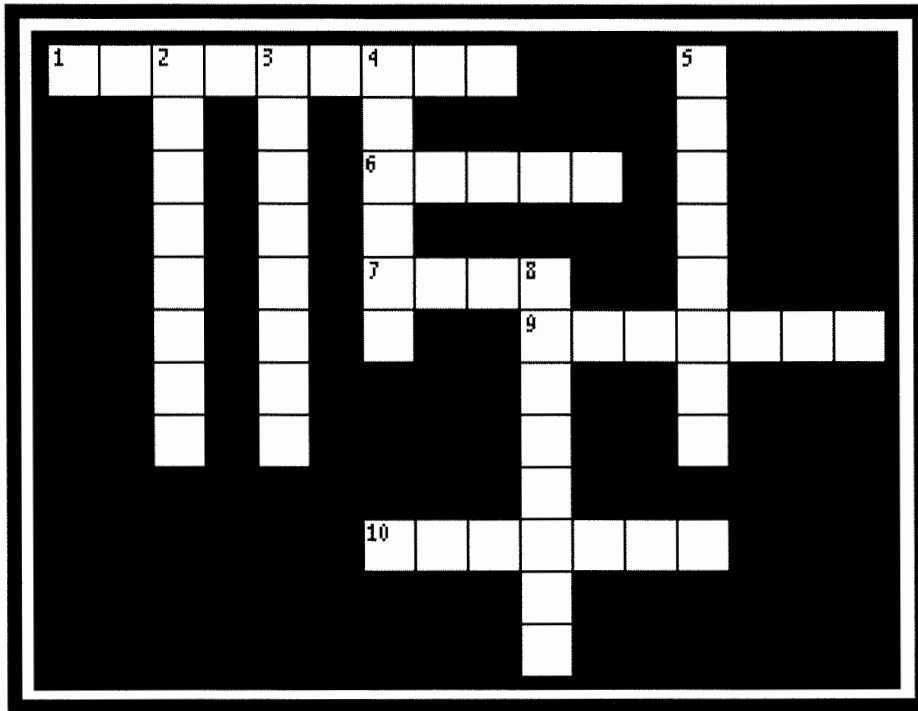
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- 3 DOWN "King _____ rose early, gathered the rulers of the city, and went up to the house of the LORD." **2 CHRONICLES 29:20**
- 6 ACROSS "Then he commanded the priests, the sons of Aaron, to offer them on the _____ of the LORD." **2 CHRONICLES 29:21**
- 9 ACROSS "Then he stationed the _____ in the house of the LORD with cymbals, with stringed instruments, and with harps." **2 CHRONICLES 29:25**
- 10 ACROSS "The Levites stood with the instruments of David, and the _____ with the trumpets." **2 CHRONICLES 29:26**
- 7 ACROSS "Then Hezekiah commanded them to offer the burnt offering on the altar. And when the burnt offering began, the _____ of the LORD also began, with the trumpets and with the instruments of David king of Israel." **2 CHRONICLES 29:27**
- 5 DOWN "So all the congregation worshiped, the singers sang, and the trumpeters sounded; all this continued until the burnt _____ was finished." **2 CHRONICLES 29:28**
- 1 ACROSS "And when they had finished offering, the king and all who were present with him bowed and _____." **2 CHRONICLES 29:29**
- 4 DOWN "Moreover King Hezekiah and the leaders commanded the Levites to sing _____ to the LORD with the words of David and of Asaph the seer." **2 CHRONICLES 29:30**
- 8 DOWN "So they sang praises with _____, and they bowed their heads and worshiped." **2 CHRONICLES 29:30**
- 2 DOWN "Hezekiah and all the people _____ that God had prepared the people, since the events took place so suddenly." **2 CHRONICLES 29:36**









**Hezekiah
Is Healed**
2 Kings 20:1-11

Tell Hezekiah's Story

Read 2 Kings 20:1-11 to find the words you need to fill in the blanks in the story below. Or, you can choose words from the word list that fit the blanks. Then take the letters inside the shapes and complete the sentence at the bottom of the page.

- (v. 1) _____  _____ became very sick.
- (v. 1) The _____  _____ _____ _____ _____ Isaiah went to see him.
- (v. 2) Hezekiah turned toward the _____  _____ and prayed to the Lord.
- (v. 3) Hezekiah _____  _____ _____  _____ loudly.
- (v. 4) The Lord spoke his word to _____ _____ _____ _____ .
- (v. 5) "Go back and tell Hezekiah, I have heard your _____  _____ _____ ."
- (v. 8) Hezekiah asked, "What will be the _____  _____ _____ _____ _____ that the Lord will heal me?"
- (v. 10) Hezekiah answered, "Let the shadow go back ten _____  _____ _____ _____ _____ ."

Word List
cried
Hezekiah
Isaiah
prayer
sign
steps
wall
prophet

The     _____ will do what he    

For Thinkers Only

The Sun Stood Still.....

One day, Joshua was in the midst of an important battle with the Amorites. He was winning, but the sun was beginning to set, and he was afraid the enemy would escape in the darkness. So he prayed and asked God to stop the sun in the sky. God did just that! The sun stood still for almost 24 hours while Joshua won the battle. Impossible????? Not for God! (Joshua 10)

Then It Moved Backward!

As if the Joshua story were not miraculous enough, God caused something even more strange and impossible to happen.

King Hezekiah's health was bad. The Lord had already told him that he needed to prepare himself to die, but the king was not ready to die. He was a good man and asked God to let him live 15 years longer. God sent the prophet Isaiah to tell Hezekiah the good news that He was going to answer his prayer with a big YES!

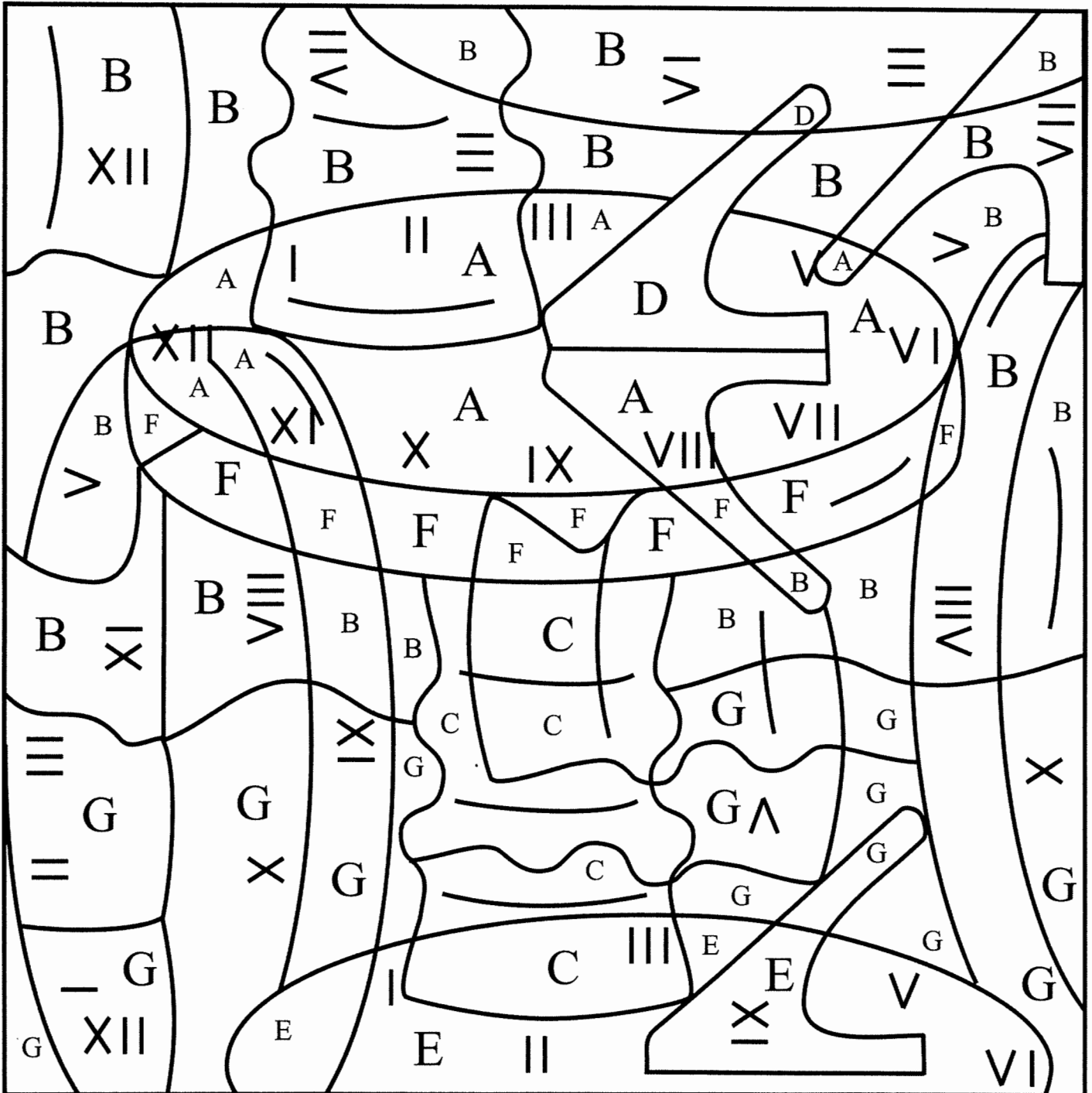
Well, Hezekiah could hardly believe it. He was skeptical. He asked for proof that God was really going to heal him and let him live. God said, "I will have the shadow on your sundial suddenly move forward 10 points or backward 10 points. Which way do you want it to move?" Hezekiah chose backward because he knew it would be more difficult or unusual for the sun to move backward but that was no problem for God. Back the sun went, and the shadow on the sundial moved back with it. So the extra minutes that were left of the almost-24-hour day that the sun stood still for Joshua were used by this event in Hezekiah's life and a whole extra day was added to time! (2 Kings 20)

Isn't God clever? He is the author of law and order, and He always knows how to make things come out just perfect!!

Some people think!

Color the Shapes

Got a few *minutes*? Take *time* to color the shapes. A is gold. B is blue. C is brown. D is silver. E is black. F is yellow. G is green. *Watch* what you are doing. Have fun!



Back It Up!



time



people



sundial



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numbers



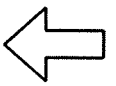
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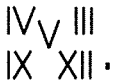

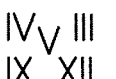









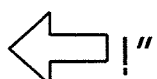

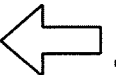

die



pray



back

In Bible s  didn't have clocks. How did  know what  it was? They used s. The  makes a shadow on the . The shadow falls on . As the  moves, the shadows move. The  at the shadow show the . Once a  became sick. God's prophet Isaiah said to him, "You will . Get ready." The  did not want to . He ed to God. Isaiah said to him, "God heard you . God says you will live 15 more years." "How do I know that is true?" the  asked. "The shadow on the  will move !" Isaiah said. "This will be a sign to you." It was true. God moved the 's shadow . The  lived.

HEZEKIAH

2 Kings 18-20

Look at this picture of Hezekiah, then find the shapes shown in the key box.

Hezekiah was king of Judah. He wanted to show how much he loved God, so he rebuilt God's temple. He held big feasts in God's honor to remind the people about God.

