

Old Testament

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One Year Plan



GOD'S WORD

Created for use with young, unchurched learners Adaptable for all ages.

MOSES IS BORN



EXODUS 1-2

Memory Verse:
Give all your worries and cares to
God, for He cares about what
happens to you.
1 Peter 5:7

Lesson Goals

1. Understand that the Israelites became slaves in Egypt.
2. Learn that all Israelite baby boys were ordered to be killed.
3. Learn that Moses' mother hid him for three months.
4. Learn that God saved Moses through his mother's act of faith.

Prayer Time

1. Take a moment to listen to God.
2. Thank God for sending Jesus to deliver us from sin.
3. Ask God to help you follow Him.
4. Pray for friends and family members who need to be delivered from sin.

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Read Exodus 2:1-10 (Hold your Bible throughout the story.)

Do You Know Jesus?

God sent His Son Jesus to earth to show us how much He loves each of us. Like Moses, God has a good plan for your life. He wants to use you to do great things for Him. The first step is to ask Jesus to come into your life. He will send His Holy Spirit to guide and teach you to live for Him. Then you can be part of God's plan!

Application

Jochebed and Miriam had special courage during a dangerous time. They trusted God to protect Moses, but they also did something about it. We may face scary times in life, but we need to trust God. He will take care of us. Also, we should not be afraid to speak out for Jesus when we have an opportunity.

Begin With Prayer

Last week we learned that Joseph ruled in Egypt next only to the Pharaoh. There was a famine in the land. Jacob sent his sons to buy food in Egypt. They did not recognize Joseph (the brother they sold to slavery in Egypt). Joseph tested his brothers, but later he told them who he was. He told them to bring his father, Jacob, to live in Egypt. So Jacob and all of Joseph's brothers and their families moved to Egypt.

Years passed, and there was a new Pharaoh in Egypt. He did not know about how Joseph had helped during the famine. He looked out over his land and saw that the Israelites (descendants of Jacob) were growing in number greater than his people, the Egyptians. He was afraid that one day the Israelites might try to take over the kingdom. So he decided to make them slaves. But they still kept growing in number! So Pharaoh did a horrible thing. He ordered that all Hebrew boy babies should be killed. (Exodus 1:1-16)

One Israelite couple, Amram and Jochebed, (Jock-a-bed) had a baby boy. Jochebed hid the baby for three months. The Bible says that he was not an ordinary child. He was a beautiful baby. When she could no longer hide him, she made a basket out of woven grass. She covered the basket with tar to keep the water out. She placed the baby inside the basket. She put it in the water and had his sister Miriam watch as it floated down the river.

Before long, the Pharaoh's daughter came to the river to take a bath. She saw the basket floating and sent her maid to get it. When the princess opened the basket, she saw the baby! She wanted to keep the child.

Miriam saw what happened. She told the princess that she would find someone to help care for the baby. She hurried home and brought the baby's mother to care for him. The king's daughter named the baby "Moses" because she got him out of the water. (Exodus 2:5-10)

Wow! It took a lot of courage for Moses' mother to put him in a basket. She trusted God that He would protect her son. And God did protect Moses! Miriam also showed courage by speaking to Pharaoh's daughter and telling her she knew someone who could take care of him. So Moses' mother was able to help raise him!

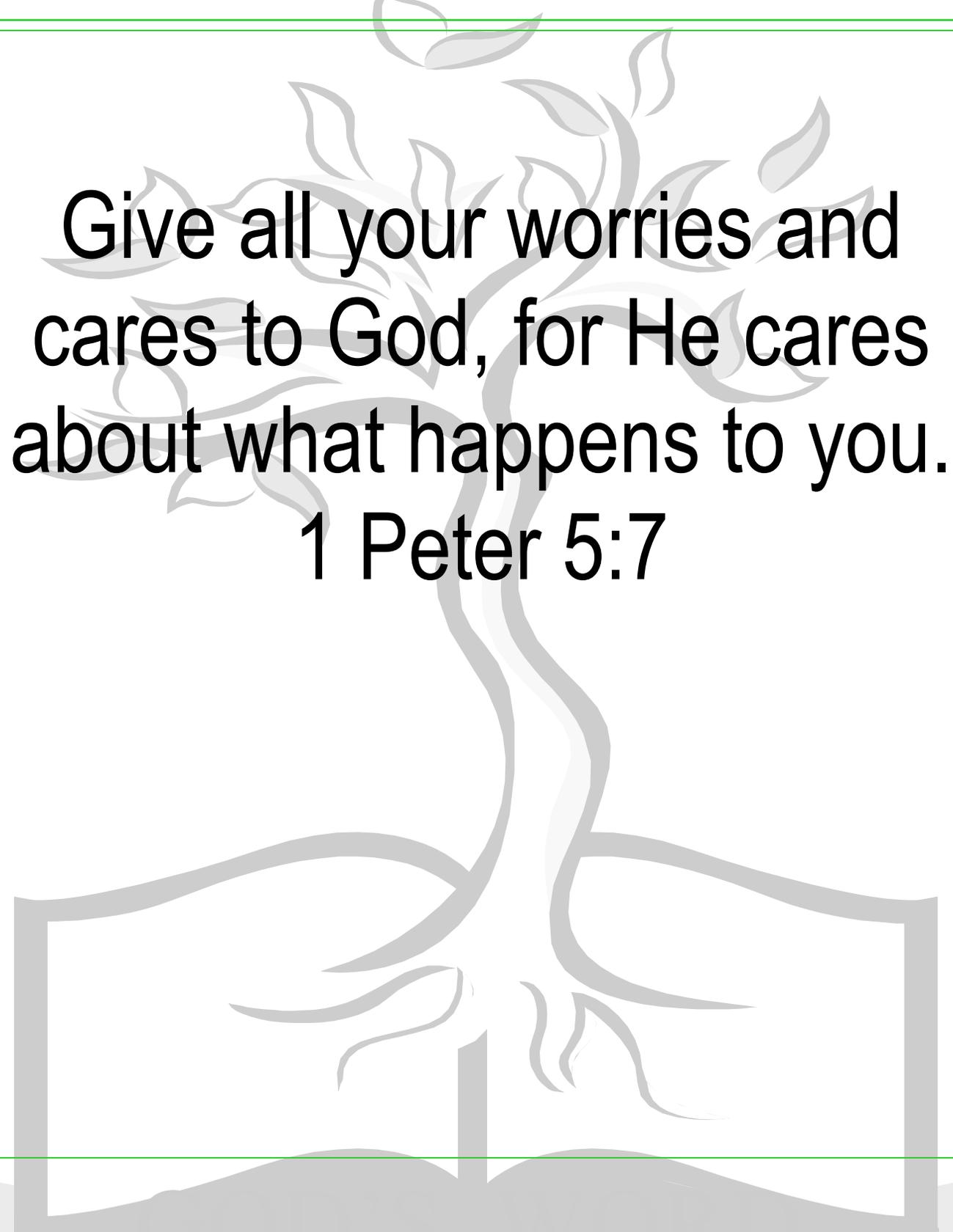
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Review Questions

1. What did Moses' mother do? (hid him for three months)
2. What else did Moses' mother do? (made a basket and put him in the river)
3. What happened to Moses? (Pharaoh's daughter found him and decided to raise him as her own.)
4. What did God do? (saved Moses)

Next Week: A Burning Bush — Exodus 3:1-22

Memory Verse



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1 Peter 5:7

Preschool Lesson

Read Genesis 2:1-10 (Hold your Bible throughout the story.)

Memory verse for younger children:

He cares about what happens to you. 1 Peter 5:7

Teacher: Bring a baby doll and a basket to illustrate the story.

Begin With Prayer

Joseph's family moved to Egypt. And soon they had a lot of children! Years passed, and there was a new Pharaoh (king) in Egypt. He did not know about how Joseph had helped during the time when there was no food. He looked out over his land and saw that the Israelites (children of Jacob) were growing in numbers. So he decided to make them slaves. But they *still* kept growing in numbers! So Pharaoh tried to get rid of all the baby boys.

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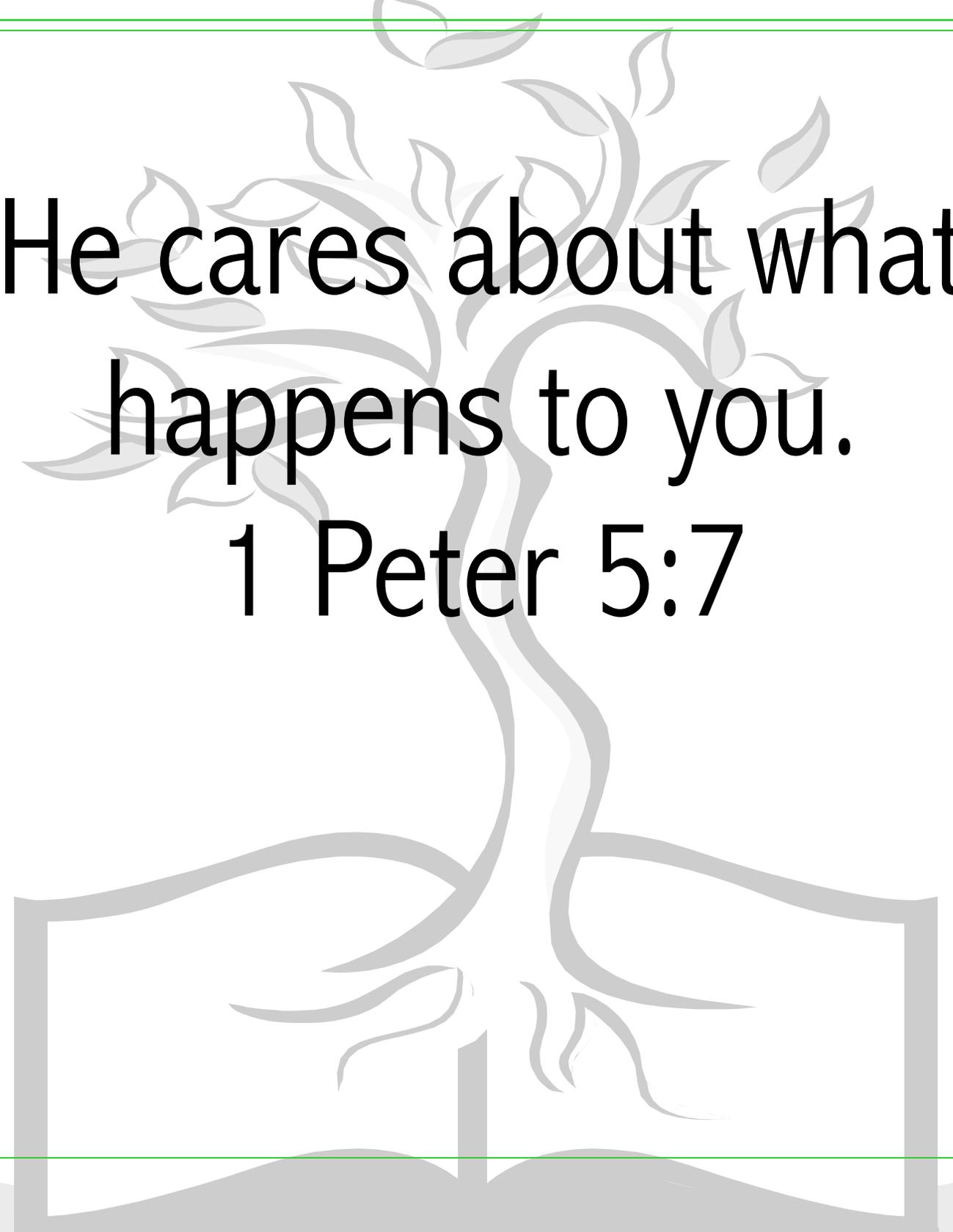
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Preschool Memory Verse



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Word Art

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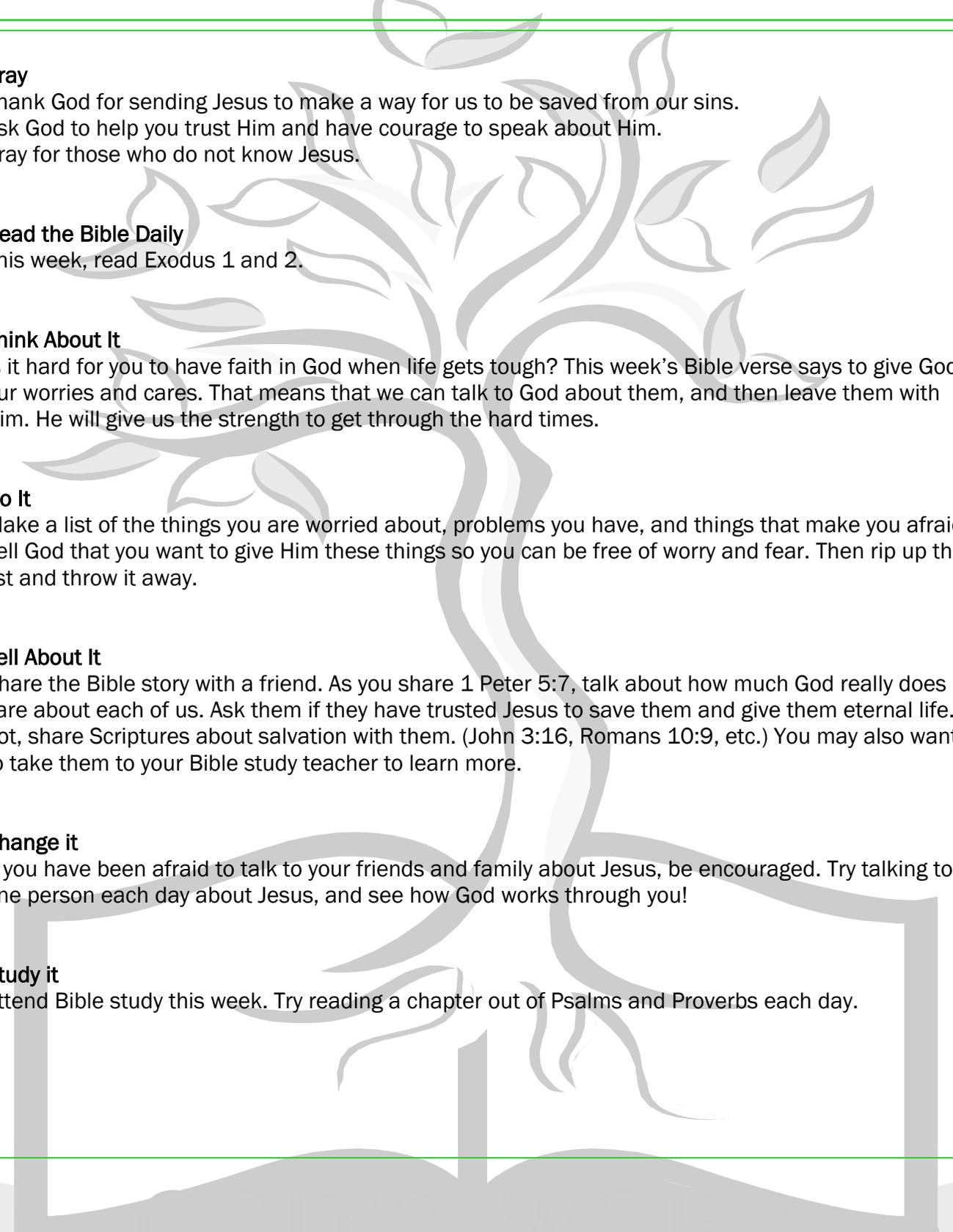
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Learning Activities

- **Memory verse activity** — Cut out figures of reeds from green construction paper. Write the memory verse. Have the children practice the verse. Remind them that Moses' sister watched over him until Pharaoh's daughter found him.
- **Test your memory** — Bring a tub and fill it with water. Bring a plastic basket with a toy baby. Put it in the water as you tell the story.
- **Taste activity** — Wrap a tortilla around a banana or wrap cheese and ham in a tortilla to make a "baby" in the blanket snack.
- **Think about it** — The Israelites were slaves. Their baby boys were being killed. It had to be difficult. Talk about what emotions the Israelites might have felt. The Israelites cried out to God. Talk about the importance of faith in difficult circumstances.
- Moses' mother made a basket to put her baby in the river. Talk about how difficult that must have been. Talk about what it is like to be separated from family. Talk about how God provides a family for us. He is our Father. We have brothers and sisters in Christ.
- **Touch activity** — Teach the kids how to weave by using a cup. Cut vertical strips around the cup and weave yarn back and forth around the cup.
- Make baskets out of play dough and act out the lesson.
- Show the kids how to care for a baby. Talk about how to feed and bathe a little child. Show them how to wrap a blanket around a baby, too.
- **Run and play** — Here is a fun water activity from Group Publishing. Bring 2 large sheets and water-filled water balloons. Divide the group into two teams that will hold the sheets. Now let the teams toss the balloon back and forth using the sheets. Talk about how God cares for us and will help us with our needs.
- **Listen** — As the children take time for silence, remind them that God wants us to follow His plan for our lives.
- **Sing** — Sing "Awesome God," or another song related to the story.

Rooted and Grounded



Pray

Thank God for sending Jesus to make a way for us to be saved from our sins. Ask God to help you trust Him and have courage to speak about Him. Pray for those who do not know Jesus.

Read the Bible Daily

This week, read Exodus 1 and 2.

Think About It

Is it hard for you to have faith in God when life gets tough? This week's Bible verse says to give God our worries and cares. That means that we can talk to God about them, and then leave them with Him. He will give us the strength to get through the hard times.

Do It

Make a list of the things you are worried about, problems you have, and things that make you afraid. Tell God that you want to give Him these things so you can be free of worry and fear. Then rip up the list and throw it away.

Tell About It

Share the Bible story with a friend. As you share 1 Peter 5:7, talk about how much God really does care about each of us. Ask them if they have trusted Jesus to save them and give them eternal life. If not, share Scriptures about salvation with them. (John 3:16, Romans 10:9, etc.) You may also want to take them to your Bible study teacher to learn more.

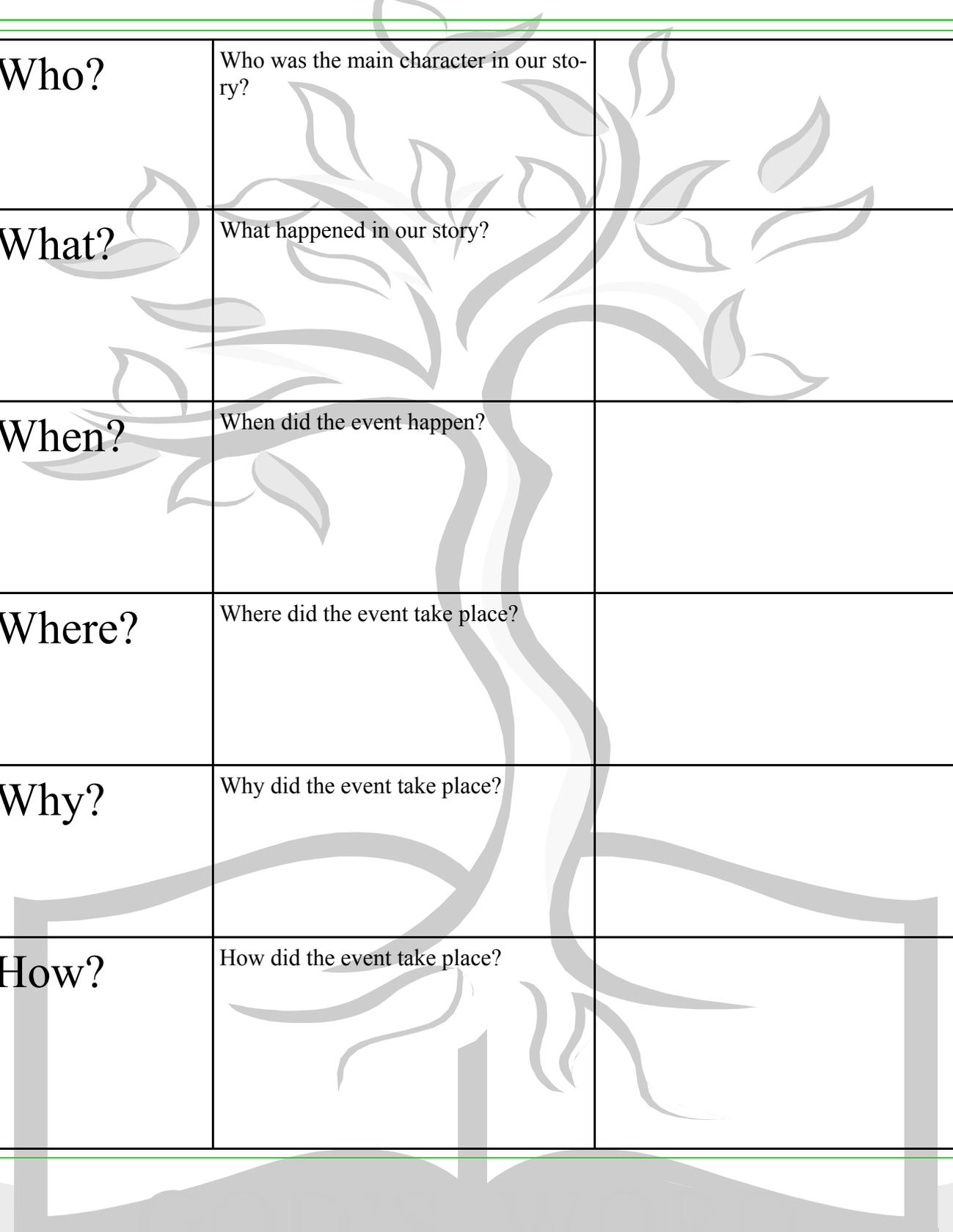
Change it

If you have been afraid to talk to your friends and family about Jesus, be encouraged. Try talking to one person each day about Jesus, and see how God works through you!

Study it

Attend Bible study this week. Try reading a chapter out of Psalms and Proverbs each day.

Learning the Facts



Who?	Who was the main character in our story?	
What?	What happened in our story?	
When?	When did the event happen?	
Where?	Where did the event take place?	
Why?	Why did the event take place?	
How?	How did the event take place?	

Word Search

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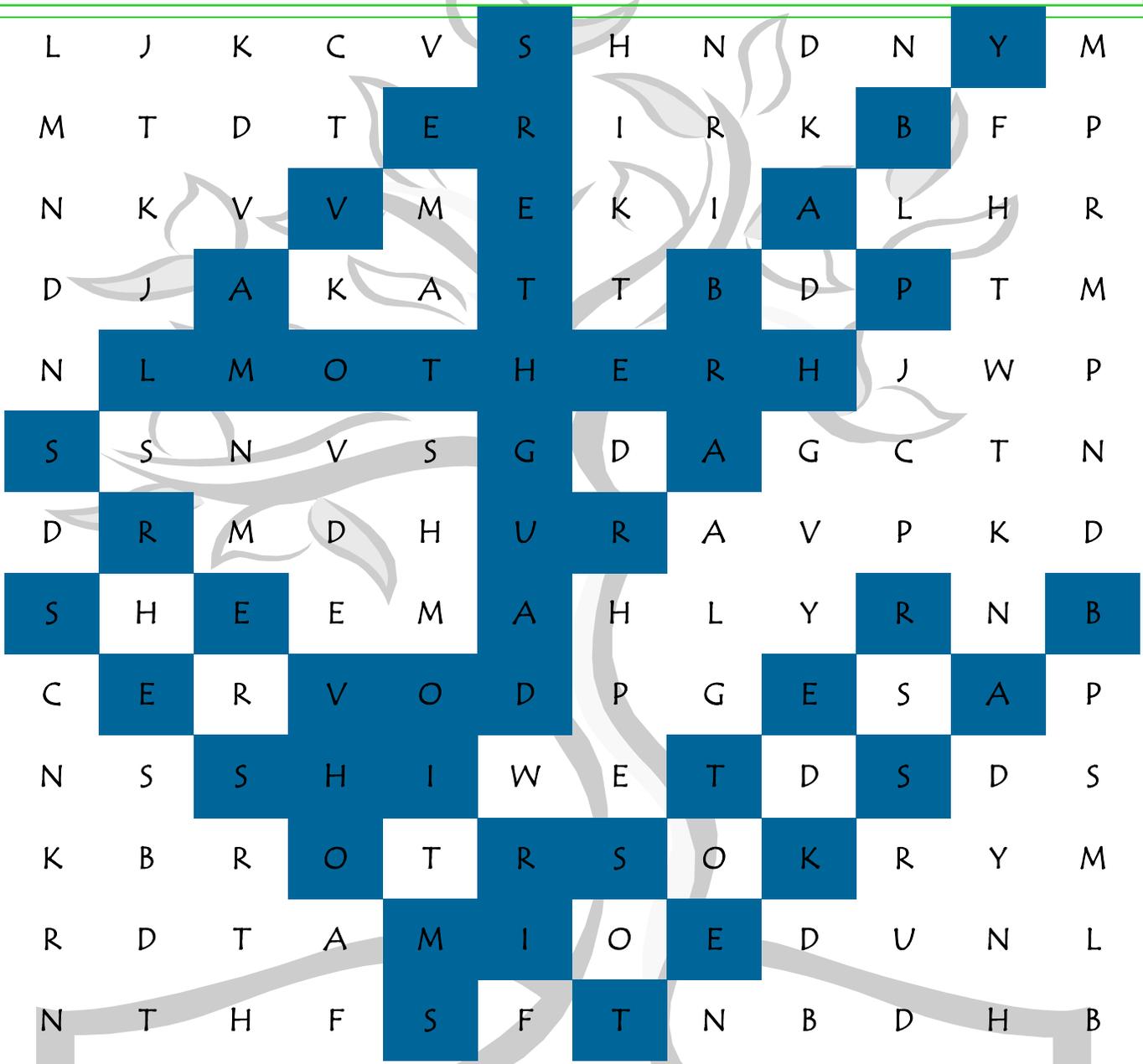
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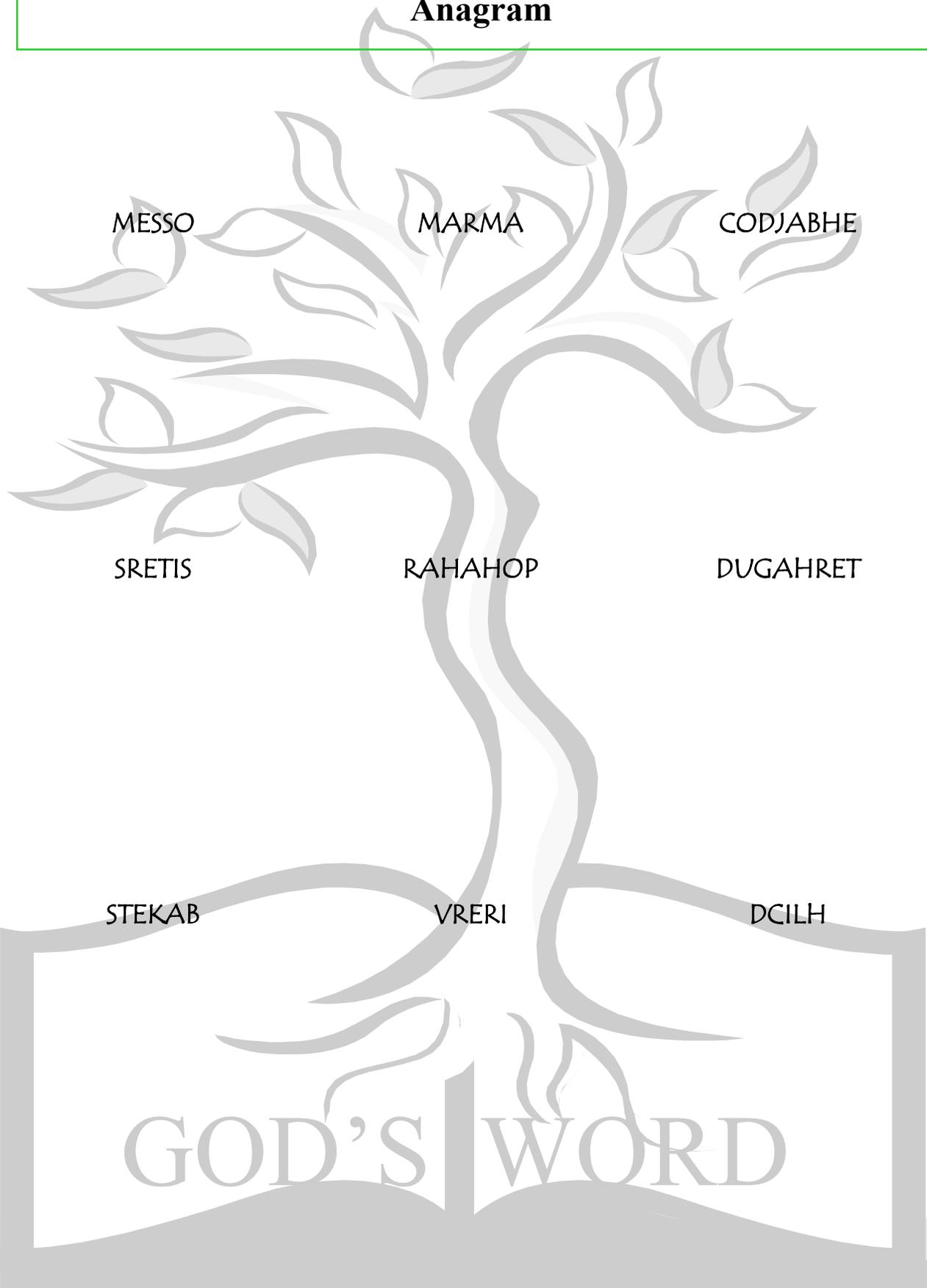
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