

Responding to Jesus



Key Theme

- Some people were angry at Jesus. Some people were astonished at Him.



Key Passages

- John 3:36, 5:15–16
- Mark 1:21–22

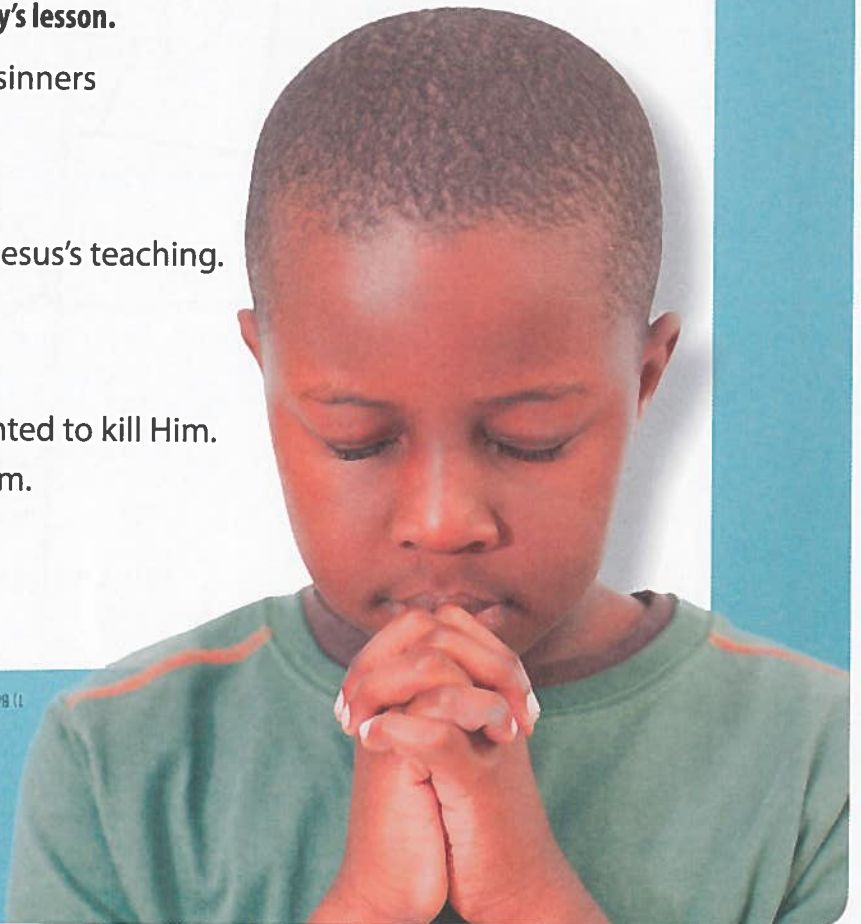


What You HEARD in the Word

- Some people in Jesus's time did not believe Him, were angry with Him, and wanted to kill Him. Others were astonished at His teaching and believed.

Ask your child these questions from today's lesson.

- 1 The Bible promises eternal life to sinners who _____ in Jesus.
- 2 Some people were astonished at Jesus's teaching. They _____ in Him.
- 3 Some people hated Jesus and wanted to kill Him. They did not _____ in Him.



1) Believe, 2) Believed, 3) Believe



Read the Word with Mom & Dad

Monday (John 5:15)

What did Jesus do for the man in this verse?

Tuesday (John 5:16)

What did the Jews want to do to Jesus?

Wednesday (Mark 1:21)

Where did Jesus go to teach?

Thursday (Mark 1:22)

What did the people think of Jesus's teaching?

Friday (John 3:36)

What do those who believe in the Son have?

Saturday (John 14:6)

Can you say the whole memory verse by yourself?

Learn the Word!

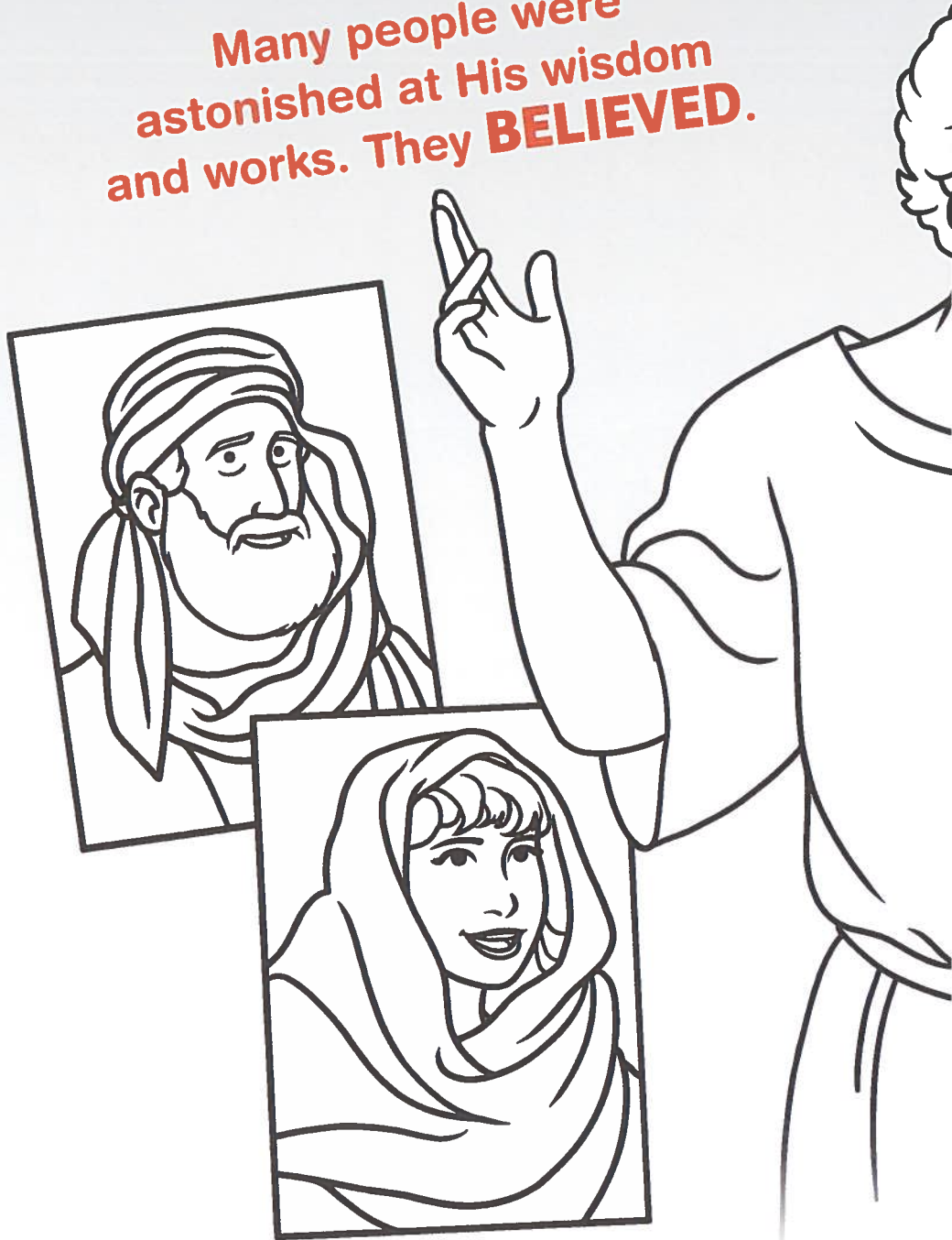
Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

John 14:6

Astonished at Jesus's Teaching

The people were astonished at Jesus's teaching. They believed in Him. Jesus is the only way to eternal life with God. He alone can forgive sins. Color the pictures below.

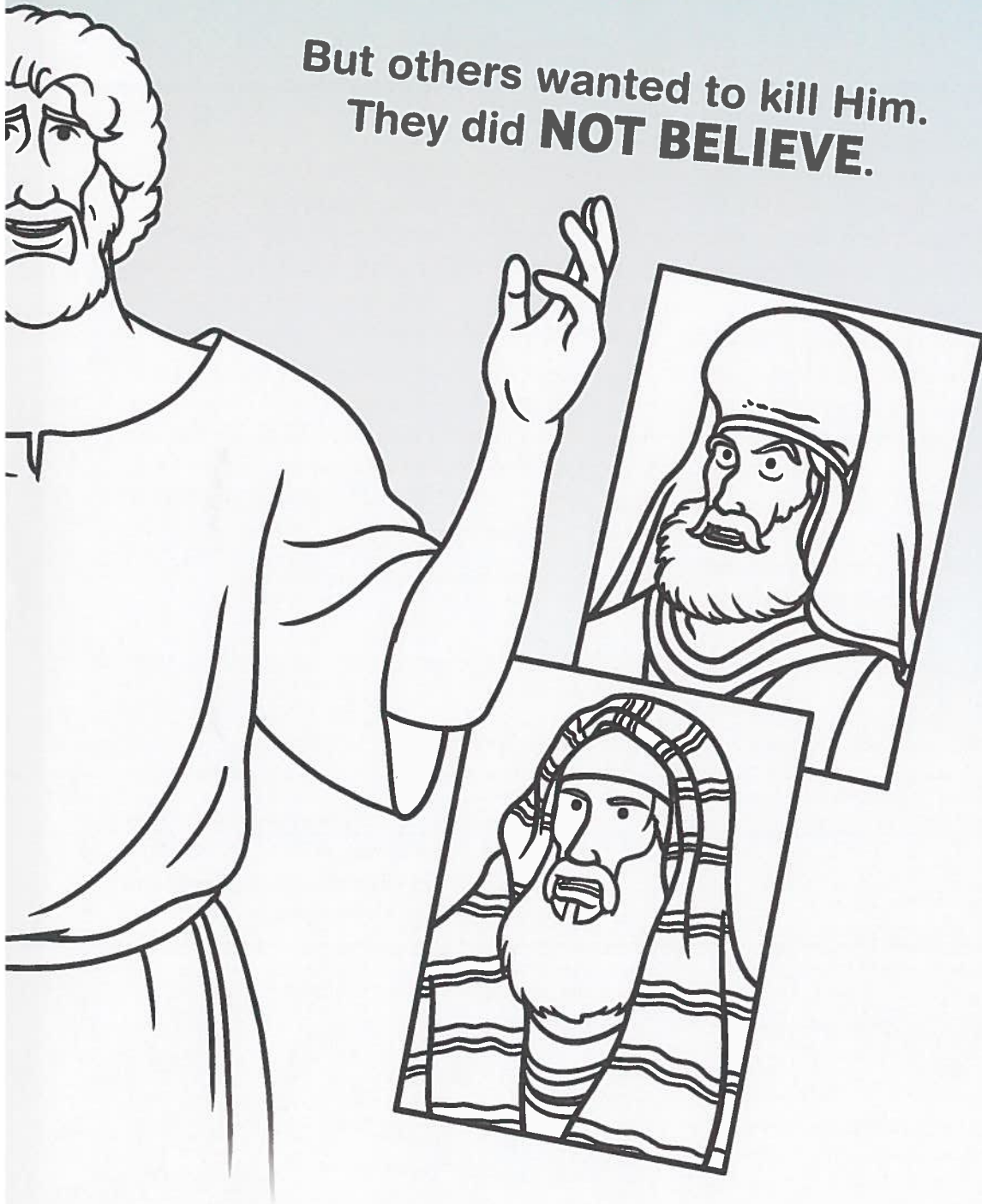
Many people were
astonished at His wisdom
and works. They **BELIEVED**.



He who **BELIEV**
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But others wanted to kill Him.
They did **NOT BELIEVE.**



is not condemned.
E will be punished by God.



HomeWord

For Parents

Jesus was not accepted widely when He lived on earth—and He is still not accepted widely today. Jesus knew this when He said that we must enter by the narrow, difficult gate to gain eternal life. For the broad gate leads to destruction and death, and many enter through it (Matthew 7:13–14).

You would think that the God-Man would be welcome in the synagogues. But, that was not the case. The religious rulers repeatedly heard what He said and were filled with wrath! They were frequently stirred to intense anger by His claims, and in their anger would threaten His very life (Luke 4:28–29).

It wasn't just Jesus's teaching that angered them, but His miracles as well! The Bible tells us that after He healed a man who had been paralyzed for 38 years, the Pharisees and Jews persecuted Jesus and sought to kill Him (John 5:15–16). Another time they picked up stones to stone Him (John 10:31). And it was at this point that they admitted why they were moved to murder! They stated, "You, being a man, make Yourself God" (John 10:33). These reactions from the religious

rulers were fueled by jealousy and hatred that someone would claim to be God—and that this Man would demand their respect, submission, and attention!

But Jesus came to seek and to save the lost (Luke 19:10). He did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance (Matthew 9:13). And it was they who listened and learned from the Messiah. The Bible tells us that they were astonished at His teaching, for Jesus taught as one who had authority (Matthew 7:28–29; Luke 4:21–22). So, while many wanted to destroy Jesus, those who witnessed His life, and had eyes to see the truth, were convinced that He was the Christ, the Son of the living God (Matthew 16:16).

This same division of belief continues today. Some believe and are transformed by His Word. Others mock the Word and refuse to humble themselves before the Son of God. Our prayer for all the unsaved we know ought to be, "Today, if you will hear His voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion" (Hebrews 3:15).

Go to the Online Resource Page for more information.

OutWord

For Family Discussion

What if you heard someone ask what happens to a person after he dies? **What could you say?**

The Bible says that we all deserve God's punishment and wrath because we are sinners. So, we are all condemned to suffer eternal punishment when we die. But God made a way to escape His wrath—through Jesus Christ. God says that those who hear the truth of His Word and are sorry for their sins and turn to Jesus in faith will be saved from the punishment all sinners deserve. Jesus took the punishment for sinners when He lived, died, and rose again. The Bible says that everyone who believes has eternal life with Him. And everyone who does not believe does not have life. So, believers will go to heaven when they die. But those who do not believe and reject Jesus Christ will go to hell and suffer God's punishment for their sins.

inWord

For Family Study

"Let your tender mercies come to me, that I may live; for Your law is my delight" (Psalm 119:77). God wants His Law to be the delight of your family. Teach it to them. Memorize it together.

Begin with the memory verse in the Learn the Word section inside this handout.

