

S.A.F.E. Homes



Strengthening Apostolic Families Everywhere



“And they were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves, Who then can be saved?” Mark 10:26

I Must Be Saved

Jesus will gladly give salvation to anyone of any age. But how much better it is to come to Jesus at a young age! To live one's whole life dedicated to God is amazing. We often hear testimonies of how God delivered a person from drugs, alcohol, and any number of other sins. But to be able to testify that God kept you from ever experiencing the heartache of these sins is even better.

A young man ran to Jesus one day, knelt before him and asked, “Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?” (Mark 10:17). Jesus began listing the commandments given by Moses. Without hesitation, the young man quickly assured Jesus he had lived by those rules since he was a child.

The writer of the Gospel of Mark was careful to record that Jesus loved this young man. He wasn't trying to be harsh or difficult when he said, “Go sell what you have, give to the poor, take up the cross and follow me.” Sadly, the young man turned and walked away, unwilling to give up his possessions to follow Jesus.


In our human thinking, we don't always see things as Jesus does. The disciples were certainly surprised by Jesus that day and even asked, “Who then can be saved?” (Mark 10:26). This is why we need a man of God in our life to tell us things we don't always want to hear. Perhaps your pastor seems a little strong or unyielding sometimes, but scripture reminds us, “Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you,” (Hebrews 13:17).

I don't want to choose my own way and walk away from Jesus like the rich young man did. More than anything else, I must be saved!

Family Prayer: *Lord Jesus, thank You for your mercies and for patiently guiding me to do Your will. Help me to be humble before You and the man of God You have placed in my life. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*

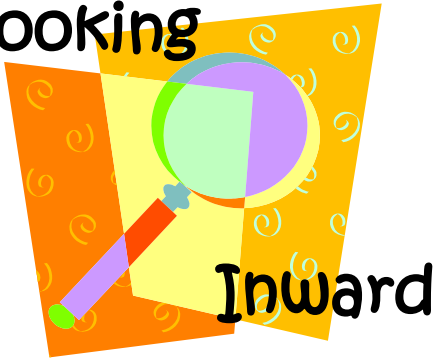


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Looking



Inward

Gather craft supplies to make your own copy of the commandments Jesus referred to. You can use the 6 Jesus mentioned or go to Exodus 20 for the full list. After you've finished, let each family member name one of the commandments (without looking!) until you've named them all. Remember, these were commandments- not suggestions!

Let's talk

Have there been times that you felt God prompting you to do something very difficult? Did you resist at first? Have you ever witnessed something miraculous happen because you acted in obedience rather than what your flesh wanted to do?

Although Jesus is not requiring it for salvation, do you have some possessions or canned goods you could gather and donate to a charity to help the poor? You can bless someone else as you give as unto the Lord!

Looking



Outward

Additional Challenges

Let's take a closer look at this story from Mark, chapter 10.

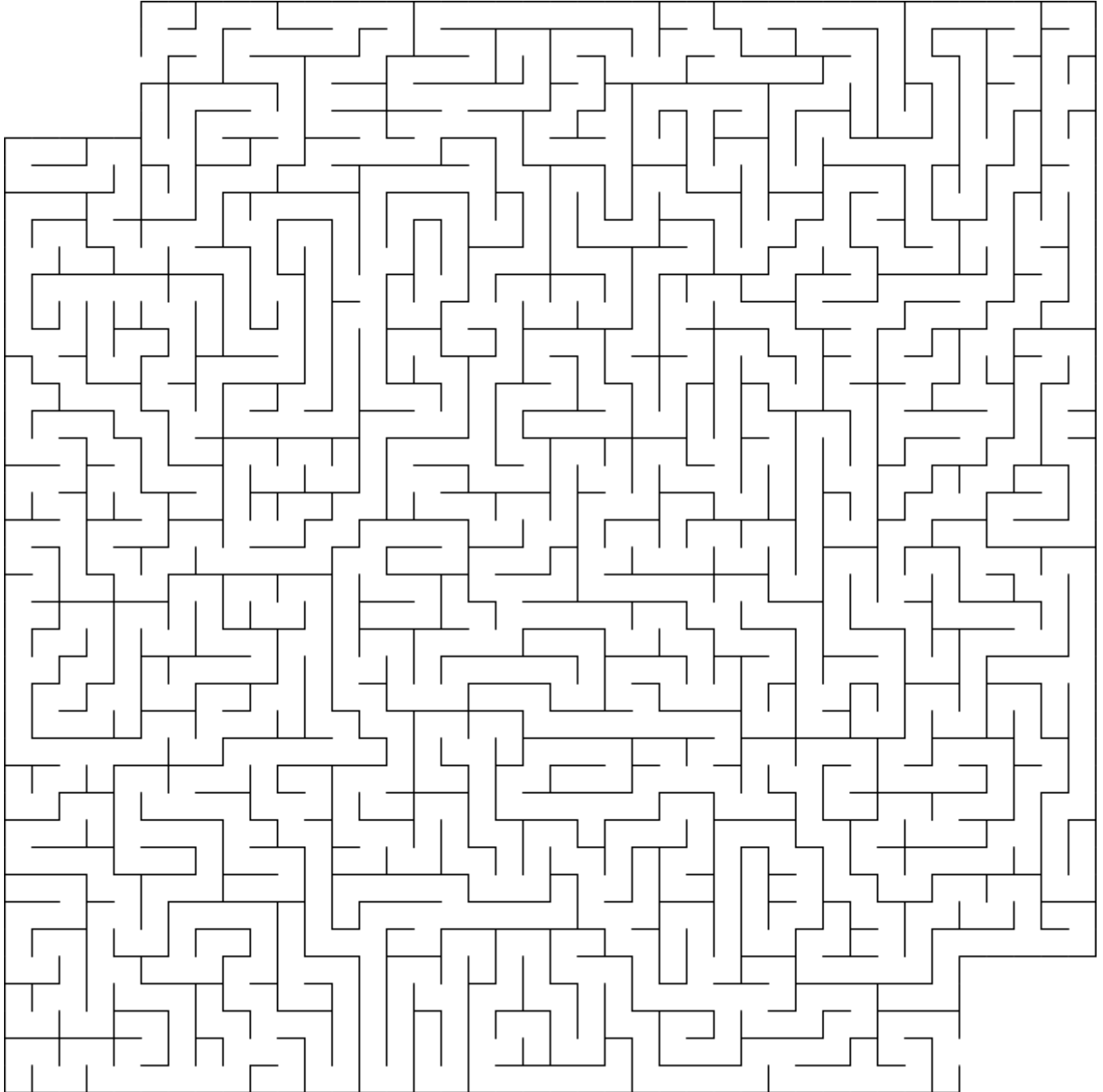
- When the young man called Jesus "Good Master" what was Jesus' response?
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- What 6 commandments did Jesus mention?
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- What did Jesus say that astonished the disciples in verse 24?
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- What comparison did Jesus make that day?
 - "It is easier for a _____ to go through the _____ of a _____, than for a _____ man to enter into the _____ of God."
- This seemed like a very harsh message from Jesus, but when the disciples asked, "Who then can be saved?" what was Jesus' response?
 - "With _____ it is _____, but not with _____: for with _____ all things are _____."

When the Apostle Peter was asked, "What must we do?" in Acts 2, what was his response?

"_____, and be _____ every one of you in the _____ of Jesus Christ for the remission of _____, and ye shall receive the _____ of the Holy Ghost."

God's plan is still the same today!

ENTER WITH REPENTANCE & LEAVE WITH SALVATION!





Acts 2
The Holy Spirit