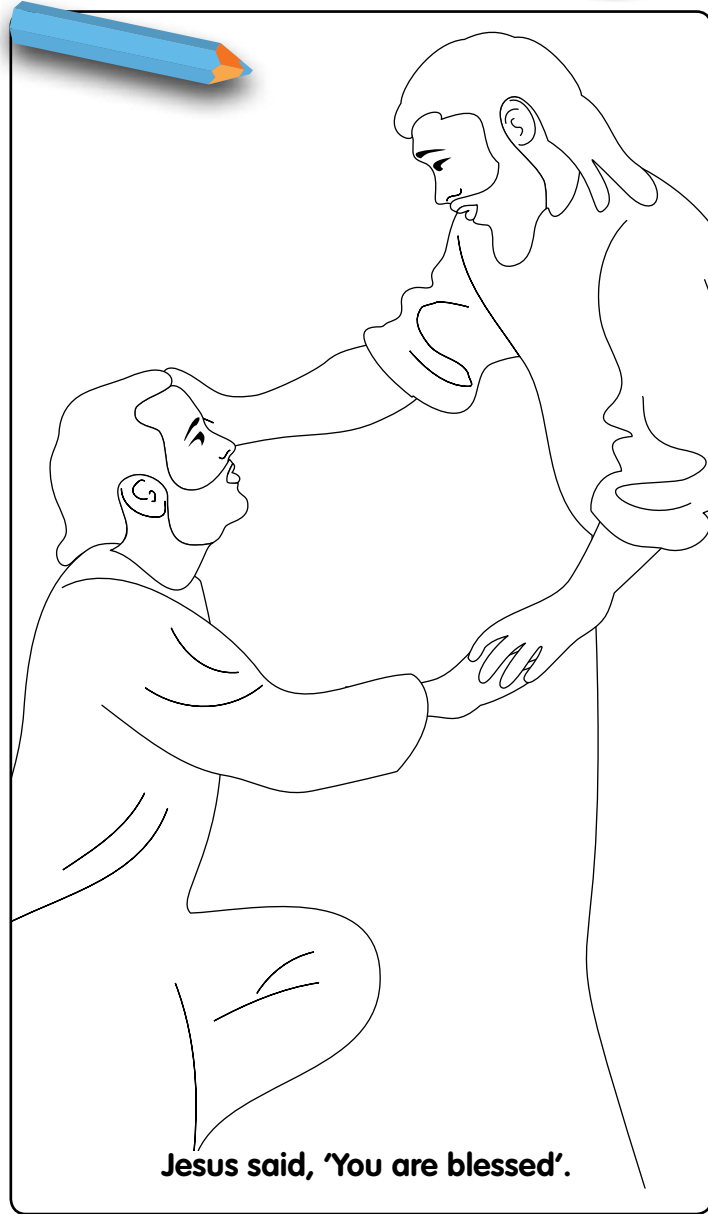


Today's Bible reading

Matthew 5.1-12

Jesus teaches about God's blessings on those who suffer in life and those who live God's way.



Jesus said, 'You are blessed'.

What are the things that make you feel blessed?

Activity 1

Crack the code to see the characteristics of people that Jesus says are blessed.

A	B	X	Δ	E	Φ
a	b	c	d	e	f

ΜΟΥΡΝΙΝΓ _____

Γ	H	I	ϑ	K	Λ
g	h	i	j	k	l

ΗΥΜΒΛΕ _____

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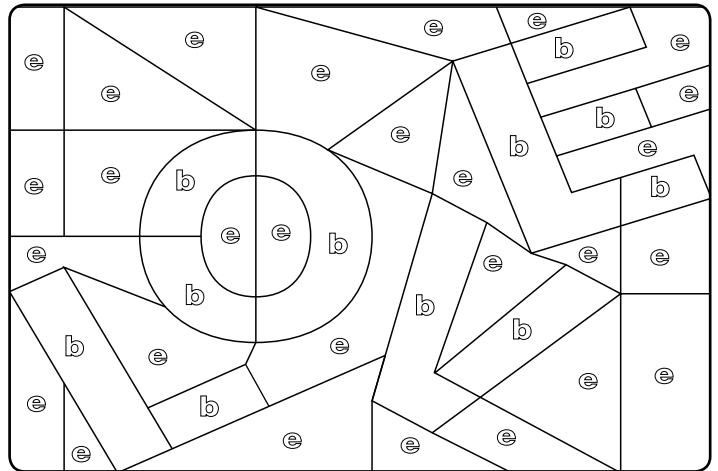
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ΠΥΡΕ _____

ΠΕΡΣΕΧΥΤΕΛ _____

Activity 2

Colour the B sections in red and the E sections in green, to find out what we can share with the world that allows us to BE as Jesus wants.



Live in faith

Look out for the word 'be' this week.
Every time you see it, remember something that Jesus wants us to be and try living it out!

PRAYER

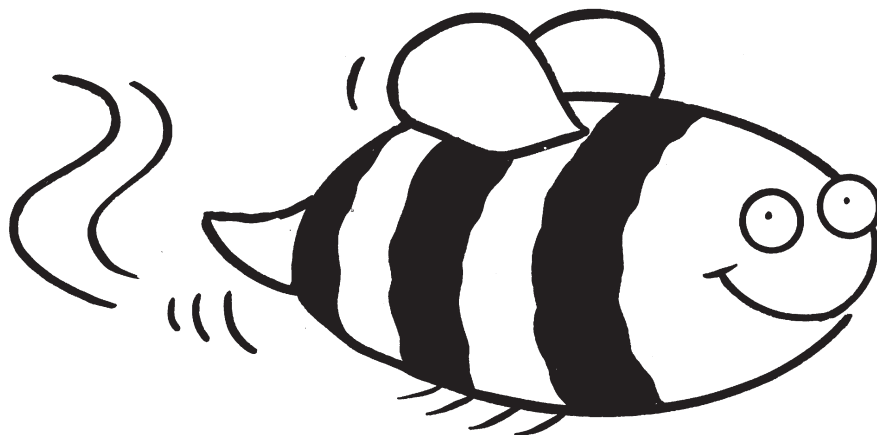
Jesus, help me to BE
all that you want me to BE,
to BEcome the person you want me to BE,
BEcause I know you love me.
Amen.

Check it out

Topsy Turvy Kingdom, Dottie McDowell & David Weiss, Tyndale House Publishers, ISBN: 978-0-84237-218-3.



- Today's Gospel reading – Matthew 5.1-12 is all about the attitudes Jesus' followers should have. They are called the beatitudes. We can call them the BEE-ATTITUDES. Disciples of Jesus are: to believe, to be thoughtful, to be caring, to be peaceable, and to be seeing to the needs of others, and thinking of the kingdom of God. Colour in this bee to remind you of all Jesus wants us to be, and write some of those things around the edge.



- Unscramble this verse - the words are written in reverse letter order

**Desselb rea eth sreamecaep rof
yeht liw eb dellac nerdlihc fo doG.** (Matthew 5.9)

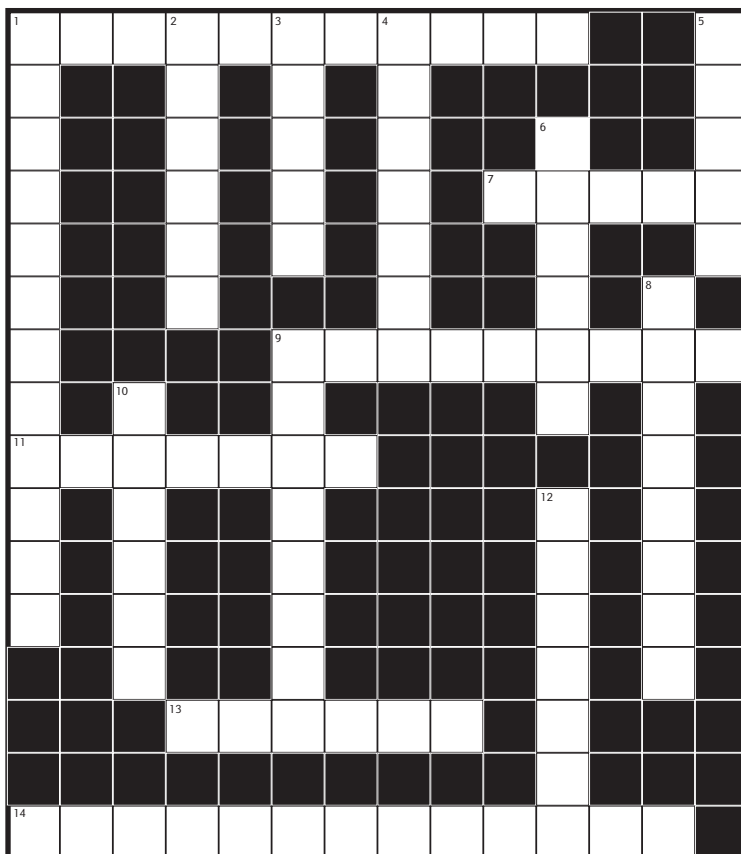
- Crossword
Use Matthew 5.1-12 (NRSV) to help.

Across

- They help solve conflict (v.9)
- The pure in _____ will see God (v.8)
- Soothed (v.4)
- To receive by a will (v.5)
- To need food (v.6)
- Something to hunger and thirst for (v.6)

Down

- Those who depend on God are _____ (v.3)
- Jesus saw them (v.1)
- To be sorrowful (v.4)
- Where a king or queen rules.
- This world
- Your _____ is great in heaven (v.12)
- The people like this will receive mercy (v.7)
- Peacemakers will be called _____ of God (v.9)
- To long for a drink (v.6)
- Jesus told them to _____ when they were persecuted.



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Activity sheet for extra time, or to take home. Photocopy and/or enlarge.

