

Third Sunday of Lent

February 28, 2016

Luke 13: 1 - 96

Parable of the Fig Tree

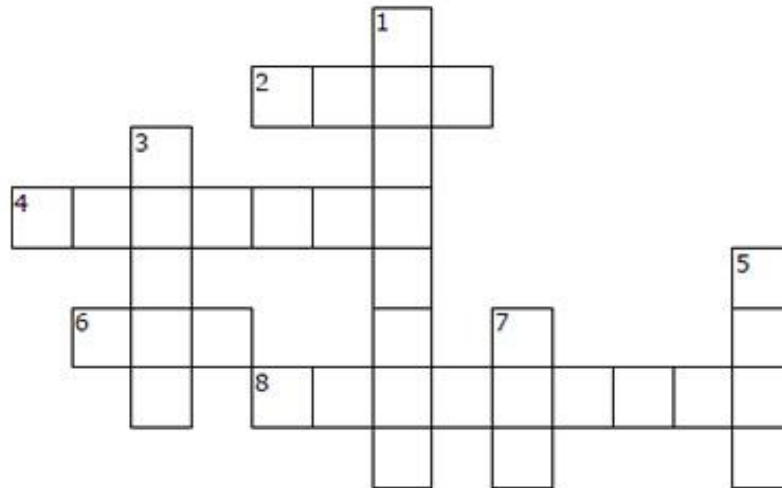


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ACROSS

2. The top layer of the earth's surface favorable to plant growth.
4. A simple story teaching a moral or religious lesson.
6. To break up and move dirt using a shovel.
8. To spread a something on land or plants to help plants grow.

DOWN

1. An area of ground planted with vines and fruit trees.
3. The usually sweet-tasting part of a tree which can be eaten.
5. A large plant with a trunk, limbs, branches, and leaves.
7. The sweet, pear-shaped, fruit of a plant found in Bible lands.

PARABLE
FIG

TREE
FRUIT

VINEYARD
FERTILIZE

SOIL
DIG

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U S B F E R T I L I Z E T T A
 Y Q N D O W N O W L U O V Z T
 B A R N T P H T C E S L I I R
 R U F L H A A O S A E U N M E
 Z E R A R R S L Y V Q W E A X
 J F U B E A J D H E A P Y K N
 S B I X E B Y O F T P L A T U
 P J T G T L V E S O I L R O L
 A W R Q P E J J A H T R D J P
 T L C G C U T F O R U P F K Z
 X R O F I N D Q I F S M O G S
 P Y E N E A I S V A E O F N Q
 M O S E E M G Q B Z L R H S L
 D A P L A N T E D N L X V J D
 K Z N L U L G S B O L U C W M

YEARS	THREE	LOOK	LEAVE	FRUIT
DOWN	FIND	VINEYARD	MAN	TOLD
PLANTED	USE	SOIL	ALONE	FIG
FERTILIZE	DIG	PARABLE	TREE	CUT

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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
G	N	V	M	A	B	U	I	W	O	E	Z	J	R	K	T	Y	P	L	H	D	Q	X	S	F	C

1. 25-11-14-16-8-19-8-12-11 _____

2. 3-8-2-11-17-5-14-21 _____

3. 25-14-7-8-16 _____

4. 24-10-8-19 _____

5. 18-19-5-2-16-11-21 _____

6. 18-5-14-5-6-19-11 _____

7. 16-14-11-11 _____

8. 25-8-1 _____

PARABLE	TREE	VINEYARD	FRUIT
PLANTED	FIG	FERTILIZE	SOIL

The Parable of the Fig Tree



Complete the paragraph by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the story.

Jesus Tells a Story

Then he told this _____: "A man had a _____ tree, planted in his _____, and he went to look for _____ on it, but did not find any. So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For _____ years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig _____ and haven't found any. _____ it down! Why should it use up the _____?'

" 'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more _____, and I'll _____ around it and _____ it. If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it _____.'

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cut	fertilize	parable	tree
dig	fig	soil	vineyard
down	fruit	three	year

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Choose the word that best matches the definition.

- ___ 1. A simple story teaching a moral or religious lesson.
A. fig B. parable C. tree D. fertilize
- ___ 2. The sweet, pear-shaped, fruit of a plant found in Bible lands.
A. vineyard B. parable C. fig D. fruit
- ___ 3. A large plant with a trunk, limbs, branches, and leaves.
A. parable B. fruit C. tree D. soil
- ___ 4. The usually sweet-tasting part of a tree which can be eaten.
A. fruit B. soil C. tree D. fig
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A. vineyard B. dig C. fruit D. tree
- ___ 6. The top layer of the earth's surface favorable to plant growth.
A. dig B. soil C. fig D. vineyard
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A. fruit B. fertilize C. soil D. fig
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Enter the correct words in the boxes based on the shape of the letters.

1.

5.

2.

6.

3.

7.

4.

8.

parable	tree	vineyard	soil
fig	planted	fruit	fertilize



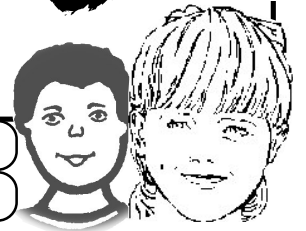
Speak, Lord

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Exodus 3:1-8.13-15
Psalm 102
1 Corinthians 10:1-6.10-12
Luke 13:1-9

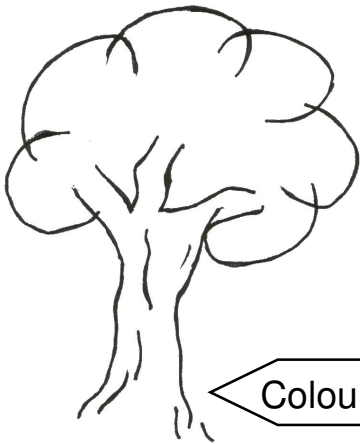
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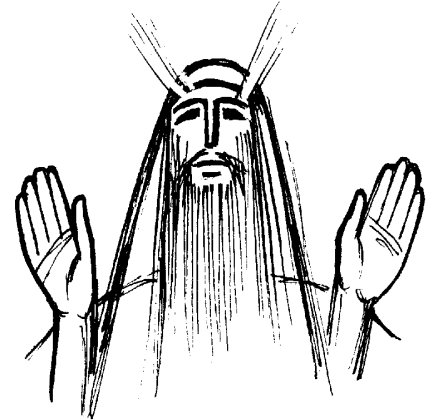


MOSES AND THE BURNING TREE

God spoke to Moses through a burning bush.

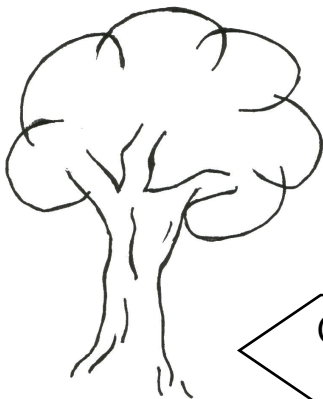


**Moses, Moses!
I am choosing
you to lead my
people out of
the slavery of
Egypt.**



Colour in the tree and draw the fire coming out of it.

JESUS' STORY OF A FIG TREE



**Let's not cut the tree
down! I'll look after it
for one year and see if
it bears any fruit.**



Colour in the tree and draw the
figs growing on it.

**TODAY IS THE
3rd SUNDAY
of
LENT**



**GOD
GIVES US TIME TO
CHANGE AND BECOME
BETTER PEOPLE.**