

16th AUGUST 2020- HOW SHOULD I LIVE NOW? Genesis 1:26-31 & Luke 12:13-21

26-28 God spoke: "Let us make human beings in our image, make them reflecting our nature so they can be responsible for the fish in the sea, the birds in the air, the cattle, and, yes, earth itself and every animal that moves on the face of the earth."

God created human beings; he created them godlike, reflecting God's nature. He created them male and female. He said "Prosper! Reproduce! Fill Earth! Take charge! Be responsible for fish in the sea and birds in the air, for every living thing that moves on the face of Earth."

29-30 Then God said, "I've given you every sort of seed-bearing plant on earth and every kind of fruit-bearing tree, given them to you for food. To all animals and all birds, everything that moves and breathes, I give whatever grows out of the ground for food." And there it was.

31 God looked over everything he had made; it was so good, so very good! It was evening, it was morning—Day Six.

In the days leading up to this, the world had been created. Note the difference between the word made and created. To create something means to start from scratch.

Creation- <https://youtu.be/igsxDtg1gFg>

Another version_ <https://youtu.be/QJzfXVdjGI>

Bit of fun with these interactive word searches:

https://www.christianbiblereference.org/ws_TheCreation_0.htm

https://www.christianbiblereference.org/wj_SeventhDaySabbath_0.htm

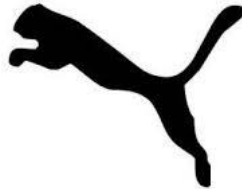
And about the Garden of Eden: https://www.christianbiblereference.org/wj_Eden-1_0.htm

Why were humans created? What do you make of this video? <https://youtu.be/Gxjc6gAqFzU>

Are we responsible creatures- HOW?

Are we irresponsible creatures- HOW? – think especially about what has made our behaviour change recently

GUESS THE LOGO:



Once you've worked them out do you think they make people happy or content?

Are you happy or content? - What is the difference?

Have a think about what makes you unhappy

On a scale of 1-10 then (1 = very happy, 10 = unhappy):

- Your team losing a football match
- The end of the Summer holiday
- Waking up on Boxing day morning
- Falling out with a best friend.
- Feeling guilty about something.
- Someone telling lies about you.
- Feeling bad because you've told someone's secret.
- Not being invited to a party.
- Coming last in a race.
- Not having a PSP.
- Family problems.

We can get very upset for a short time about things like not having the “right” clothes or things, but what makes us sadder are emotional things and feeling guilty.

Now imagine that you were feeling really upset because of a friendship problem. Look at the next list, again on a mark them on a scale of 1- 10 (same scale as previous list)

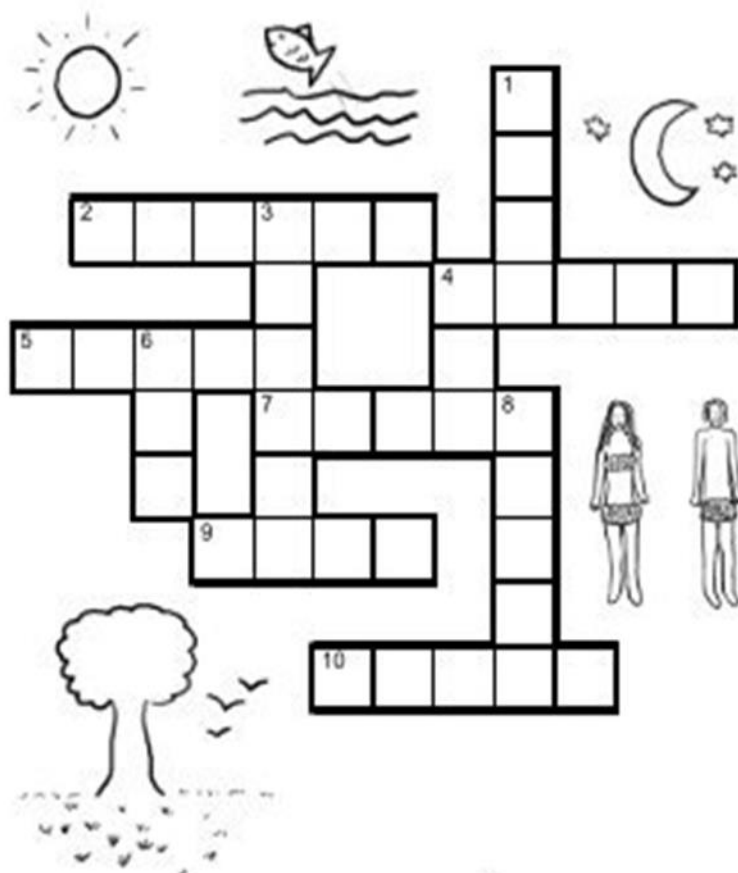
- Mum takes you to MacDonald’s
- You listen to your favourite piece of music.
- You have a gossip with someone else about how horrid your friend is.
- You say sorry to your friend and make it up.
- You get a new PSP game.
- You play on the Wii for a while.
- You tell your mum about it.
- You tell God about it.

Things don’t make us happy if something is happening in our life – a new dress can’t make up for losing a friend! When Jesus was teaching he gave a list of sayings that we call the Beatitudes- have a look at these at another time but if you have time then do watch this cartoon explanation:

<https://youtu.be/Ze7w3-BL3OM>

Creation Activity Worksheet

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Across

- 2 God created the moon on this day (6)
- 4 The earth was this before the creation (5)
- 5 God created these on the 5th day (5)
- 7 God created these on the 3rd day (5)
- 9 The name of the Garden the man and woman lived in (4)
- 10 God created this on the 1st day (5)

Down

- 1 The name of the man that God created (4)
- 3 God did this on the 7th day (6)
- 4 The name of the woman that God created (3)
- 6 God created the woman by taking this from the man (3)
- 8 God created land creatures on this day (5)

ANIMALS
BEGINNING
CREATION
EARTH
GARDEN
GOD
HEAVENS
LIGHT
MAN
PLANTS
SEA
STARS
WOMAN





Luke 12:13-21 The Greedy Farmer

13 Someone out of the crowd said, "Teacher, order my brother to give me a fair share of the family inheritance." 14 He replied, "Mister, what makes you think it's any of my business to be a judge or mediator for you?" 15 Speaking to the people, he went on, "Take care! Protect yourself against the least bit of greed. Life is not defined by what you have, even when you have a lot." 16-19 Then he told them this story: "The farm of a certain rich man produced a terrific crop. He talked to himself: 'What can I do? My barn isn't big enough for this harvest.' Then he said, 'Here's what I'll do: I'll tear down my barns and build bigger ones. Then I'll gather in all my grain and goods, and I'll say to myself, Self, you've done well! You've got it made and can now retire. Take it easy and have the time of your life!' 20 "Just then God showed up and said, 'Fool! Tonight you die. And your barnful of goods—who gets it?' 21 "That's what happens when you fill your barn with Self and not with God."

JESUS ALSO SAID THIS IN MATTHEW 6:19-21

"Don't hoard treasure down here where it gets eaten by moths and corroded by rust or—worse!—stolen by burglars. Stockpile treasure in heaven, where it's safe from moth and rust and burglars. It's obvious, isn't it? The place where your treasure is, is the place you will most want to be, and end up being."

Have you ever wanted something because everyone else has got it?

Do you know what these are: they have all been very popular in their day and it is common to find yourself thinking you must have something 'because everyone else has it.' A common phrase you might hear is 'passing phase' or 'the latest craze' or the 'latest fad.' They are not always what we need



The greedy farmer was caught up in what we now call 'consumerism'

Have a look at these questions and write down any thoughts you may have:

Have you ever felt that you need to own something?

What negative thoughts and emotions does this raise?

Read Exodus 20:17 & 1 John 2:15-17-How should these verses affect the way we feel about possessions?

How can we decide what we truly need and what is not essential?

How can we be responsible consumers?

Do you think it's OK to want 'non-essentials'?

Hopefully thinking about the greedy farmer links back to the other reading about being responsible?

To end this bit- quick video! <https://youtu.be/y7L19usP2ro?t=10> (mind one word!)

NOW- you have worked really hard so have some fun 😊

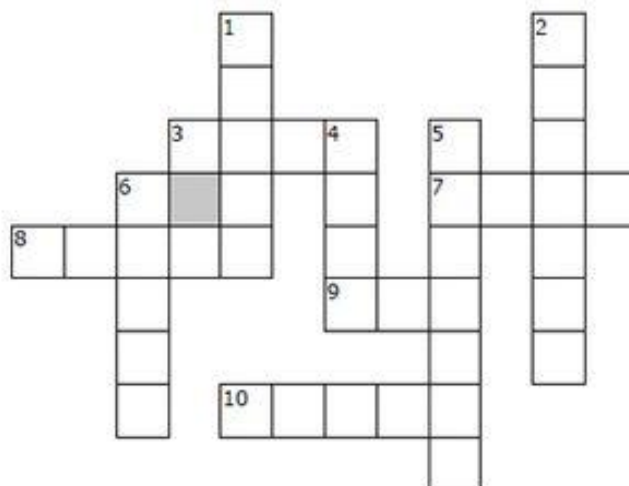
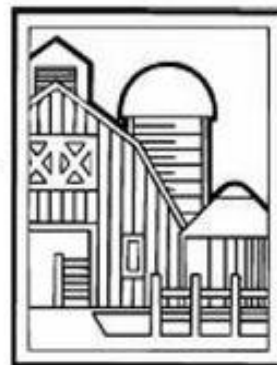
https://www.christianbiblereference.org/Crossword/cw_00-32.htm- some general bible clues with 'normal' clues

https://www.christianbiblereference.org/cgi-bin/web_quiz1.pl?Genesis_1.txt&0- more questions about Genesis- how much do you know?

The Parable of the Rich Fool

Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." Luke 12:15 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on Luke 12:13-21 (NIV)



ACROSS

3. One who acts unwisely
7. Having great material wealth
8. Large farm buildings used for storing farm products and sheltering livestock
9. To take food into the body through the mouth
10. An official who decides cases brought before a court of law

DOWN

1. Agricultural products, such as grain, vegetables, or fruit
2. A person who educates or gives instruction
4. The period of time between birth and death
5. A male having the same parent or parents as another
6. To take liquid into the mouth and swallow

rich	judge	crops	brother	barns
life	eat	fool	teacher	drink

The Parable of the Rich Fool

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

- 11-26-18-13-21 _____
- 26-18-9-22 _____
- 10-26-5-18-13 _____
- 7-5-26-13-19 _____
- 12-18-17-8 _____
- 8-5-25 _____
- 17-2-2-12 _____
- 14-8-26-26-6 _____

RICH
GRAIN

BARN
EAT

DRINK
MERRY

LIFE
FOOL

The tale of the RICH FOOL



JESUS OFTEN TOLD
STORIES WITH
HIDDEN MEANINGS



ONE STORY WAS ABOUT A MAN
WHO HAD LOTS OF LAND WHICH
GREW WONDERFUL WHEAT.

I HAVEN'T ANYWHERE TO
KEEP ALL THIS FOOD



I KKNOW! I'LL PULL DOWN
MY BARNs AND BUILD
BIGGER ONES



THE MAN DEMOLISHED HIS
OLD BARNs....

...AND BEGAN TO BUILD
NEW ONES.



SOON I'LL BE THE RICHEST
MAN IN THE TOWN!



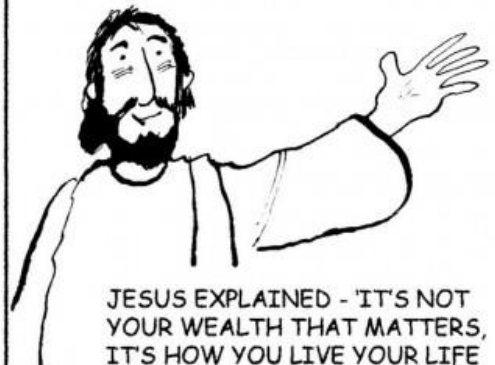
I'M SO LUCKY - I CAN
EAT, DRINK AND BE
MERRY!



BUT THAT VERY NIGHT,
THE MAN DIED!



WHAT GOOD WERE HIS
RICHES NOW?

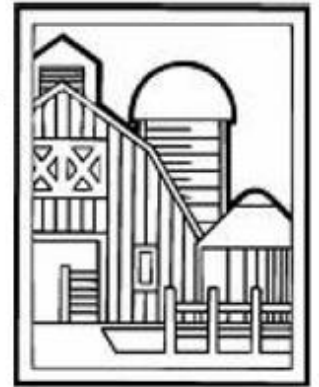


JESUS EXPLAINED - 'IT'S NOT
YOUR WEALTH THAT MATTERS,
IT'S HOW YOU LIVE YOUR LIFE
THAT'S IMPORTANT

The Parable of the Rich Fool

Then he said, "Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. Life is not measured by how much you own."
Luke 12:15 (NLT)

Based on Luke 12:13-21



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

JUDGE
STORE
RICH
GOOD

CROWD
EAT
FOOL
CROP

THINGS
BIGGER
DIVIDE
WATCH

BARN
LIFE
GROUND
GRAIN

GUARD
GREED
DRINK
MERRY