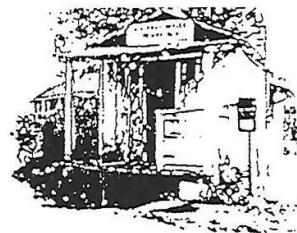




## The Acmar Soul Miner

*Searching for wisdom  
As for hidden treasures...  
For the Lord gives wisdom*



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### Rise

Mike Wittmer took a tour of an aircraft carrier. A jet fighter pilot explained that planes need a 56-kilometer-per-hour wind to take off on such a short runway. To reach this steady breeze, the captain turns his ship into the wind.

Mike asked, "Shouldn't the wind come from the plane's back?"

The pilot answered, "No. The jets must fly into the wind. That's the only way to achieve lift."<sup>1</sup>

Jesus' disciples began to believe He was the Christ. He told them that He must go to Jerusalem, suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, be killed, and be raised the third day. (Matthew 16:21)

The disciples were perplexed. Jesus said, "Let's go to Judea." The disciples asked, "Rabbi, lately the Jews sought to stone You, and are You going there again?" (John 11:7-8)

Why would you go to a place where you were going to suffer and be killed? The disciples did not understand that Jesus had to fly into the wind to lift. He had to fly into the challenges rather than turn from them.

Jesus' final entry into Jerusalem was initially met with much praise. As Jesus rode a donkey into town, many spread their clothes on the road and cut down leafy branches.

They cried out, "**Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!**"

After a few days, Judas, one of Jesus' own disciples, went to betray Him, as Jesus was on His knees in the Garden of Gethsemane.

**Jesus prayed, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for You. Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what you will."**  
(Mark 14:36)

Jesus was arrested, falsely accused, beaten and sentenced as a crowd stirred by religious leaders shouted, "Crucify Him!"

Spat upon, mocked and wearing a crown of thorns, Jesus was led to the place called Golgotha to be crucified on a cross.

At the sixth hour, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. At the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "**My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?**"  
(Mark 15:34)

Jesus cried out with a loud voice, and breathed His last. Then the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The centurion who stood opposite from Jesus said, "**Truly this Man was the Son of God!**"

Jesus flew directly into challenging winds. Lying in a rock tomb sealed with a stone, Jesus lifted and was raised from the dead.

Very early in the morning on the first day of the week, women came to the tomb to bring spices, that they might anoint Jesus.

Upon entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed.

He said to them, "**Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here.**" (Mark 16:6)

Fly boldly into the wind of God's will and see your spirit soar. Jesus said, "**I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.**"

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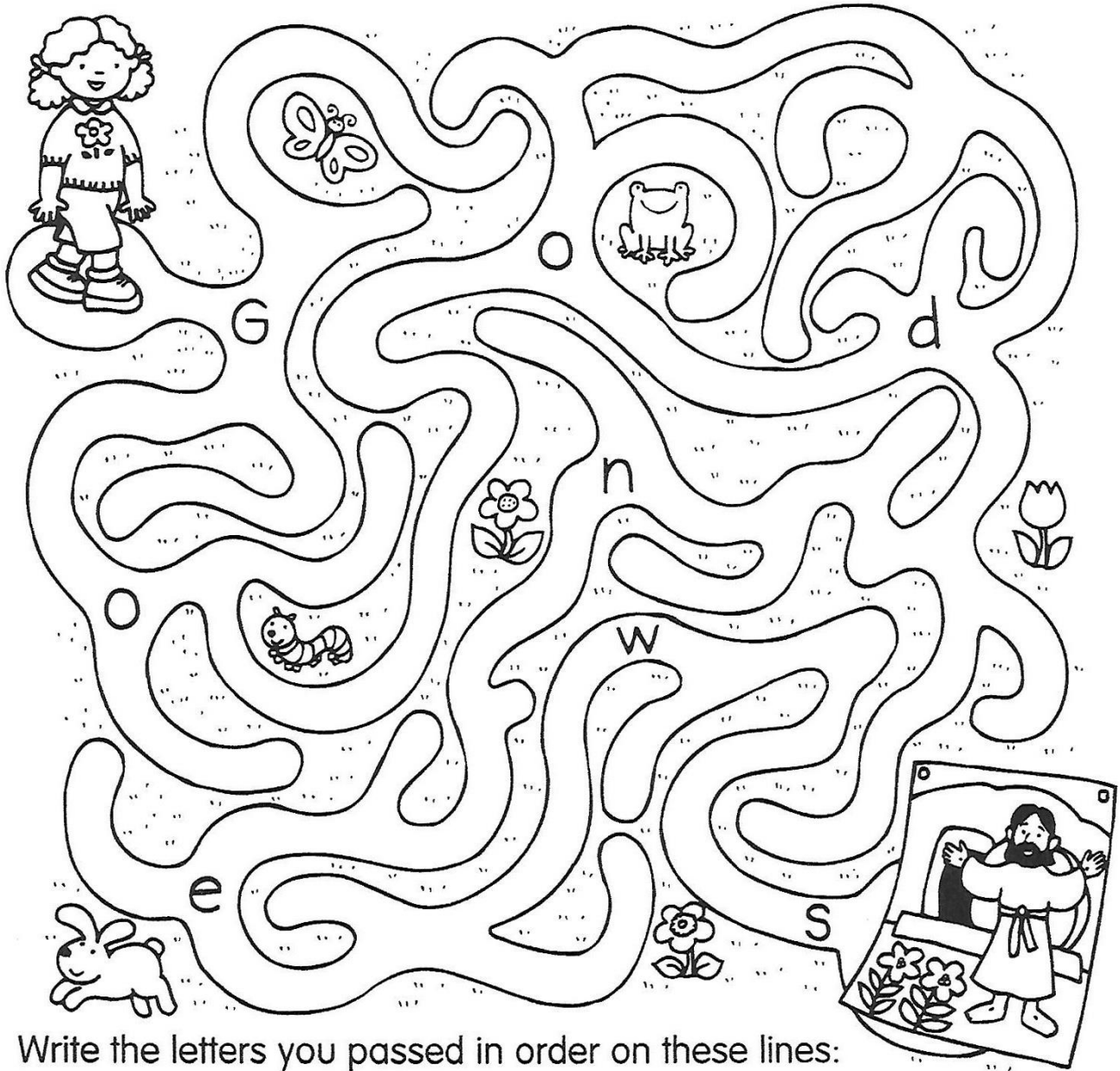
<sup>1</sup> Our Daily Bread January-March 2022.  
Mike Wittmer, "Lift." February 18, 2022.

# Children's Camp

Gospel Light's Big Book of Kindergarten Puzzles #2.



Help the girl find her way to the picture of Jesus.



Write the letters you passed in order on these lines:

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\_\_\_\_\_

The wisdom of God.

We see it in verses but sometimes we have to dig to uncover the meaning.

**Look Here:**

***An angel told the women at the tomb,  
"Jesus is not here. He is risen!"***

***(Mark 16:6)***

**Digging In:**

Jesus died on the cross.

They laid Him in a tomb sealed with a rock.

God raised Jesus from the dead.

Jesus said, "Believe in Me and you will live."

Even if we die, we will be raised to life.

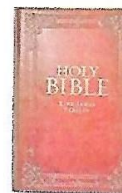






## The Acmar Community Quilt

For several years now, many consumers in this area have frequented and enjoyed shopping at the local Moody “Dollar Tree” store. Lured inside by a banner proclaiming, “Everything is \$1”, we’re sometimes surprised that we actually spent more than we’d intended, but find comfort with all we were able to purchase at the \$1 each. When the fact that the Dollar Tree stores would be raising their prices to \$1.25 for each item made the national evening news, loyal customers were really dismayed by the news. So while current generations may grow old and reminisce some day about how items in that store were only \$1, many of us are reminded how we felt when Elmore’s “five and dime” located on a corner in nearby Leeds closed. This “Dollar Tree Generation” cannot even imagine being able to buy a wide variety of treasures for just five and ten cents!



According to the online blog “A Walk Through Time” - 78 Magazine:



“ V.J. Elmore’s was a chain of variety or “five and dime” stores founded by Alabama native Virgil Jackson Elmore. Born in 1887 and raised on a farm in Gordo, Elmore returned home in 1925 from his service in World War 1 and opened the first of the 5 and 10 cent stores in Clanton. When Elmore passed away in 1942, there were 44 stores in operation. The chain eventually closed its doors in the early 1980s.” (The Leeds store had closed earlier.)

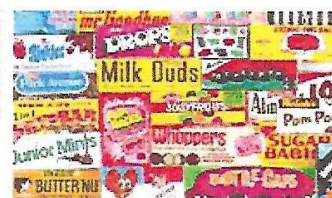
The Leeds store opened around 1950. Some people from our community worked there. Many Acmar families have memories of going to the 5 & 10 cents store. One story is about the time the children went to buy birthday presents for their mother. Each probably only had a bit of loose change, so they had to shop carefully. The youngest, a boy of about five, asked his older sisters for advice. He was told, “Just pick out something you think she would really love.” So he bought her a toy helicopter!



The 5 & 10 had a variety of “What Nots and Do Dads.” They also had candy, nuts, and many household items. Saturdays were probably the most frequented days. Adults could purchase their household items and kids could debate over what to purchase. Besides the candy, there were toys – baby dolls, jump ropes, jacks, plastic soldiers, and wooden paddles with a red ball attached (that one might hope would only be used for fun!)

Our pastor, Belinda Wilson recalls how she looked, over several visits, and eventually purchased her first Bible there. Her sister, Cheryl, remembers as an early teenager when she purchased a set of cut glass drinking glasses for her “Hope Chest”. She purchased them in May. When she showed them to her mother, her mom mistakenly thought they were for her for Mother’s Day! So Cheryl promptly walked back to Leeds and bought another set!

When asked what people around here remember about Elmore’s 5 & 10, they start off with a smile and enjoy sharing stories they hadn’t thought about in years.



## April 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Steven (ST) Kimbrough Concert April 24 at 4 pm	Concert at Canterbury United Methodist Church	350 Overbrook Road Mt. Brook 35213	Soul Miner on Acmar Website in the Gallery	Audio Sermon Podcasts on Acmar Website	1	2
3  CHURCH 9 am	4	5  Lester Gable	6  MCA 3-5 p White's Chapel	7  Darrell Wolfe	8	9  Helen Gable
10  CHURCH 9 Palm Sunday	11	12	13  Moody BINGO 10 a Maundy Worship 7 p	14  Moody BINGO 10 a Maundy Worship 7 p	15  GOOD FRIDAY	16
17  CHURCH 9 / EASTER Bonnie Goodner	18	19	20  MCA 3-5 p White's Chapel	21	22	23
24  CHURCH 9 am Kimbrough Concert 4 p Canterbury	25	26	27  Daniel Baker	28	29	30  Brooklynn Smith

### Soul Food for April

Mon., March 28  
Tue., March 29  
Wed., March 30  
Thur., March 31  
Fri., April 1  
Sat., April 2

Isaiah 43:16-21  
Psalm 126  
Philippians 3:4b-14  
John 12:1-8  
Psalm 8:1-9  
Luke 8:43-48

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Moody Crossroads / Intersection Hwy. 411/Cty. 10  
Take Cty. 10 W. (Park Ave.) toward Trussville;  
Travel 1 mile; Right on Acmar Rd; travel 2 miles;  
Left onto Old Acton Rd.; Church is on the left

Mon., April 4  
Tue., April 5  
Wed., April 6  
Thur., April 7  
Fri., April 8  
Sat., April 9

Isaiah 42:1-9  
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29  
Philippians 2:5-11  
Luke 19:28-40  
Mark 4:35-41  
Philippians 4:4-9



Mon., April 18  
Tue., April 19  
Wed., April 20  
Thur., April 21  
Fri., April 22  
Sat., April 23

Acts 5:27-32  
Psalm 150  
Revelation 1:4-8  
John 20:19-31  
Mark 4:1-9  
Psalm 119:105-112

Mon., April 11  
Tue., April 12  
Wed., April 13  
Thur., April 14  
Fri., April 15  
Sat., April 16

Acts 10:34-43  
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
1 Corinthians 15:19-26  
Luke 24:1-12  
Romans 8:14-17  
Matthew 28:1-10

Mon., April 25  
Tue., April 26  
Wed., April 27  
Thur., April 28  
Fri., April 29  
Sat., April 30

Acts 9:1-20  
Psalm 30  
Revelation 5:11-14  
John 21:1-19  
Titus 3:3-7  
Psalm 143:1-10