

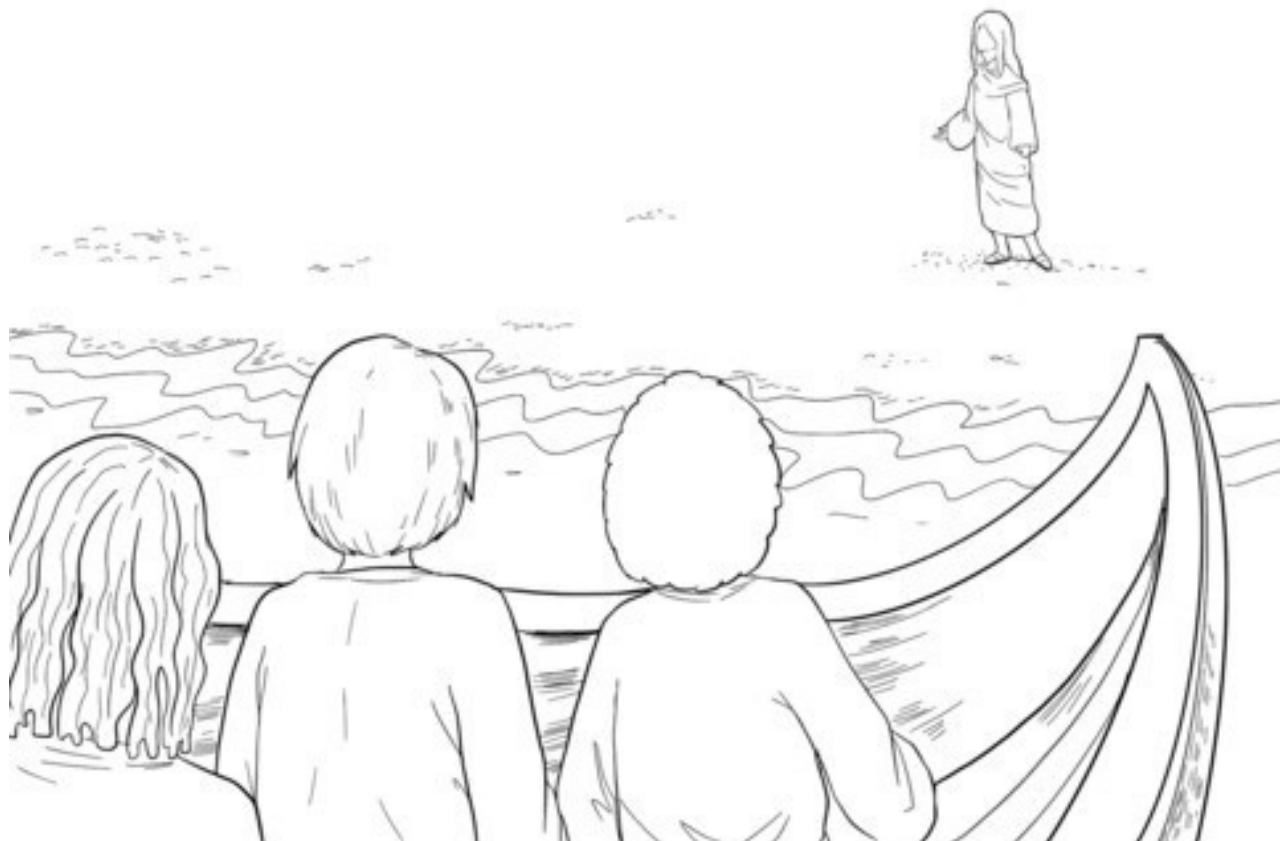


SERIES: DECISIONS THAT HEAL

THE DECISION TO FOLLOW CHRIST

Jesus called out to them, "Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!"

Matthew 4:19 NLT



In our final week of this series, we're going to talk about what it means to follow Jesus. Jesus invites us all to follow him, and as we do, our lives change for the better and we find true purpose.



JESUS CALLS US

Personal Call: Jesus calls each of us in a special way. He wants to have a unique friendship with you.

New Mission: Following Jesus means starting a new adventure, where we share His love with others.

Promise of Change: Jesus promises that by following Him, our lives will be different and we will find a new purpose. (2 Corinthians 5:17)



THE COST OF FOLLOWING CHRIST

Giving Up Self: Sometimes we need to put Jesus' desires above our own, and that may require sacrifices.

Taking Up the Cross: This means being ready to face challenges and difficulties in order to follow Jesus, with His help.

Total Surrender: Following Jesus means giving Him every part of our life and trusting in Him.



THE FRUITS OF FOLLOWING CHRIST

Spiritual Growth: By following Jesus, we grow more in our relationship with Him.

Abundant Life: Jesus gives us a life full of peace, joy, and purpose, no matter the circumstances.

Impact on Others: Our lives can show others the love and truth of Jesus.



BENEFITS OF FOLLOWING CHRIST

Intimate Relationship with God: We follow Jesus to have a special connection with God, who gives us guidance and strength. (John 15:4)

Peace and Security: Jesus gives us peace in our hearts and the assurance that God always cares for us. (John 14:27)

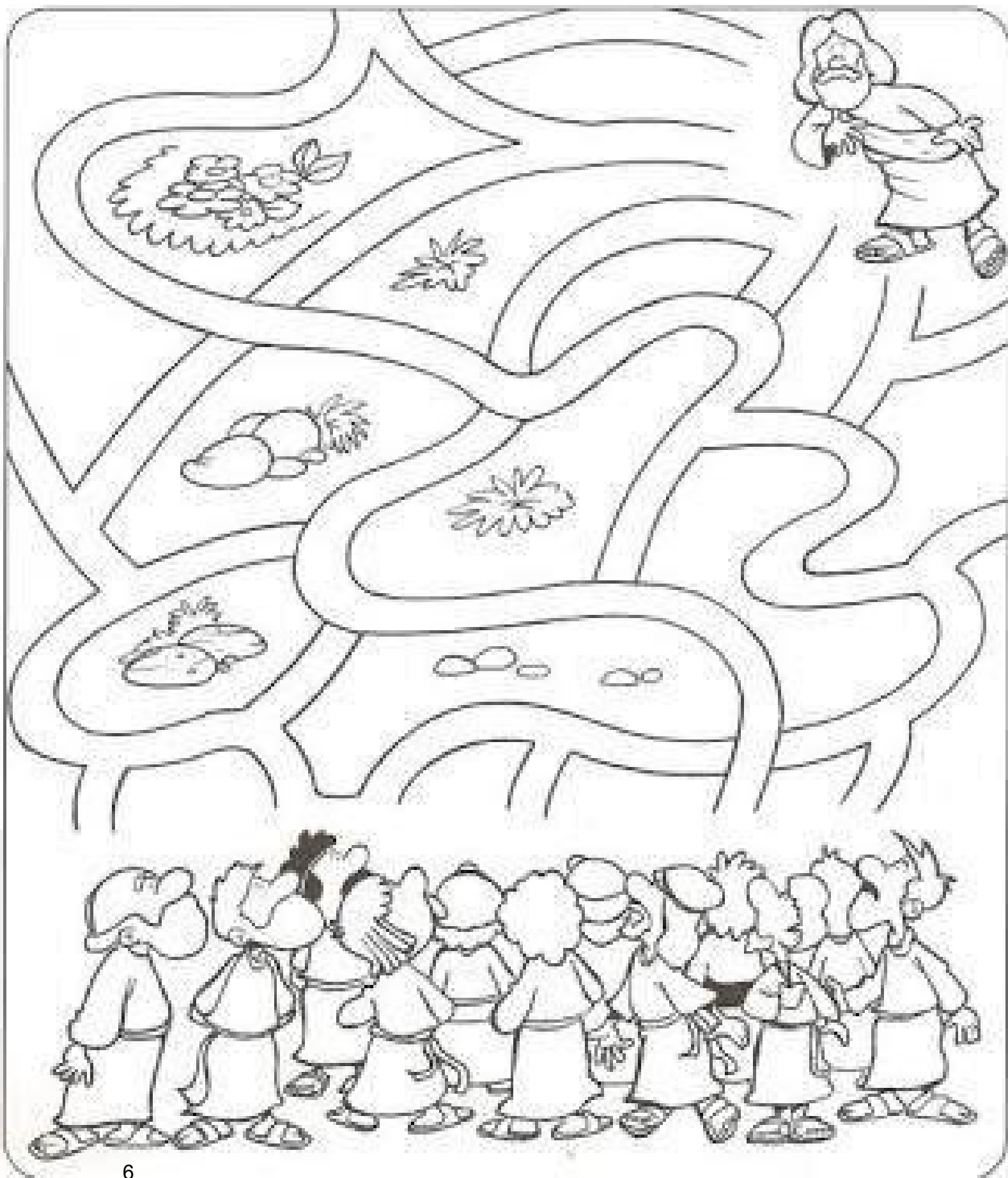
Purpose and Direction: Following Jesus helps us understand God's purpose for us and to make good decisions. (Proverbs 3:5-6)



Decide to follow Jesus! It is the best decision you can make. It will lead you to a life full of purpose, peace, and a close friendship with God. By following Jesus, you can also help others to know His love. Let us follow Jesus with all our hearts and enjoy the wonderful life He offers us.



Follow Jesus



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