Gospel Grams
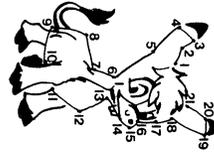## SUNDAY ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN

SPECIAL BABY BORN IN BARN

[Bethlehem, Judea] — A strange thing happened in this small town in the middle of the night. A man named Joseph came to town, along with a young woman, Mary, who was just about to have a baby. They had come a long, long way, from Nazareth, far in the north part of the country. Mary had to ride the whole trip on a donkey.

When they got to Bethlehem, where they were supposed to come to let the censustaker count them for the Emperor Augustus, there were no hotel rooms. So they had to stay in a barn behind one of the hotels. The night they got there Mary had her baby. She wrapped him up in cloth and made a bed for him in a feed box where the cows ate.

Outside of town some shepherds suddenly saw angels in the sky. The angels told them to come into Bethlehem and see the baby in the barn. The shepherds were amazed. But they decided to find out if it was true. They came and found Jesus, God's Son.

Luke 2:1-14

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ANSWERS

MAKING NEW WORDS:

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HE	BET	BE
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Hidden Things. There are 6 things hidden in the picture below. Can you find the Christmas tree, the ball, the star, the fish, the angel, and the bell? Circle each one as you find it.

Gus The Gospel Gopher says: "It's a long, long way from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Joseph had to walk the whole trip! It's a good thing Mary didn't have to walk, since she was going to have a baby. Connect the numbers below and make a picture of something that helped Mary to get to Bethlehem."
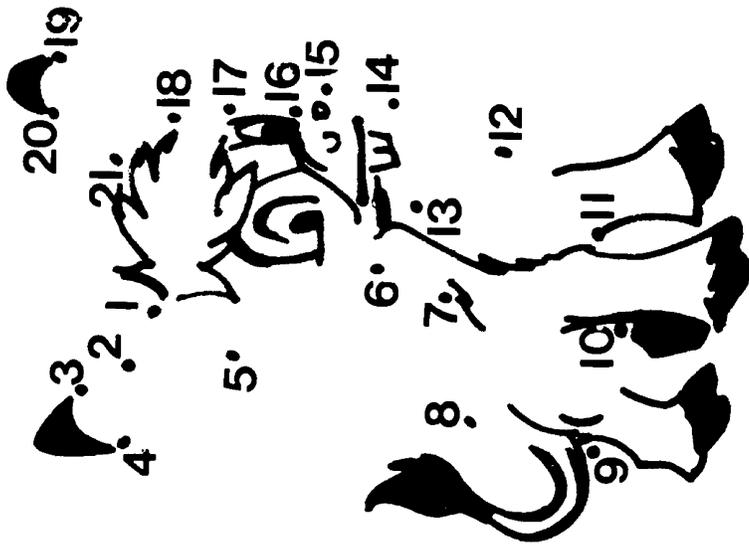
A helpful hint: After you reach number 10, stop and lift your pencil. Then begin again at number 11, and do not lift your pencil until you reach number 21.

Making New Words. Bethlehem was a sleepy little village with a long name with a lot of letters in it. How many new words can you make from the letters in the word "Bethlehem"? (We made 13 of them.) Write all the ones you can think of below. When you've done your best, check the answers on the back page.

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