

# Praxis Hits Back

Key Word: **Love**

Key Verse: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you. *Matthew 5:44*

“We got them!” Praxis told the Wise Old Pixie, who was listening with a frown. “So you followed these elves and threw sticks and stones at them?”

Praxis nodded. “And they ran away!” He was satisfied and his skin glowed orange with pride.

“Praxis, what did the elves do that demanded such action?”

Praxis grinned, and a green gleam began to tint his skin. “They don’t belong here,” he declared.

“And how many elves were there?”

“Six or seven, I think,” Praxis said.

The Wise Old Pixie sighed. “And are you aware of the outcome of your actions, Praxis?”

Praxis’ eyebrows lifted in surprise. “They won’t be back again.”

“No,” agreed the Wise Old Pixie. “But their elders will. I’ve already been told that elves are gathering with bows and arrows and slingshots. Pixie people will be hurt and the elves might destroy us altogether.” Praxis gasped. His skin turned a sickly yellow as he began to feel afraid. “We can stop them, can’t we?”

“Perhaps,” said the Wise Old Pixie, “but if we arm ourselves and march against them, many pixies and elves

will be hurt. Our peace may disappear forever. Do you want that to happen?”

Praxis shook his head. “Of course not! But we had to show them, didn’t we?”

“Do you think there might have been a different way of sorting things out, Praxis?”

“I’m not sure. I suppose we could have talked to them. Found out what they were like and maybe played games?”

The Wise Old Pixie nodded. “I’m going now to the elves’ village, to talk to them and see whether we can’t all be friends. Do you want to come with me, Praxis?”

Praxis knew he would have to say sorry to those elves, and he didn’t much fancy it. But if that’s what it took to regain peace, he knew he would do it. The Wise Old Pixie and naughty little Praxis set off for the elf village. One was a pure, radiant white, and the other was a bright, shocking pink.

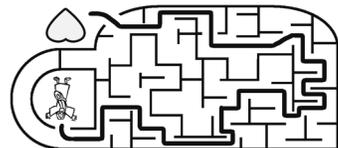
## Questions

Why should we love our enemies?

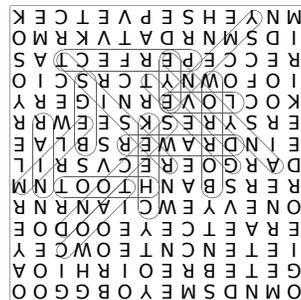
Why should you give to someone who asks for help?



Fallen Letter Puzzle



Maze Puzzle



Word Find

## Answers

# Gospel Grams

Today's Gospel Story  
is from  
**Matthew 5:38-48**



