

# Christ The King, King Agadir

Key Word: King

Key Verse: There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." Luke 23:38

The young princes seemed to think that being a king was all about riding on a shining white charger and using a sword.

King Agadir would laugh. He remembered when he had been a young prince himself. His father had sent him on a time journey to find out for himself the qualities required to be king. He tried to tell the young princes something of his story.

"I found a king," said Agadir, "riding on a —"

"— donkey! Yes, we know," finished the young princes. "We've heard it all before! But only princes can be real kings."

"So which one of you will be king?" asked Agadir. "Only one of you can be king. Which will it be?"

"Whoever lives the longest!" said the eldest prince. "May the best swordsman win!"

"I, I, I, too laughed at the man on the donkey," continued Agadir. "But then I discovered he was the kindest person I had ever met. And so brave! One day he went into the temple and threw out all the merchants because a temple should be a place of prayer. After that, the religious leaders were out to get him, but he went on teaching and preaching quite openly."

"What happened?" asked his eldest son. "He was eventually arrested," said Agadir. "They rigged a trial. Even then he could have saved himself. But whatever they did to him, he simply stayed silent."

"He must have been stupid!" exclaimed the youngest prince. "The really courageous people in this world," explained Agadir, "love another person so much that they will do anything for that person. They will even die for them. Some parents love their children like that. But that king didn't love only his own family, but everybody he met. He chose to die for all those people he loved."

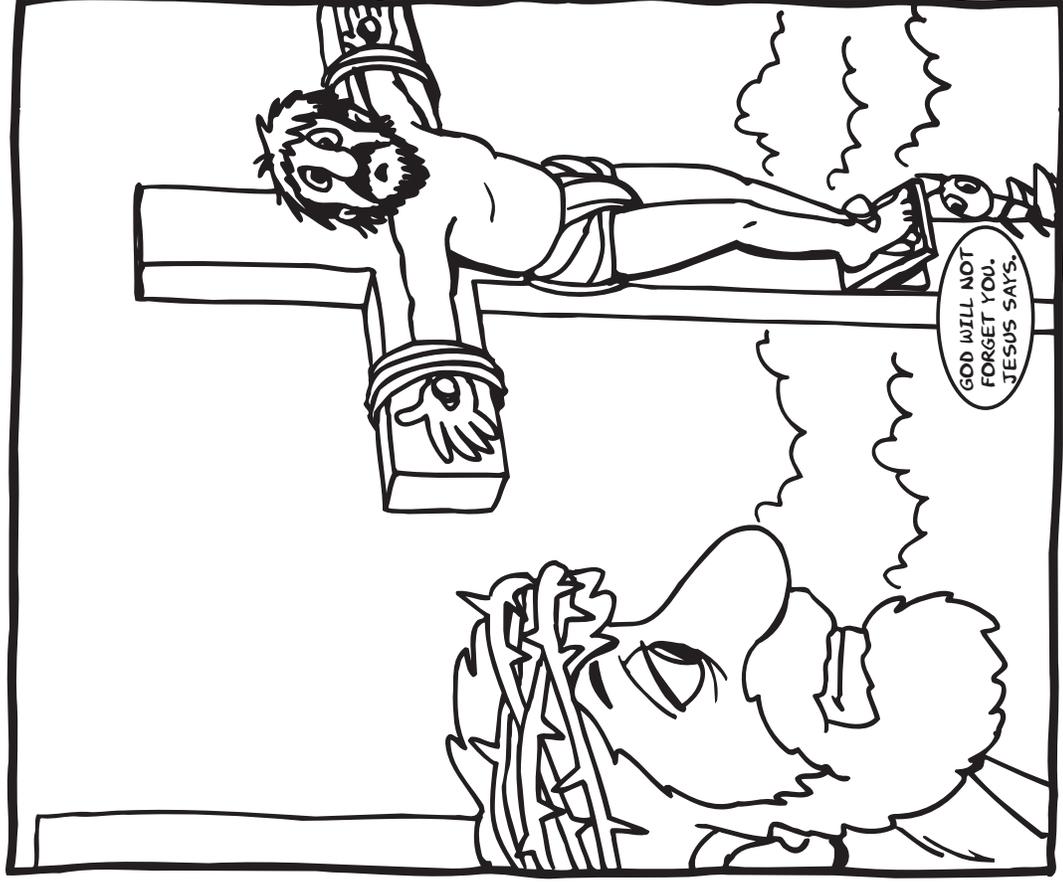
The boys were quiet now. Their father added, "That's the mark of a true king. Someone who loves all his people so much that he will die for them. Now which one of you said you would be king?"

But the princes didn't answer.

## Questions

Why did the man throw all of the merchants out of the temple?

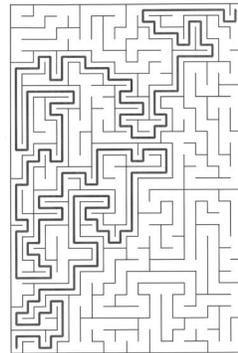
What is the mark of a true king?



# Gospel Grams



Today's Gospel Story  
is from  
**Luke 23:33-43**



Maze

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

Word Find

Father, forgive them.

Cryptogram

## Answers

### Cryptogram

Below is a verse from today's Gospel story, Luke 23:33-43. Each letter is substituted for another. Use the letter patterns and trial and error to help you figure out this puzzle. Can you decipher this message? One of the letters is already done for you.

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### Word Find

Find the words from today's Gospel story. Words go forward, backward, up, down, or diagonally. One has been done for you.

Words to find:

- CHOSEN
- CLOTHING
- CRIMINALS
- DEEDS
- FATHER
- FEAR
- FORGIVE
- JESUS
- JUDAS
- KING
- KINGDOM
- LEADERS
- MESSIAH
- PARADISE
- PEOPLE
- SAVED
- SKULL
- SOLDIERS
- TRULY

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

### Maze

Today's Gospel story tells about two criminals and Jesus being led out to be put to death. They were taken to a place called "The Skull." They crucified Jesus there and the two criminals, one on his right and the other on his left. Only one criminal was repentant. Help Jesus and the repentant criminal find their way to the place where they will begin their lives in heaven with his father.

