

READ HIS DIRECTIONS

This quick exercise is a great way to dive into a discussion about following God and his instructions.

First, you'll need a word search, similar to the one in the picture. Go to groupmagazine.com/web-extras/ for a downloadable copy of this puzzle. The important thing is that the instructions say something like: "Instructions: Look in all directions (horizontal, diagonal, backwards, and forwards) to find the name 'Jesus' in the puzzle below. Circle it; then write your name upside down in the name spot."

Hand one to everyone face-down and tell them it's going to be a race to see who can finish first and then sit quietly—and the winner gets a prize. Most kids will assume they know what they're supposed to do and dive right in, but eventually someone will read the instructions, follow them, and be done well before the others.



LEOJPETERAARONL
UNCEEMPTYTOMBRE
AADAMASCUSHULVI
PMUBOCAJWCSTISN
IAHEZEKIAHELNRA
LADDERDHOMSRDAD
INNNSSOSNPPHABEE
HEIEWEFLIIAEEBA
PWWGMIERAGDSGR
TILORTIONZRDGLH
JGREATFISHAEAIM
ELIXSCLOAKCRROO
SUHCLAMOONHSUNS
UAWLEPROSYJOBSE
SSNHAIJILELISHAS

W P R A Y E R F
B L E S S E D O
I N V I T E I R
Y S I S E N E G
L U V T N N O I
O S A V I O R V
H E L W D E S E
S J T S E I R P

JTSOLHTEETEARSR
ECIOVESCAUGHTUP
SUSLMOURNINGIOB
UMGWOESDNEIRFEE
STENEVERLASTING
DDHMINETERNALRI
EDUGOHDDTNATASN
ANPOURSOOHNVCLN
TOYELOIAONEITEI
HCRARCHANGELSEN
SECHRISTLGRSOPG
HSAINTSRIFESIRO
ORNVEPOHTNECED
UHTAERBSOULDAD
TRUMPNALPHAGEMO

TPPERFECTRIHSFD
MEISPECKEVIGROF
EOHGSEVIECERGLB
RPSOETHANKFULP
CLDTTLNCROOPEOR
YENPHEDDUSMSTWA
OTELEIMENRSUUEY
ESIARPGONISSCRN
OGRNSLSHNRKEESN
VNFKUMOGGEUJSRF
IINKUMSNTLOYLREA
RNEWCOMMANDMENT
TREWARDDOOGODPNH
UADSELPICSIDRIE
EWMARKNUMBERSR

BUBTFPHARISEESH
ENERPSDEEHEKATC
GTEEANIMATTHEWR
OISSRIONSVDKPHU
NLTPANGTNLEAVEH
EHAABEBSOETNWL
AEBSLTOOSBREIAO
SFLSEYOLRLLEILYM
TIIAOKSELVGDEE
RNSGFNOIPANHETT
ADHAJDFHTHOBRHH
YIEIENLCSSCONIH
NTDNSIUIUYEUETO
DEYSUNKHJOBR
SOMSHETSEEWUJMSNE

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

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

P Y F I T S E T
R S E U G N O T
O E S I M O R P
P F T I R I P S
H R I E G T O U
E O V R P A S S
T O A P E N E E
S M L L S W E J

N H E A L I N G
O T M Y R A M I
I I D E M O N S
T A S U S E J P
A F H E A V E N
E R S A C T L E
R S S L E G N A
C L A R U T A N

NOSTSEDLFAHDYG
BESTROBEAREEARF
REGNUHHTIWKNETE
WASLOSTSAUOADNL
JESUSEESLSTMSUL
DHSODAAFLWONAOY
NANCNNOAAIFIWCE
URADGKGTYTNEANRN
OLGROIOWNEETOAR
FOYODFOUEDDRSFU
STBOFSGEPISSEIO
ISRIOTOUSDWCOLJ
DPGNICNADEIAHLS
NHSIREPRAANYSEI
AYLLEBSIHTEONDH