

St Benedict Biscop Church

Messy Church and Sunday Club at home

Week beginning 20th June 2021



Praise – Colours of day

<https://youtu.be/Fo-3lf08y-Y>

This week's reading is taken from – Mark 4:26-34 Today's reading is a parable that Jesus told. Do you know what a parable is? It is one of many stories that Jesus told using examples of everyday things, with which the people listening would be familiar, to help them to remember and understand teachings relating to faith, God and himself. Jesus used the example of a mustard seed because at the time it would have been a seed with which the people would be familiar. Jesus says that the mustard seed is one of the smallest of seeds, but once grown and looked after, with water and care, it grows into something much bigger. From a tiny seed it sprouts and grows until one day it becomes a large and leafy shrub, with many branches. Jesus uses this parable to help the people understand about the kingdom of God. What is this kingdom that He talks about? It is all about the new way of life that Jesus has shown to us. To live in this kingdom and to be a part of it means that we have to live our lives as Jesus taught us. It does mean that we need to put our love for God and our love for those we live and work and with whom we worship, our Church family, before we put ourselves. How can the seed of our faith grow within us? What can we do to help us grow in faith, as individual people? How can we make our faith grow larger? It is the way we live our lives and to help us grow more like Jesus we need to learn from Him. There are many ways in which we can strengthen our faith, make the seed grow bigger. We can read the Bible, say our prayers, worship with others in church, can you think of any others? The word of God is sown in our hearts, from small beginnings, like the tiny mustard seed, and as we grow and grow in faith so we become more like Jesus in the way we live our lives. We need to grow in the way we speak and care for others, the way we behave towards others, growing in kindness and understanding of one another. Christian people worship together, praise God and pray together. If we put our trust in God we can be a small part of the kingdom here and now.

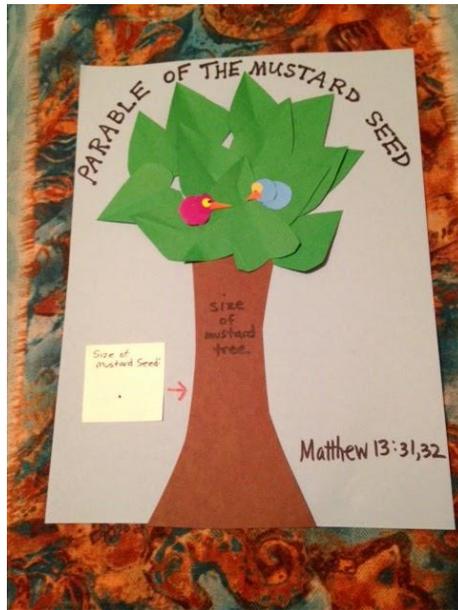
This is a link for the story on You tube if you would like to use it:

<https://youtu.be/sYmRj3s6JLE>

Praise – Faith as small as a mustard seed

<https://youtu.be/2DVD4v56-zQ>

An activity – Parable of the mustard seed craft



Please follow this link to make this craft:

<https://www.google.com/url?sa=i&url=http%3A%2F%2Fchildrensbiblelessons.blogspot.com%2F2015%2F01%2Ffleson-parable-of-mustard-seed.html&psig=AOvVaw1ssZXIMONxT2Fwr4I3AxW1&ust=1623838325440000&source=images&cd=vfe&ved=0CAIQjRxqFwoTCMjSqqSzmfECFQAAAAAdAAAAABAJ>

Colouring sheet and maze

I attach a colouring sheet and maze for you to enjoy.

Prayer

God be in my head, and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes, and in my looking. God be in my mouth, and in my speaking. God be in my heart, and in my thinking. Amen

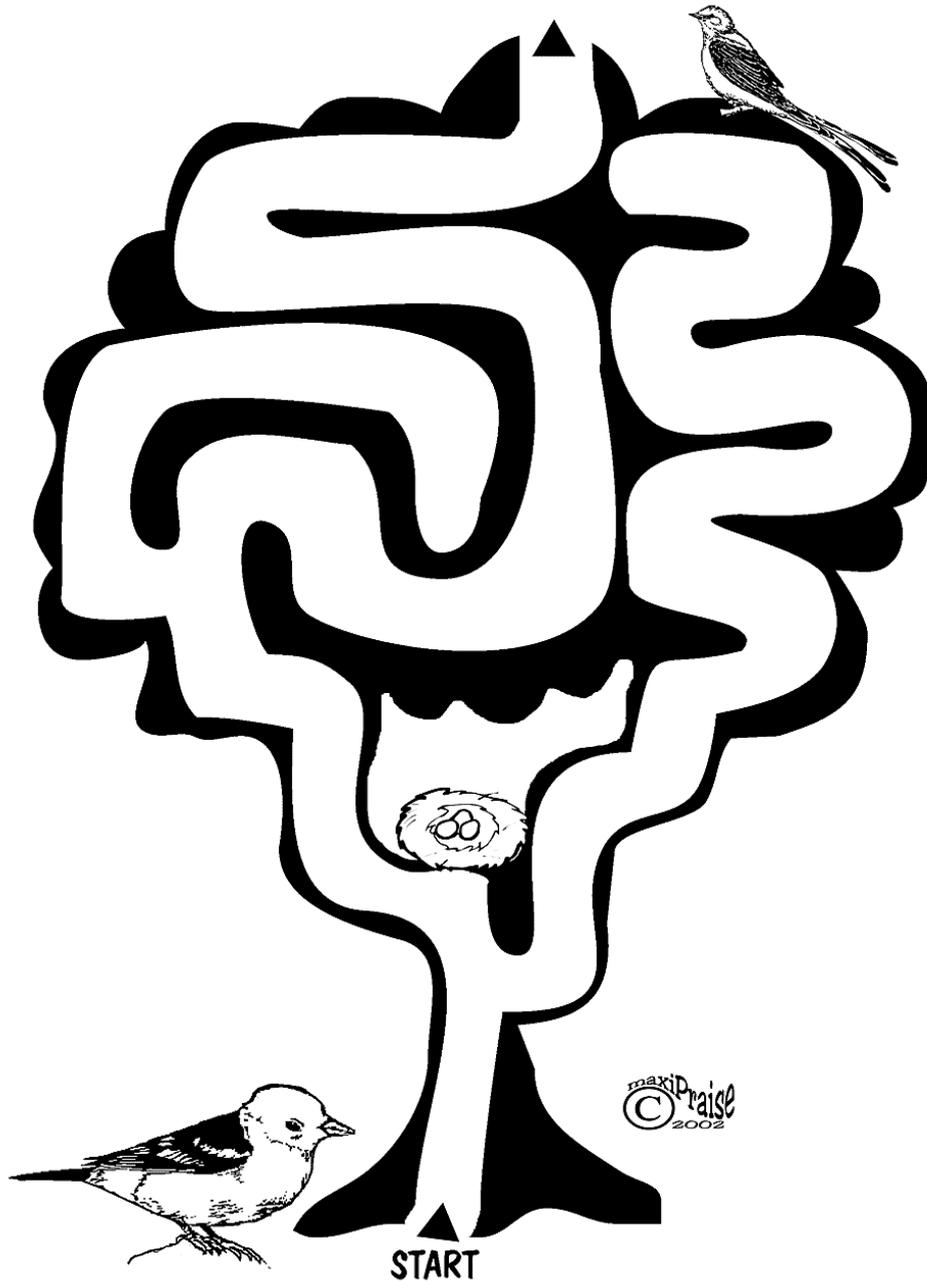
Praise – Shine Jesus shine

<https://youtu.be/J3iB30gCqAc>

Parable

The Mustard-Seed

Help the bird get to the top of the mustard tree.



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Jesus said that the Kingdom of Heaven was like a mustard seed. A mustard seed is the smallest of seeds, but when a man planted that seed in the ground it grew into a great tree. That mustard tree made a safe place for all the birds to come, rest and build nests.

