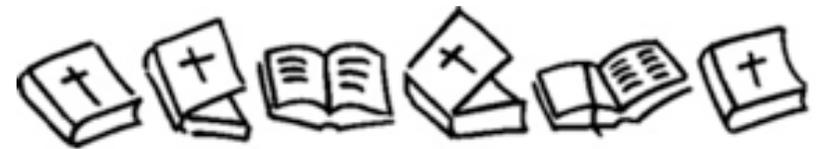


Colouring In



God hears my prayers

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Children's Activity Sheet

The Cathedral Church of St Marie
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to Mass today.

Mustard Seed Faith

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When we come to church, we hear a lot talk about faith. We read about faith in the Bible and we sing songs about faith, but what is faith? When we say that we have faith, it means that we believe something is true, even when we can't see it. I heard a story that might help us to understand it better.

One day, a little girl got lost in the woods on a farm near where she lived. The farmer who owned the land found the little girl and said to her, "Don't be afraid; I'll take you home." The little child looked up at him, and with a smile, said, "I'm not afraid. I knew you would come; I was waiting for you." "Waiting for me?" said the man. "What made you think I was coming?". "I was praying that you would" she said. "You were praying?" the farmer asked. "When I first heard you, you were just saying 'A B C D E F G.' What was that for?". She looked up again and said, "I wasn't sure exactly what to say, so I was praying all the letters of the alphabet and letting God put them together the way He wanted them. He knew I was lost and he knew how to put the letters together better than I do." Even though the little girl could not see God, she had faith that he loved her and cared for her. She had faith that if she asked him to help her, he would.

How much faith is enough? The answer may surprise you. The followers of Jesus said to him one day, "Give us more faith." Jesus answered them, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you." Do you know how big a mustard seed is? It is so small that you can hardly see it! When we have faith in God, it isn't a question of how big our faith is, it is a question of how powerful our God is, and with God all things are possible!

Word Search

Today's Word Search is based on Luke 17: 5-10



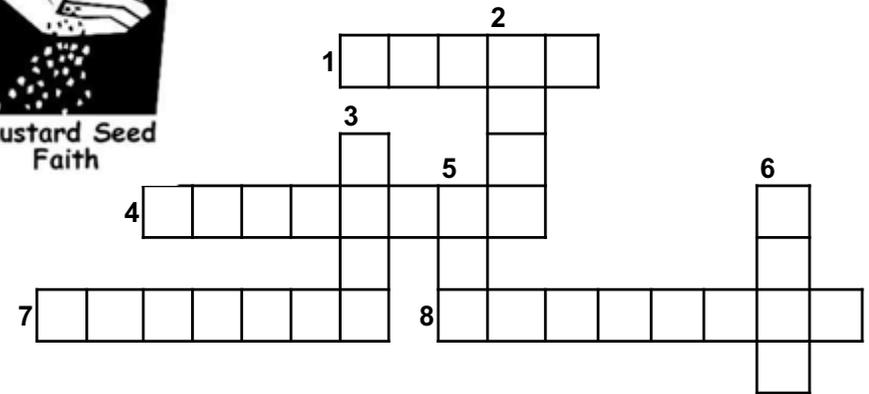
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Mustard Seed Faith

Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Belief in the truth value, or trustworthiness of a person or idea
4. To make greater or larger
7. A thick, yellow liquid that tastes spicy and is eaten in small amounts with meat or in sandwiches
8. Twelve disciples chosen by Jesus to preach the Gospel

DOWN

2. A tall plant with a wooden trunk, branches and leaves
3. A small kernel that is buried in the ground to grow a new plant
5. A large area of salt water partly or completely surrounded by land
6. To do what you are told or expected to do

Mustard	Tree	Seed	Obey
Faith	Increase	Sea	Apostles

DRINK	TREE	OBEY
FAITH	EAT	INCREASE
PLANTED	APOSTLES	SMALL
SERVANT	LORD	UPROOTED
MUSTARD	SEED	MULBERRY

Children's Prayer

Dear Father, we don't ask you to give us more faith. We simply ask that you help us to use the faith that we have and trust you to do the rest. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

