



Redeemer Kids

Parable of the Mustard Seed: July 5th 2020

Today we explored the parable of the mustard seed. We talked about lots of different seeds and how huge plants and trees can grow from something tiny. Even if we feel small, or our actions feel insignificant, we never can fully know the impact of our words and actions. Our tiny mustard seed could become a tall and leafy tree, and a home to so many birds.

Following our time together, I invite you to look at the activities and links below and try some out with your family!

1) Seed mosaics!

Create your own seed mosaic artwork.



Supplies:

- Various seeds
- White glue
- Paint brush or popsicle stick (to spread the glue)
- Card stock with picture on it OR plain card stock and draw your own picture

Directions:

- Assemble seeds of any kind (ideally different colours and sizes).
- Draw a simple picture on cardstock or print one of the pictures on page 3 (on 4 by 6 paper or similar otherwise you'll need A LOT of seeds to make it into a mosaic!).

- Use seeds to decorate/ fill in the picture. Attach seeds to cardstock with white glue.
- Let dry for a few hours.

2) Bird Feeder! (2 options depending on what materials you have at home)



Materials:

- pine cone
- shortening
- bird seed
- string/ wool
- glue gun

Directions:

- spread shortening on pinecone
- roll in bird seed
- attach string/ wool at the top (ask your grown up to help with the glue gun) and tie to form a loop
- hang on a tree outside

OR

Materials:

- empty and cleaned out metal can (i.e. from a can of tomatoes/chickpeas etc.)
- wool/ ribbon
- 2 popsicle sticks (or a just a regular stick from outside)
- glue



Directions:

- wrap the can with wool or ribbon. Change colours to make a pattern or wrap all in one colour.
- When you are halfway done wrapping, tie a piece of wool to the wrapping wool and form a loop (this is how you will hang the bird feeder).
- Then continue wrapping the can making sure to leave the hanging loop free.
- Glue 2 popsicle sticks/ stick to the bottom of can as a landing perch for the bird
- Fill with bird seed and hang outside on a tree.



3) Messages of Encouragement and Hope

We never know the impact we might have. Sometimes a little positivity, support and love can really make a big difference.

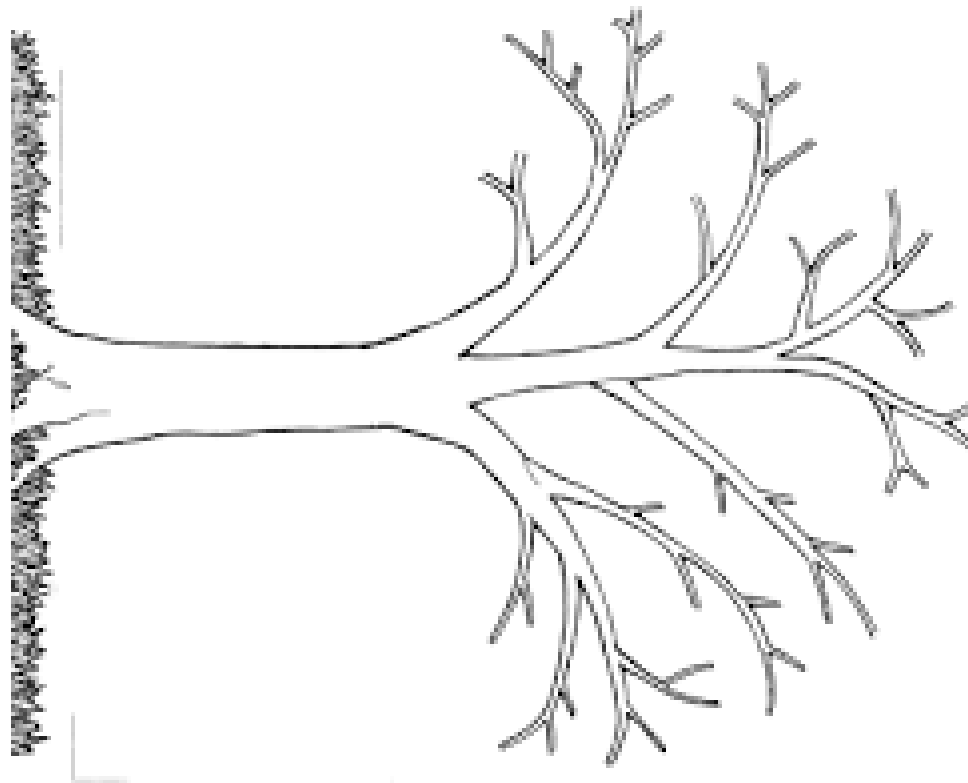
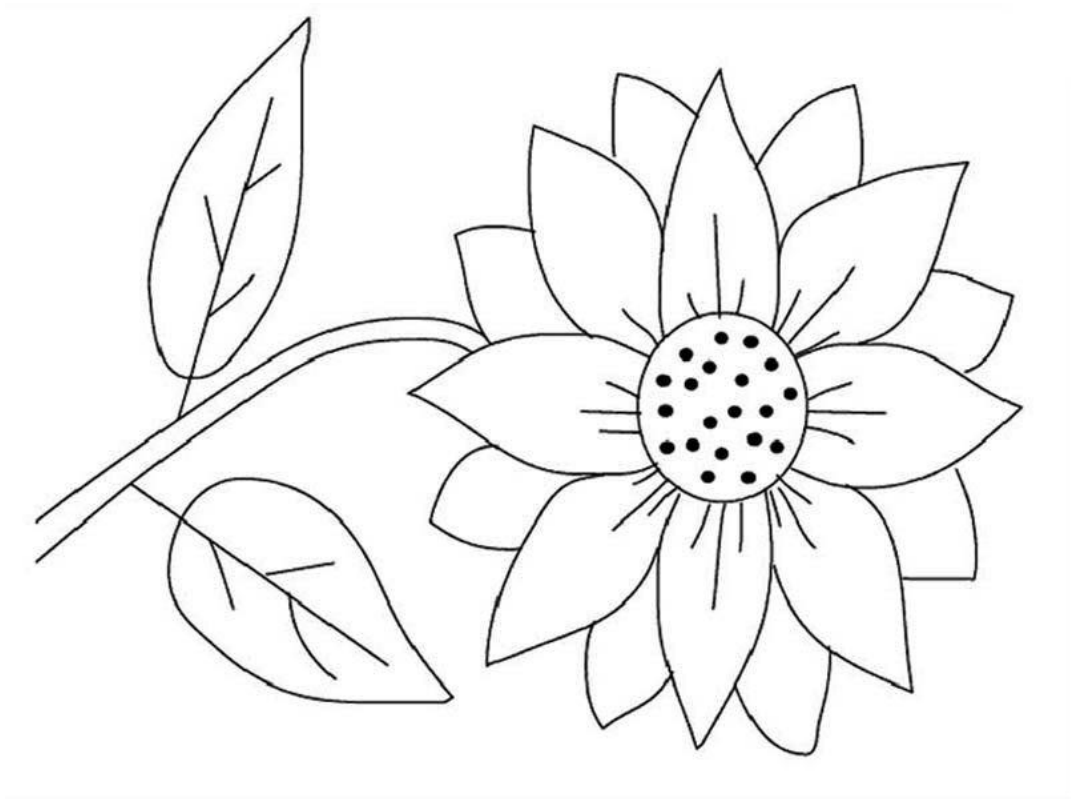


This week, consider sharing messages of hope, love and encouragement to the people around us. Write big messages outside your home using sidewalk chalk. Or send a letter to a relative or friend who you haven't seen in a long while.

4) Activity Sheets and Colouring Pages

Pages 4-8 include word searches, mazes, and colouring sheets. Please print them and enjoy doing the activities and colouring!





Parable

The Mustard-Seed

Help the bird get to the top of the tree.



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. Let Jesus plant a seed of love in your heart which can grow and touch others.

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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



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2. 24-25-26-3-8-16-9 _____
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7. 13-11-12-3-2-21-1 _____
8. 23-13-11-26-1-21 _____
9. 4-25-12-8-21 _____
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PLANTED	MUSTARD	KINGDOM	NEST	PLANTS
SMALLEST	PARABLE	BIRDS	LARGEST	SEED

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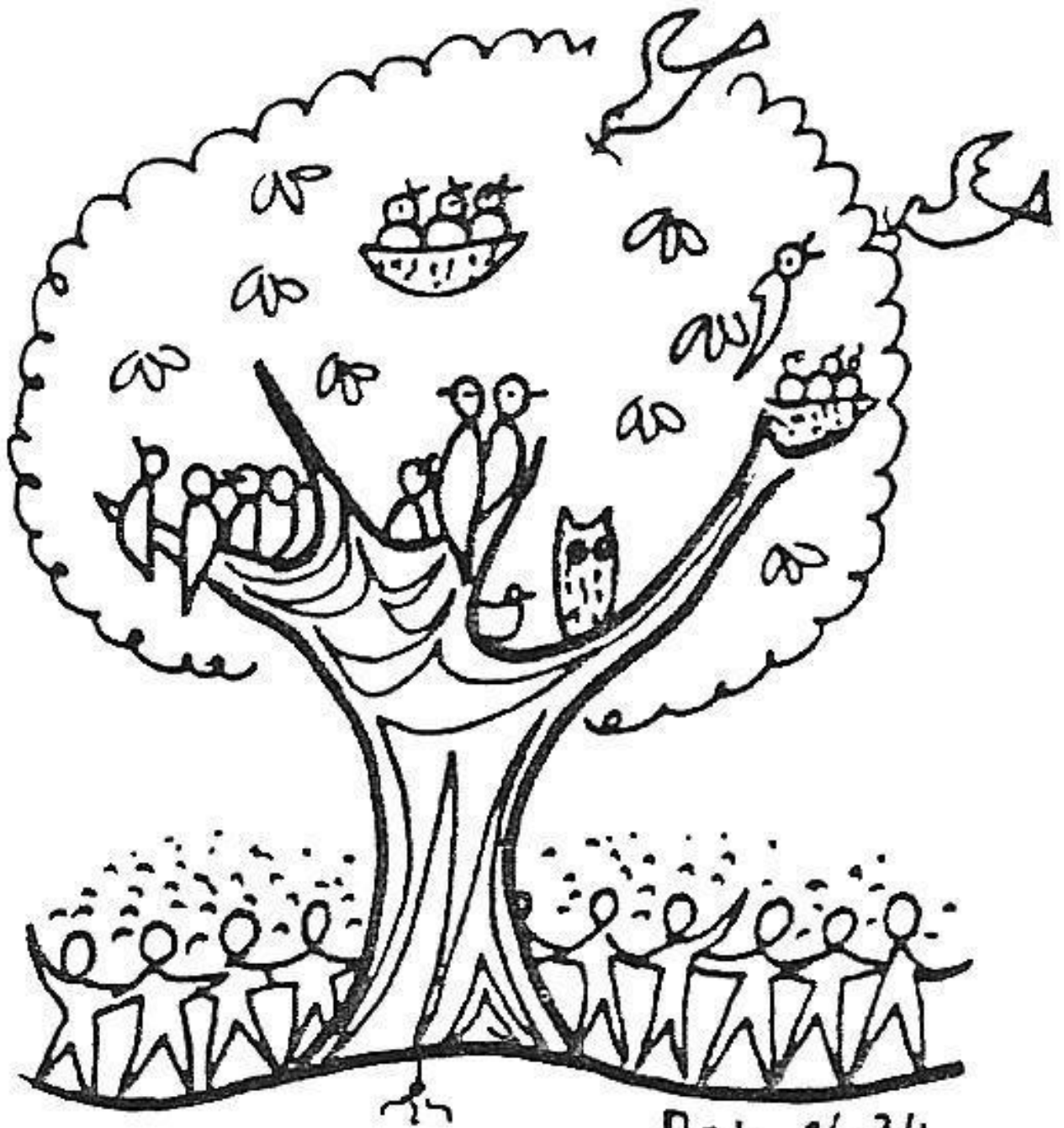
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The puzzle is based on Mark 4:30-32

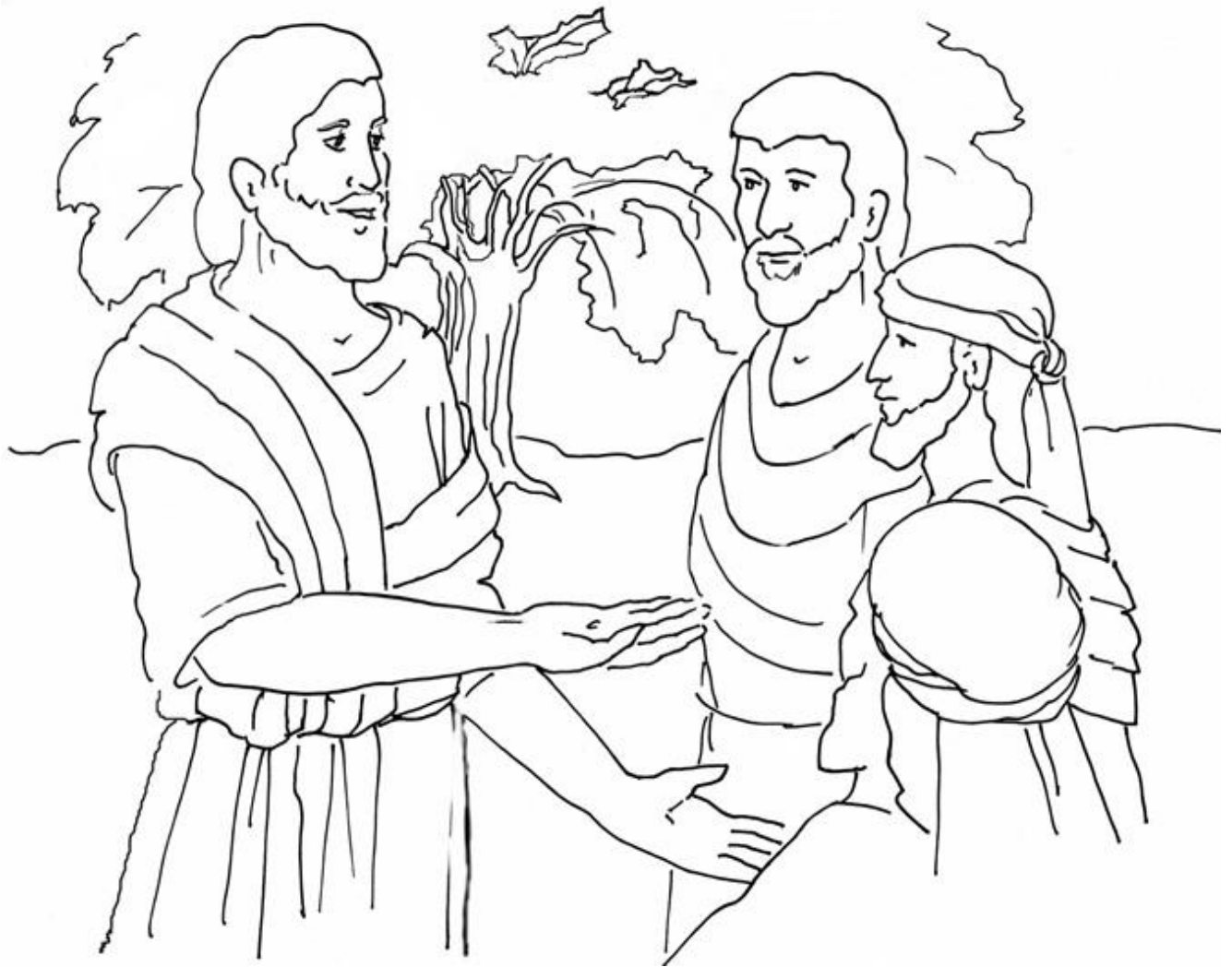
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BIRDS	SHADE	NEST	MUSTARD	BRANCHES
JESUS	GARDEN	PLANTED	LARGEST	PLANTS
STORY	GROUND	SEED	SMALLEST	KINGDOM



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Parable Mustard Seed Coloring Page



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