

LESSON SUMMARY



Praise & Worship Songs

Gonna jump up and down



Wonderful Lord



PowerPoint

Don't trade God's truth for Satan's lies

Memory Verse

Stand firm then, with the belt of truth.
Ephesians 6:14

Overview

The purpose of this week's lesson is to teach the kids that Everyone wants a bargain these days. You can even trade something that you have with someone else. Satan is the master at getting people to trade away the many blessings that God has in store for them. Satan doesn't want us to be blessed so he has mastered the art of presentation. He presents things in such a way that it always sounds as if we are making upgrades. But we mustn't trade God's truth for Satan's lies.

Maze

Find your way through the maze to find the belt of truth



Life Story

Read today's Life Story

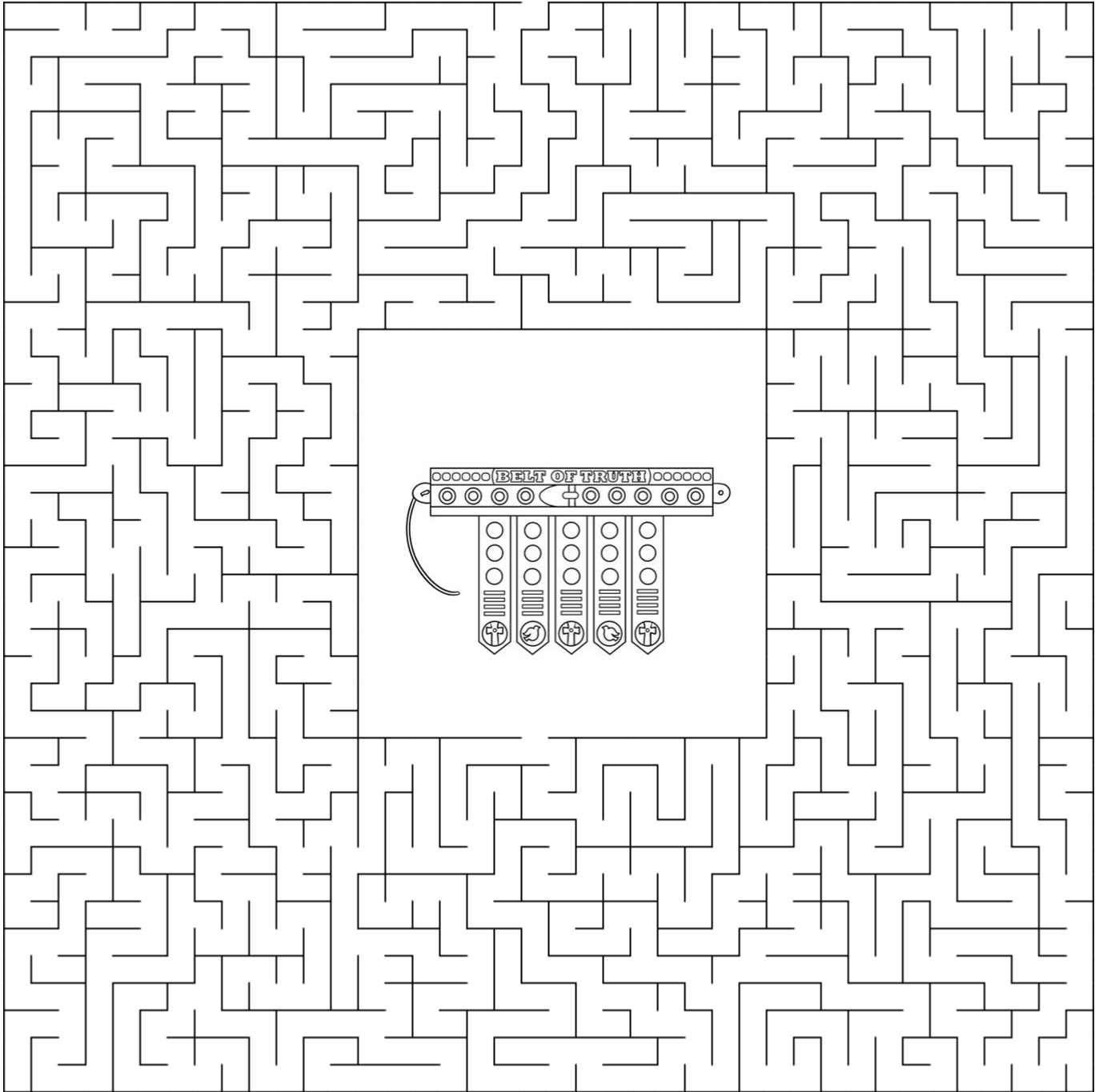


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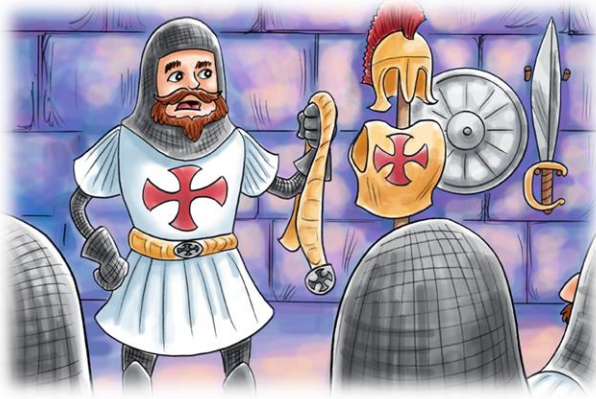


Find your way through the maze to the Belt of Truth.

Start



Life Story – Williams Quest for Truth



The battle with the British Army was over. Sir Edward walked away with victory. He took all the knights in training back to the castle. He had a meeting in the Armor Room and showed the boys all of the pieces of armour a knight must fight with in a battle – the sword, shield, helmet, shoes... “Although it isn’t as exciting as the sword, the first piece of armour a knight **MUST** wear is the belt,” Sir Edward explained. William listened carefully. “This belt is very important. Everything depends on this belt. It holds the sword and shield and it keeps the armour secure. Without it, you will not be prepared for battle.”

After Sir Edward explained the pieces of armour to the knights--in--training, (pick up the scroll) he gave each of them a scroll with “The Word of God” written on it. “Every Knight--in--training learns to live a life that pleases God. The life God wants you to live is built on God’s truth -- otherwise known as God’s Word. Whatever is written in the Bible is truth. Don’t ever, I mean ever, trade God’s truth for Satan’s lies”.



William started doing the chores that were assigned to him as he was thought about God’s Word. All of a sudden he heard a voice from behind a pile of hay. It was his brother Isadore. “What are you doing here?” William asked. “I’m going to get a job on a merchant ship,” Isadore replied. He was pretending that the only reason he came to the castle was to say good bye. But the truth was, he had come to try and convince William that all the things he was learning were not necessary – especially all of that “God: stuff.” “But God’s Word is God’s Truth,” William said. “God’s word teaches us:

1. Not to lie, steal, or cheat
2. That God’s best is for me to know Him and follow what He says
3. If I ever need help, I can always come to Him



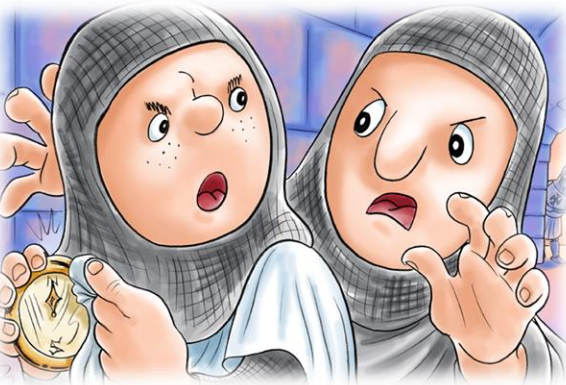


Isadore laughed at him. "William, you are the kind of person who will believe anything". He started to fill William's mind with all kinds of lies.

1. You deserve to get what you want, even if that means you have to lie, steal, or cheat to get it
2. It's boring to follow God
3. God doesn't listen to you—He barely even cares that you're alive.

William put his head down. He was so sad. He was almost about to trade in God's Words for Isadore's lies.

He went inside the castle, (pick up the scroll again) picked up God's Word, and started to read it again. William went on his knees and whispered, "In Your Word, You promise to never leave me. In Your Word, You say that You are more powerful than anything else. In Your Word, You say that Satan is trying to trick me to believe things that are not true." Right then, William realized that Satan was using his brother to fill his mind with lies.



As soon as William stepped into the next room to do his chores, he saw Isadore again. "Hey, come here. Let's steal Sir Edward's watch. He'll be gone for two more hours. I know where he keeps it." "Are you crazy?" William asked. "'Do not steal' is the 8th commandment!" Isadore became angry with his little brother. "I hate you! I thought you would be there for me. I will get you back for not helping me when I needed you the most".



Life Story



William was so hurt, he could barely focus on his next task. As he was practicing shooting with the bow and arrow, he heard a voice in the background.

Isadore lurked in the shadows. "William, don't think this is over. I will come back and kill you myself. You think you are better than I am but you are nothing but a traitor!" William begged his brother to leave. "There are arrows flying all around. You could easily get hurt out here," William said. "Now you're trying to tell me how to live my life. I'll do exactly what I want to do!" Isadore dropped his arrows and ran straight towards his little brother.



WHAM! Isadore got shot in his leg with an arrow. "William, leave him. He doesn't deserve your kindness," the other men yelled. William knew this was a lie. He took the arrow out of his brother's leg. "To hate is a lie from the devil," William said as he bandaged his brother's wounds, "to forgive is a truth that comes from God's Word. I will not trade God's truth for Satan's lies, not even if you kill me."

Sir Edward walked from behind one of the trees. "William," he said, "you are exactly right. And for standing firm with your spiritual belt of truth, you have now earned your physical one. Here is your belt of truth."

