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Samuel's Puzzle I Samuel 16:1-13

Samuel was puzzled. He had followed God's orders, but something was amiss. He had come to Bethlehem, he had called the people to the sacrifice, and he had told Jesse to bring his sons. God was going to show him whom to anoint as the next king of Israel. Jesse had lined up his sons in order of their age and brought them past Samuel just as he said.

One by one the men stood before Samuel. First, Eliab came forward. What a big, strong, handsome man! What a fine king he would make! Samuel thought to himself, "This surely is God's anointed," but God did not put his finger on Eliab. God told Samuel, "Don't be fooled, Samuel, by his height or his good looks. I don't see people as man sees them. Man looks on the outside, but I look at their heart!"

So Samuel dismissed Eliab. Next came Abinadab, but God did not choose him either. "Bring another." One by one seven young men passed, but God did not choose any of them!

Samuel was puzzled! Had he missed God's signal? "Jesse, are these all your sons?" he asked.

"No," he said. "There is one more, but he is just a young boy. I didn't even call on him. He is out in the field keeping the sheep."

"Well, call him quickly!" Samuel urged. "We can't sacrifice

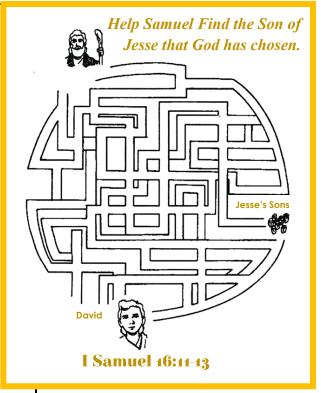
or sit down to eat until he comes!"

Quick to obey, David came running. What a healthy, fine looking boy he was! The Lord said to Samuel, "This is the one! Anoint him!" So David's father, brothers, and all the people watched as Samuel poured the anointing oil over his head, showing that he was God's choice for king, and God's Spirit came upon him!

It was several years before David took the throne, but God prepared him for the job. The other sons of Jesse may have been older and stronger, but the heart was what mattered to God! That should matter to

you, too, in choosing friends. It's not how pretty or handsome they are that counts; it is what they are, their character, on the inside that matters.

It is your heart and that character on the inside counts, too! God wanted his man to have a clean, pure heart that loved Him most of all. What about your heart? Is it right with God? Do you love God more than anything or anyone? God wants first place - ahead of self, friends, money, or possessions. Jesus said, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength" (Mark 12:30).



SPRING FLOWERS

Does a crocus croak? Is a daffodil daffy? Does a lily lie?

No, of course not! Those beautiful flowers do just what God created them to do! In the winter they look dead, buried, and gone forever ®, but when spring comes and the sun begins to warm the ground something wonderful happens ®! Those bulbs underground begin to swell, come to life, and before long they burst up through the soil with blooms to bring joy to all who see them!

In a more wonderful way, God brings new life to boys and girls who are "dead in trespasses and sins." Because we are born sinners, our souls are dead, cut off from God. We have no spiritual life and are doomed to

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Kidz Kritter Korner The Lovable Koala!

"Stand still, and consider the wondrous works of God" (Job 37:14).

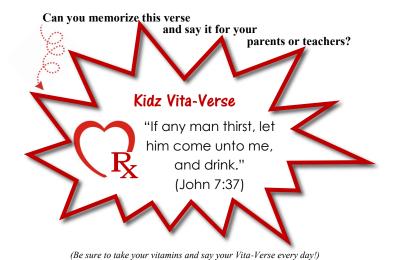
"Ah, he's so cute!"

Everyone loves the koala! He is quite famous for his rides on Qantas airlines, and his picture is even on the national crest of Australia. He may look like a soft, cuddly teddy bear, but he really is not a bear at all. He is a marsupial! (There's a good practice word for your phonics!) Marsupial means that his mother has a nice soft pouch in which to carry her baby. The Lord made him just right for his home in Australia.

The aborigines people named him. In their language, "koala" means "no water" or "to not drink." He gets moisture from the leaves he eats. He looks adorable with soft fur, shaggy ears, and shiny black nose. He is a very quiet little guy and no threat to anyone, for he eats only leaves from certain eucalyptus trees. He spends most of his time up in the trees and seldom comes down. He has special toes to easily climb and hang on to the trees, but his short, stocky legs make him slow and awkward on the ground.

At birth, he is only the size of a lima bean, but he climbs right up into his mother's pouch and finds delightful private dining! He never goes to a baby sitter or daycare, because he stays in mother's pouch for about six months. After that, he rides on her back everywhere she goes for another year! He and his mother are so close that even after he grows up and moves to another tree, he sometimes visits and spends the night in her pouch!

The koala may not need to drink from a lake or stream, but he gets water from the eucalyptus leaves. We humans also must have water to live. More important than physical water is our need for the Water of Life. Jesus said, "Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into **everlasting life**" (John 4:14). Have you received the Living Water, the Lord Jesus Christ?



Kidz Notez

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∦C.T.STUDD*

RICH ARISTOCRAT PUTS ALL IN THE BANK OF HEAVEN

C. T. Studd, the son of a very wealthy family, was educated in Eton and Cambridge, schools of the elite. He was known in his time as England's best athlete and was given to horse racing and other entertainment of the rich. But at age 16, Charlie got saved. With his life totally changed, Christ and God's Word became all in all.

On his 25th birthday, "Charlie" inherited \$145,000. What prestige and ease that would have given him, but Charlie did not store up the treasure for himself. He soon gave it to the Lord's work — four checks of \$25,000 each and five of \$5,000 each. They went to the work of D. L. Moody, George Mueller for his orphan work, George Holland for the work among the poor in London, and the Salvation Army ministry in India. After that, more was given, mostly to the China Inland Mission. He was now down to \$17,000.

In China, he met a young lady missionary who was also dedicated to the Lord. On their wedding day, Charlie presented his bride with the remaining \$17,000 from his inheritance. What a wedding gift! But Priscilla said, "Charlie, what did the Lord tell the rich young man to do? Sell all. Well, then, we will start clear with the Lord at our wedding." They gave the Salvation Army the remaining money. They left Tientsin where they married with \$5 and some bedding, and for the next 41 years of marriage and work together God provided for them.

The amazing story of their self-sacrifice, sickness, often separations, and dedication to God, also tells of the work done and souls won to Christ in England, China, America, India, and Africa because of their 100% devotion to the Lord! "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon the earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither

moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Matthew 6:19-21).

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eternal death in hell. But the Lord
Jesus Christ, the sinless Son of

God, loved us and died in our place on Calvary. He paid for our sins. Now if we receive Him as our only Savior, He gives us new, eternal life. We can know God and grow in Him. Our lives can "bloom", be a light for Him wherever we are, and bring glory to His name.

"He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life" (John 3:36).

