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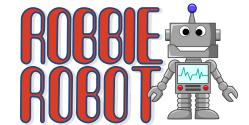
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"Happy New Year" to all our Children's Bible Clubbers! Whether you are in the warm south playing in the sunshine or in the chilly north sledding in the snow, may you have a joyful 2020 in our Lord Jesus Christ. Some folks are thinking about New Year's resolutions. They get good ideas, but "thinking" is about as far as it goes. Maybe it would be better if we follow the example of Daniel. Under intense temptation to do wrong, he "purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself (Dan.1:8a)." Then one minute at a time, one day at a time, one year at a time he just did what was right. He stayed faithful both to God and in prayer. Many years passed as several Godless kings and their servants died, but God preserved Daniel into old age and used him to honor God and proclaim His truth. "Daniel purposed in his heart..." Let us, like Daniel purpose to do right this year! Dr. Bob Jones, Sr., the great evangelist, often said "Do right!" Then he added, "Do right 'til the stars fall!" So don't ask what is the easy thing to do; ask what is the right thing to do then do it!



Can you memorize the Bible verse? Say it for your parents or teacher!



Chip exclaimed with delight when he opened his big gift and saw "Robbie Robot." He had seen toy robots in the store but never thought he would have one of his very own! Oh, this was great! The robot looked a little like a boy but was bulky, blocky and not exactly graceful. Dad helped Chip put in batteries, turn on the power and "Robbie" was soon in motion.

It didn't take long for Chip to learn the controls. He could move his robot forward, backward, or sideways. He could even make it talk! Soon Chip wanted to give it some commands himself. Try as he may, Robbie Robot would not respond. "Well, Son," Dad explained, "a robot is a manmade machine and can only do what its programmer designs for it. It has no power to think or act by itself."

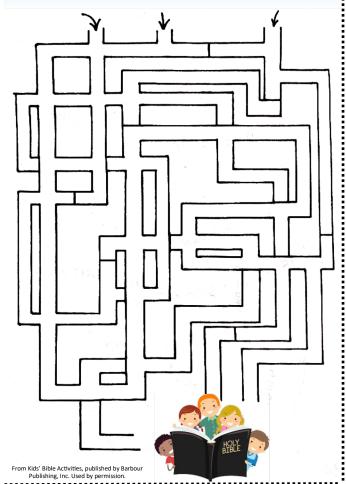
It's true. Today there are many wonderful uses for robots. They are designed to do work often done by humans, especially dangerous jobs. Military forces use them to search places where explosives might be hidden. Police and emergency

teams use them to search for people lost under rubble of fallen buildings, fires or earthquakes. Doctors use them in tedious surgeries. Drones deliver packages to peoples' front doors! Robots can work assembly line jobs, saving time and money. So robots can be a blessing. Just remember one thing—behind every robot was an engineer or programmer who built into that computer every action it can perform. Without that engineer the robot would be only a mound of plastic or metal. It cannot act on its own. YOU are NOT a robot! You were created by God with the ability to choose how you will live and behave, and whether or not you will obey God. Adam and Even had a choice and decided to disobey God. Since then people have been choosing their own sinful way (Isa. 53:6). But there is a bright side to this sadness! God loved us so much that "He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life (John 3:16)." God chose to give His Son for us; Jesus chose to die for us to pay for our sins. Now we must choose whether we will receive Jesus or reject His payment for our sin. The choice is not automatic. You are not a robot. You must choose to do your best for Him every day! "Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore (Psalm 16:11)."

KIDZ PUZZLE POWER

The Bereans "received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily (Acts 17:11)." Sometimes it is not easy to read the Bible every day. Other things try to get in the way, but if you really want to grow as a Christian in the New Year, make time to read God's Word every day!

SOLVE THE MAZE & FIND YOUR WAY TO THE BIBLE



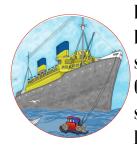
1. Be God's Child



2. Pray in Jesus' name

God's Word

RAYER SECRETS



In the story, "The Steamship Prayer," Joannie and Bobby met some puzzling experiences. Color their pictures and see some important lessons they learned about prayer.

You can listen to "Aunt Carolyn" tell this story! Just follow the links on our website, childrensbibleclub.com.

