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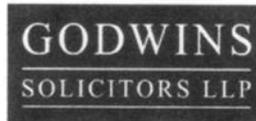
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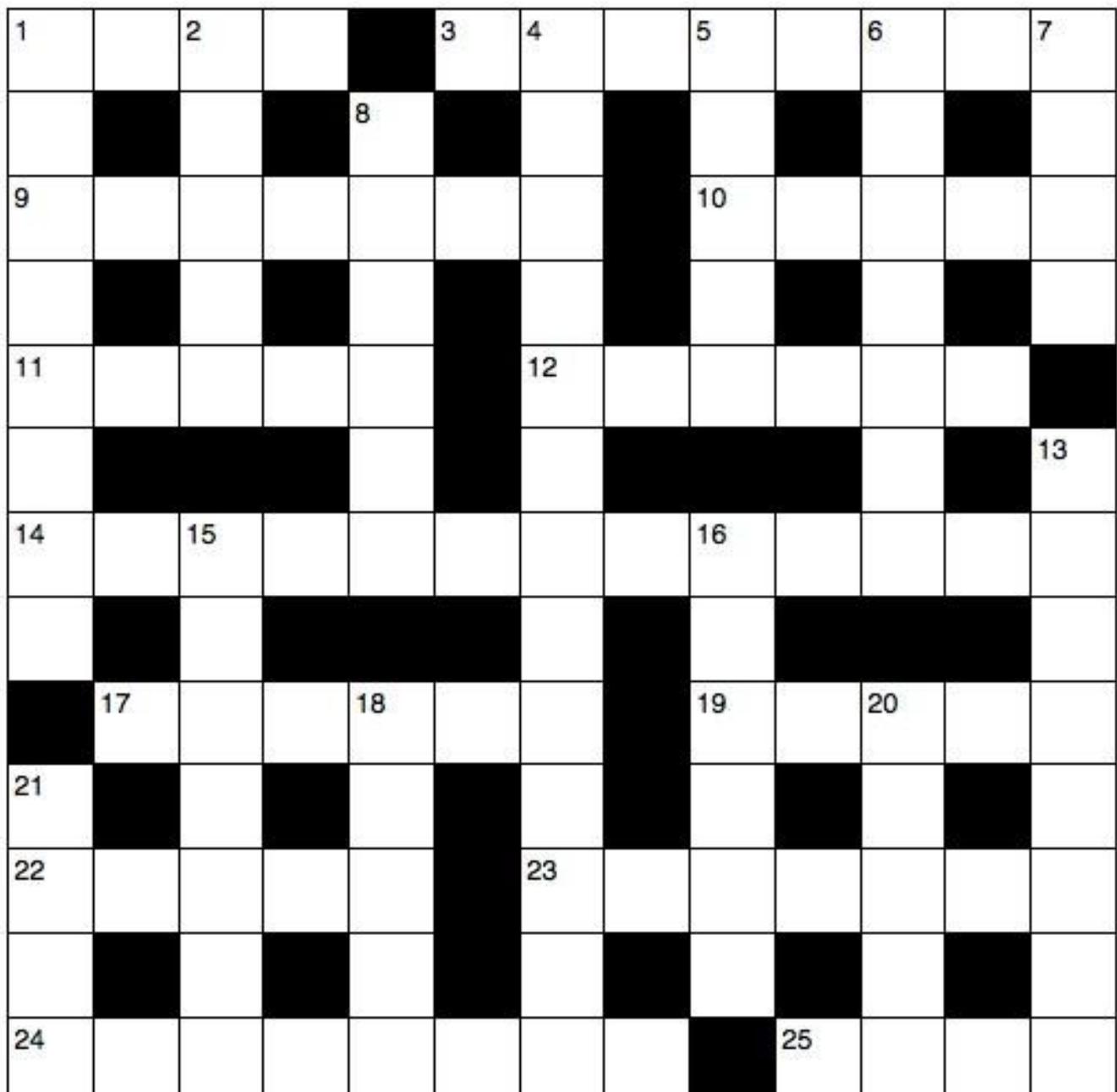
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With effect from this month, the magazine will be published bi-monthly.

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June 2022	23 rd May	August 2022	23 rd July
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April 2022 - Crossword

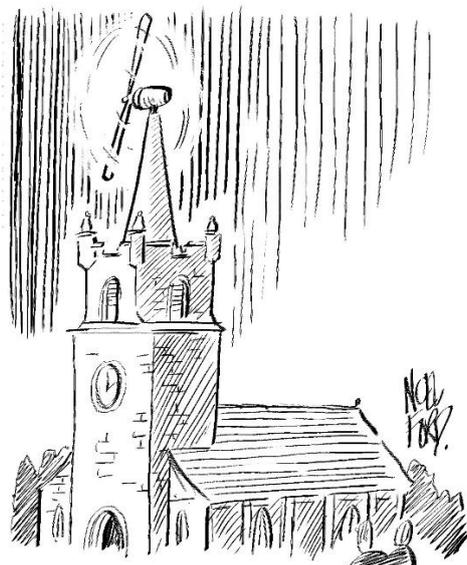


Across

- 1 'The baby in my — leaped for joy' (Luke 1:44) (4) 3 A 'don't know' in matters of faith (8)
9 In the distant past (Jeremiah 2:20) (4,3)
10 Armada (1 Kings 10:22) (5)
11 Where Moses was confronted with the burning bush (Exodus 3:1) (5)
12 Hair colour indicative of skin infection (Leviticus 13:30) (6)
14 'The worries of this life and the — of wealth choke it, making it unfruitful' (Matthew 13:22) (13)
17 Expel (2 Kings 13:23) (6)
19 What Jesus wrapped round his waist when he washed his disciples' feet (John 13:4) (5)
22 The sixth plague to afflict the Egyptians (Exodus 9:9) (5)
23 For nine (anag.) (7)
24 Where there is no time (Psalm 93:2) (8)
25 Goliath's challenge to the Israelite army in the Valley of Elah: 'This day I — the ranks of Israel!' (1 Samuel 17:10) (4)

Down

- 1 'I will become angry with them and forsake them; I — — my face from them' (Deuteronomy 31:17) (4,4)
2 Usual description of prophets such as Amos, Hosea, Micah, and so on (5)
4 'They cannot see the light of the gospel of the — — — , who is the image of God' (2 Corinthians 4:4) (5,2,6)
5 An animal's internal edible parts (Leviticus 4:11) (5)
6 Popular 20th-century religious novel by Lloyd C. Douglas, which became a 1953 film starring Richard Burton (3,4)
7 'A — on a hill cannot be hidden' (Matthew 5:14) (4)
8 One of the exiles, a descendant of Bebai, who married a foreign woman (Ezra 10:28) (6)
13 Old Testament hymn-singing (8)
15 'And O what transport of delight from thy pure — floweth' (7)
16 Of felt (anag.) (3,3)
18 'So — the — sets you free, you will be free indeed' (John 8:36) (2,3)
20 Comes between 'bad' and 'worst' (John 5:14) (5)
21 'Neither height nor depth... will be — to separate us from the love of God' (Romans 8:39) (4)



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...rumours that we would be giving out easter eggs are unfounded - er, there aren't any left!

Christian Aid Week, 15-24 May 2022

‘Hope is not an empty promise or a comforting platitude. Hope does not disappoint. Hope lives in you.’ Each year Christian Aid Week seeks to spread this hope to more disadvantaged communities’.

Just now our hearts are full of the devastating war in Ukraine, of people fleeing violence, not knowing when they’ll see their loved ones again, of much-loved homes and cities in ruin. What hope for them? And throughout the world, and most strongly in the poorer parts, the climate crisis makes life increasingly difficult, causing drought and aching hunger. Jessica in Zimbabwe is one of many who have lost their livelihoods, every day a struggle for survival. She toils on her farm but no food can be grown on her ashen dry land. ‘My children crave a good meal, but I can’t provide.’ And our world is interconnected. Even though it’s 7,000 miles away, the war in Ukraine will drive up food prices in Zimbabwe and around the globe. Ukraine and Russia produce large amounts of the world’s fertiliser and food, like wheat and cooking oil. Without them, vulnerable families will be pushed even deeper into hunger.



Caption: Jessica Mwedzi, is hungry to provide food – and hope – for her family.
Photo credit: Christian Aid / David Brazier

But with help and love, hope does not disappoint. With the help of Christian Aid’s local partners, vulnerable communities are being empowered to grow drought-resistant crops and to turn barren land into a garden of plenty! Hope for Jessica and many others. And hope is in the hands of the local charity worker in Hungary, delivering emergency food to hungry refugees. Hope is in the heart of Natalia in a shelter in Ukraine, as her children sleep peacefully for the first time after nights of relentless bombing.

Christian Aid Week gives us the chance to turn hunger into hope. Joining in Christian Aid Week this year we can celebrate and share hope with our sisters and brothers facing crisis around the world, from Ukraine to Zimbabwe.

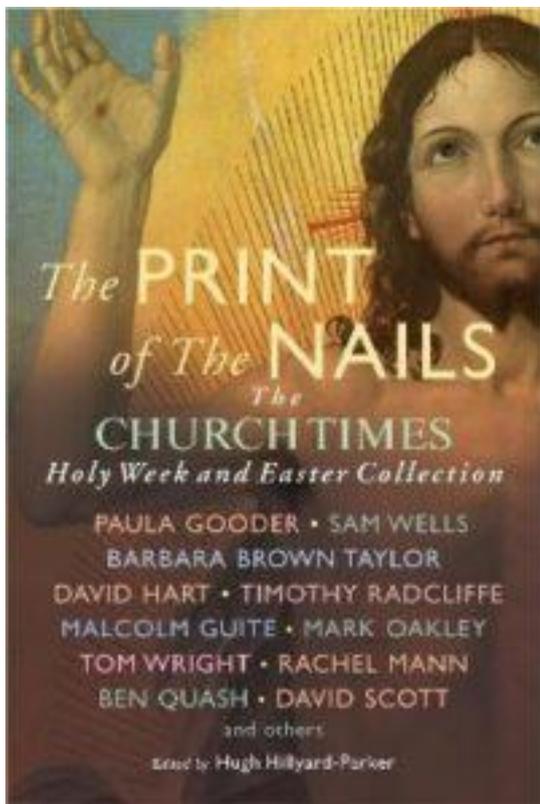
Caption: Janet Zirugo waters fine beans in her garden of plenty.
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Last year, despite living under Covid restrictions, our parish raised just under £2,000 for Christian Aid Week. We used Christian Aid’s new Deliver Only envelopes, inviting recipients to return the envelopes to an address near them. We plan to do the same this year. We are very grateful to the many who have offered to help again; we could do even more with more deliverers, and indeed more people willing for envelopes to be returned to them. More envelopes delivered means more people learning of the needs.



Let’s give more people hope!

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The Print of the Nails – the Church Times Holy Week and Easter Collection

By Hugh Hillyard-Parker, Paula Gooder, and Samuel Wells, Canterbury Press, £16.99

Here is a wealth of seasonal reading and resources for worship during the build-up to Easter.

It includes: meditations on the Stations of the Cross; a short story set in Gethsemane; a look at Pilate; the art of Good Friday; a look at Judas; an argument for starting Easter celebrations in the dark; the carols of Easter; the poetry of the cross; and on why the Resurrection is central to faith.

In life, Jesus had ‘nowhere to lay His head’ and in death He was laid in a borrowed tomb. Mindful of this, all royalties from this book will go to the Church Homeless Trust.

On Earth as in Heaven – through the year with Tom Wright

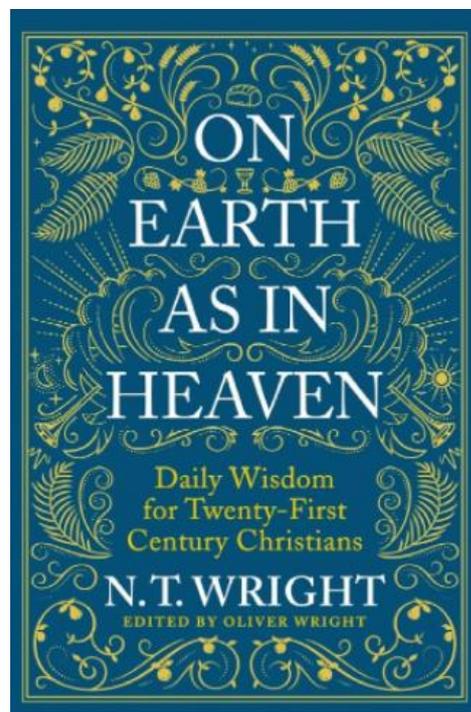
By Tom Wright, SPCK, £19.99

Christians of all traditions have long regarded the writings of Tom Wright as a rich source of guidance for living faithfully in today's world. His bestselling books, including *Simply Christian*, *Simply Jesus*, and *Surprised by Hope*, have encouraged millions worldwide.

Now, whether you are new to Wright's books or already a fan, you can enjoy their wisdom each day with this thoughtful selection of 365 daily meditations that feature short passages from his classic works.

The devotions begin on Easter Day, the first day of new creation, and then follow the seasons of the Christian year to end with a second Easter and the invitation to begin again.

Reflecting on the biblical themes of beauty, power, spirituality, justice, truth, freedom and love, these daily meditations will invigorate and sustain you as you cultivate a Christ-like life ‘on earth as in heaven’.





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God in the Arts

'In a grove lit only by a kiss'

Holy Week, as its name tells us, is the most important, holiest week in the Church's year, when we follow Jesus from His triumphant entry into Jerusalem, to the Upper Room, to Calvary and to the garden of the tomb. As we make that journey each year, we are not just remembering past events. We are celebrating how eternity touched Jerusalem in that first Holy Week and how eternity can touch our lives now.

To create that impact and that realisation, the week is brim-full of colour and variety in its worship, full of action and movement, full of processions and music. But we might think it is a week with very little silence.

Yet the silences are there if we look at the Gospels closely. We enter an upper room and catch our breath when Jesus announces a betrayer. Peter denies our Lord, a cock crows, and a bleak stillness falls on that scene. In the palace Jesus stands accused, no words are spoken, and the governor wonders in the silence. And there is silence by the cross until the ninth hour. The silence does fall during Holy Week, punctuating the crises of these tense days. It is conveyed with dramatic force in this Gethsemane scene: Peter Firth's poem describes it as 'a grove lit only by a kiss.' The painting is by Giotto, 'The Kiss of Judas,' and is part of an amazing series of frescoes he painted for the Arena Chapel in Padua from 1305-06.

At first glance it is a scene of frenzied activity: burning torches wave in the sky, weapons are wielded, and a ram's horn blown. The cohort of soldiers advance on Jesus, and Peter tries to defend Him by cutting off a soldier's ear in his anger. One of the religious leaders points to Jesus in the centre of the painting.

And it is there that the tragic stillness falls as our eyes focus on the eyes of Jesus: that steady, discomfoting gaze into the eyes of Judas the betrayer. Judas' cloak seems to engulf Jesus, but it cannot blot out the look of our Lord.

The face of Judas is troubled, and the look of Jesus seems to burrow deep into that anxiety, beneath the surface into his heart.

In Holy Week they are eyes that look out to us. The face of Jesus is turned in our direction, saying, 'Yes, you may follow Me in the heady excitement of Palm Sunday. But will you also follow Me into this garden, on the way of My cross to the foot of Calvary, and beyond to the empty tomb of Easter morning?'



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AUNTIE BESSIE

My Mother had an aunt, her mother's sister, called Bessie. Mother's mother died in 1918 of bone cancer and Aunt Bessie was a great comfort and helpmate. She was a tailor by trade and was used to working both by hand and with machines.

When Mother married in 1924, Bessie would come over from her modest little home, (two rooms up a steep staircase), and give help and support. I remember her when I was about three sitting in our bedroom-cum-playroom and her reading to me and my brother. She didn't really understand the story but did her best. "Cottelston, Cottelston, Cottelston pie, a fish can't whistle and neither can I." Where did that come from? She read "Christopher Robin" and Beatrix Potter stories. When we moved house and Peter was a toddler she used to take him in his push chair over the fields near Henley's Corner to see the sheep. Henley's Corner is now a very busy five-way junction with streaming traffic.

Auntie Bessie did all the mending for our household, turning collars and cuffs and shortening skirts. She had her hair in a bun, of course, and when she put on her felt hat to go home I would watch her put her hatpins in. I thought they went through her head. How brave she is, I thought. She was very deaf, and in those days hearing aids were cumbersome and expensive. Her doctor was a Panel Doctor; that means that he was on the lowest scale of the profession. Aunt Bessie complained, "e 'urt me."

Mother once took us to her home. We were very shocked to see how she lived and felt deeply for her. One time at Christmas we went to Woolworth's to do our Christmas shopping. It was a genuine 3d and 6d shop in those days. We bought her a thimble and because she was our great aunt we got the biggest thimble we could see. Of course, her fingers were old and gnarled and the thimble fell off, but she thanked us all the same, even though she had several thimbles already.

In 1938 we had the adventure of our lives with a trip to Switzerland. We went by sea and land as flying us all out would have been impossibly expensive in those days. We left from Liverpool Street Station to go to Harwich to get a boat. As we were sitting in the train waiting for it to leave, whom should we see looking for us but Auntie Bessie who had made her way across London to bid us farewell. How enterprising of her!

When the war came in 1939 we left London and stayed in Aylesbury for three months as Dad's office had moved there. Then we went back to London for Christmas and back to our old schools. In 1940 when invasion seemed imminent we went to Shropshire. This is not the story of all our doings during the war; only to tell you that we never saw Auntie Bessie again. She must have died at some point during those years. Mother's Dad died in 1940 but when did Bessie die? I hope I shall meet her in heaven.

Kay Hassell



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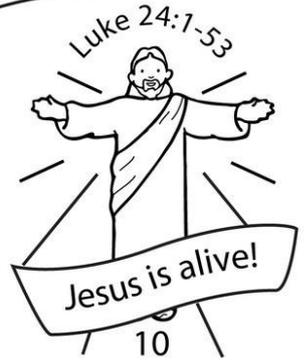
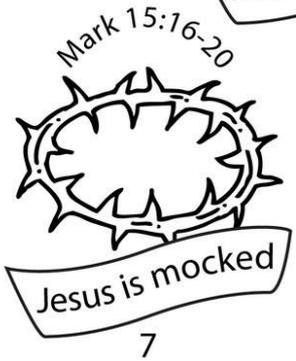
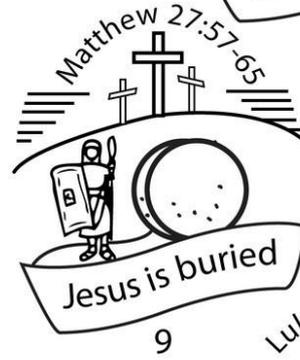
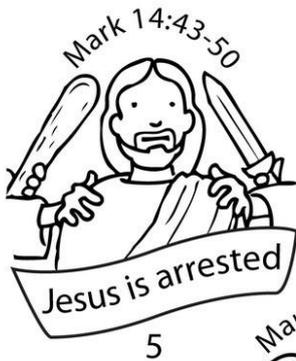
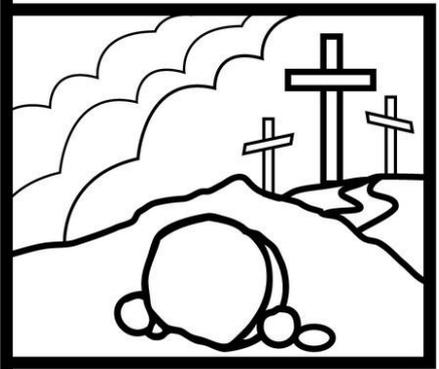
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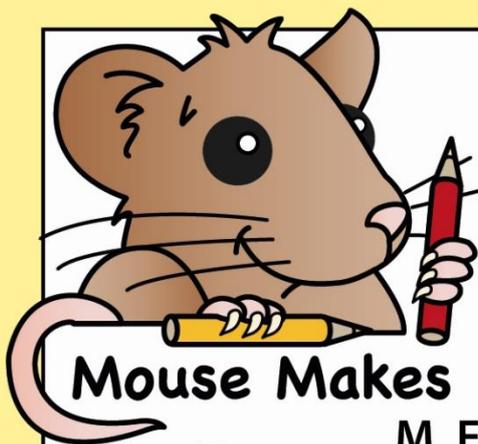
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JESUS IS ALIVE!



“God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son so that whoever believes in Him may not be lost, but have eternal life.”
John 3:16





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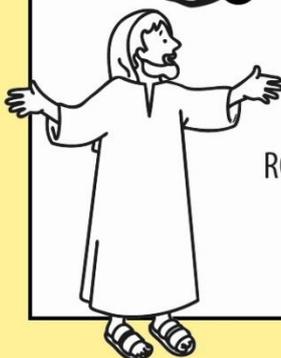
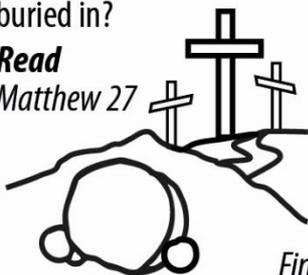
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Who denied Jesus?

Read Matthew 26:17-75

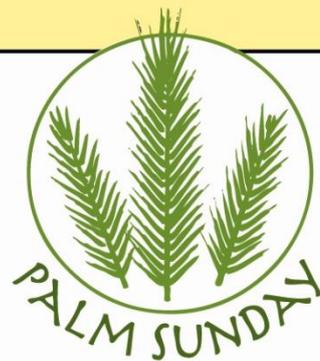


What did the soldiers put
on Jesus at his crucifixion?
What time did Jesus die?
Whose tomb was Jesus
buried in?

Read
Matthew 27



HAPPY EASTER!
Jesus has risen!
Jesus is with us!
Jesus will come
again!



What did Jesus send the
disciples to find?

What did the
crowd do?

Read
Matthew
21:1-11



What did
Jesus do
at Passover?

Read Matthew 26:17-30



On the third day who
rolled away the stone
covering the tomb?

What had happened
to Jesus?

Read
Matthew 28



Find these words from the Easter story in the word search:
DONKEY • ROAD • BRANCHES • PALMS • KING • HOSANNA
PASSOVER • ROOM • BREAD • WINE • CUP • MEAL • BODY • BLOOD
KISS • MESSIAH • CHRIST • JESUS • CRUCIFY • CROWN • THORNS
ROBE • TREE • NAILS • CROSS • DARKNESS • QUAKE • DEATH • LOTS
TOMB • LINEN • STONE • BODY • BURY • THREE DAYS • MORNING
MARY • ANGEL • HEAVEN • GOD • RAISED • JOY • GO TELL
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The Tapestry Poem

My life is but a weaving
between my God and me.
I cannot choose the colours
He weaveth steadily.

Off' times He weaveth sorrow;
And I in foolish pride
forget He sees the upper
and I the underside.

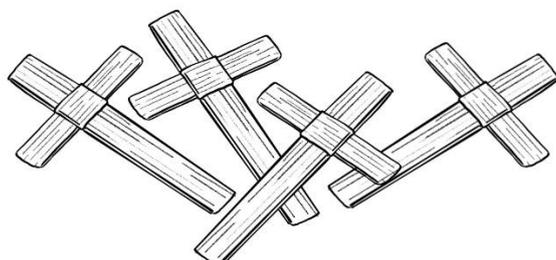
Not 'til the loom is silent
and the shuttles cease to fly,
will God unroll the canvas
and reveal the reason why.

The dark threads are as needful
in the weaver's skilful hand,
as the threads of gold and silver
in the pattern He has planned.

He knows, He loves, He cares;
Nothing this truth can dim.
He gives the very best to those
who leave it all to Him.

(Anon)

Submitted by Geoff Fowler. This was often quoted by Corrie Ten Boom.



My name is Sue Sweeney working with Hope Church, Winchester. We are partnered with a major UK debt counselling giving free help to people struggling with unmanageable debts.

Debt is a major issue in our local area and, sadly, we are expecting to be very busy in 2022 and beyond following recent events, such as the pandemic, impacting people's finances. CAP's latest client report, released in 2021, revealed that over a quarter (28%) of our clients considered or attempted suicide as a way out before seeking free debt help - so this really is a life-saving service for Winchester.

"We're all aware that the cost of living in the UK has risen significantly in recent months, with prices for energy and food at the highest we've seen in many years. But did you know the devastating impact this is having on low-income households in particular? According to the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, the rise in costs could see those who are already struggling financially having to pay up to £700 more per year.

On top of this, many of the protections put in place to shield those on low incomes during the pandemic have now come to an end, including the vital £20 per week Universal Credit uplift. The reality is, with bills up and income down, thousands across the UK will struggle to feed their families and heat their homes.

If you are struggling, please call the CAP's friendly team on our helpline: 0800 328 0006

Thank you in anticipation.

Kind regards
Sue

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Sue Sweeney

Debt Coach - Winchester

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ACROSS: 1, Womb. 3, Agnostic. 9, Long ago. 10, Fleet. 11, Horeb. 12, Yellow. 14, Deceitfulness. 17, Banish. 19, Towel. 22, Boils. 23, Inferno. 24, Eternity. 25, Defy.

DOWN: 1, Will hide. 2, Minor. 4, Glory of Christ. 5, Offal. 6, The Robe. 7, City. 8, Zabbai. 13, Psalmody. 15, Chalice. 16, Let off. 18, If son. 20, Worse. 21, Able.

