# Teaching your Child How to Pray

Prayer Prompts

I'm so thankful that you gave me

I'm so glad that you helped me with \_\_\_\_\_\_ today.

I love you God because you

Please help me tomorrow as I

Please watch over (person),



I hope you enjoyed the VE Day activities. Please send pictures of anything you made. Email <u>grendonchurchwardens@gmail.com</u>

Well done to everyone who took art in the VE Day service your prayers, readings & playing were wonderful.

Here are a few ideas that you might enjoy for Ascension Day, which is on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May.

Best wishes Deborah

Have you visited the benefice website, you can view the weekly newsletter and find the links to our weekly online services. <u>www.yardleyhastingsbenefice.co.uk</u>

Need some help explaining Coronavirus to children, take a look at this new free book illustrated by Gruffalo illustrator Axel Scheffler.

https://nosycrowcoronavirus.s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/ Coronavirus\_ABookForChildren.pdf



This organisation has useful advice on talking with children about bereavement

www.childbereavementuk.org

**Ascension** is a Christian holiday. The word "ascension" means "going up". According to the story told in the Bible, Jesus ascended (went up) to heaven with his apostles. The holiday is celebrated forty days after his resurrection. The story tells that Jesus' body went to heaven, and that in heaven he sits at the right-hand side of God the Father.

Ascension Day is officially celebrated on a Thursday. However, not all countries hold the feast on this day. It is one of the ecumenical feasts. All Christians celebrate this feast, much like Easter and Pentecost. It is a very important feast in the calendar of the Christian Church.

In some countries (at least in Austria, Belgium, Colombia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany (since the 1930s), Haiti, Iceland, Indonesia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Namibia, The Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and Vanuatu) it is a public holiday; Germany also holds its Father's day on the same date.



Watch a clip that tells the story.....

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7wLrw60bY5w

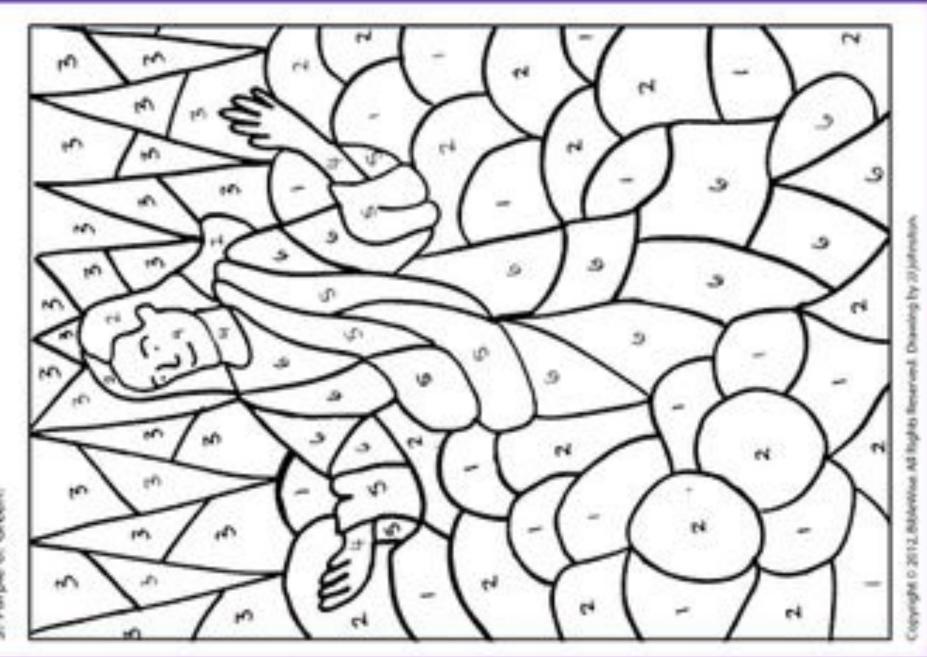


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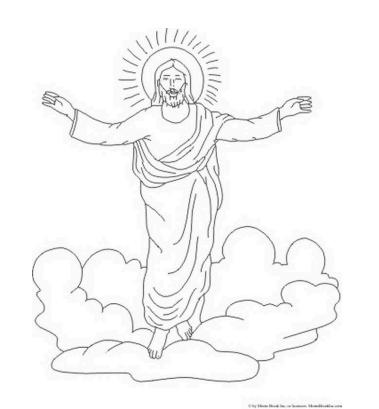
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# Ascension: Paint by Number

å int the following blocks of numbers using 1. Yellow 2. Orange 3. Blue 4. Purple 6. Green. -15







# Cut out & colour

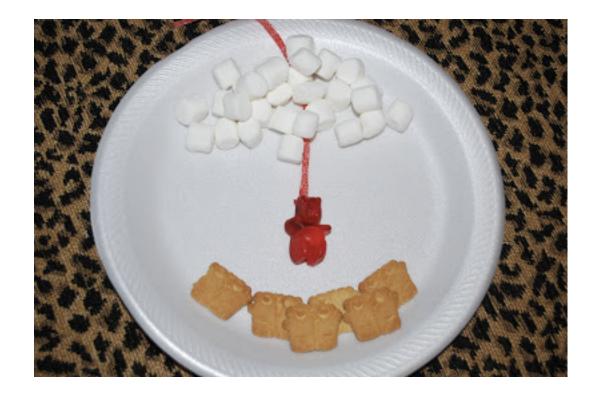
Decorate a paper cup & thread a ribbon through, attach to the cloud shape & Jesus

Pull the cloud up to symbolise Jesus ascending into heaven.



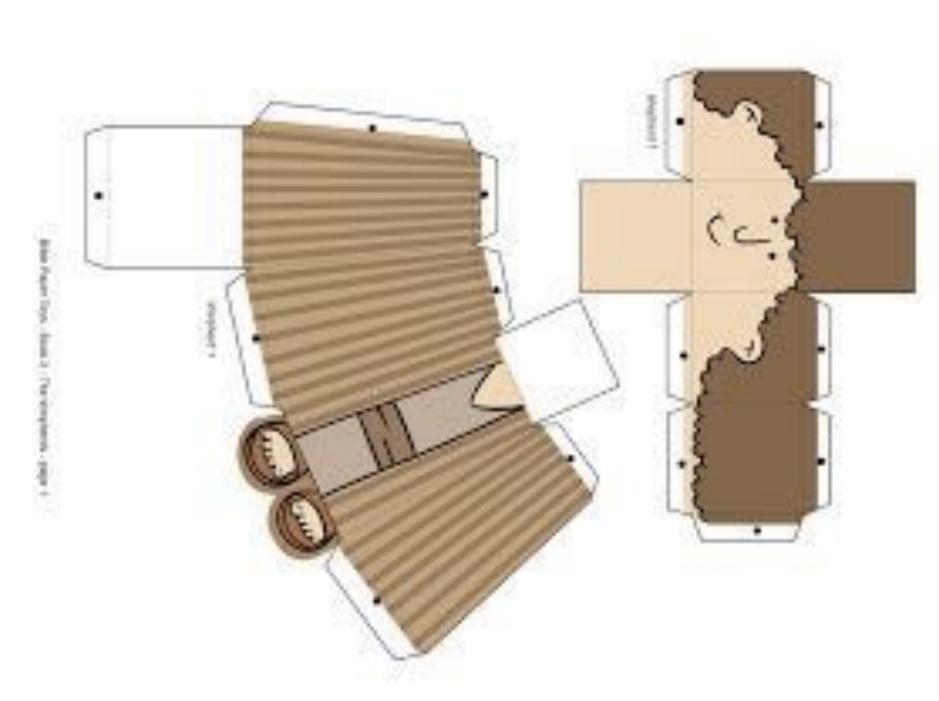






## Ascension Day Snack

Use a jumbo gummy bear for Jesus. Use a strawberry lace for the string. Mini gingerbread men are the followers watching as Jesus ascends. And mini marshmallows are the clouds. Attach the gummy bear to the "string" with a dab of chocolate so you can pull Jesus up through the clouds.



Print, cut out and make this model of Jesus

Hide him around the house (bit like Elf on the Shelf) to remind you that Jesus is always with you and that its surprising where we can find him.....

Have fun & send me some pictures of where you found Jesus, even when you weren't looking for him....