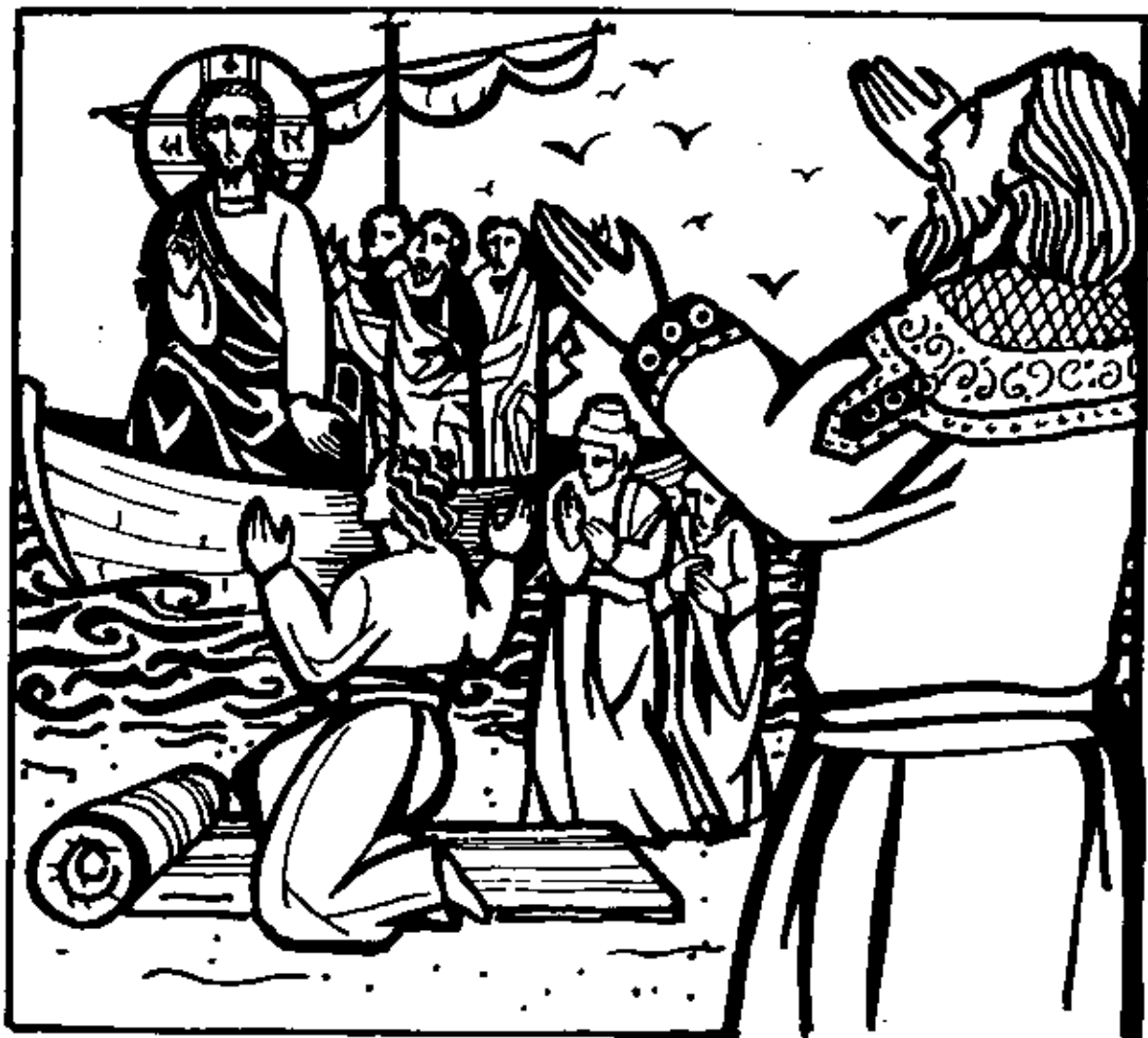


Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Matthew 9, 1-8



Going to See Jesus

This game teaches children the story of Jesus welcoming the children.

MEMORY VERSE

"Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to Me.'"

— Matthew 19:14

Preparation

Glue the game board to an inside of a legal file folder. Color each square in the game with magic marker in a sequence of red, yellow, blue, and green, skipping the black squares. Cut out the playing pieces below and paste them on light cardboard for stability. Each child should have one. They may also be colored with magic markers.

Cut twenty three index cards in half. Cut 1 inch squares from red, yellow, blue, and green construction paper, ten squares of each color. Cut six 1 inch squares from black construction paper. Glue the paper squares to the center of the index cards, one square per card. Be certain the colors cannot be seen through the back side of the index cards.

You may laminate or cover with clear adhesive-backed plastic. Cut a 3 1/2 X 2 1/2 inch rectangle from construction paper, and tape it to the game board, as marked, for a place to hold the game pieces. Provide a table and chairs or a large open space on the floor away from tables and chairs for this game.

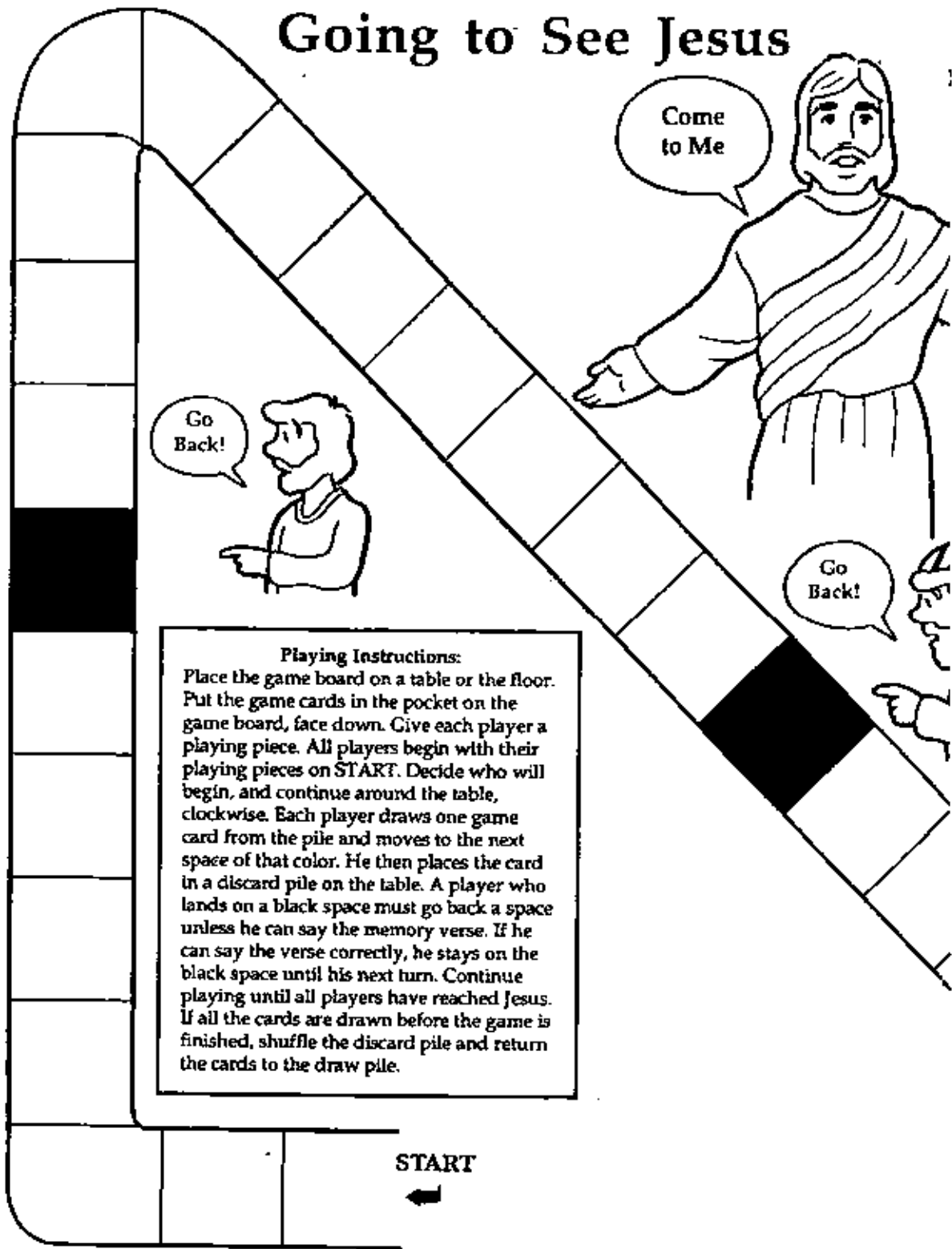


HOW TO PLAY

1. Before playing the game, tell the story of Jesus with the children from Matthew 19:13-15. Then teach the memory verse, and discuss its meaning with the children. Place the game board on a table or the floor. Put the cards in a pile nearby, face down. Give each child a playing piece. All players begin with their playing pieces on START.
2. Taking turns, each child draws one card from the pile, and moves his playing piece to the next space of that color. He then places the card in a discard pile on the table. A player who lands on a black space must go back a space unless he can say the memory verse. If he can say the verse correctly, he stays on the black space until his next turn.
3. Continue playing until all players have reached Jesus. If all the cards are drawn before the game is finished, shuffle the discard pile, and return the cards to the draw pile.



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FINISH



Tape a 3 1/2 by 2 1/2-inch construction paper rectangle here to make a pocket for game cards.

