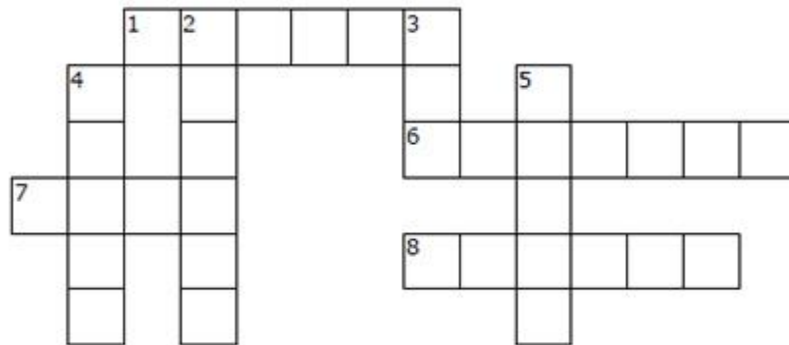


Unto the Least of These

"The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.' " Matthew 25:40 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 25:31-46 (NIV)



ACROSS

1. A special chair used by a king or queen
6. The need or desire to drink something, especially water
7. A man who rules a country
8. A place where people are kept as a punishment

DOWN

2. To feel a desire or need for food
3. To put food into the mouth, chew it, and swallow it
4. To take in and swallow liquid through the mouth
5. To go to spend time with someone

EAT	THIRSTY	HUNGRY	PRISON
VISIT	KING	THRONE	DRINK

The Sheep & the Goats

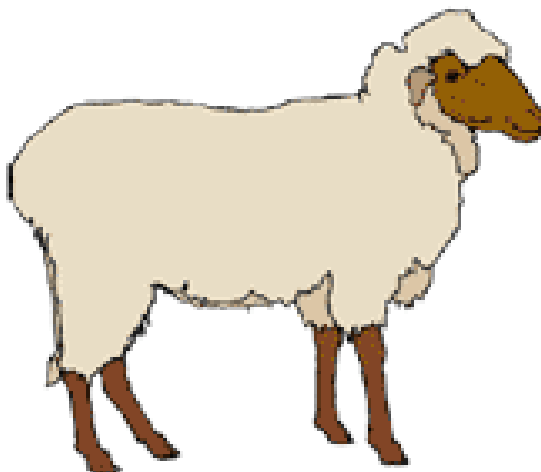
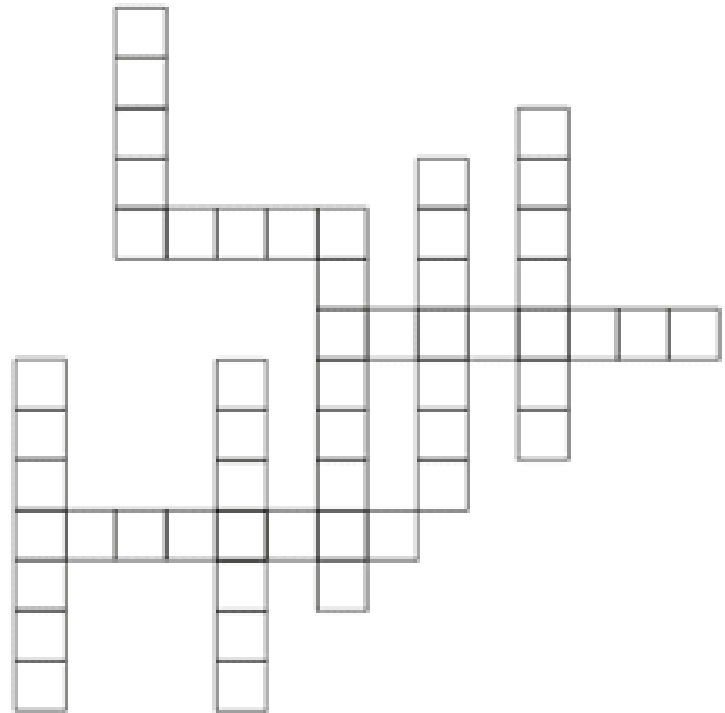
Matthew 25:31-46

Use the **green** words from the text below to complete the crossword puzzle.
Then answer the question at the bottom.

It is said that the Son of man will sit on a throne of glory with angels surrounding him. The nations will gather before him and he will separate them - like a shepherd separates his sheep and **goats**. The Son of man will put the sheep in his right hand and the goats in his left hand.

The King will tell the **sheep** to come and enjoy the kingdom, "For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in. Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye **visited** me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me." The sheep will ask when they did those things for the King. The King will reply that anytime the sheep helped their neighbor in those ways, they were actually helping the King.

Turning to the goats, the King will be angry and say, "Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was **thirsty**, and ye gave me no drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye **clothed** me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not." The goats will be confused and insist they never saw the King needing help. The King will say that when you ignore your **neighbor** in need, you ignore the King. Therefore, the sheep will be **rewarded** with life **eternal** and the goats will be **punished** forever more.



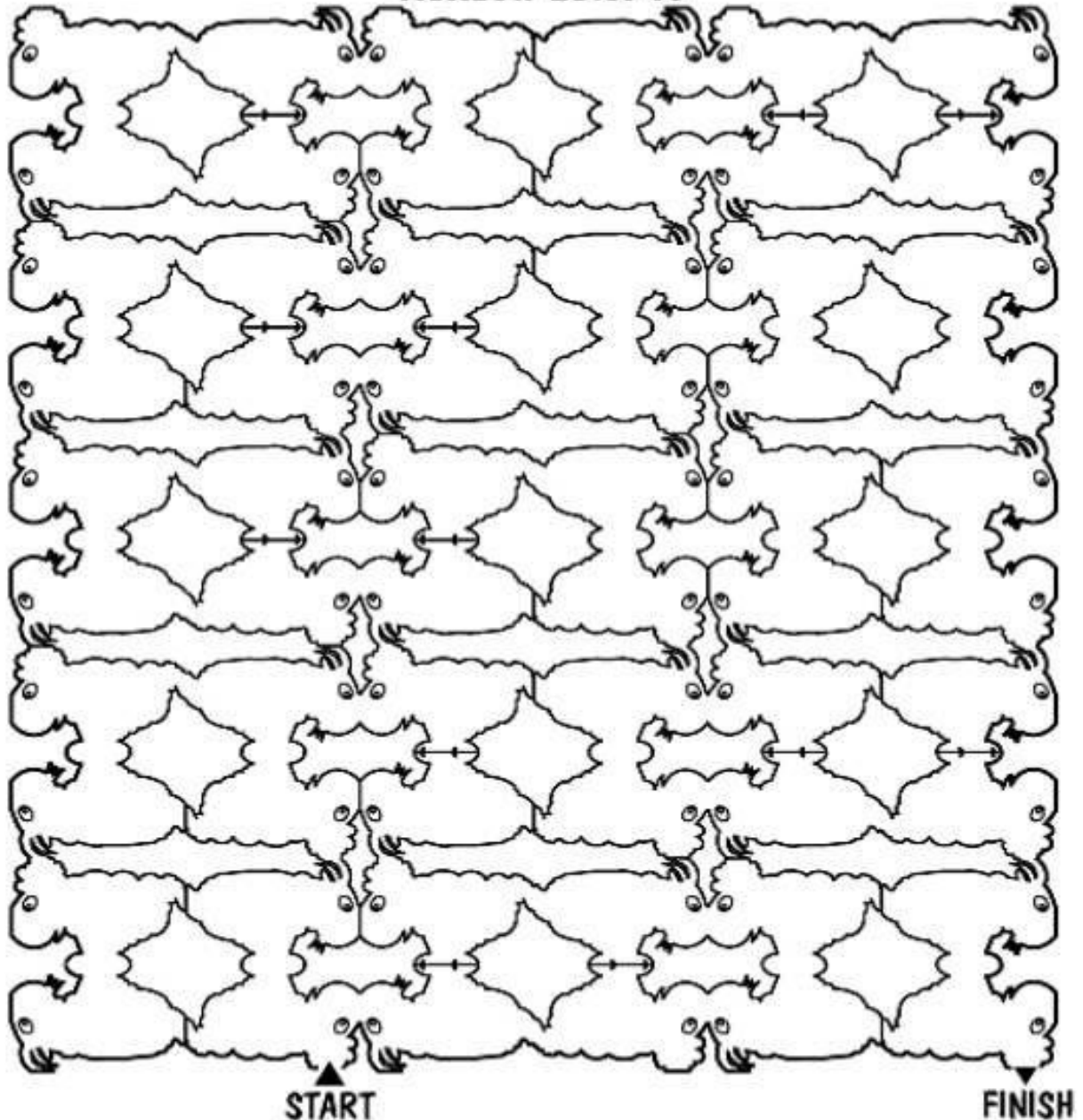
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According to the parable, why is it important to help someone in need?



The Sheep and the Goats

Find your way through the sheep and the goats to the finish.

Matthew 25:31-46



Jesus said that when he comes again he will come as a shepherd. He will call all the sheep, who are the people who love and follow Jesus, and He will say, "Come, you are My family. The Kingdom of God is yours because when you chose to love and help others by giving them drink, food, clothes, hospitality, respect and love, it was the same as loving and caring for Me." Jesus will say to the goats, who are people who did not choose to follow Jesus, "I am sorry but I do not know you. You must leave!"

Write the names of people you appreciate here at church on the stars below...

