

## Jesus, The Servant King

**Theme** : Our love for God and for one another is demonstrated by our service.

### **Games** :

**Fox and Farmer** - Children stand in a circle with arms length between each child. Choose a Farmer and a Fox for each circle. The fox has a 3 second head start and weaves in and out of the circle of children followed by the farmer in pursuit.

**Shoepile** - Divide into teams. All the children take off one shoe and place it in a pile in the centre of the room. On go, the first child from each team runs to centre , retrieves their own shoe, puts it on and runs back to team to tag next team member.

### **Memory Verse** :

GNB John 13: 15 Jesus said " I have set an example for you, so that you will do just what I have done for you". Write each word on a separate sheet of paper and peg them on a line of string. Children collect pieces in relay.

**Introduction** : Prepare a plate of biscuits. Ensure that there are some plain biscuits on the plate as well as tempting chocolate ones. Pass the plate around and observe if children are prepared to pass over the chocolate biscuits for a plain or broken one. Today's true story from the bible is about someone who did not seek the best for himself.

### **Story** :

Have one leader read from John 13 : 1-17 while another takes the part of Jesus. You could act this out with the children ( perhaps hand washing ) or one leader could wash the feet of another leader. Obviously, foot washing is a more striking ( and relevant ) illustration.

### **Application** :

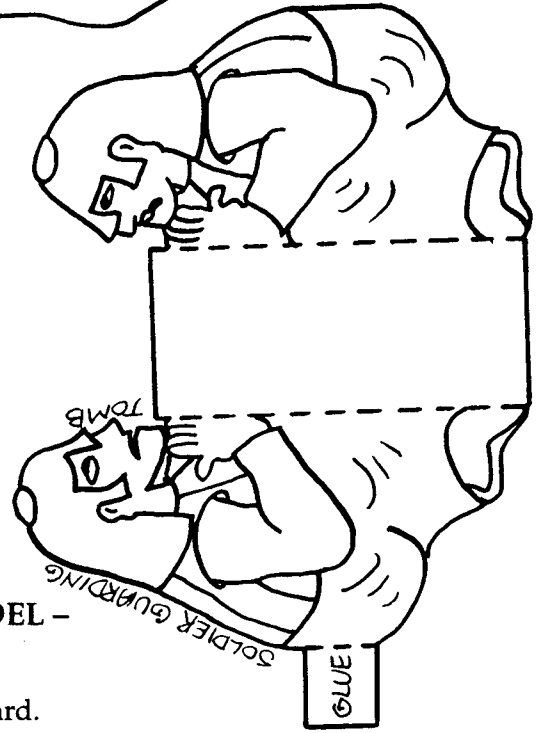
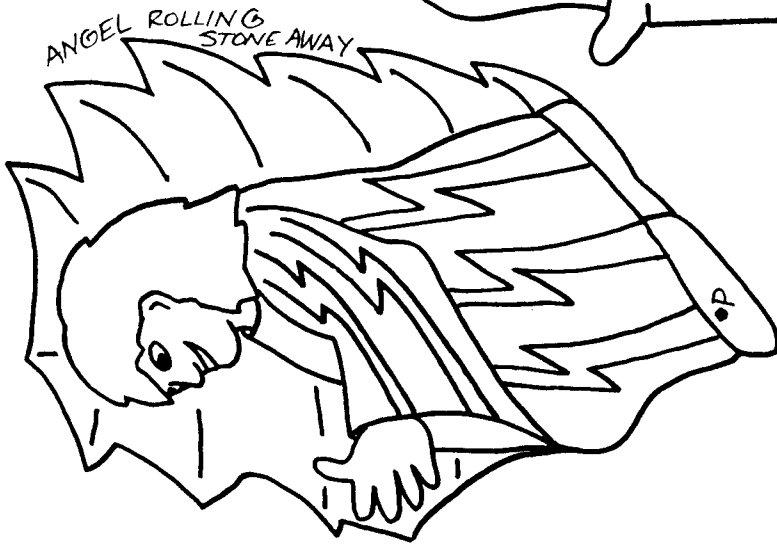
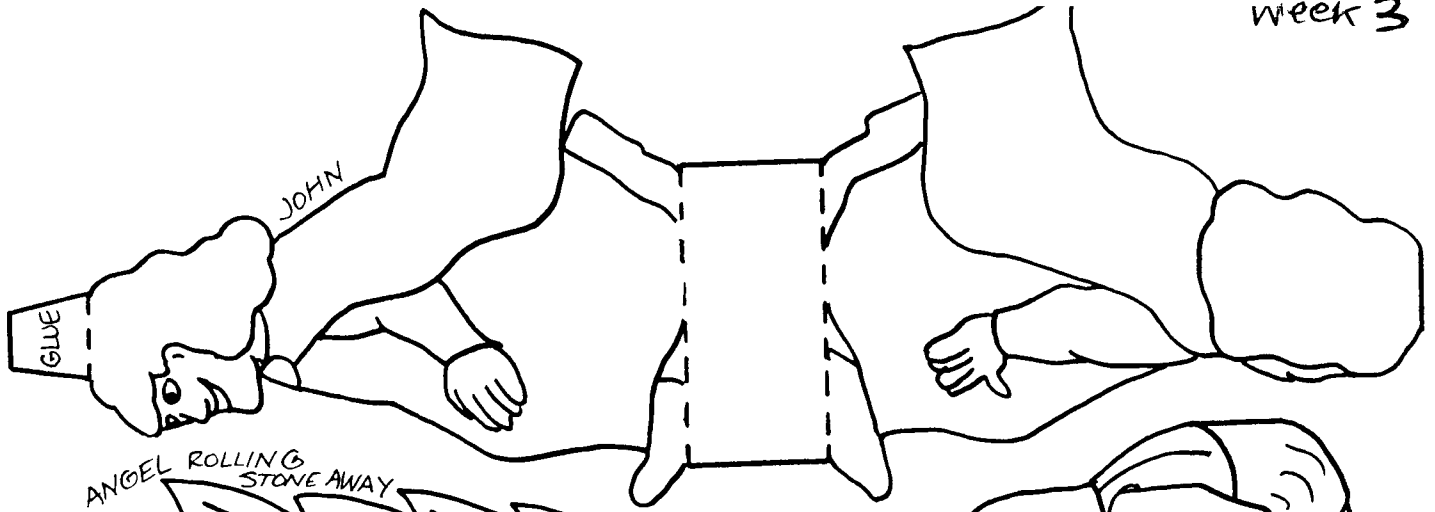
Jesus knew his time on earth was ending. This was the last time he would be with all his disciples. And what was Jesus thinking about ? His love for the disciples. Because he loved them, he taught them one last lesson - servanthood. It should not be surprising that this was an important lesson for the disciples to learn. Jesus said "loving your neighbour as yourself" was the second greatest command ever. Being prepared to serve others is evidence of love, as he previously showed disciples James and John. It's an important lesson for us as well. People are always willing to do the important, respected jobs but who is willing to do the less rewarding tasks ? Jesus was willing to do the job of a servant that no one else wanted to do - He washed the disciples' dusty feet . We need to be willing to do whatever is needed. Jesus was not only willing, he prepared himself to do this service. Serving others not only gives us pleasure but it shows that we are following in Jesus' footsteps.

### **Prayer** :

Each child is invited to make a secret pledge that they will do something to serve others in the coming week. Children write down what they intend to do, fold it and place it in a promise box. Play a suitable track while the children complete the task. A leader or child concludes with prayer.

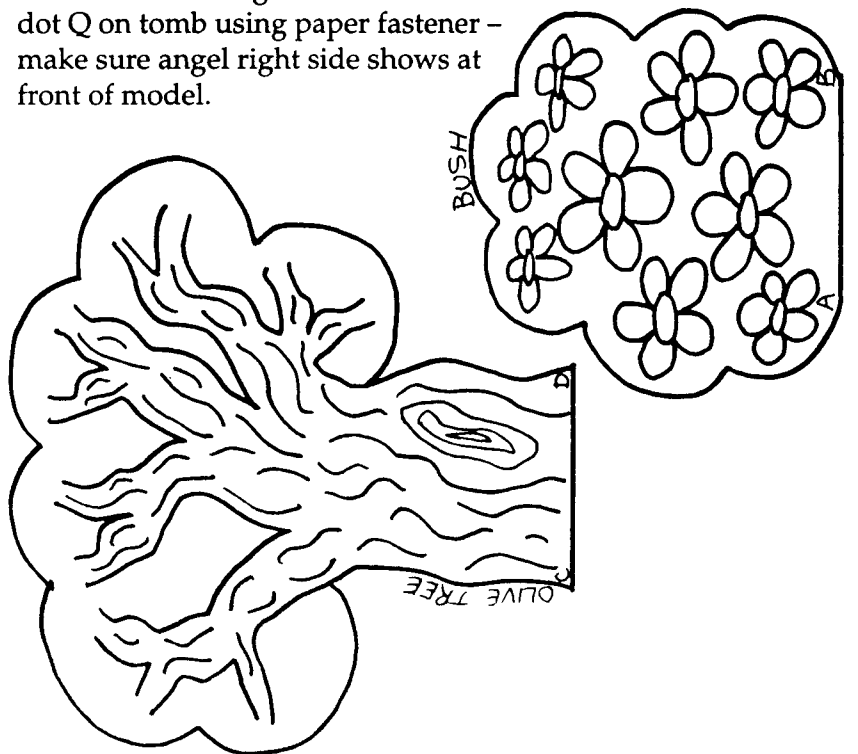
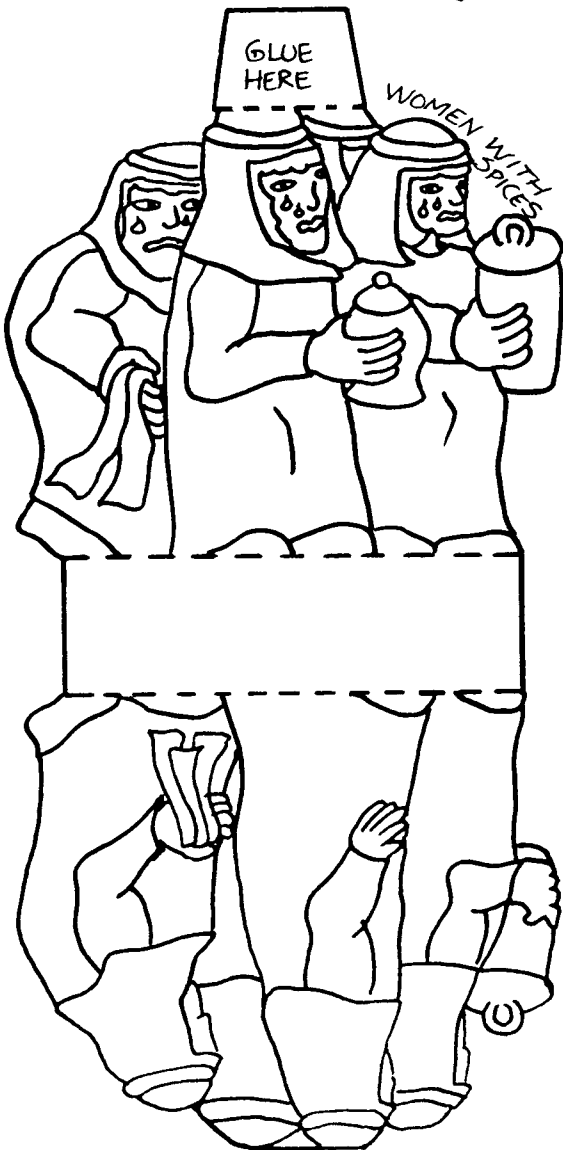
**Resources** : There is a fun sheet in the resource section. The Easter Garden craft is available in resources.

**Song**: I'm gonna jump up and down ( be happy )



**24. EASTER 3-D MODEL - FIGURES 2**

1. Photocopy onto thin card.
2. Colour in and cut out.
3. Fold out on foldlines - glue figures together at top tab.
4. Glue Bush and Olive Tree to 'pop-outs' on model base, matching letters AB, CD.
5. Pierce dot P on angel. Attach behind dot Q on tomb using paper fastener - make sure angel right side shows at front of model.



# The Last Supper

Week 3

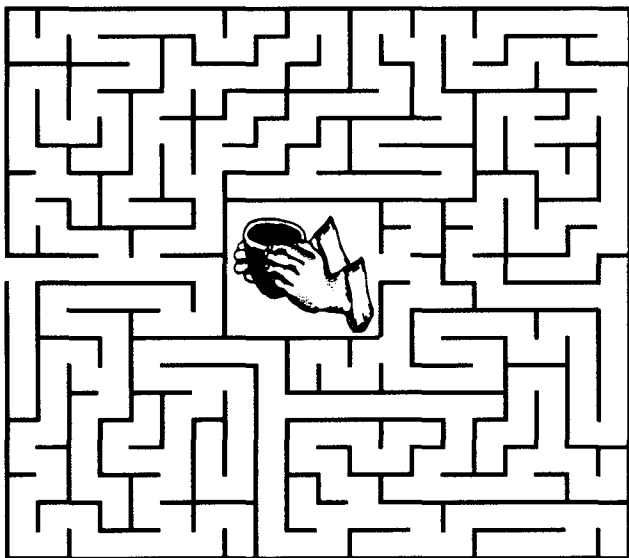
Can you crack this code to find out what Jesus did ?

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**Remember, you can show your love for Jesus by serving other people.**



Can you find your way to the upper room where Jesus is ready to wash the disciples' feet ?

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 so that you will do  
 just what I have done for you"  
 John 13 v 15