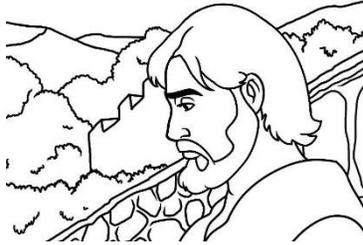


Older Kids

Scripture for Today:

1 Peter 1:1-9

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,



To God's elect, exiles scattered throughout the provinces of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia and Bithynia, ² who have been chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with his blood:

Grace and peace be yours in abundance.

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. ⁷ These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸ Though you have not seen Him, you love Him; and even though you do not see Him now, you believe in Him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, ⁹ for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Questions for Reflection & Discussion:

Who is writing this letter?

Who is he writing it to?

The writer says that in His (God's) great mercy, He has given them what?

Where is this inheritance kept for them?

In His (God's) great mercy, He has given them what?

What reason does the writer give as to why they had to suffer?

Do you think all that the writer said may also be true for us?

Can you write out verse 8 and memorize it this week?

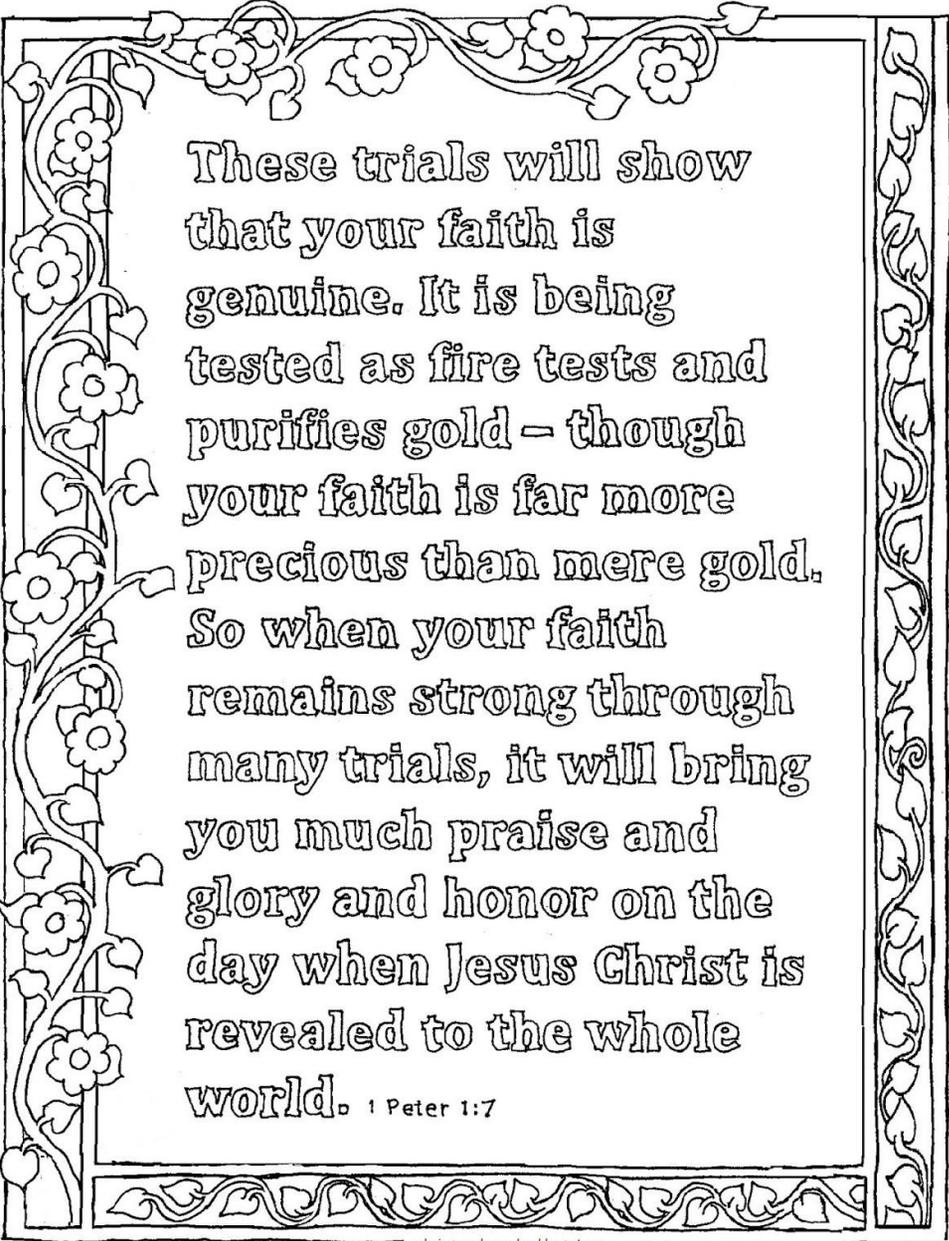
Fill In The Gap

To God's elect, exiles scattered throughout the provinces of _____, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia and Bithynia, who have been chosen according to the _____ of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to be _____ to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with his blood:

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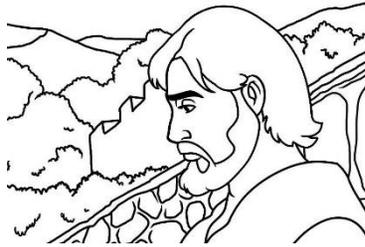
These trials will show that your faith is genuine. It is being tested as fire tests and purifies gold - though your faith is far more precious than mere gold. So when your faith remains strong through many trials, it will bring you much praise and glory and honor on the day when Jesus Christ is revealed to the whole world. 1 Peter 1:7

Younger Kids:

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Can you find these words in today's Scripture?

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SPIRIT

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GRACE

PEACE

MERCY

PERISH

SPOIL

FAITH

POWER

SALVATION

GOD

REJOICE

TRIALS

GOLD

JOY

SOULS

1 Peter

