

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 5, 2023
Matthew 23: 1 – 12

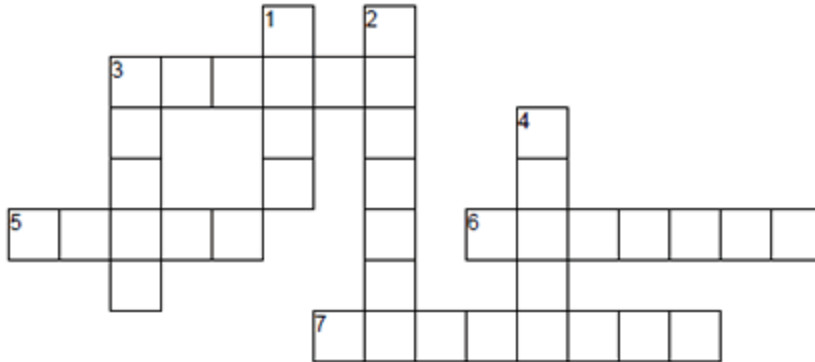


A Lesson in Humility



The greatest among you will be your servant. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted. Matthew 23:11-12 (NIV)

Complete the activity below.



ACROSS

3. To consider yourself as having no special importance; not proud
5. A large gathering of people
6. A formal dinner honoring a particular person or occasion
7. Most important, powerful, or famous

DOWN

1. To do what you are told or expected to do
2. Someone who trains or instructs other people
3. A place of high respect or esteem
4. To praise someone or raise to a more powerful position

GREATEST	CROWD	BANQUET	TEACHER
HONOR	HUMBLE	EXALT	OBEY

A Lesson in Humility

The greatest among you will be your servant. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted. Matthew 23:11-12 (NIV)



The puzzle is based on Matthew 23:1-12

U X G R E A T E S T P O B E Y
E X F R R F D O I T Z F D T I
J R P R E D V W H E W D D Z F
L I R X I H Q Y J A X Q P L J
E H A H S H R G X C S J B J R
F B C T D W B B O H R Z S G L
I R T X N I U Z S E R V A N T
N L I A M A S T E R B S T R P
G A C D W M T C L I F T H T S
E Z E W Y P P O I F M W O D B
R T K M B W R A J P D L A E Y
H O N O R G I E Z Q L O Y X K
D W X F C Y R Z A G L E P A S
H Y H U M B L E P C M P S L L
A I M P O R T A N T H Z J T E

EXALT	LIFT	MASTER	LOADS	TEACHER
IMPORTANT	PRACTICE	FINGER	DISCIPLES	HONOR
GREATEST	SERVANT	HUMBLE	OBEY	PREACH

A Lesson in Humility

The greatest among you will be your servant. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted. Matthew 23:11-12 (NIV)



Complete the activity.

The words below have been written in code. Use the hints in the decoder at the top of the page to help break the code (the letters on top are the correct answers, the letters on the bottom are the code). Write the correct word on the line provided beside each code word.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

- 19-5-18-22-1-14-20 _____
- 15-2-5-25 _____
- 9-13-16-15-18-20-1-14-20 _____
- 4-9-19-3-9-16-12-5-19 _____
- 8-21-13-2-12-5 _____
- 6-9-14-7-5-18 _____
- 12-9-6-20 _____
- 8-15-14-15-18 _____

SERVANT	OBEY	IMPORTANT	DISCIPLES
HUMBLE	FINGER	LIFT	HONOR



Secret Message

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
25	26	8	13	22	6	19	24	23	21	5	15	7	16	4	2	12	1	11	17	14	3	10	9	20	18

Use the above key to find out which number matches each letter.

When Jesus went to the temple, what question was he asked by the priests and the elders? Hint: Read Matthew 21:23

"
26 20 10 24 25 17 25 14 17 24 4 1 23 17 20 25 1 22 20 4 14
13 4 23 16 19 17 24 22 11 22 17 24 23 16 19 11 17 24 22 20
 "
25 11 5 22 13 25 16 13 10 24 4 19 25 3 22 20 4 14
17 24 23 11 25 14 17 24 4 1 23 17 20
 ?"

Practice What You Preach

But do not do what they do, for they do not practice what they preach. Matthew 23:3b (NIV)

Choose the word that best matches the definition.
Answers can be found in Matthew 23:1-12 (NIV)



- ___ 1. A large gathering of people
A. teacher B. crowd C. banquet D. servant

- ___ 2. To show high respect or esteem for someone
A. teacher B. humble C. servant D. honor

- ___ 3. A formal dinner honoring a particular person or occasion
A. greatest B. banquet C. honor D. obey

- ___ 4. Most important, powerful, or famous
A. greatest B. teacher C. humble D. crowd

- ___ 5. To consider yourself as having no special importance; not proud
A. humble B. honor C. banquet D. greatest

- ___ 6. A person hired to work for someone else
A. servant B. banquet C. obey D. honor

- ___ 7. Someone who trains or instructs other people
A. teacher B. banquet C. crowd D. humble

- ___ 8. To do what you are told or expected to do
A. greatest B. servant C. honor D. obey

Practice what you preach!

Matthew 23:1-12



UMTS

--	--	--	--

3 2

YEOB

--	--	--	--

4

ARCPHE

--	--	--	--	--	--

1

AWL

--	--	--

5

HETREAC

--	--	--	--	--	--	--

6



It is hard to be this when you think you are great!

--	--	--	--	--	--

1 2 3 4 5 6

Words Used

teacher
must
obey
preach
must

Sermons4Kids.com

Copyright © Sermons4Kids
All Rights Reserved



Speak, Lord

S.D.C.
SOCIETAS
DOCTRINÆ
CHRISTIANÆ
www.sdc.me.uk

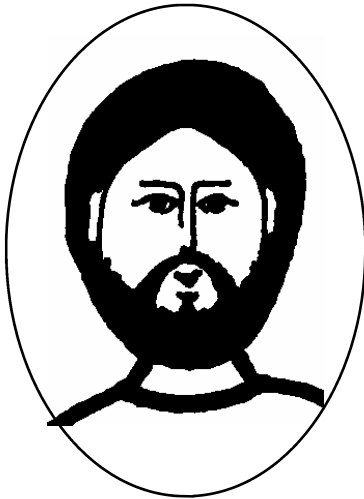
Malachi 1:14—2:2.8-10
Psalm 130
1 Thessalonians 2:7-9.13
Matthew 23:1-12

SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN

Year A — 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time



JESUS shows he was not HAPPY with the PHARISEES.



They said one thing
and did something
different.

They were too
proud of
themselves.



Shade the boxes with a dot (•) to find out the 2 messages Jesus wanted to give them.

P.	R.	A.	C.	T.	I.	S.	E.
B	T	W.	H.	A.	T.	L	T
M	O	Y.	O.	U.	U	S	V
J	K	P.	R.	E.	A.	C.	H.

A	L	W	A	Y	S
•	•	•	•	•	•
S	Q	B	E	T	A
		•	•		
H	U	M	B	L	E
•	•	•	•	•	•