

Children's Resources – Sunday May 31st 2020

Matthew 25 31-46

³¹ "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. ³² Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³ And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. ³⁴ Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶ I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸ And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹ And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' ⁴⁰ And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers,^[a] you did it to me.'

⁴¹ "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, ⁴³ I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' ⁴⁴ Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' ⁴⁵ Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' ⁴⁶ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Intro

To start off with today I want you to look at these pictures and say which one is a sheep and which one is a goat?



What are the differences between sheep and goats? Look at their tail, horns and hair and explain the differences.

In today's story Jesus talks about telling the difference between sheep and goats, let's find out more!

Story

Jesus says that when He comes back, He is going to judge the world. He said he would separate people into the sheep, those who love Him and the goats, those who don't love Him.

Instead of looking for the differences we saw between sheep and goats, Jesus looks for something else.

Jesus says that those who love Him will be known as they served Him by serving and loving others.

³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Jesus said that by caring for others they did it for Him also.

However, he says the goats did not do any of these things, they didn't look after or care for those around them, they didn't show any love for Jesus by serving others.

It is important to say that we are not saved, our sins are not forgiven because of doing good things. No, only Jesus can save us from our sins. However, Jesus was saying that if we truly love Him we will obey Him by loving and caring for those around us.

The sheep then, those who love Jesus, they go to heaven but the goats, those who don't they will be separated from God forever.

Let's talk to God.

Prayer

Father God,

Thank you that we can have our sins forgiven and a relationship with you, only through your Son, Jesus.

If we love you, please help us to serve and follow you especially by caring for others this week.

If some don't know Jesus as their Saviour, we pray that they soon would.

In Jesus' name,

Amen

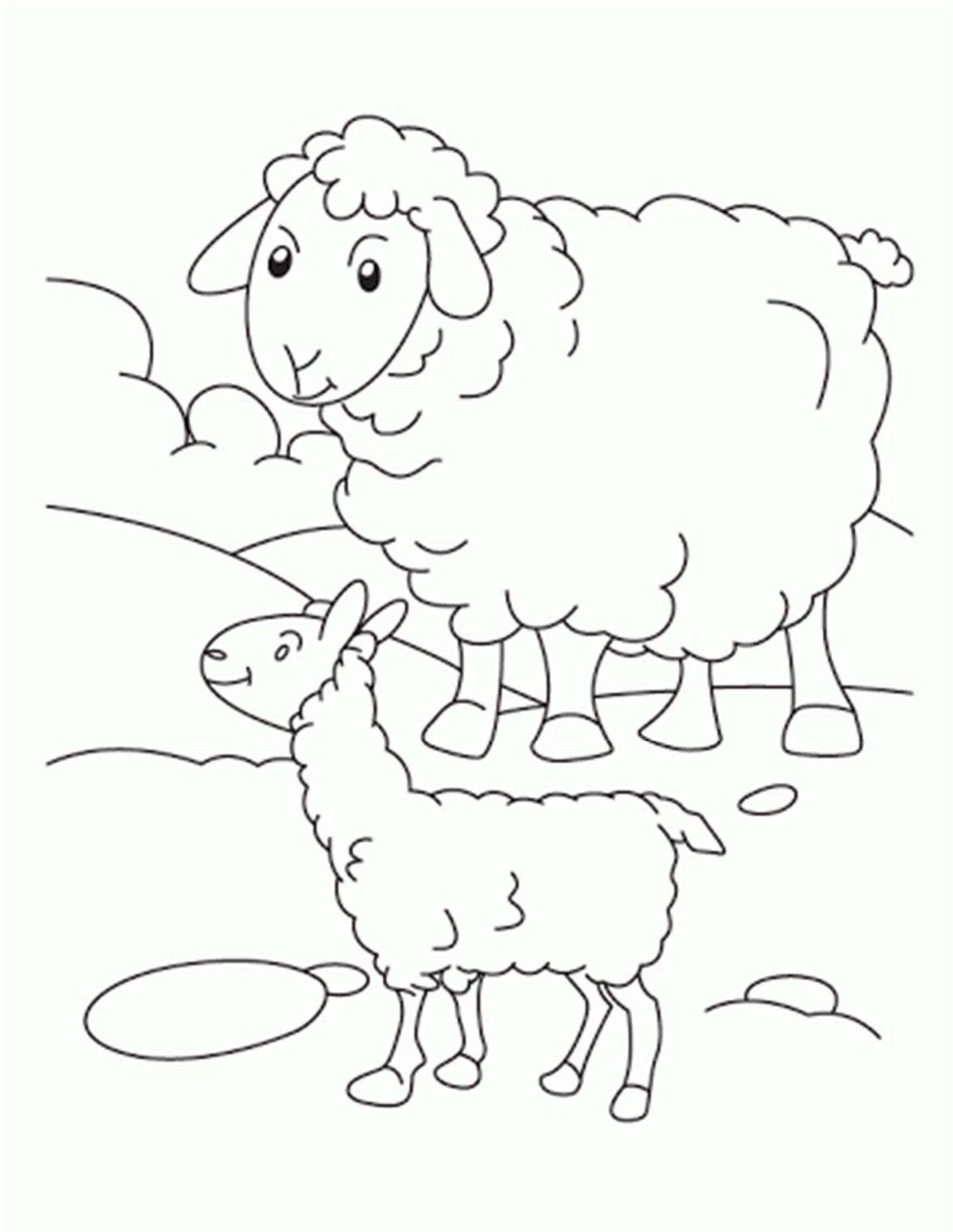
Activities

1. Wordsearch
2. Colouring Sheet

Goats and Sheep

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

Jesus	Shepherd	Fire	Heaven
Righteous	Punishment	Depart	Cursed
King	Stranger	Angels	Matthew



'And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.' Matthew 25: 33-34

