

# Come Back, Brother!

**THE WORD**

Jesus said, "If your brother offends you, go to him alone to talk about it. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others to speak with him. If he still refuses to listen, ask the community to speak with him. And if he does not listen to the community, treat him as a pagan."

Ez 33:7-9 | Ps 94 | Rom 13:8-10 | Mt 18:15-20

**LOOK CLOSER**

Being a Christian means living in community with Jesus' followers. When someone harms the community, they risk being separated from Jesus and losing their way. Jesus does not want these people to be lost, so he asks us to do everything we can to win that person back.

**Do it:** Take a family photograph and cut it up like puzzle pieces. Talk about a time when you were challenged to be more Christian.

**PRAYER SPACE**

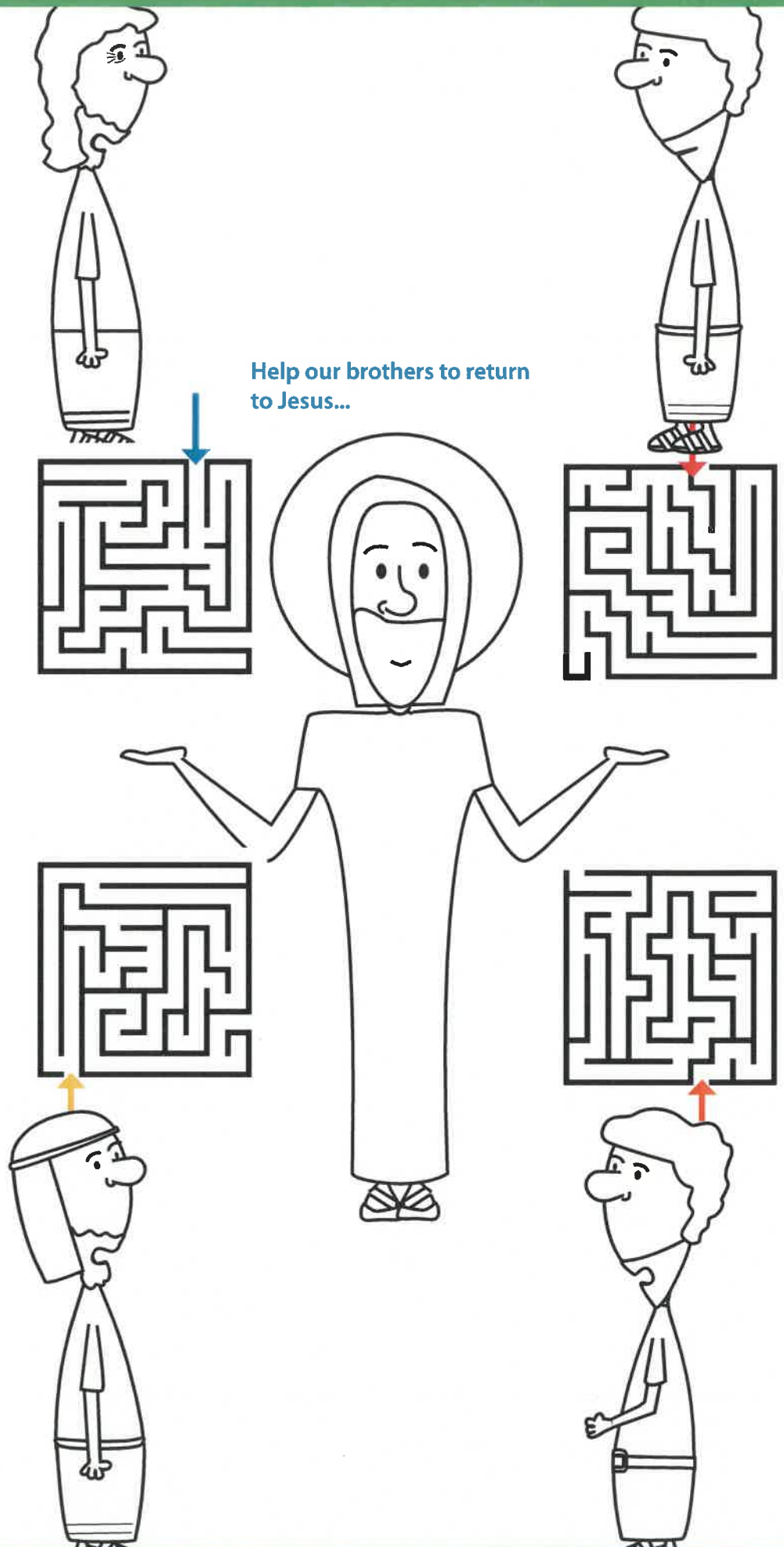


**Symbol: Puzzle**

Lord Jesus, it is not always easy to follow you. Help us to listen when others challenge us to be better Christians, and keep us close as a family. Amen.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

**The Little Red Light.** That little red light glowing next to the tabernacle tells us that Jesus is present in the Eucharistic bread in the tabernacle. We acknowledge his presence by genuflecting (touching our right knee to the ground). This is a sign of respect and an act of adoration of Jesus. Catholics usually genuflect towards the tabernacle as they enter and leave the church.



Help our brothers to return to Jesus...