

Children's

CHURCH

During this time at home, we are missing meeting together at Adventurers, Mother's & Toddlers, Saturday Football and our regular Sunday services.

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AT HOME

Psalm 51

The aim of the activity sheets we will be sending out is to get all the family involved by learning together, crafting and talking about the reason Easter is so special and more about Jesus who helps us in these difficult times. Start with the 'Bible Passage' box and continue in any order from there.

Bible Passage

This is our fifth week in Psalms. You can find it in your Bible in :

Psalm 51

Read the psalm together – choose a translation or children's bible which will be easy to read as a group. (If you don't have a bible you can download one for free on your phone or use biblegateway.com)

Discussion

What do you do when you do things wrong? Today we will see what David did after he had done some bad things and what we can learn from him!

Read v1-5 – In this Psalm there are some big words. What do you think 'Iniquity' and 'transgression' mean? They are a different way of saying **sin**, which is all the bad things that we have done, thought or said, even the things we can't think of. In v5 it says we were sinful even from being born – because we are far away from God. David is admitting to God that he knows he has done wrong and he cannot make himself clean – He needs God's help.

Read v6-12 – David asks God to make him clean. 'hyssop' was a plant that was traditionally used to symbolise being made clean. We need God to make our hearts clean too! What do we need to do to be made clean? We need to say sorry for the things we have done and ask God to come in, not just to make us clean once but to live within us like we read about in v10-12.

Read v13-19 – Once our hearts are clean we want to praise God. (There is a lot in the Psalms about praise). In v15 David wants to not only give praise to God, but to tell others about what God has done for Him.

Prayer

Things to pray: Say sorry for the wrong things you have done, Ask that you would be made clean and give thanks that Jesus came to die on the cross and save us.



Memory Verse

Psalm 51 v 10

"Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit in me."

Family Activity

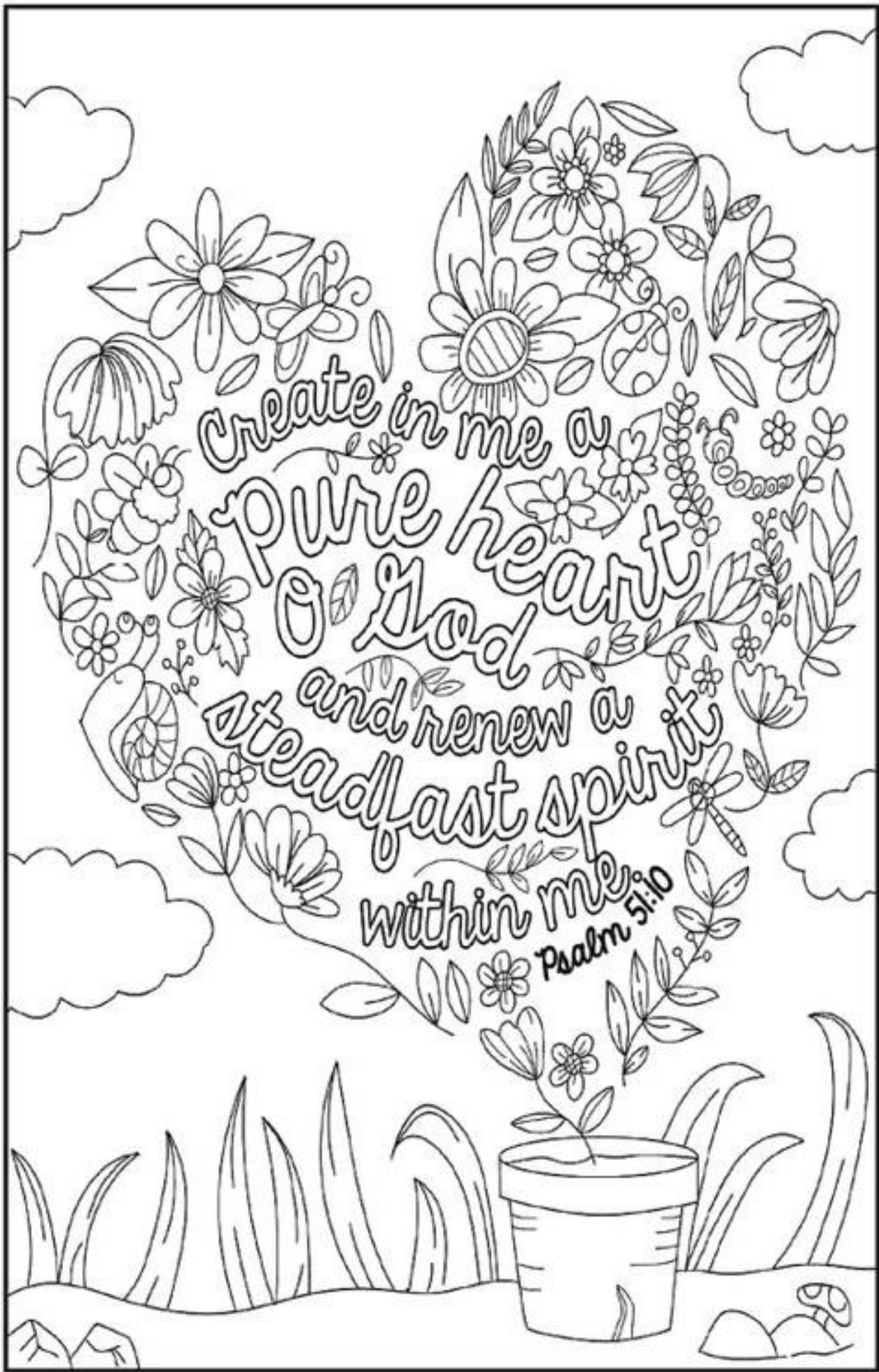
Pepper Experiment

You will need:

A shallow dish, water, pepper and washing up liquid/soap.
Watch the video to see how it works. Add just enough water to cover the bottom of the dish. Sprinkle pepper until there is a layer of pepper over the top. Put a small blob of the soap on your finger and touch the edge of the water. Watch what happens. This is just like what happens when Jesus comes into our hearts and makes us clean!

Crown Craft

When we invite Jesus into our hearts and make us clean, we need to make Him King of our lives. Decorate the crown on the next page. By letting Jesus be king, we need to take the crown from our own heads and give it to Jesus. The crown is a reminder that we need to make Jesus king of our lives and give him all the praise.



Create in me a
pure heart
O God
and renew a
steadfast spirit
within me:
Psalm 51:10

COLOUR IN / DECORATE THE CROWN BELOW, THEN CUT AROUND THE DASHED LINES AND GLUE THE SHADED AREAS TO THE INSIDE OF THE OTHER PIECE TO MAKE A CROWN.

