

JOURNEY 1

WELCOME TIMELANDERS _

Inside this Journey 1 magazine you will find:

Your Timelanders Passport for all your 12 Journeys.

Timelanders **Decoder** (You will need this to unlock your first Trip and decode special messages throughout.) A pull-out **Comic** with the origin story of Lev, Bo, Roots, and Hyla.

Travel Stamps for Journey 1.

Over the next 13 weeks, we will land in Bible times with Lev, Bo, Roots, and Hyla. Together we will explore the stories within the Ancient Sketchbook, that we found in the Time Capsule. Every page turned will take us on a unique "TRIP" to a special time and place in the Bible. There will be stories to read, people to meet and things to do every day, along with extra activities you can enjoy on your own or with friends and family. When you complete each "TRIP", place a travel stamp (sticker) in your passport. So, get ready to journey through the Bible with Timelanders!



I am 10 years old. This is my pet 'Roots'. He is a flying squirrel. Roots goes exploring everywhere with me. I make my own gadgets! Check out my super amazing Gadget Glove—it has lots of super uses.

My family recently moved to a new area. My new house has a big garden. The other day Roots and I were scanning to see if we could find any buried treasure, when we detected a metal object buried deep under a big tree.

Roots started digging, when suddenly out of nowhere, a frog jumped on my head and I heard a voice over the fence shout, "Come back Hyla". It was my new neighbour, Bo. She was spying on us and wanted to see what we were digging up. After digging for hours, we hit a shiny metal container. Bo said, "It's a Time Capsule!" Inside, we found an Ancient Sketchbook with stories in it and a very old map.



"Ht, my name is Bo."

I am 9 years old. I love history and figuring out where things come from. My favourite subjects at school are maths, science, and geography. This is my pet 'Hyla'; she is a colour changing frog. Her scientific name is Hyla-versicolor. Hyla goes everywhere with me.

I have a new neighbour and friend, Lev. The other day, we found a Time Capsule. We discovered it needed a special code to get it open, so we used Lev's decoder and matched up the symbols. When the Time Capsule was opened, there was a big flash of light and inside we found an Ancient Sketchbook that was pulling us into the Bible stories. Suddenly, we found ourselves in a different time and land. That's why we decided to call ourselves 'Timelanders'.

Come and join us on our Journey through the Bible and you can be a Timelander too.



TIP #1

There may be times when you miss a day because you are away from home or not feeling well. Don't worry. You can always go back and finish parts later or do two days in one.

TIP #2

When you see Scan Melbeside an image, open the camera of your phone or tablet, then scan the QR to see the story come alive in AR. (You may need an adult's permission.)

Augmented Reality

TIP #3

Need help looking up a Bible passage? Scan this to access your guide.



Journey 1 Introduction

The world is in trouble. God's people are in trouble. They have been waiting a long time for the promised Messiah, the Saviour, to come and rescue them. After being slaves in another country, they are back in their homeland, but now they are living under the Crushing rule of the Romans. They are still allowed to go to the temple, but the religious leaders have made the laws of God so hard they are impossible to obey. And now they must follow Roman laws, too, including Paying their hefty taxes.

It is like a dark cloud is hanging over them. Over 400 years ago the prophet Isaiah told God's people that a child would be born, and he would be the Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of peace. Isaiah said that he would reign on David's throne and over his kingdom and would uphold justice and righteousness forever.

Will the people of God ever hear from God again? Will he ever fulfil his promise?

It's the Ancient Sketchbook!

Each Trip's weekly travel schedule will include:

An introduction to 🕕 the Bible story, then...

Open the Time Capsule to land back in a different time and place.

Take a look at the picture in the Ancient Sketchbook

Day 1: Meet a person from the Bible and hear their story.

Days 2-5: Explore each \ part of the story. ~

Complete your Lander's Log each day!

> Return to the twenty-first century and land back on Terra Firma (that means firm land).

Day 6: Think about the Bible story and what we learned about God and ourselves.

> Day 7: Talk to others about what you learned.

> > Finish the trip by putting a stamp in your passport.



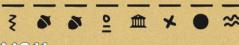
And there are lots of extras each week like Levis Extra Explorations and Bo's Did You Know?



Use your decoder to decipher the passcode to open it. Line up the A on your decoder with o

TIP #4 Travel Guide

To help you on your journey, you will need to ask an adult or parent to be your "Travel Guide". This is someone you can talk to about what you are learning on each trip. They can also help with questions you have and provide help when you need it. There is a special guide for your Travel Guide as well. Go to www.timelanders.com to find out more.



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Now lets take out the Ancient the next page. For each trip you Sketchbook and turn to "TRIP 1" on will need a Bible and your Timelanders Decoder and Passport.

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At this point in time, it had been 400 years since anyone on earth had heard from God-there had been no message from Him for a very long time. Then, an unexpected visitor appeared, and everything changed. Ready to find out what happened? Let's pray before we start our trip. PRAY-This is your time to talk to God.



Are you ready to open the Ancient Sketchbook for our very first TRIP?

The sketchbook is open. I think that might be Zechariah the priest. Look out, it is pulling us in!



Hold on to your hats

DAY 1 We made it!

It looks like we landed in Jerusalem. Can you see the temple? I wonder if we can find Zechariah there? Let's find out what happened.

Read Luke 1:5-25

Now complete DAY 1 of the Landers Log.



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DAY 2 Read Luke 1:5-10

It was an ordinary day for the priest Zechariah but that is about to change.

DAY 3 Read Luke 1:11-15

Zechariah's unexpected visitor had a surprising message. Zechariah and his wife Elizabeth are going to have a baby—a very special baby.



I was just doing my job as I was waiting for God to answer my prayer. I can't tell you how terrified I was when an angel spoke to me!

DAY 4 Read Luke 1:16-18

The angel told Zechariah his child would also have a very special purpose. He would go before the Lord in the spirit and power of the prophet Elijah and turn people back to God. (If you want to know more about Elijah read 1 Kings chapter 17. It will take a while to read it, but Elijah did amazing things.)

DAY 5 Read Luke 1:19-25

Zechariah asked the angel for a sign that what he said would really happen. The angel told him that he would be unable to speak until the baby was born. That would be over nine months! That's a long time.

It is time to go back home and think about what we discovered.



We are back on Terra Firma!

DAYS 6 & 7

This isn't the last time we will see Zechariah or the angel Gabriel. Now it is time to think about this trip, write in your Lander's Log, and talk to your Travel Guide.

OURNEY 1 TRIP

MAKE A MODEL of the temple with Lego or other building blocks. You can find examples on www.timelanders.com/journey-1

USERNAME: LEV'S EXTRA EXPLORATIONS PLAY A GAME of charades to

- experience what it is like for Zechariah to communicate just with motions.
- TAKE A WALK and imagine you are in Jerusalem with Zechariah. What do you see around you?



Day 1: Zechariah was Day 2: surprised and afraid. Draw his face here.

What does an ordinary week look like for you?

When is a good time for Timelanders each day?

Monday - Friday

Saturday / Sunday

MY ORDINARY DAY: √Gather acorns

√Put acorns in bag

√Eat acorns /Timelanders travel

Day 3: "The child will be a special person".

The angel said that Zechariah and Elizabeth's son would be a joy and delight to his parents, great in the sight of the Lord, and filled with the Holy Spirit. What words would your parents or the adults you live with use to describe how they felt when they knew you were going to be a part of their family? (You may have to ask them.) Write them here.

ANGELS-are they real? Angels are messengers from God who carry specific messages for either individuals or groups of people. They have a close

relationship with God and serve him. The angel in our story said, "I am the angel Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I

have been sent to speak to you and to tell you

this good news."

Day 5: "Zechariah and Elizabeth".

Day 4: "The child will

have a special purpose".

Use your decoder to

discover what the angel said their

son would do. Line up the A with 2

If Zechariah had a smartphone, which of these emojis might he have used to communicate with his wife Elizabeth about the angel's message? Which would she use to reply to him?



Zechariah and Elizabeth needed a lot of trust that God would give them this child, a very special child with a special purpose.

Who do you trust more than anyone and why?

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What do you think trust is?

What are the things that make it easy to trust God?

What are the things that make it hard to trust God?











Day 7: Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log.

Don't forget to put your stamp in your passport.



Talk to God about your thoughts and what you discovered this week.





DAY 3

Read Luke 1:30-31

When the angel told her she was going to have a baby, Mary was stunned and confused. And the baby's name was already decided!

> Mary's House

DAY 4 Read Luke 1:32-33
The angel told Mary her shild would

The angel told Mary her child would have a very special purpose. He was to be a king, and his kingdom would never end! (If you want to know more about this baby, read Isaiah 9:6-7. These words were said hundreds of years before the angel appeared to Mary.)

We are back on Terra Firma!

DAYS 6 & 7

I was worried when the angel appeared. Then I was totally surprised by his message. Me giving birth

DAY 5

Read Luke 1:34-38

Mary asked the angel how any of this could happen. Gabriel explained everything to her and assured her that, if this could happen to Elizabeth, it could happen to her! With God all things are possible.

to a son could only be a

miracle of God.

It is time to go back home and think about what we discovered.

Mary will soon go to visit her relative, Elizabeth. Where have we heard that name before? But now it is time to think about this trip, write in your Landers Log, and talk to your Travel Guide.

USERNAME: LEV'S EXTRA EXPLORATIONS

- MAKE AN ORIGAMI KING'S CROWN. You can find instructions on the Timelanders website. www.timelanders.com/journey-1
- PLAY A GAME of Pictionary with each player drawing an amazing thing that has happened to them and seeing if the others can guess what it is.



LANDERS LOG

Day 1: Mary was a young woman whose ancestors included King David. Ask a parent or adult you live with about their ancestors. Write one name and something about them here.

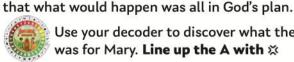
Day 2: Fit the words into the right places to reveal who Mary was pledged to be married to in the shaded column.

REIGN	HOUSE
JACOB	CHILD
PURPOSE	SPIRIT

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MY ANCESTOR **Uncle Camo**

His name is short for camouflage because he could change colour in two seconds, and no one could see him in the trees.



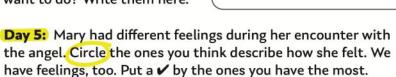
Use your decoder to discover what the plan was for Mary. Line up the A with *

Day 3: Mary was afraid because she was not sure

why the angel was there. She would soon find out



Day 4: The child would be a King. If you were king of your country, or the whole world, what are the changes you would make and what important things would you want to do? Write them here.



Surprised	Calm	Tired	
Uncertain	Anxious	Troubled	
Нарру	Angry	Patient	
Afraid	Excited	Sad	

Day 6: Despite Mary's concern, she believed the angel and responded by saying that she was God's servant and wanted God's will to be done.

- What do you think it means to believe in God?
- What do you think it means to be a servant of God?
- In what way do you think this story is part of God keeping his promise?

Talk to God about your thoughts and what you discovered this week.

NAZARETH-

a town in Galilee. Nazareth is in lower Galilee. Mary, and Joseph, the man she was to marry, lived there. The town is only mentioned in the New Testament, and people from there were thought to be a bit lacking in culture with a crude accent. The town is still there! It has a population of around 78,000. 60% are Muslim and 30% Christian.

Day 7:

Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log.

Don't forget to put your stamp in your passport. Well done, Timelanders. We finished our second Trip!



We are off on another trip. Hyla will open the Ancient Sketchbook for us.

The angel Gabriel delivered two very important messages —one to Elizabeth's husband Zechariah, and one to Mary.

Both Elizabeth and Mary were going to have very special babies. Now the two women, who were relatives, wanted to share their news with each other. Mary went to Elizabeth's home for a long visit and, when they met, something quite unexpected happenedsomething that confirmed just how special these babies were! PRAY-talk to God about the things you will be doing this week.

> Wow! I see Mary and Elizabeth. They are in Elizabeth's home in the hill country of Judea, and they look very excited!

Get your hiking boots on.
Here we go!

DAY 1 Mary and Elizabeth were both expecting babies.

Mary was young and had not expected or planned to have a baby. Elizabeth was older and did not think she could have a baby.

Read Luke 1:39-56

I was so excited to see Mary again. But I wasn't expecting my baby to be excited about Mary's baby. This must be a true miracle of God!

DAY 3 Read Luke 1:42-45

Zechariah and Elizabeth had been told that their son would "make ready a people prepared for the Lord" and that he would "be filled with the Holy Spirit even before he is born". Now it was happening-God was fulfilling his promise.

DAY 2

Read Luke 1:39-41

JERUSALEM BETHLEHEM

Mary couldn't wait to tell Elizabeth everything. When they met, not only were the two women excited to see each other, but Elizabeth's baby was too!



DAY 5

Read Luke 1:51-56

Mary's song ends with the declaration that God will be merciful to his peoplea promise made many centuries ago. Mary knew for sure that she was the bearer of that promise.

DAY 4 Read Luke 1:46-50

Mary responded to Elizabeth with a song of praise. She knew what great thing God had done, not just for her, but for

(If you want to read another song of praise by another young mother, read I Samuel 2:1-10. You may find some similarities.)

We are back on Terra Firma!

What is going to happen now that Mary has returned home? What will Joseph think? Now it is time to think about this trip, 6 write in your Landers Log, and talk to your Travel Guide.

Mary stayed with Elizabeth for three months. But we need to get back home.

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USERNAME: LEV'S EXTRA EXPLORATIONS

- WRITE YOU OWN SONG OF PRAISE. You can use the words from Mary's song and create your own tune or write your own words and music.
- MAKE YOUR OWN WALKING STICK. You will need to find your own stick, cut it to size, remove the bark, sand it, and apply stain or seal. (You may need help from an adult.) See Lev's Links on the website for instructions. THEN, take a walk through some nearby hills with friends or family to experience what it was like for Mary to travel to Judea.

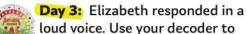


LANDERS LOG

Day 1: Who do you most like to visit? Draw their home here.

Day 2: What are the sorts of things that you talk about when you visit friends or relatives? List a few here.

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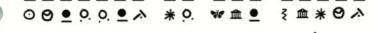
loud voice. Use your decoder to discover what she said.

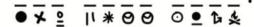
Line up the A on your decoder with

RELATIVES I VISIT

- ✓ Aunt in Asia
- ✓ Cousin in Canada
- ✓ Brother in Borneo
- ✓ Nana in North America







Day 4: Mary sang a song.

Do you ever get so excited that you want to sing?

What words would you use if you wanted to tell God how wonderful he is?

God you are...

Day 5: Mary went home after three months.

Can you help her find her way back to her house?





BLESSED—what does it mean? Blessed means to be favoured by God like Mary and the child she would bear. It can also mean that a person is happy

and content
because of
what God
has done for
them.

Day 6: Elizabeth and Mary knew that God was doing something very special, and not just for them, but for all people. They were both humble and gave praise to God.

- What do you think it means to be chosen for a special purpose?
- What do you think it means to be humble?
- What does it mean to praise God?

PRAY

Talk to God about your thoughts and what you discovered this week.



Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log.

Don't forget to put your stamp in your passport.

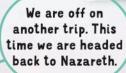
Well done, Timelanders. We finished our third Trip!



TRIP 4: A MESSAGE O IN A DREAM_

Elizabeth and Mary were both expecting babies. Now there was another person who urgently needed a special message-this time it would be delivered in a dream! PRAY-Think about the week ahead and talk to God about

any concerns you have.



It looks like a carpenter who has just woken up from a deep sleep. Get ready—and look out for angels!





DAY 1 We are back in Nazareth.

Today we are in the home of Joseph, the man to whom Mary is engaged. Read Matthew 1:18-25

DAY 2

Read Matthew 1:18-19

Joseph was engaged to Mary and planned to marry her. Then he discovered Mary was pregnant. Joseph decided to quietly break off the engagement so he wouldn't embarrass her

> I was sweating and having a hard time sleeping. I was

worried about my plan to

break the engagement.

Then an angel appeared and changed everything.

Joseph

DAY 3 Read Matthew 1:20-21

An angel appeared to Joseph, and he discovered he was part of God's much bigger plan, a plan that existed long before Joseph was born. The child's name would be Jesus which means "the Lord saves".

DAY 4 Read Matthew 1:22-23

This baby was no ordinary baby. The people had been waiting for someone God had promised to send to save them, and this special baby, Jesus, was going to be that person. He is Immanuel-God with us. (If you want to see the original words of the prophecy, read Isaiah 7:14.)

DAY 5 Read Matthew 1:24-25

Joseph's response was to accept God's plan and to obey. He could see that being part of God's bigger plan was something amazingand it was far better than his own plans.

Hey, Immanuel is the word that opened the Time Capsule!



We are back on Terra Fin

DAYS 6 & 7 On our next trip, we will visit the hill country of Judea again and I think I hear a baby crying! Now it is time to think about this trip, write in your Landers Log, and talk to your Travel Guide.

USERNAME: LEV'S EXTRA EXPLORATIONS

- LIKE JOSEPH THE CARPENTER, BUILD A BIRDHOUSE. There are a lot of patterns and kits you will find online, just go to Lev's Links at www.timelanders.com/journey-1
- PLAY A GAME of Simon Says to experience what it is like to listen and be obedient.

LANDERS LOG

Day 1: Draw a picture of Joseph having his dream.

Day 2: What are some of the things you worry about? Write them here.

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I WORRY ABOUT:
Not enough flies to eat
Changing colour
at the wrong time
Bully frogs



Day 3: An angel appeared to Joseph in a dream. What is the most amazing dream you have ever had? Write or draw it here. Then ask your friends and family about their dreams.



Day 4: The child will be given the name Jesus. Use your decoder to discover what the angel said Jesus would do. Line up the A on your decoder with A



Day 5: Change of plans

Have you ever had a change of plans where the change turned out far better than the original plan? Use the chart to show the difference.

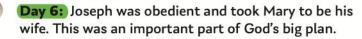
Original Plan

Changed Plan

MARRIAGE CEREMONIES—

What were they like? The main
wedding celebration took
place in the home of the
groom or at his father's house.
There was a big feast and a lot of m
The festivities could last for seven

There was a big feast and a lot of music.
The festivities could last for seven to
fourteen days! The host even had to
provide clothes for the guests!



- Why do you think the angel said he would be Immanuel "God with us"?
- In what ways is this story part of God's big plan?
- What are the things that help us to know that God is with us?

PRAY

Talk to God about your thoughts and what you discovered this week.



Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log.

Don't forget to put your stamp in your passport.

Well done, Timelanders.
We finished our
fourth Trip!



TRIP 5: THE NAME AND THE NEIGHBOURS_6

Hello Timelanders! This week we are going back to the hill country of Judea. Do you remember Zechariah? For over nine months he had been waiting in silence since the visit from the angel. He had had a lot of time to think, and now it was time for Elizabeth to have their baby. Remember what the angel said about the baby's name? Zechariah remembered and was ready to do what was right.

PRAY—Ask God to help you be strong in challenging situations.

There seems to be a lot of activity around the home of Zechariah and Elizabeth. Let's go and check it out.

Hold on to your acorns.

Here we go!



DAY 3 Read Luke 1:59-63

The guests didn't quite understand what was going on and they insisted that the baby should be named after his father.

That was the way things were done. But Zechariah

That was the way things were done. But Zecharial knew the right thing to do and did it.

DAY 1

The baby was born, and Zechariah and Elizabeth's friends and neighbours were there to rejoice with them. There was a special moment when Zechariah burst into song. Yes, he had his voice back!

Read Luke 1:57-66, 76-80

DAY 2

Read Luke 1:57-58

News travelled fast and there was a huge celebration at the home of Zechariah and Elizabeth. The promise of a child had been fulfilled!

DAY 4

Read Luke 1:64-66

As soon as Zechariah could speak again, he "spoke well" of God. The people in the house were in shock and wondered who this child could possibly be. I remember clearly the day I
met the angel in the temple.
I knew that after my time of
silence, I would speak again.
God has shown us his mercy
by giving us John.

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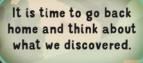
DAY 5 Read Luke 1:76-80

John's birth confirmed that God was about to keep another promise—a Saviour was coming. In his song, Zechariah praised God and sang about what John would do—prepare people to welcome and accept the Saviour.

We are back on Terra Firma!

DAYS 6 & 7

The people had been waiting for hundreds of years for a Saviour. It was like sitting in darkness but now the light was coming soon! It is time to think about this trip, write in your Landers Log, and talk to your Travel Guide.



USERNAME: LEV'S EXTRA EXPLORATIONS

- MAKE your own Timelanders Chooser to remind you of the Bible stories you have explored over the past few weeks. You will find the downloadable pattern on the Timelanders website. www.timelanders.com/journey-1
- PLAY A GAME of Would You Rather to learn more about making choices. Ask those you play with to make up the questions before the game. There are also lots of questions for children online. Just go to Lev's Links at www.timelanders.com/journey-1



LANDERS LOG

Day 1: Have you ever had to make a choice between doing what is popular and doing what is right? What did you do?

The choice:

What I did:

What I think now about my choice:

Day 2: What gifts are given now when a baby is born? Circle the ones you think are common.

Baby's bottle Canoe

Onesie Chickens

Pumpkins Dictionary

Nappies Pram

Violin Car tyres

Teddy bear Bib

Motorcycle Coffee maker

Highchair Car seat

Smartphone

THE CHOICE:

Share my acorns or store all of them

WHAT I DID:

I shared some and stored some

WHAT I THINK NOW:

I should share moreespecially since I ran out of space in my vault.



Day 3: Put the right vowels (a, e, i, or o) in the right places to see how Zechariah confirmed he was doing the right thing.

He wrote, 'H_S N_M_ _S J_HN.'

Day 4: All the neighbours were talking about the baby, why they would name him John, and about Zechariah getting his voice back. If you had been there, what would you text to your friends?

Write the messages here. →

MESSAGE...









Day 5: Use your decoder to discover what Zechariah said John would do. Line up the A on your decoder with S



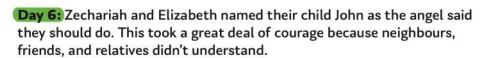












- When making choices, how can we know what God wants us to do?
- What can we do when we feel pressured to do the popular thing?
- In what ways do we praise God when he does great things for us?

PROPHETS-Who are they?

A prophet was a person who proclaimed God's message to his people. They also told them what the future would be like. There were many prophets in the Old Testament, including

Elijah and Isaiah. John's father. Zechariah, said that John would be a "prophet of the Most High."



Talk to God about your thoughts and what you discovered this week.

Day 7: Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log. Don't forget to put your stamp in your passport. Well done, Timelanders. We finished our fifth Trip!



TRIP 6: THE ROMANS AND THE ROAD TRIP_

Are you ready for our next trip? This time we are off to Nazareth... oops...l mean Bethlehem. At this time in history, the Romans were in control of most the Mediterranean world. Caesar Augustus decided he wanted a census taken so that he would have a record of all the people who lived there. Mary and Joseph had to travel almost 100 miles to Bethlehem, and Mary was going to have her baby very soon. They would have to walk and travel by donkey and find somewhere to stay amid all the crowds. They might have thought this trip was an impossible burden to bear. But we will soon find out that it was all part of God's plan.

PRAY-Thank God that he keeps his word.

Joseph and Mary just arrived in Bethlehem and there are so many people there. Shall we join them?

> DAY 1 Here we are in Bethlehem.

Mary and Joseph just arrived, and it looks like they are having a hard time finding a place to stay. It also looks like they might have to find room for one more!

Read Luke 2:1-7

DAY 2

Read Luke 2:1-2

The census would not only count the number of people in the Roman Empire, but it was also a way to find out who would have to pau taxes!

Hold on to your donkey!

Here we go! **JERUSALEM** BETHLEHEM (

DAY 3

Read Luke 2:3-4

Joseph may have been from the line of King David, but he certainly didn't live in a palace. He was a carpenter by trade and lived in Nazareth.

It had been a long journey and Mary was so tired. We had to find a place to stay for the night. The baby was coming soon!

DAY 4 Read Luke 2:5-6

The special baby that God had given Mary would soon be born. Babies were normally born at home. This one would be born in Bethlehem and in a surprising place. (A prophet called Micah wrote hundreds of years earlier that the Saviour would be born in Bethlehem. Read Micah 5:2 to find

Time to go home. But we will see the out more.) baby again on our next trip. DAY 5

Read Luke 2:7

There was no guest room and no bed available for the birth of the baby. Mary wrapped him in cloths and his crib was an animal's feeding tray. Was this the child through whom We are back on Terra Firma! God's promise was to be fulfilled?

DAYS 6 & 7

On our next trip, we are going to see a familiar face. An angel makes another surprise visit! Now it is time to think about this trip, write in

your Landers Log, and talk to your Travel Guide.



- MAKE A 3-D MODEL of the nativity scene. You will find a model and instructions on the Timelanders website. www.timelanders.com/journey-1
- Time yourself to see how long it takes you to WALK ONE MILE. Then multiply the time by 100 to see how long it would take to walk from Nazareth to Bethlehem.



Day 1: Help Mary and Joseph find the right path to Bethlehem.



Day 2: Take a census in your home.

Date: _____ Address: _

Name	Age	Occupation/School

Day 3:

Draw something here that Joseph the carpenter might have made.

What tools would he use?

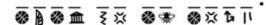


Day 4: Use your decoder to discover what happened when Mary and Joseph got to Bethlehem. Line up

the A on your decoder with

Day 5: If Joseph had taken a selfie when they got to Bethlehem, what would it look like? Draw it here.





Day 6: Joseph and Mary believed God and were humble and obedient. They were not wealthy or powerful, yet God chose them to be part of his amazing plan. The baby, too, was not born in a palace but in a lowly manger.

- Where do you think Mary and Joseph's strength to obey came from?
- What do you think it means to be obedient to God?
- Why do you think Jesus was born in such an unexpected way?

Day 7: Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log. Don't forget to put your stamp in your



information about the people of a particular country. It is often

carried out every so many years to track changes in the population. The Babulonians were the first to take a census in 3800

CENSUS-What is it?

A census is used to gather

BC to record the number of people and livestock and the stores of food and wool.



Talk to God about your thoughts and what you discovered this week.



We are on our way back to Bethlehem.

Joseph and Mary are in Bethlehem and Mary's baby has arrived safely. The shops and registry office are closed, and people are tucked up in their beds. The shepherds are out in the fields looking after their sheep. It is a calm and quiet night. But that is going to change. The shepherds are about to have the most dramatic experience of their lives!

PRAY-Lord, help me to understand how great you are.

It's night time and it looks like we are going to land in the fields.
Look out for the sheep!

Here we go again!

JERUSALEM BETHLEHEM



DAY 2

Read Luke 2:8-9

The shepherds lived in the fields looking after their sheep.

When the angel appeared, and they were surrounded by light; they were terrified.

When the angel appeared, we were so scared. But when we heard the angel's message, our fear turned to excitement. Could it be true?

We had to go to Bethlehem to see for ourselves.

DAY 1

We have landed in the fields outside Bethlehem.

There are sheep and shepherds everywhere. They seem to be packing up their things and are preparing to go into town. What could possibly be so important that they would leave so quickly?

Read Luke 2:8-20

DAY 4 Read Luke 1:13-14

The shepherds were suddenly surrounded by angels doing what angels do-praising God. This could be the first Christmas carol!

Scan Me! >

DAY 3 Read Luke 2:10-12

The angel had a special message from God-the Saviour had come. The people of God had been waiting a long time for the promised Messiah and now these lowly shepherds were the first to know! And they would find the baby in the sort of place that would be familiar to a shepherd.

DAY 5 Read Luke 1:15-20

The shepherds had a choice to make—would they go and see, or would they stay with the sheep? It was an easy decision. They quickly left everything to find the promised Messiah. They found the baby just as the angel said they would. Now the shepherds were praising God and spreading the news far and wide.

We are back on Terra Firma!



It's time for us to go home too.

DAYS 6 & 7

On our next trip we will meet two more people who had been waiting for the day when the Messiah would come. Now it is time to **think** about this trip, write in your Landers Log, and **talk** to your Travel Guide.

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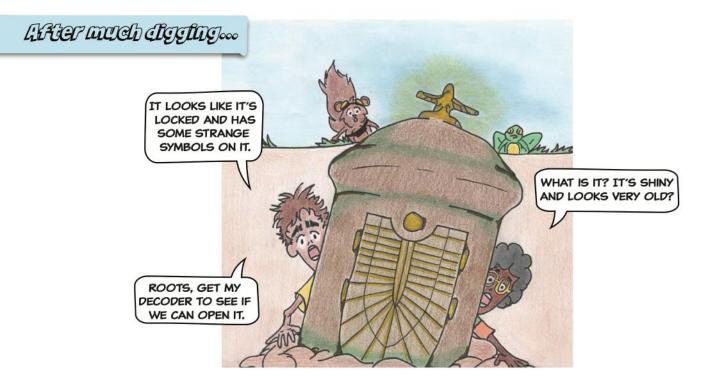










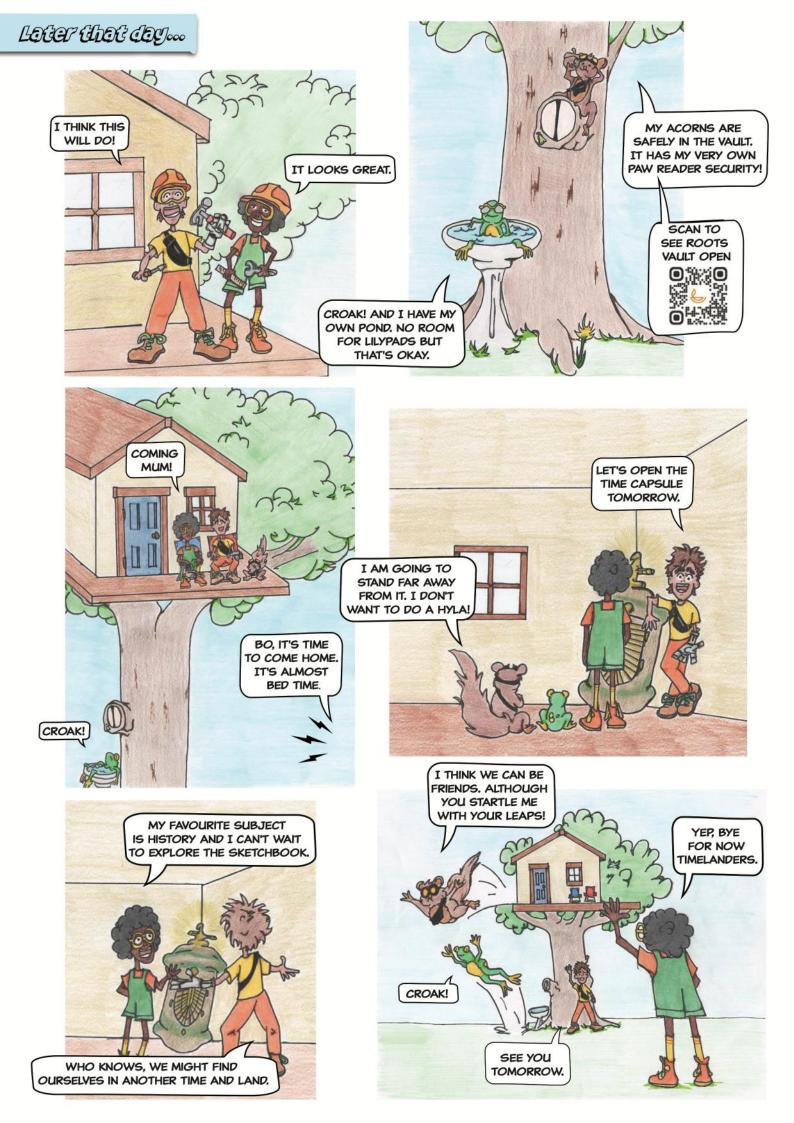








IF THIS WERE YOUR TREE HOUSE, WHAT WOULD IT LOOK LIKE? DRAW IT HERE.



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- Print out the download of the MATCH GAME CARDS from this story on the Timelanders website. (or create your own) Cut them out and play the game with family or friends, www.timelanders.com/journey-1
- SLEEP OUTDOORS on a dry night to experience what it was like to be a shepherd and live in the fields. Don't forget your sleeping bag! (For safety, you will need to have an adult with you.)



Day 1: Have you ever been so excited about something that you dropped everything for it?

Describe it here.

Day 2: Do you have animals that you look after? Draw them or write their names here. (If you don't have any animals, draw one you would like to have.)



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MESSIAH—What does it mean? Messiah is the One God promised to send who would deliver people from their sins and restore their relationship with God. Another word for Messiah is Christ. The angel announced to the shepherds that the baby Jesus was the Messiah, the deliverer that God's people had been waiting for.

A TIME I DROPPED EVERYTHING

I was gathering acorns.

Then we found a Time Capsule.
I dropped everything to go on a
Timelanders trip with Lev, Bo, & Hyla.



Day 3: Use your decoder to discover what the angel said about the baby that had been born.

Line up the A on your decoder with

Day 4: What is your favourite Christmas song? Circle the ones you like the most and write the title of your favourite if it is not here.

Away in a Manger Joy to the World O Holy Night Hark! The Herald Al

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing O Little Town of Bethlehem

The First Nöel

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear Once in Royal David's City

Silent Night

Jingle bells

White Christmas

Rudolf the Red-nosed Reindeer



Create
a news
headline for
this story
and write it
here.

Then draw a picture of one of the scenes from the story here.

Day 6: The shepherds were ordinary people out in the fields tending their sheep.

- Why do you think God would choose to announce this amazing news to ordinary shepherds?
- How do you think this experience changed the lives of the shepherds?
- What things do you think Mary treasured and pondered in her heart?

PRAY

Talk to God about your thoughts and what you discovered this week.

Day 7: Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log.

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Timelanders, are you ready for our next trip?

The baby was given the name Jesus, and it was now time for his special dedication and Mary's purification. This took place in the temple and it was required by the law that the people of God had been given during the time of Moses. Mary and Joseph knew the baby was special, but they didn't quite expect what was said when they took him to be consecrated.

PRAY-Ask God to help you understand more about Jesus.

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We are back in the temple in Jerusalem, and I see two older people that look very excited.

never thought this day would

come in my lifetime. When I arrived at the temple and saw

the child, I knew it was HIM.

The Saviour has come!



Here we are at the temple.

We can see Simeon and Anna the Prophet. It looks like they are going over to Mary and Joseph to see the baby Jesus. How do they know how special this baby is?

Read Luke 2:21-40



DAY 2 Read Luke 2:21-24

Mary and Joseph took Jesus to be dedicated and for Mary to be purified. They were faithful to the law even though they could only afford a small sacrifice.

(Find out more about the sacrifice required in Leviticus 12:6-8)

DAY 3 Read Luke 2:25-32

Simeon's wait had finally come to an end. As he took Jesus in his arms, he burst into praise. At last, he had seen the one who was not just God's salvation for his people, but for the whole world.

DAY 4

Read Luke 2:33-35

Mary and Joseph were surprised by Simeon's words. He had a message of blessing and a prophecy of pain. What could he mean by, "a sword will wound your own soul"?

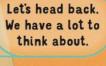
DAY 5 Read Luke 2:36-40

Anna was a prophet. She was at least 84 years old and most of that time she had been a widow! Like Simeon, she knew that Jesus was the one God had promised. Mary and Joseph headed home to watch their child grow.



DAYS 6 & 7

On our next trip, we will meet someone who was NOT so excited about the birth of Jesus. Now it is time to think about this trip, write in your Landers Log, and talk to your Travel Guide.





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- Think about the things and people you might see if you went to the temple. PLAY A GAME of I went to the temple with friends or family. The first person will say "I went to the temple, and I saw...". The next person must repeat what the first person saw and add what they saw. The third person does the same and so on. A player is out if they can't name all the things that were seen. The game ends when only one person is left.
- ARRANGE TO VISIT YOUR LOCAL FIRE STATION to find out more about how and why they save and rescue people.



LANDERS LOG

Day 1: Find these words from the story.
SIMEON MESSIAH JESUS ANNA

PROMISE TEMPLE KING PROPHET
SPIRIT LAW SALVATION BLESSED

Day 2: What are some of the special things you do in your church that express your belief, obedience, and love for God? Write them here.



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GENTILES—A Gentile is a person who is not Jewish or from that heritage. The Hebrew word for gentiles means "the nations".

So, a Gentile was also someone

from a nation other than Israel. In our story today, Simeon said that Jesus would be a light to the Gentiles.



Day 3: Use your decoder to find out what Simeon said when he took Jesus in his arms. Line up the A on your decoder with /i

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Day 4: Simeon said that Mary would have joy and pain. What are some things that make you joyful and what causes you pain? Write them here.

Day 5: What do you think you will look like when you are 84 years old?

Draw yourself here. →

What I will look like when I am 84.

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Day 6: Simeon said that he had seen God's salvation and that it would be in the sight of all nations.

- What is an example of someone saving another?
- What do you think Simeon meant when he said, "God has sent him"?
- What do you think the thoughts of many hearts will be known meant?

PRAY

Talk to God about your thoughts and what you discovered this week.

Day 7: Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log.

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you ready for our next trip?

Herod the Great ruled over the Roman province of Judea during the time that Jesus was born.

News about this special child spread quickly. Wise men from lands far away in the East knew that a king was to be born. Then they saw his star and set off on their long journey to find him. We will discover that they were wise in more than one way.

PRAY-Ask the Lord to help you understand more about wisdom and worship.

> can see some very important men travelling from Jerusalem to Bethlehem.

Our next adventure!

Magi studied the stars and were expecting the "King of the Jews" to come. They were not Jewish, but the birth of this King was so important to them that they travelled a long way to find him.



DAY 1

We made it and there are the Magi!

They decoded a message, not with their decoders, but by recognising a special star. They will also need a lot of wisdom to recognise what Herod is thinking but not saying.

Read Matthew 2:1-12

DAY 3

Read Matthew 2:3-6

Not everyone was happy to hear about a new king or that the Magi had come to worship him. King Herod called together the Jewish leaders to investigate the matter. Now even Herod knew that Messiah had come.

When we saw this new star, we knew it was going to lead us to the one that was born King of the Jews. We couldn't wait to find him.

DAY 4

Read Matthew 2:7-8

King Herod had a plan that involved the Magi, but he wasn't totally truthful. He thought he would involve them in getting rid of any competition.

> Time to go back home. I wonder if we will travel through the stars?

DAY 5

Read Matthew 2:9-12

The star led the Magi to Jesus. These wealthy and important men bowed and worshipped the child they knew was the King of all kings. Their response to Jesus and to the dream shows that they were truly wise.



Scan Me!

This is not the last time we will see King Herod. What will he do when he finds out the Magi have gone home and didn't come back to Jerusalem? Now it is time to think about this trip, write in your Landers Log, and talk to your Travel Guide.

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PLAY A GAME of Star Search. Cut out small stars from card. One person will hide the stars, and, on their signal, the other players will search and collect as many stars as they can in one minute. At the end

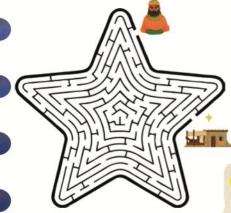
of each round, collect and hide the stars again. After everyone has had a turn hiding the stars, the person who collected the most in one minute is the winner.

DOWNLOAD A MAP OF CONSTELLATIONS and see how many you can find in the night sky. Go to Lev's Links at www.timelanders.com/journey-1



LANDERS LOG Day 2: What words describe what

Day 1: Help the Magi get to Bethlehem.



Day 3: Draw a picture of King

Herod looking troubled.

King Herod was like?

What kind of king would you be and how would you feel If you heard about another king being born?

Day 4: Do you think you could find your way to Bethlehem? Search online or with a maps app to gather this information. Write it here.

Miles to Bethlehem from where you live:

GPS coordinates for your home:

GPS coordinates for Bethlehem:

THE KIND OF KING I WOULD BE

✓ I would be kind to all kinds of squirrels. √ I would make sure everyone had enough acorns to eat.

🗸 l would only wear my crown when I am not flying (so it doesn't fall on someone).



MAGI-who were theu?

The term 'Magi' was used for priests and wise men among the Medes, Persians, and Babylonians. They were astrologers and would use the stars to prophesy. Some believe that the Magi in our story this week

> were the first non-Jewish people to worship Jesus the Messiah.





Day 5: Use your decoder to find out what the Magi did when they found Jesus and his mother, Mary. Line up the A on your decoder with O.



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Day 6:

- What do you think it means to be troubled and when have you felt troubled?
- What do you think it means to be wise?
 - What do you think it means to worship?

Talk to God about your thoughts and what you discovered this week. Day 7: Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log.

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I think we will be travelling a long way on this trip. Are you ready? The Magi were truly wise. Rather than returning to Jerusalem to tell King Herod where they found Jesus, they returned to their home by another route. Herod would now take drastic action to ensure this new king would not survive. How could this child, the one sent from God, possibly escape?

PRAY-Ask the Lord to teach you what it means to be loving, kind, and forgiving, even when

you do not have your way.

It looks like Joseph, Mary and Jesus are on the move again. Are those pyramids I see in the distance?



DAY 2 Read Matthew 2:13

God knew that Herod would be angry and jealous. Again, he sent an angel to Joseph. This time the angel had an urgent message that would save the life of Jesus.

DAY 3 Read Matthew 2:14-15

Trusting God for their future, Joseph packed up the family and headed for Egypt. It would be around 90 miles to the border where they would be safe. They were not certain when they would be able to return home, but they knew it was part of God's plan.

DAY 1

After the wise men visited Jesus, God warned them not to return to King Herod.

Today we discover why and we see why Herod really wanted to find Jesus. Some parts of this story might be upsetting. You may want to read it with an older friend, parent, or your Travel Guide.

Read Matthew 2:13-18

The Magi did not do what I told them to do and left without coming back to Jerusalem.
There is no way I am going to let another king take my place!

DAY 4 Read Matthew 2:16

Herod was furious and his decision made clear what was in his heart. He was only concerned about his kingship, not for the people he ruled.

DAY 5 Read Matthew 2:17-18

Something similar had happened in the time of Jeremiah, the prophet. Many of God's people who were descendants of Jacob and Rachel were captured by Babylon and killed in Ramah a city of Benjamin. Herod carried out his terrible order fully knowing who it was he was trying to kill—the Messiah, King of the Jews.



We are back on Terra Firma!

On our next trip, Jesus and his family will be on the move again. This time it will be to a new home. Now it is time to **think** about this trip, **write** in your Landers Log, and **talk** to your Travel Guide.

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- Use Lego or building blocks to BUILD your own Egyptian pyramid. You will find a picture of a pyramid on the Timelanders website. www.timelanders.com/journey-1
- To experience what Herod feared, make a crown and PLAY A GAME of Steal the Crown using the same instructions as Steal the Bacon. Instructions for Steal the Bacon can also be found on the Timelanders website.



LANDERS LOG

- Day 1: Circle the words that you think best describe what Herod was like.
 - H Hateful or Happy
 - E Easy-going or Egotistical
- R Restful or Raging
 - 0 Obstinate or Open to change
 - D Devious or Delightful

Day 2: What experiences have you had where you had to respond quickly? Write or draw one here.

MY EXPERIENCE

My fellow tree frogs and I had to respond quickly when we heard that some trees in our area were being cleared. It was the furthest and fastest we ever hopped.



Day 3: Use your decoder to discover what prophecy was fulfilled when Joseph, Mary, and Jesus fled to Egypt. Line up the A with (3)

Godly



Day 4: What are the things in a person's heart that are godly and what things are not godly. Write the words in these hearts to compare them.

Not godly

RACHEL- DID Who was she? YOU

Rachel was the daughter of Laban (in the Old Testament) and lived in Haran. She became the wife of Jacob, and they had two children, Joseph and Benjamin. She died

not long after Benjamin was born and was buried near Bethlehem.

> You can find out more about this in Genesis 35.

Day 5: There will always be bad leaders who do bad things to people because they are only interested in their own power and control. Can you think of places in the world where people are weeping and mourning because of what bad leaders have done to their loved ones?

Write them here and pray for them.

Day 6:

- What are the sorts of things that make people feel jealous and what can we do when we get this feeling?
- In what ways is power used for good and in what ways is it used for evil?
- What gives us courage to do what God wants us to do even when it means a change for us?

Day 7: Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log.

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Talk to God about your thoughts and what you discovered this week.



Are you ready for our next trip, Timelanders?

Joseph, Mary, and Jesus have been living in Egypt after being warned by an angel to flee for their safety. The angel is about to appear again. This time, they will be pleased to hear the angel's message.

PRAY-God keeps his promises, and he never fails. Talk to him about it.

> Looks like we are headed back to Israel, I see a little boy. Wow, that baby has grown!

Are you ready to take a giant we go! with Hyla? Here we go!

DAY 3

Read Matthew 2:21

This would be a long trip from Egypt to Israel. But the joys of going back home far outweighed the long journey! As Joseph obeyed God, he guided him step by step.

DAY 2 Read Matthew 2:19-20

JERUSALEM BETHLEHEM

Joseph was far away from home and would not have known when to go back. The angel made one final appearance to assure Joseph that the situation was safe.

DAY 4

Read Matthew 2:22

When Joseph heard about the new ruler of Judea, he made a wise decision. Now they were on their way to Nazareth.

DAY 5

Read Matthew 2:23

Joseph has now moved his family back home. In making a wise decision to go to Nazareth, another prophecy was fulfilled that would help people understand that Jesus was the one sent from God.

I would love to stay a little longer. But it's time for us to go home, too.

We are back on Terra Firma!

On our next trip, Jesus' family will be going to Jerusalem for a special celebration. But celebration will soon turn to panic! Now it is time to think about this trip, write in your Landers Log, and talk to your Travel Guide.

DAY 1

We are back in Nazareth after a sandy and dusty trip from Egypt.

I see Joseph, Mary, and Jesus, who is now a little boy. Is it safe for them to be here? What happened to King Herod? Is he still looking for Jesus? Let's find out.

Read Matthew 2:19-23

We had begun to wonder how long we would be in Egypt. Then the angel appeared, and we were headed home. It was great to be near family again.





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Buy or download a MAP and mark on it everywhere you have ever lived and travelled. MAKE YOUR OWN COMPASS.

1. Magnetise a needle by rubbing a magnet over it in the same direction 20 times. 2. Stick it through a cork or foam with the same amount of the needle sticking out each side. 3. Float it in a bowl of water and see the needle point north/south. See Lev's Links on the website for instructions.

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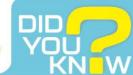
Day 1: Write down the names of all the places you've lived since you were born. Then talk to your parents or an adult you live with about the reasons you moved or stayed in the same place.

Day 2: Insert the correct vowels (A, E, I, O, U) to complete the words from this story.



WHAT I WOULD TAKE ON A JOURNEY ✓ White Oak Acorns

/ Post Oak Acorns ✓ Willow Oak Acorns ✓ Nutcracker



ARCHELAUS-Who is he? Archelaus was the son of Herod

- Day 3: V Tick the things that you would take on a journey.
- Put a circle around the things you think Mary, Joseph, and Jesus would have taken.

Blankets Scarf Bicycle Laptop Toothpaste Donkey feed Water Tunic First Aid kit Comb **Nappies** Spare tyre Clothes Food Oil lamp Money **Passport** Phone **Pyjamas** Torch Sandals Torch Saddle Map Socks Book Sleeping bag

the Great, and his mother was a Samaritan woman. After Herod died, he became the ruler of Judea and his brother, Antipas looked after Galilee. Archelaus had many Jewish people killed and was very cruel. After nine

years, he was removed and banished from the country.

Day 4: Have you ever been warned about a potential danger? How did you work out what to do?

← Describe it here.



Day 5: Use your decoder to find out what the prophet said about Jesus. Line up the A with

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Day 6:

- When faced with decisions, how can we trust God each step of the way?
- Who is the wisest person you know and why do you think they are wise?
- What does it mean to make a wise decision?

Talk to God about your thoughts and what you discovered this week.

Day 7: Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log.

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TRIP 12: THE TRIP AND THE TEMPLE_

am ready for our next trip. What about you, Bo?

I see we are off Who is that with Joseph, Mary, and Jesus were living in Nazareth. Jesus was twelve years old. That was a special age for boys because that was the time they formally became responsible for keeping the laws of God. They became a "son of the commandment" or a "bar mitzvah".

PRAY-Talk to God about the things that are important to you and ask him to help you understand more about him.

JERUSALEN

BETHLEHEM

DAY 1

We are at the temple in Jerusalem, and it

the Passover.

There are so many

people, it would be

are going to find out

just what that is like.

Read Luke 2:41-52

easy to get lost in the

crowd. Mary and Joseph

Scan Mel

is time to celebrate

on another road trip. Jesus in the temple?

Fold on to your backpacks and let's go.

DAY 2 Read Luke 2:41-43 Passover was a special festival that was celebrated each year. People travelled from far and wide to keep this special custom, including Jesus and his family.

Jesus was so young, and we were astonished at his questions and answers. Where does this knowledge come from? He is just a carpenter's son, isn't he?

DAY 3 Read Luke 2:44-46

For three whole days Mary and Joseph searched for Jesus. What a panic they must have been in. Then they spotted him. Passover was finished, so what on earth was Jesus doing in the temple? Would this be the most significant Passover they would ever experience?

DAY 4 Read Luke 2:47-50

Everyone was amazed; not because the lost was found, but because of what he was saying to the teachers! And he had an unusual response to his mother's

question. What could he have meant by "my Father's house"?

It's time to go. I wish we could stay longer.

DAY 5 Read Luke 2:51-52

Confused but relieved, Mary and Joseph returned home with Jesus, who was always obedient to them. Mary kept thinking about what happened. God had given her an amazing child. As Jesus grew up, this became more and more clear to her and others.

DAYS 6 & 7

On our next trip, we are going to meet the writer of the Gospel of John. He has some very interesting things to say about Jesus.

Now it is time to **think** about this trip, write in your Landers Log, and talk to your Travel Guide.

We are back on Terra Firma.

- PREPARE UNLEAVENED BREAD (with no yeast like they prepared for the Passover and escaped from Egypt). You can find a recipe on the Timelanders website.
- PLAY A GAME of Hide and Seek to experience what it is like to look for those who are lost.

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www.timelanders.com/journey-1

Day 1: Jesus was twelve when this event took place. What are the things you can do when you are twelve that you can't do when you are a baby? List them here.

Day 3: Have you or someone you

it take to be found? What words

person lost was feeling and the

know ever been lost? How long did

would you use to describe how the

feelings of those looking for them?

Day 2: Can you match the picture with the holiday?

Christmas



MY FAVOURITE HOLIDAY April 28 Save the Frogs Day

PASSOVER-

was the most

What is it? Passover

important of all the annual festivals. During the Passover celebration,

New Year



Valentine's



Easter



Harvest

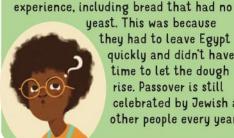


What are some other holidays you celebrate?



Person Lost

Person Looking for Them



yeast. This was because they had to leave Egypt quickly and didn't have time to let the dough rise. Passover is still celebrated by Jewish and other people every year.

Jewish people remembered that God saved them from the last plagues in Egypt and delivered them from slavery. Special food

was prepared that reminded them of the

Day 4: Colour in the picture of Jesus with the teachers.



Day 5: Use your decoder to find out what Mary said to Jesus when she and Joseph found him. Line the A up with O

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Day 6:

- Do you think Jesus was being disobedient or naughty when he stayed behind in the temple?
- What do you think Jesus meant when he said he had to be in his Father's house?
- What does it mean to become wiser, stronger, and more pleasing to God and people?

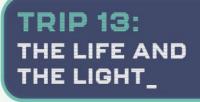
Talk to God about your thoughts and what you discovered this week.

Day 7: Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log.

Don't forget to put your stamp in your passport.







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Is that a star I see in

the Sketchbook or is it a

light or is it the world...

or is it all three?!

Hi, Timelanders. We are off on our last trip of this journey.

People were beginning to discover how special Jesus was. The shepherds hurried to find the Messiah, Simeon called him God's salvation, the Magi travelled a long way to worship 'the King of the Jews', and the teachers in the temple were amazed at Jesus' knowledge of God.

The first chapter of John's gospel was written to help us understand who Jesus is and what he came to do. It mentions John the Baptist, too! The amazing thing is that Jesus was with us, even before he was born. How is that

possible?

Pray-Ask God to help you understand who Jesus truly is.

Here we go!

DAY 2 Read John 1:1-3

Jesus always was—there never was a beginning for him. Jesus was with God when he spoke the world into existence.

JERUSALEM

BETHLEHEM

He is the "Word".

I wrote my gospel (which means Good News) so everyone would know the truth about Jesus. No one had ever seen God. until Jesus came!

DAY 1 We landed in Ephesus

where we are going to meet the apostle John. He has been writing his story about Jesus and we are going to read the introduction.

Read John 1:1-14

DAY 4

Read John 1:9-10

The light of God, the Messiah, has finally come. The people of God have been waiting a long time for the one who would save them. But sadly, many of them wouldn't recognise or welcome him.



Read John 1:11-14

who that was-Jesus!

In Jesus, God came to earth as a human. He would live like any human being. People could see and touch him, and he would be hungry and thirsty. He was God's Son.

DAY 3 Read John 1:4-8

Remember Elizabeth and Zechariah's

people back to God. He wasn't the life and light sent from God. But his job

was to point to the light, and he knew

son, John? They said he would turn

Now people could truly know God

again.

My head is spinning! It is time to go back home.



This is our last trip on this journey. On the Days 6 & 7

Timelanders Journey, we are beginning. Not to we to we are Timelanders Journey, we are headed back to the beginning. Not to the beginning of this journey, but to where it all began-the beginning of the world!

Now it is time to think about this trip, write in your Landers Log, and talk to your Travel Guide.

DURNEY 1 TRIP 13

USERNAME: LEV'S EXTRA EXPLORATIONS

- The Gospel of John would have been written on papyrus with a quill pen. To see what this was like, MAKE YOUR OWN PEN, PARCHMENT PAPER, AND INK. For instructions go to the Timelanders website. www.timelanders.com/journey-1
- PLAY A GAME of indoor Light Tag. Give one person a torch. When the lights are turned out, the other players will move around the room while the person with the torch tries to "tag" them with the light from the torch. When the light hits a player, they must freeze. If the person is caught moving after the light hits them, they become the tagger.

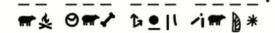


LANDERS LOG

Day 1: The apostle John wrote his book so everyone would know about Jesus. If you wrote a book, what would it be about?



Day 3: Use your decoder to find out one thing the apostle John said about Jesus. Line up the A with 9



Day 2: How many times can you find the word "WORD" in the wordsearch? How many other words can you find?



MY BOOK

Different recipes for dishes that include acorns and other nuts. It would be called Nutty Food for Nutty Squirrels.



Day 4: Jesus was the light of God. Can you name three types of light?



GOSPEL-what does it mean?
Gospel means "good

news". Jesus' coming was good news because it meant that people who believed in him could be free from sin and part of God's Kingdom. There are four "Gospels", or good news accounts of the life of Jesus in the Bible that have the name of each author. They are Matthew, Mark,

Day 5: It has been quite a journey, Timelanders, and a lot has happened.

Can you put these events in the order they happened by numbering them 1–12?



Day 6:

What I learned about Jesus on this journey.

→ What I learned about myself.

What I learned about Jesus and me.



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Day 7: Talk to your Travel Guide or a Timelander friend about what you wrote in your Landers Log.

Don't forget to put your stamp in your passport. Well done, you have completed Journey 1.

Get ready for Journey 2, Timelanders!

CREATE YOUR OWN TIMELANDERS PET, DRAW IT HERE.

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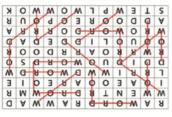
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FAVOURITE FOOD:

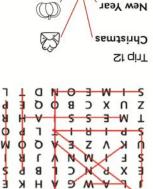
JOURNEY 1 Answers to Trip Puzzles

other words At least 44 Word=20 times



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Trip 13: In him was life...the light of all mankind. Trip 12: "We have been looking for you everywhere." Trip 11: He would be called a Nazarene. Trip 10: Out of Egypt I called my son. Trip 9: They bowed down and worshipped him. Trip 8: "Lord, you are the King over all." Trip 7: He is the Messiah, the Lord.

Trip 6: The time came for the baby to be born. Trip 5: Prepare the way for the Lord.

Trip 1: He will bring back many to the Lord their God.

Trip 4: He will save his people from their sins. Trip 3: Blessed is the child you will bear!

Trip 2: You will give birth to a son.

Answers to decoded messages_



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BIG WORDS EXPLAINED

Not sure about some of the words in this Journey? Search for the Timelanders Glossary on the Timelanders website.





Let's go Timelanders!



Journey 1 complete, now onto Journey 2...



LEV's LAUGHS

Q: What did Roots tell his family?
A: Acorny joke.

Q: Why did Hyla say woof?
A: She was learning a
different language.



Q: I was a young woman chosen to be the mother of the Savior, who am I? A: Mary, mother of Jesus.

Q: Where could you find Simeon's temple? A: On the side of his head.

RAVEL GUIDES

If you are a parent or leader that is a Timelanders Travel Guide, we've a Trepared helpful tips for you. Go to prepared timelanders.com/journey-1

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