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If I could just drink
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Gospel for kidz

A Religious Education Resource for Parishes



**Today we are going to be talking about
Jesus talked about his mission.
Let's, listen and hear the story Jesus tells his followers.**

A reading from the gospel according to Luke.....adapted for children

Jesus told this story:

**A man had a fig tree in his garden.
He came looking for fruit on it,
but there wasn't any.**

**So, he said to the man who looked
after his garden,**

**"Look, this is the third year in a row
that there has been no fruit on this tree.
Cut it down, and plant something
else that will give us fruit."**

The gardener replied,

**"Sir, let's try just one more year.
I'll dig round it, water and feed it well.
If after that there is still no fruit,
well then we will cut it down."**

Let's sit quietly now and think of God's story.

Unpacking the Gospel

what did the man who owned the garden want?
He wanted the tree to have fruit on it.

why do you think the gardener wanted one more year ?
because of all the work he had put in.

what was needed for the fig tree to change?

who are the main players in this story and who is Jesus really talking about?

<i>the owner</i>	-	<i>God</i>
<i>the gardener</i>	-	<i>Jesus</i>
<i>the trees</i>	-	<i>us</i>

THINK about different attitudes and habits that you have
(THERE IS NO NEED TO SHARE HERE)

is there one that needs changing?
how can / will you do that ?

RECAP

1st Week of Lent : Challenge

2nd Week of Lent : listen / choose

3rd Week of Lent : change



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The Parable of the Fig Tree

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Luke 13:8-9 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 13:6-9 (NIV).



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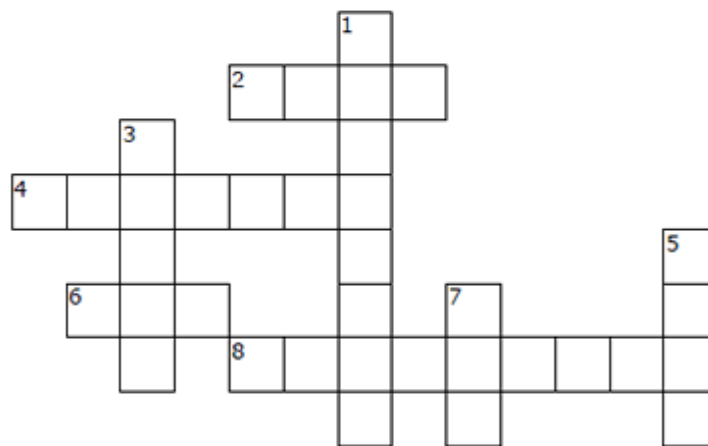
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PLANTED	USE	SOIL	ALONE	FIG
FERTILIZE	DIG	PARABLE	TREE	CUT

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ACROSS

2. The top layer of the earth's surface favorable to plant growth.
4. A simple story teaching a moral or religious lesson.
6. To break up and move dirt using a shovel.
8. To spread a something on land or plants to help plants grow.

DOWN

1. An area of ground planted with vines and fruit trees.
3. The usually sweet-tasting part of a tree which can be eaten.
5. A large plant with a trunk, limbs, branches, and leaves.
7. The sweet, pear-shaped, fruit of a plant found in Bible lands.

PARABLE	TREE	VINEYARD	SOIL
FIG	FRUIT	FERTILIZE	DIG

Unit 3 - The parable of the barren fig tree



"...but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit..." (John 15:16)

