

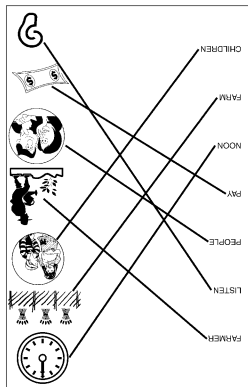
GOD WANTS TO BE GENEROUS

[In the region of Judea] — Jesus taught the people who listened to him. He told them that God is good and generous. Instead of making people pay for God's love and life in God's kingdom, God gives these good things without charging a price for them. All we need to do is trust God and ask for God's promises. God will give them like a generous, loving Father gives things to his children.

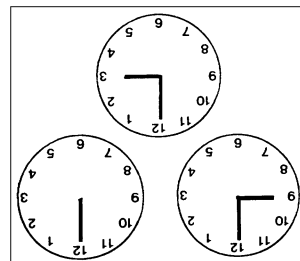
Some people thought God should be generous to just certain people. Jesus answered, "No, God wants to be generous to everybody." To show what he meant, he told a story. He said, once there was a farmer who hired people to work on his farm. He needed extra help for just one day, so he hired some people in the morning, some at noon, and some later in the afternoon. But he paid everybody the same. The ones who worked the longest thought that was unfair. But the farmer said, "Why do you get upset if I want to be generous with everybody?" That's how good God is to us.

Matthew 20:1-16

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ANSWERS



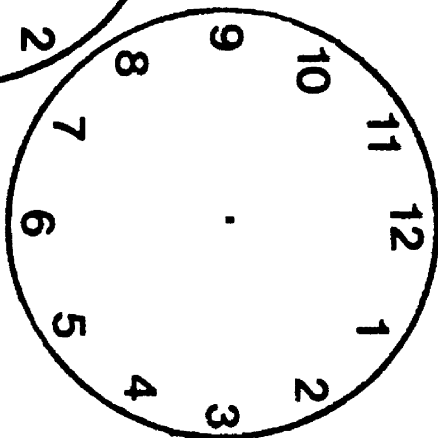
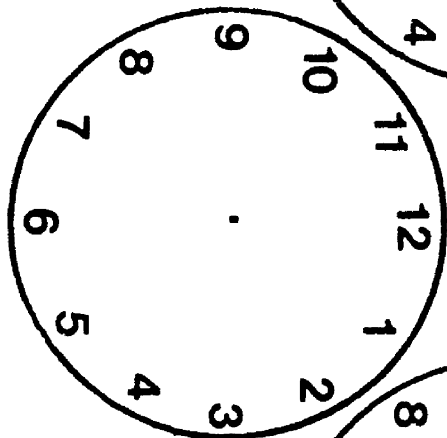
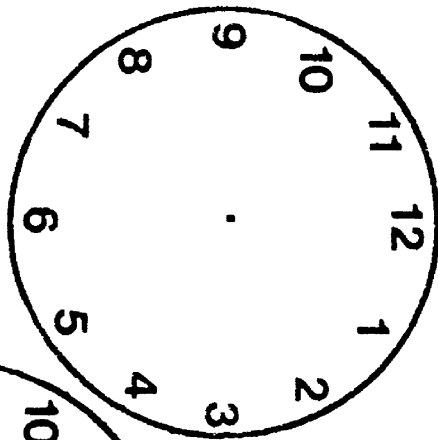
GOSPEL GRAMS



SUNDAY ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN



Finish The Pictures. In today's Gospel story, Jesus tells about workers who start at different times of the day, but all are paid the same. Here are three clocks. Make one read 9:00 in the morning, one 12:00 noon, and one 3:00 in the afternoon. Why do you think the owner was so generous to pay all the workers the same?



Match Game. Below are some words from today's Gospel story. On the right are pictures of what these words might mean. Draw a line from the word to the picture it matches.

FARMER

LISTEN

PEOPLE

PAY

NOON

FARM

CHILDREN

