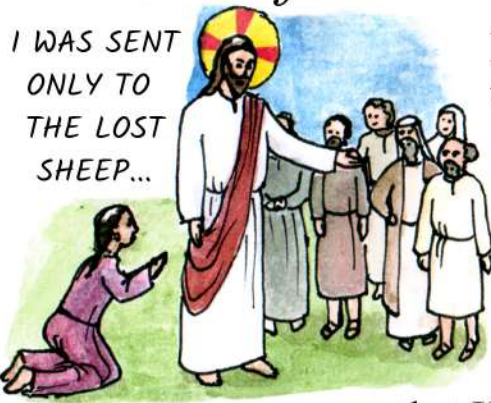


Does God Only Care for the Chosen People?



Long ago God had set aside the Israelites as His chosen people. He gave them laws and prophets and set up a covenant with them, that they would be His people and He would be their God. He promised them that He would send them a Savior.

When Jesus the Savior came, His first mission was to care for God's chosen people. In today's Gospel reading, however, a woman who was not an Israelite came to ask Jesus for help. At first Jesus refused- He had been sent to God's children, and "it is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." But the woman said, "even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from the master's table." She knew that Jesus could help her. When He saw how much faith she had, He did what she asked and cured her daughter.

Jesus wasn't trying to make the woman give up. He was giving her a chance to show how much humility and faith she had. Jesus used this to show the people that God will let anyone who believes, like this woman, become part of His chosen people.

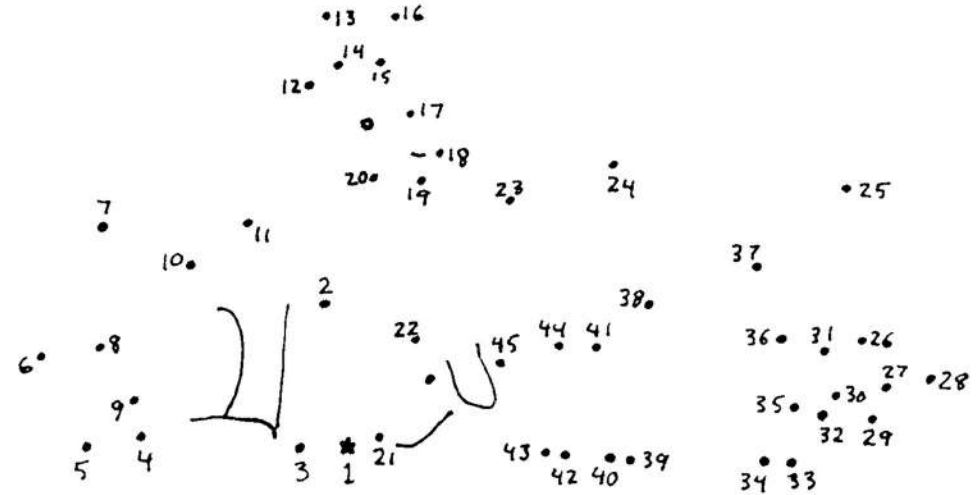


Dot to dot: dogs. Fill-in-the-blanks: just, revealed, Lord, servants, keep, sabbath, mountain, prayer, altar, house. ALL PEOPLES.

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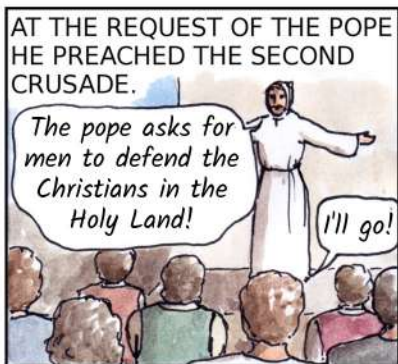
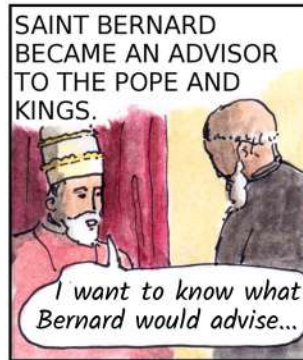
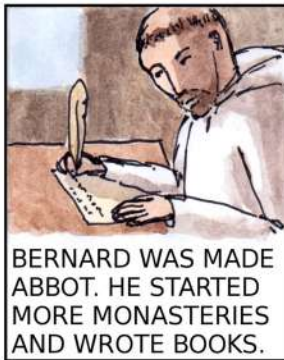
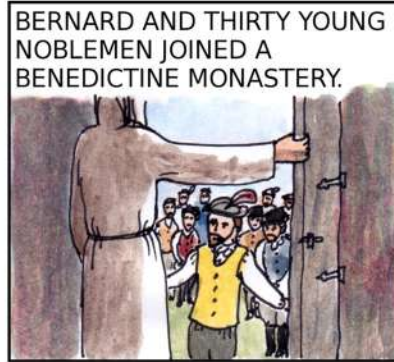
In today's Gospel reading, a foreign woman was asking Jesus to cure her daughter. But Jesus said that He was sent to care for the children of Israel, not foreigners.

The woman replied to Jesus, "But even the _____ eat the scraps that fall from their master's table!"

*What did she say she was like?
Connect the dots to find out!*

Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

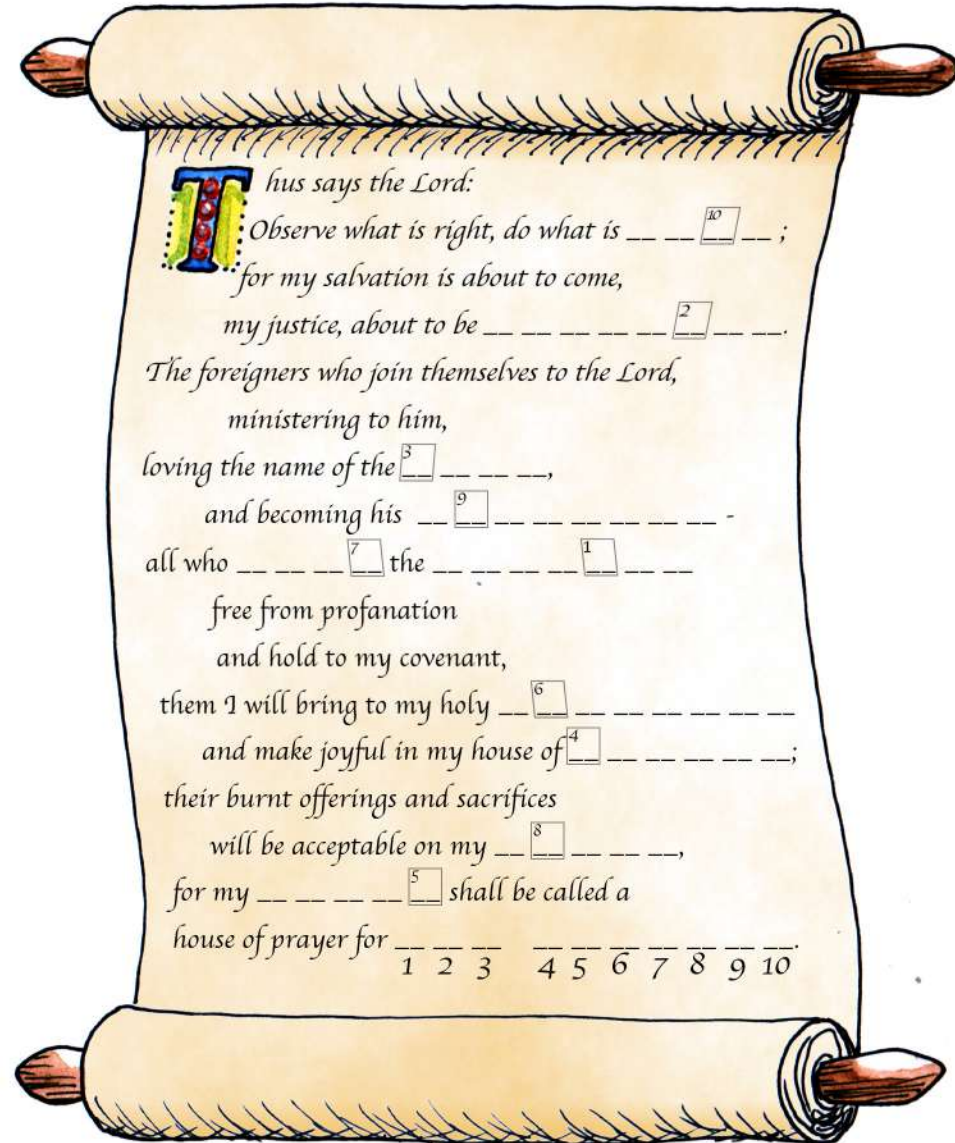
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SAINT BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX WAS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT PEOPLE OF HIS TIME, BUT HE DIDN'T THINK OF HIMSELF AS BEING BETTER THAN OTHERS. WHAT WAS IMPORTANT TO HIM WAS THAT HE LOVED AND SERVED GOD IN EVERYTHING HE DID. DO YOU TRY TO PLEASE GOD IN EVERYTHING YOU DO?

Isaiah 56 Fill-in-the-Blanks

Use the words below to fill in the blanks.
Then use the marked letters to fill in the appropriate spaces at the end.



ALTAR
HOUSE
PRAYER

REVEALED
MOUNTAIN
SERVANTS
SABBATH

KEEP
JUST
LORD