

Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Who can you ask for advice? Are you willing to listen to advice?
- Why is it important for believers to help one another?
- How can your family members support and encourage one another to follow Jesus?

Jethro Helped Moses

Exodus 18

STORY POINT: MOSES NEEDED HELP TO LEAD GOD'S PEOPLE.

Moses' father-in-law, Jethro had heard about the Israelites' escape from Egypt. Moses' wife and sons were staying with Jethro, and they all came to the wilderness to see Moses.

Moses hurried out to meet them. Moses told Jethro about everything God had done for the Israelites. Jethro praised God for all the good things He had done.

The next day, Moses sat down to judge the people. The people stood around all day and waited for Moses to listen to their case.

"This is not good," Jethro said. "This job is too big for one person." Jethro gave Moses some advice: "You can be the person who speaks to God for the Israelites. Teach the people God's laws. But choose trustworthy men from all the people to lead smaller groups of people. They can judge the people's less important cases and bring the most important ones to you."

Moses took Jethro's advice. Then Jethro returned to his own land.

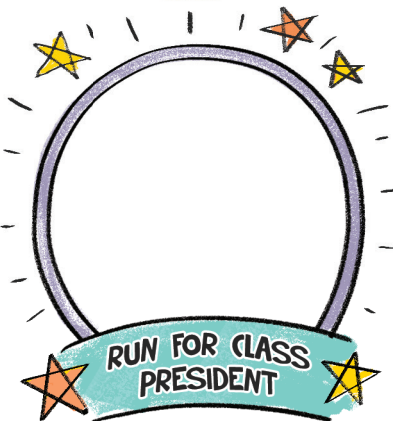
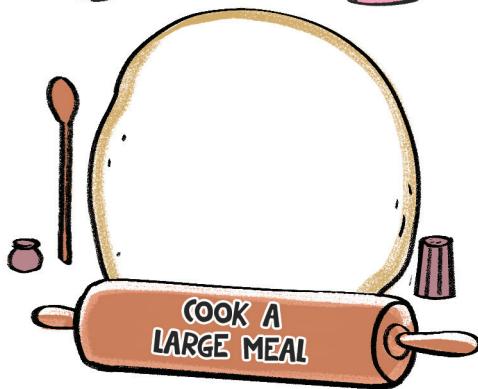
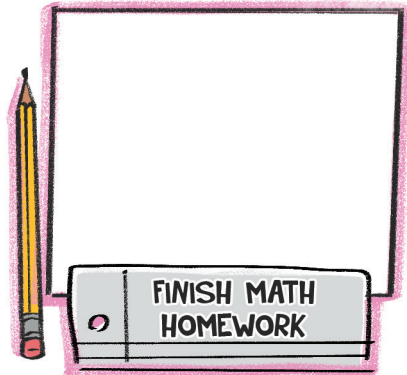
Christ Connection: Moses needed others to help him lead God's people and teach them God's laws. God does not want believers to follow Jesus alone. He gives us brothers and sisters of faith who can help us love God, obey God, and tell others about Him.



FOLD

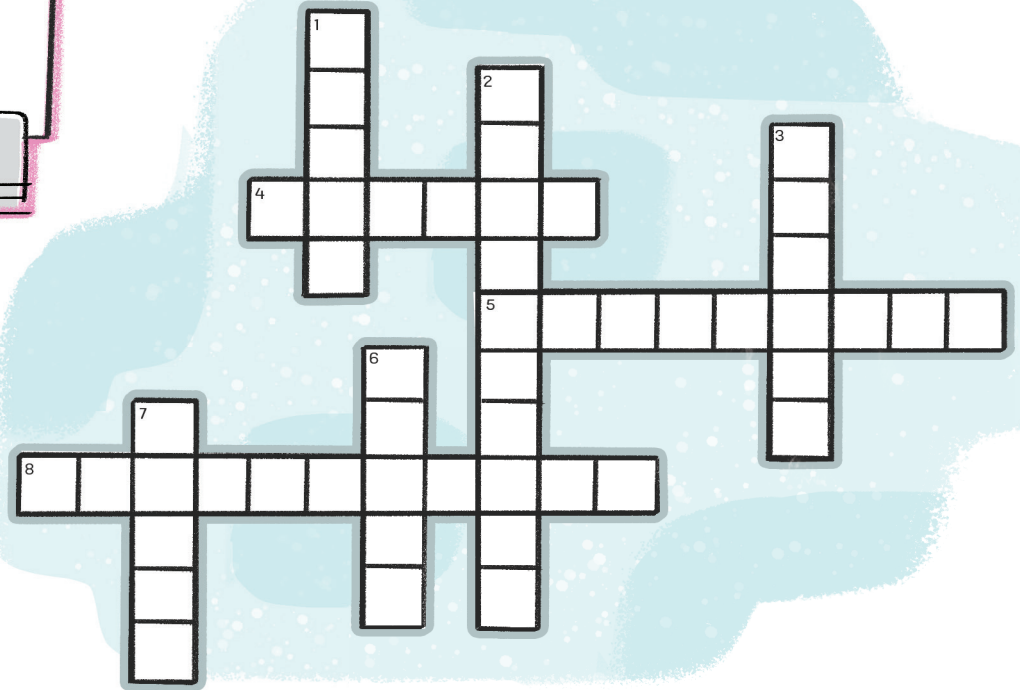
The Best Helpers

Draw pictures of people you know who could help you do the following tasks.



Exodus 18 Crossword

Use the clues to complete the crossword.



ADVICE EGYPTIANS JETHRO MOSES
ALONE ISRAELITES JUDGE TRUSTWORTHY

- DOWN**
1. chosen by God to lead the Israelites (*Exodus 18:13*)
 2. God's people (*Exodus 18:1*)
 3. a suggestion about what someone should do (*Exodus 18:19*)
 6. God does not want believers to follow Jesus _____. (*Exodus 18:18*)
 7. to make an official decision about something (*Exodus 18:13*)

- ACROSS**
4. Moses' father-in-law (*Exodus 18:2*)
 5. people from whom Israel had escaped (*Exodus 18:1*)
 8. the type of men Moses chose as leaders (*Exodus 18:21*)