



Did'ja Know?

The son of God was born in a barn! What do you think it was like for Mary, Joseph, and Jesus to be surrounded by straw and animals? What does it mean that God doesn't mind being in that place?



Color That Stuff

Color Joseph and Mary riding to Bethlehem!



Christmas Eve



December 24, 2021
Luke 2:1-14



God was coming into the world as a little baby—Jesus! His mother, Mary and her husband Joseph were on a long trip. They had been walking for miles and miles.

“I’m so tired,” Mary said. “Are we almost there?”

“Yes,” Joseph said. “Bethlehem is just ahead. Let’s find a place to stay.”

But when they got into town, there were no rooms left anywhere! One kind innkeeper said, “You can stay in my barn. It’s not much, but it’s warm and dry.”

That night, baby Jesus was born. “He’s beautiful!” Mary said. She wrapped him in cloth and laid him down in a soft pile of straw.

Isn’t it amazing that God came to us as a poor baby who was born in a barn among the animals?



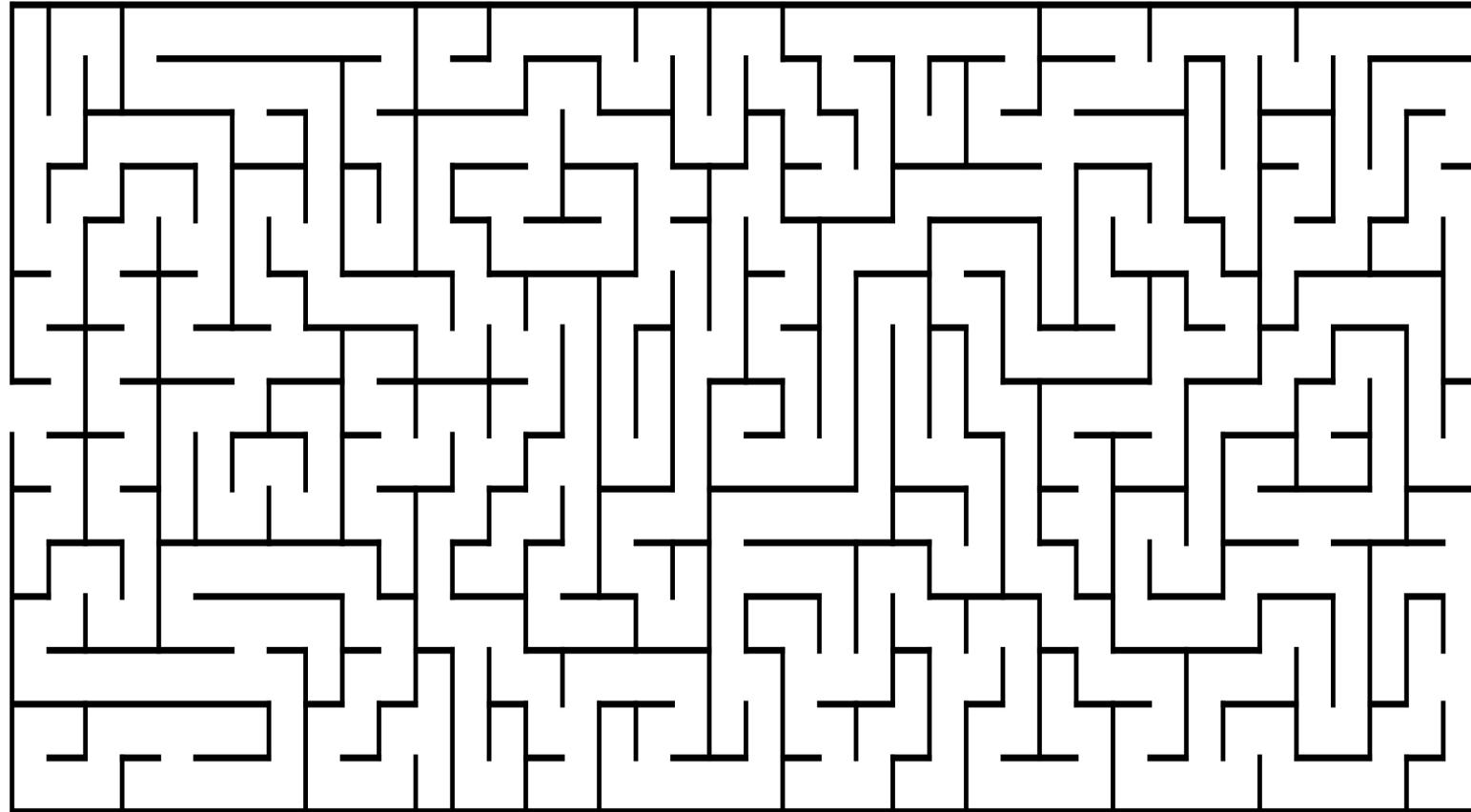
Census

Counting all the people in a place. Joseph & Mary had to return to Bethlehem for a census!



Maze Time!

Help guide Joseph & Mary to Bethlehem to be counted for the census and deliver the baby Jesus.



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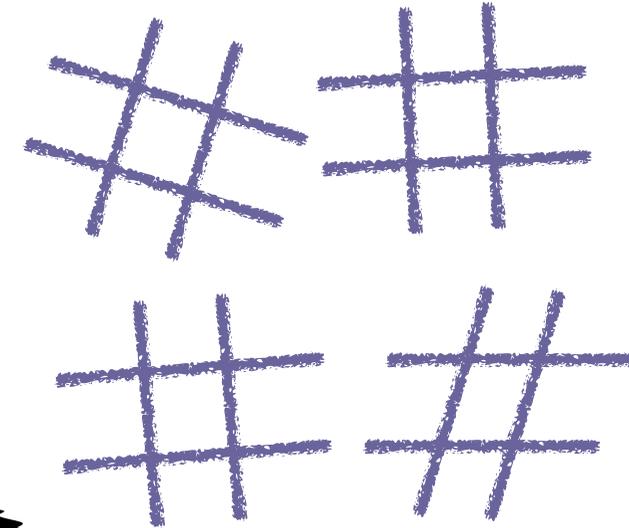


Try It At Home

Do your own little "census" of different things. Count how many animals or pets live on your block. Count all of the houses or apartments in your area. Write them down on a note and share with a parent or friend.



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Welcome

With an adult you trust like a parent, go around your congregation after service and wish someone you don't yet know a merry Christmas! Smile and make sure that they feel welcome.