

MARCH | FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

BLUEPRINTS

A SERIES ON JESUS' MINISTRY

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THIS MONTH:

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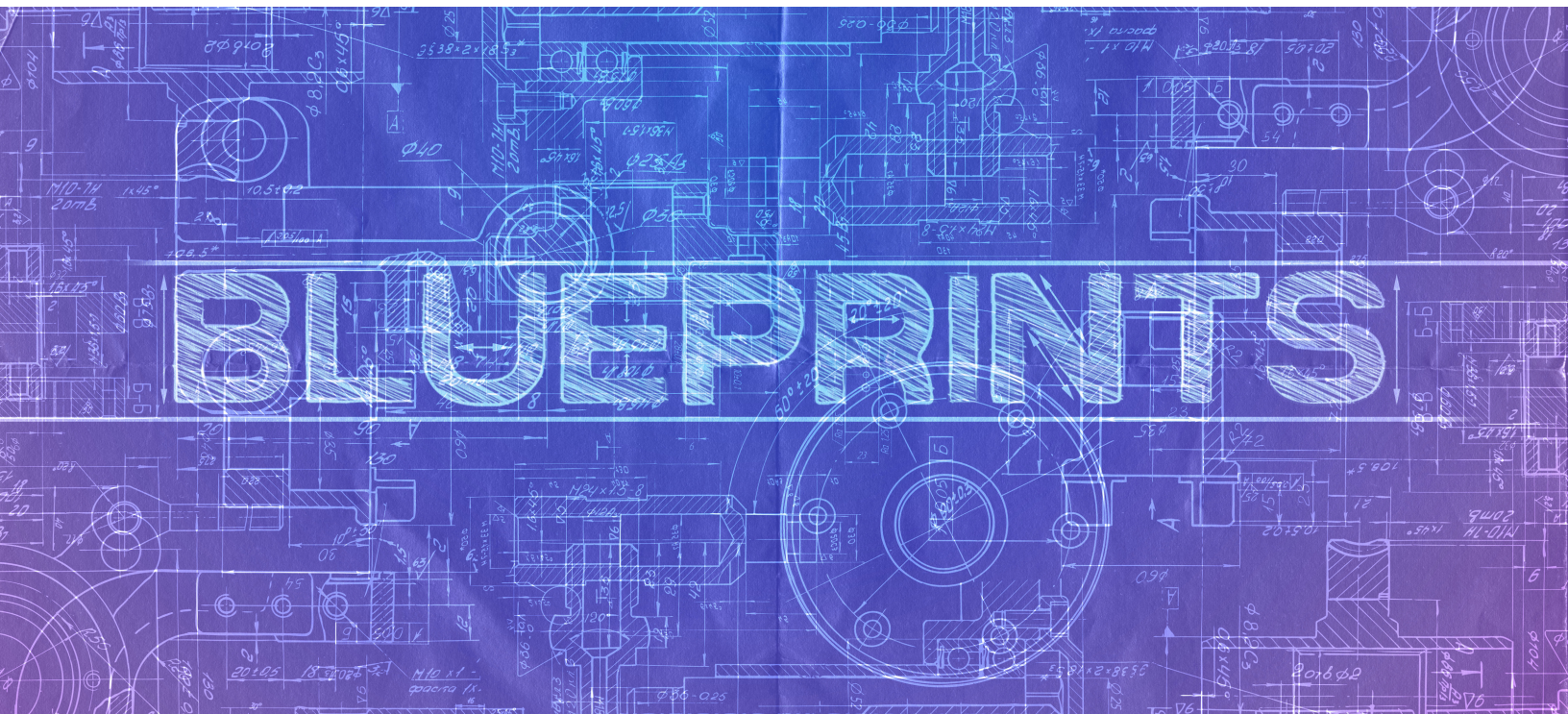
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WEEK 1

READ SCRIPTURE

John 2:13-22; Psalm 19:7-11

MEMORIZE SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)

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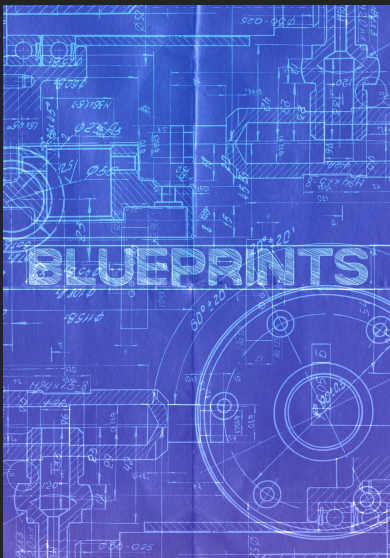
FAMILY DISCUSSION

- Why did the Jews celebrate the Passover?
- Where did Jesus go to celebrate the Passover?
- What did Jesus say would happen to the temple after it was destroyed?
- Read Psalm 19:10. According to this verse, what is the Bible better than?
- Where can you find God's plan for your life?
- How can the Bible help you with something from school last week?
- What is one way you know God's plans are perfect?

PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for showing us your plans through the words you gave us. We trust that your plans are perfect and that they will give us hope even when things aren't going great. Help us follow your plans! Amen.

FAMILY ACTIVITY



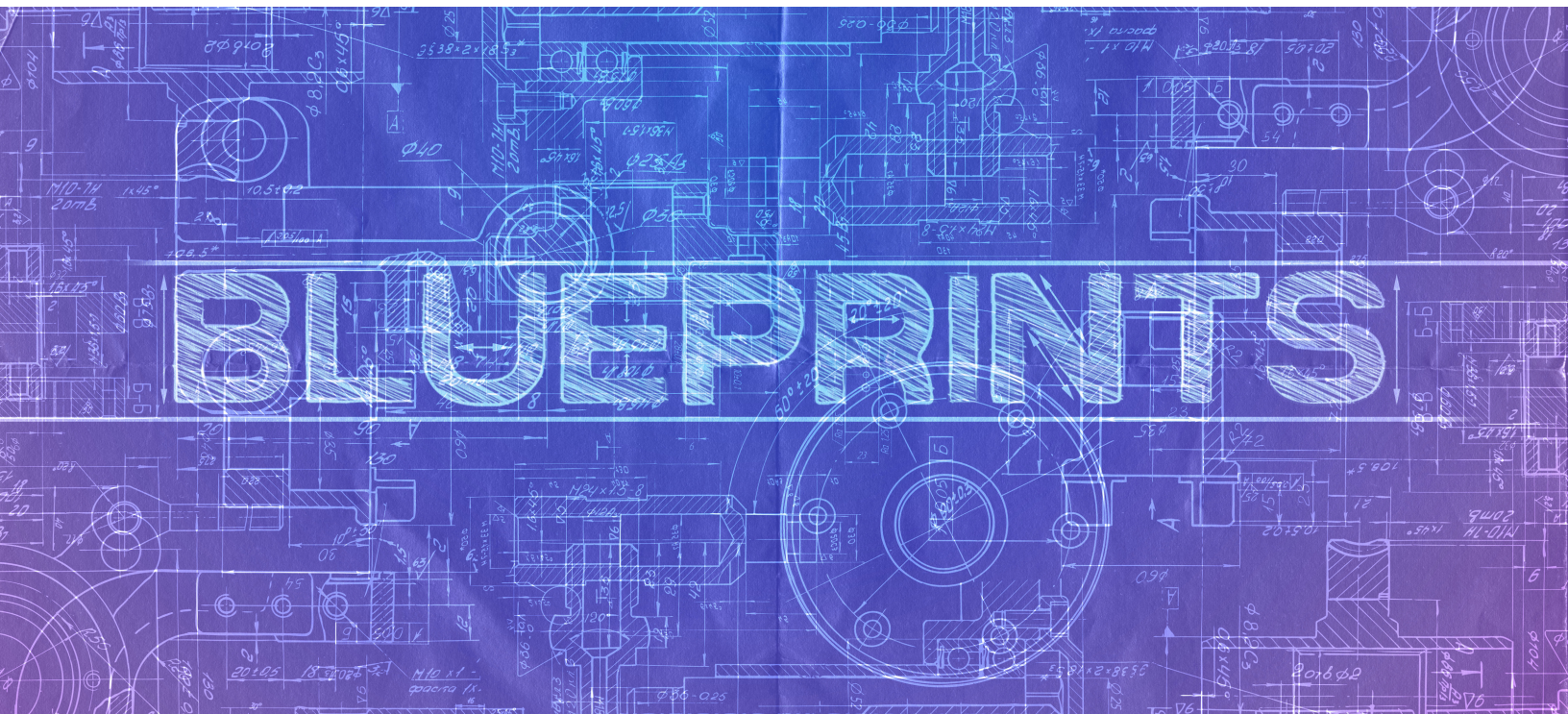
Write the blueprints for what you will do this week. On three separate papers, instruct the kids to draw a house, a school, and a church. Encourage them to write or draw things that will need to happen in each place:

1. spending time with God,
2. sharing their story,
3. using their gifts,
4. spending time with others,
5. learning, giving, serving, getting help from each other.

What will you do this week to follow these blueprints in your life?
It is exciting to know that we do these things so that we are following God's plans because God's plans are perfect.

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READ SCRIPTURE

John 12:20-33; Hebrews 5:7-9

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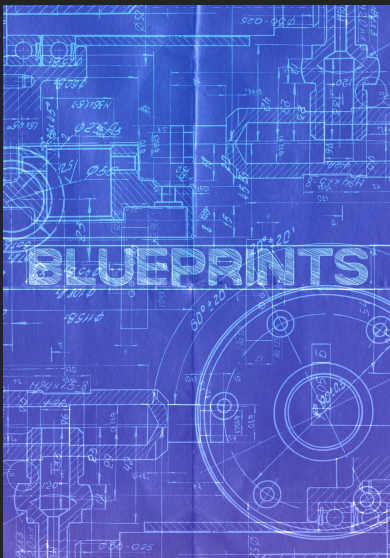
FAMILY DISCUSSION

- What was the name of the man who came to talk to Jesus in John 3?
- In John 3, what did God do because God loved us so much?
- What can you do to receive God's gift of salvation?
- Read Ephesians 2:10. What is something you've noticed God teaching you?
- How does the fact that love is the foundation of God's plans change the way you think about the Bible stories you've heard?
- What is most exciting to you about God having a plan for you?
- Read Jeremiah 29:11. What do we usually put as the foundation of our plans?
 - Is it love? Is it something else?

PRAYER

Dear God, you knew your plan would need a strong foundation. We are so happy that you love us, and that Jesus came to Earth for us. Help us to see how the way you made us uniquely is also a part of Your plan. Amen.

FAMILY ACTIVITY: JENGA



Play a game of Jenga, using a life-sized Jenga set if available.

Have kids go around taking turns removing one block and placing it on top of the stack.

Play until the tower falls over, and repeat if you have time.

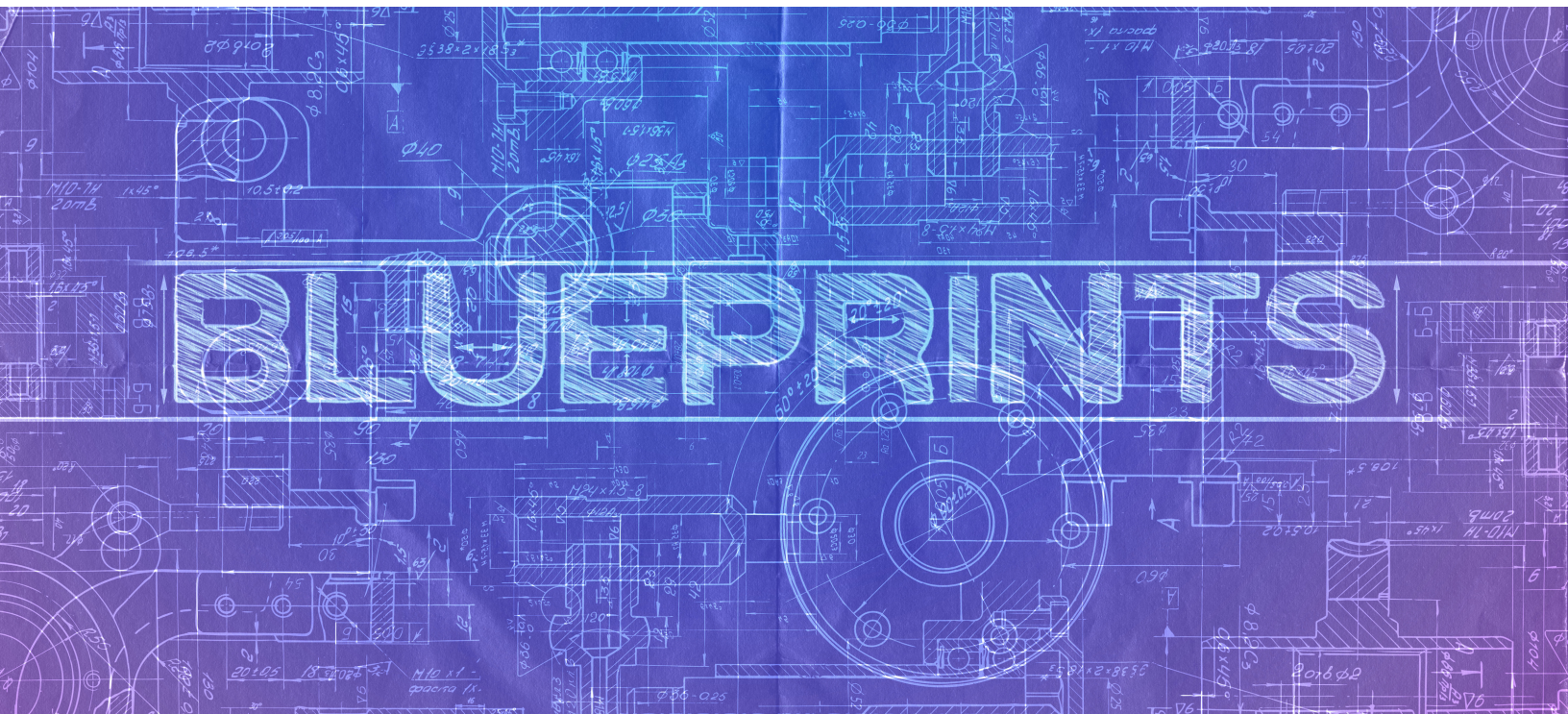
You all were concentrating so hard to make sure you didn't make the tower fall.

The tower fell eventually because it didn't have a good foundation to stand on.

That's what we're talking about today — the foundation of God's plan for you and me!

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Mark 11:1-11; Psalm 118:19-29

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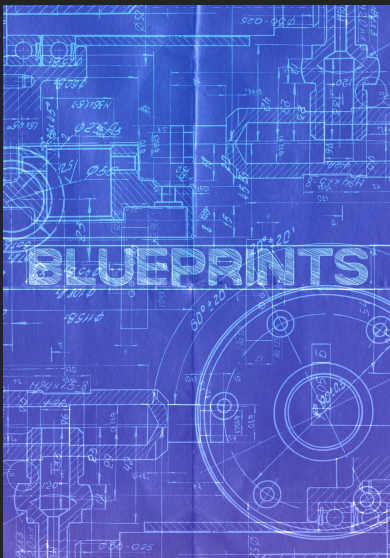
FAMILY DISCUSSION

- Where did people come from to talk to Jesus?
- What kind of seed/grain did Jesus talk about?
- What did Jesus say yes to?
- Read John 12:32. Who did Jesus say would be drawn to Jesus if Jesus was lifted up?
- What is something God wants you to say yes to this week?
- Is it difficult for you to say yes to God's plan when you're not completely sure what it is?
- What is something you will do this week because you said yes to God's plan?

PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus to Earth to save us. Help us to always be willing to follow Jesus' example and say yes to your plan for our lives! Amen.

FAMILY ACTIVITY: YOUR YES!



Print and cut this week's printable and hand one out to each kid.

On the back of the card, tell kids to write something that they are going to say yes to this week.

These things may be hard to do, but they can do it because of love (e.g., help around the house, give someone a genuine compliment, make someone smile).

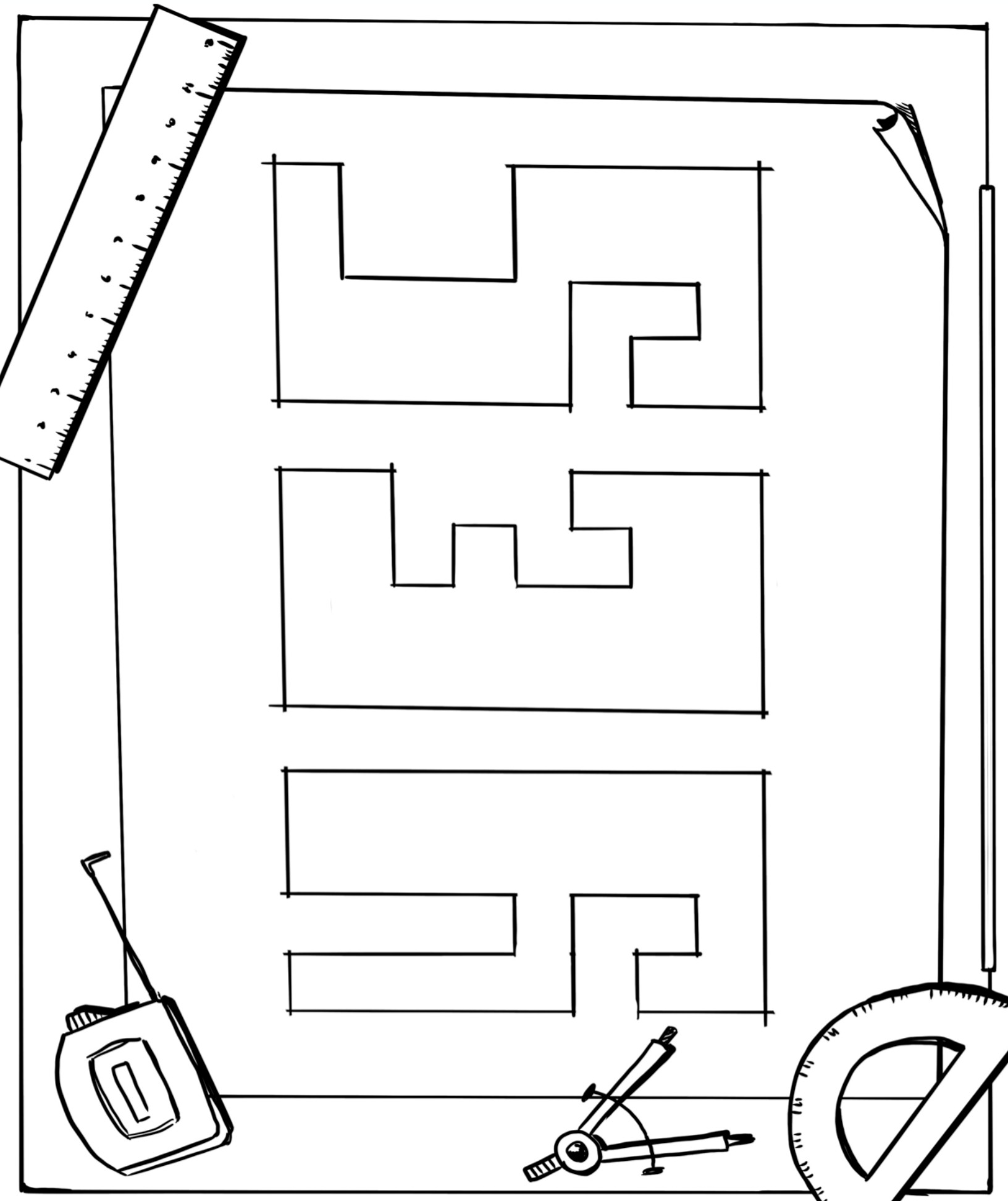
After they have written their idea down, play twenty questions using only yes or no questions only to guess what they wrote!

There are a lot of things we can do to say yes to. But remember you can't just say yes – you need to follow through with action. Jesus said yes to God's plans then obeyed God every step of the way.

We can follow Jesus' example and say yes to God's plans for us!

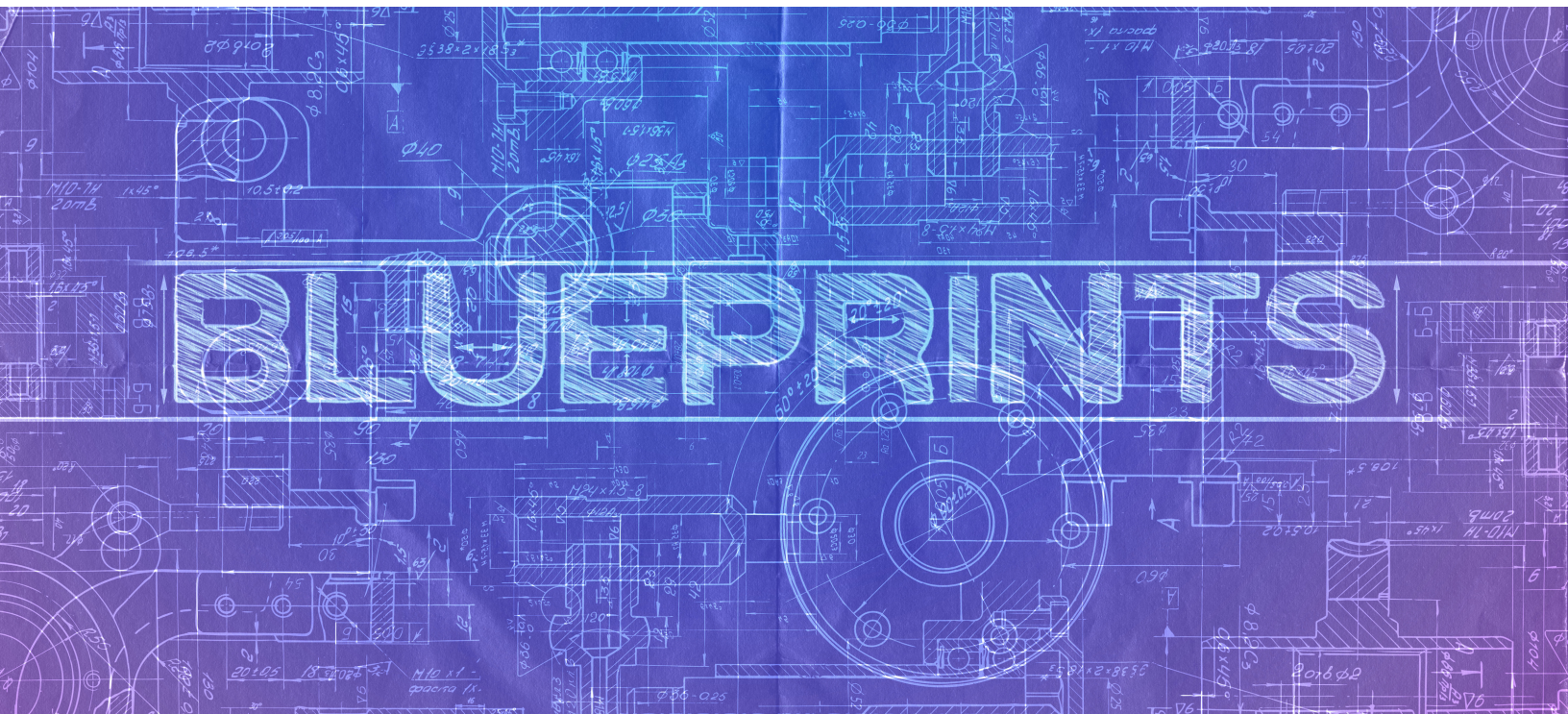
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THE BIBLE: Jesus Brings Glory to God:
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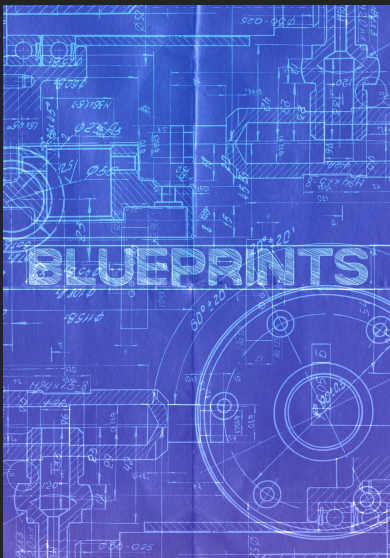
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- What were the two towns that were nearby Jerusalem where Jesus was?
- What were the names of the disciples Jesus sent to get the donkey?
- What did the people put down in the road in front of Jesus as Jesus came into Jerusalem?
- Read Psalm 118:28. How does King David describe God?
- What does Jesus riding on a donkey instead of entering in a grand way tell us about the kind of person Jesus is?
- How do you think you are included in God's plan?
- What is one thing you can do this week as part of God's plan?

PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for making me part of your plan. Help each of us to be grateful for your plans and help us follow them. We love you! Amen.

FAMILY ACTIVITY: DREAM PLANS



Give everyone a copy of the Dream Plans printable and colored pencils.

Create a detailed floor plan of their dream house. Afterward, have each everyone explain each item in their floor plan.

We talked a lot about plans this month. We make a lot of plans every day, but unless God is at the center of those plans, they have no meaning. Look at all the rooms in your dream plans again.

Where can you make room for God to be in your plan?
Because God made room for you. You are included in God's plans.

