Teacher Directions

Give each student the “Growing in God” flower template and have them cut it out. Glue down the center circle of the flower, as well as the stem and the leaves. On each “petal” of the flower, have them write one way that they can grow in their relationship with God. Cut along the dotted lines on the flower to create flaps. Beneath each petal, have the students do a self-reflection and rate how often or how consistently they do each thing that they wrote. I have my students use the scale

1 = rarely and a
5 = every day/very often.

Suggested ways to Grow in God:

• Pray
• Read the Bible daily
• Memorize Bible verses
• Attend church regularly
• Talk with others about God
• Obey God and those in authority
• Confess your sins
• Worship God

On the bottom of the page or on the back, have the students write a prayer of commitment to the Lord to increase in the areas they scored themselves low on.
Growing In God
Jesus Heals a Blind Man

So the man went and washed, and came home seeing. John 9:7 (NIV)
The puzzle is based on John 9:1-34 (NIV).

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| BLIND | EYES | SPIT | POOL | WASH |
| WORLD | SINNED | SIGHT | NIGHT | BORN |
| HOME | MUD | LIFE | OPENED | LIGHT |
| SILOAM | PARENTS | RECEIVED | BIRTH | GROUND |
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ACROSS
2. Brightness that comes from the sun, candles, or electrical devices that allows things to be seen
4. An adult male human being
6. The two organs in your face which are used to see
7. To make someone well from a sickness or injury

DOWN
1. Unable to see
3. Great admiration, honour and praise, especially as given to God
4. A sticky mixture of dirt and water
5. To clean something using water

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Jesus Healed a Blind Man
Hidden Pictures:
Jesus Healed a Blind Man

Find these objects hidden in the picture below: book, crown, fish, jug, moon, necktie, needle and thread, snail, sock, star.
Secret Code for
Jesus Healed a Blind Man

Each number stands for a letter of the alphabet. Write the correct letter in the blank to find the coded words and phrase.

Code key

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Zacchæus Meets Jesus

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**ACROSS**

2. To move upward, especially by using the hands and feet
5. A person who disobeys God's laws; one who does wrong
6. Not tall
7. To set free from sin; to rescue
8. A large plant with a trunk, branches, and leaves

**DOWN**

1. To be unable to find your way
2. To get something for yourself in a dishonest way
3. A building in which people, usually a family, live
4. To have very little money
5. To search for something or someone

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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

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1. 24-9-23-25-26

2. 8-1-1-16

3. 8-22-23-9-12

4. 24-10-21-2-18

5. 12-9-1-1

6. 3-21-15-15-1-9

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Zacchaeus Meets Jesus

Complete the paragraph by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the story.

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of ________; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. He wanted to see who Jesus was, but being a ________ man he could not, because of the crowd. So he ran ahead and ________ a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your ________ today." So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a '_________.'"

But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the ________, and if I have ________ anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount."

Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to ________ and to ________ what was _________."

Luke 19:1-10 (NIV)

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Choose the word that best matches the definition.

1. Not tall
   A. fat    B. short   C. big    D. loud

2. A large plant with a trunk, branches, and leaves
   A. tree    B. weed    C. flower D. bush

3. To move upward, especially by using the hands and feet
   A. climb   B. run     C. sit    D. walk

4. A person who disobeys God's laws; one who does wrong
   A. poor    B. banker  C. climb  D. sinner

5. A building in which people, usually a family, live
   A. tent    B. house   C. barn   D. tree

6. To get something for yourself in a dishonest way
   A. save    B. buy     C. climb  D. cheat

7. To have very little money
   A. rich    B. cheat   C. poor   D. sinner

8. To search for something or someone
   A. cheat   B. climb   C. seek   D. lost

9. To set free from sin; to rescue
   A. save    B. lost    C. poor   D. cheat

10. To be unable to find your way
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Enter the correct words in the boxes based on the shape of the letters.

climb sinner crowd lost seek short tree save
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Zacchaeus Was A Wee Little Man

Zacchaeus was a wee little man and a wee little man was he. He climbed up in a sycamore tree for the Lord he wanted to see.

As the Savior passed that way he looked up in the tree. And he said, "Zacchaeus... you come down!"

Going to your house today; for I'm going to your house today.

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