

YOUTH HAVEN

Kids' Connection



Harvey and his friends are excited to solve the mysteries of the Trailbook with you!

Solving a mystery requires lots of hard work, thought, and investigation, but when it comes to the mysteries of God, He gives us all the clues we need in our Trailbook! In the Trailbook, God talks about who He is, what He's like, and what He has done. He keeps all of His promises, proving that He is worthy of our trust.

Join Harvey and his friends as they dive into the Trailbook to learn who Jesus really is!



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TWO THOUSAND YEARS AGO...

...a man named Jesus lived on the earth. Jesus was a carpenter who made things out of wood. But Jesus claimed to be much more than just a person, He called Himself the Son of God. He traveled around the land of Israel teaching and telling parables, which are stories with a special meaning. He performed miracles (doing the impossible) like healing sick people and walking on water.

A Crazy Miracle

One of these amazing miracles happened when Lazarus, one of Jesus's close friends, became sick. Lazarus had two sisters, Mary and Martha, who sent word to Jesus that he was very sick. They trusted that if Jesus was there, Lazarus would live. But even though He loved His friends, Jesus waited two days before He left to visit them. God's timing is perfect, even if it's not what we might be hoping for!

By the time Jesus arrived, Lazarus had already been dead for four days. Martha and Mary both told Jesus that they believed He could have healed their brother, and that Lazarus would live in heaven forever. But Jesus told them to open the tomb, and they would see God's glory. Then He shouted, "Lazarus, come out!" Lazarus walked out of the tomb, alive!

Read the whole story of Jesus's death and resurrection in John 18-20



Death...

Jesus performed many other miracles, but it made the religious leaders of Israel afraid of Him. They worried that if their people believed in Jesus, their nation would fall apart, so they plotted to arrest and kill him.

They paid one of Jesus's friends to turn Him over to them. They arrested Jesus and nailed Him to a cross, even though He never did anything wrong. He died and was buried for three days.

& Life!

After three days in the tomb, Jesus came back to life! He beat death and sin so that someday, if we believe in Him, we can be made sinless and perfect and live forever with Him.

HARVEY AND FRIENDS

I Live in: Michigan! You can find me at Youth Haven in the dining hall!

My favorites: Youth Haven kids, Moose Tracks ice cream, pizza, swamp lands, chapel, and the Trailbook

I don't like: Groundhogs, seafood, poky cactus, snakes, poison ivy, and when people don't listen to instructions

I'm good at: Dancing, eating lots of food, and I can sing and gargle water (but only around my animal friends). I'm also a great listener! I love being kind and being your friend. I like being a leader for my friends!

My favorite Bible verse: "For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."
- John 3:16

Meet **HARVEY!**



Learn more about Harvey and Friends at HavenForKids.fun

Think About It

When Jesus died and came back to life three days later, even His closest friends couldn't believe it at first!

Jesus proved that He was really alive by showing them His scars from the cross. He also ate with them to prove He wasn't a ghost or a trick.

When they saw Jesus alive, they began to change! They had stronger faith since they knew that Jesus really is the Savior. He died to take the punishment for our sin, then rose again and beat death!

Do you believe that Jesus really died and came back to life? What does it take for you to believe in something you can't see?



IN MY WORLD



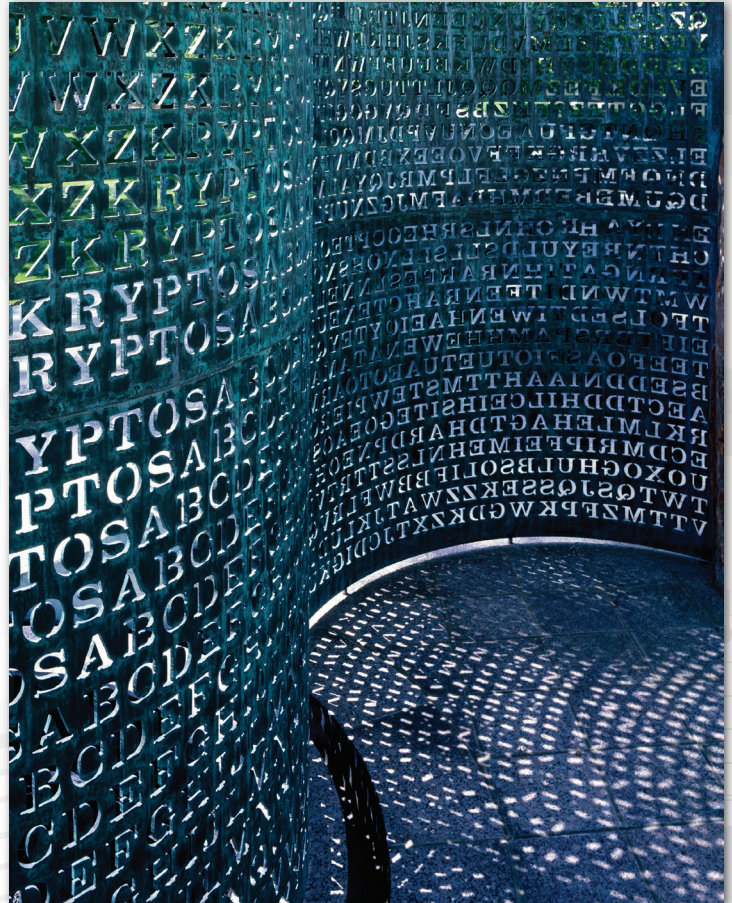
KRYPTOS SCULPTURE

A detective has to interpret a lot of evidence, and sometimes that means cracking codes!

One of the most famous unsolved codes is called Kryptos, a sculpture by an artist named Jim Sanborn. The sculpture is on the grounds of the CIA headquarters in Virginia. It contains a code of 865 letters and 4 question marks.

Three of the messages have been decoded by several people, but it contains a riddle within a riddle that can only be solved when all four messages have been decoded. The mystery still waits to be solved!

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Challenge

Humans are the only creatures in the world that can read and write. Genesis 1:27 says God made humans "in His own image." That means God made you creative and smart, like He is!

Can you develop a secret code? Use your creativity to design your very own alphabet of symbols! Be sure to write down your entire code so you don't forget it. Then practice your new secret code by writing your favorite Bible verse in code! You can send it to us with your tear-out activity page!

Tear-Out Activity Page

Do the activities on the front and back of this page. Then tear or cut it out and send it back to us, and we'll send you a Harvey mail sticker!

Your First and Last Name: _____

FUN FACTS

Look up John 11:1-44 in your Trailbook, Bible, or at havenforkids.fun and use it to fill in the blanks!

FUN FACT:

Lazarus had two sisters, named Mary and _____.



FUN FACT:

Jesus brought Lazarus back to life by shouting, "Lazarus, _____!"

Go to havenforkids.fun to see the answers and read more fun facts about Jesus Christ!

FUN FACT:

Lazarus had been dead for _____ days before Jesus raised him to life.



JESUS is the SON

Read John 6:40 in your Trailbook, Bible, or at havenforkids.fun. Unscramble the words below and use those words to complete the Bible verse.

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nso _ _ _

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Good to know:

The Trailbook talks a lot about "the Son" (with a capital S). This always means Jesus. It's one of the names He often calls Himself since He is the Son of God.

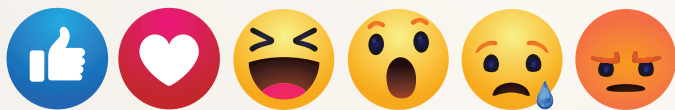


John 6:40

For it is my _____'s will that all who see his _____ and believe in him should have _____ life. I will _____ them up at the last _____ .

TALK to GOD

God, I feel...



Thank you for...

I feel this way because...

Please help me...