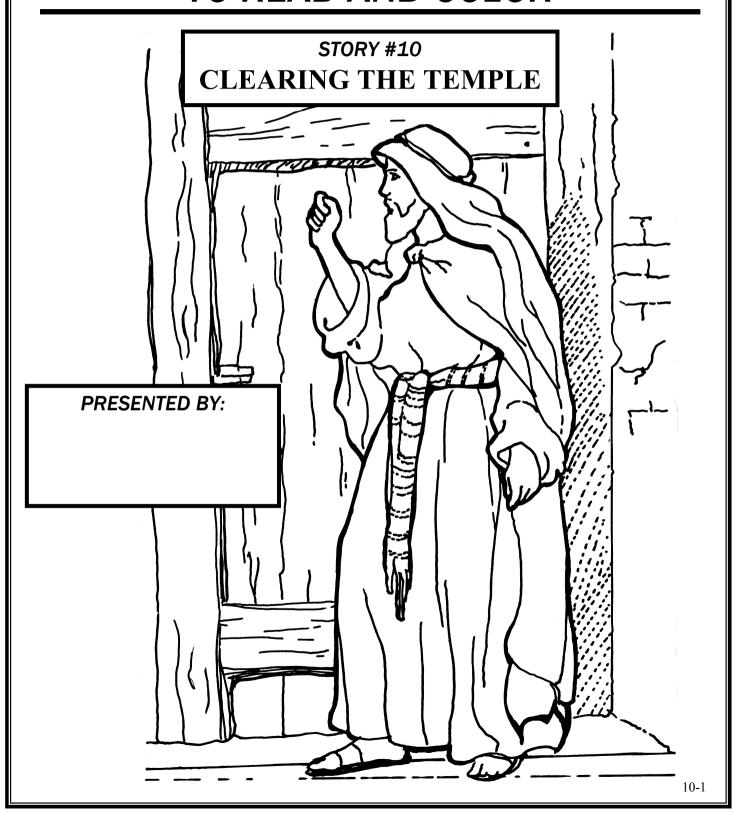
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BIBLE STORIES FOR CHILDREN TO READ AND COLOR





CLEARING THE TEMPLE

JOHN 2:13-17

People would come from miles around to attend church at the temple in Jerusalem. Since they could not bring animals with them for the sacrifices, they would buy them in Jerusalem. In order to have money for church offerings, they needed to go to the banks in Jerusalem in order to get the right coins.

The church began to allow the store keepers and the bank tellers to come into the temple yard and do their business. One day Jesus came to the temple and heard all the noise. What He heard and saw made Him sad. God's house was not meant to be a store. His temple was for hearing God's Word, not for buying and selling. God's house needed a house cleaning. So Jesus drove out all the sellers and storekeepers. They did not belong there. Jesus said that His house was to be a house of prayer and not a store.

PRAYER

Dear Jesus, may we gladly hear and learn Your Word. Keep us in Your Word so that we might believe in You as our Savior and be saved. Amen

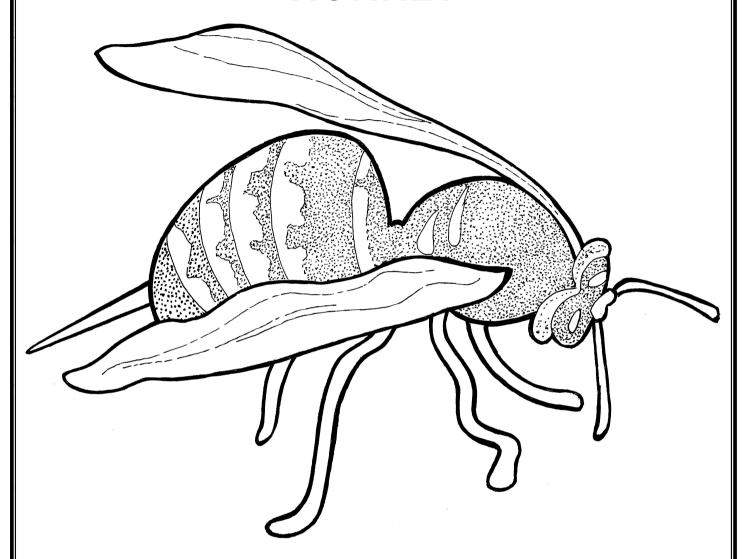
Bible passage for older children to memorize:

PSALM 122:1

I rejoiced (was happy) with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

ANIMALS FROM THE BIBLE

HORNET



The hornet is famous for its ability to defend its home. It has a powerful stinger and can sting many times.

Jesus acted like a hornet when He defended the temple and cleared out many evil people by stinging them with the whip He made.

