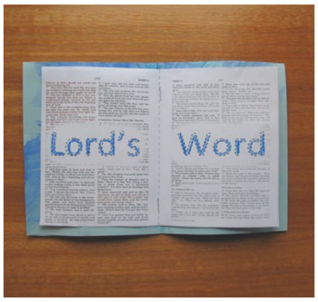
Learn by Doing

Choice

Fountain of Everlasting Life

The Word is a source for true ideas that can satisfy our spiritual thirst during life on earth and to eternity in heaven. We can go to this “well” again and again. It is where we can meet the Lord, get to know Him and learn how to be useful. Children will make a miniature copy of the Word whose outer cover is a picture of a fountain.

1. Each of you will make a small copy of the Word with a cover that looks like a fountain. This is because truths in the Word are like water that sparkles in a fountain. The truths show us the way to heaven, where the Lord can bless us forever.
2. Give each child a blank piece of paper and some light colored crayons. Show them how to draw lines like a fountain, shooting up from the bottom of the page and then dropping down again.
3. Next we will paint our fountain page blue. Hand out paint brushes and blue water color wash to share. Encourage use of large strokes to cover the page. Set pages aside to dry in a sunny or warm spot. *Optional*: speed up drying with a hairdryer.
4. Give each child a *Fountain of Everlasting Life* page (p. 2) and a crayon. Show them how to fill in the lines to write “Lord’s Word.”
5. Fold the paper in half and then in half again to make a book. “Lord’s Word” should be on the center pages of the book.
6. When the cover is dry, fold it in half, paint side out, then in half again.
7. Place the printed pages inside the book cover and use a stapler to fasten them together.
8. *Optional*: give each child a piece of ribbon to use as a marker.



Materials Needed for Each Child

blank piece of paper, light colored crayons, blue watercolor wash, paintbrush, copy of *Fountain of Everlasting Life,* p. 2, stapler
optional: 8” (20cm) red ribbon to use as Word marker, hairdryer to share

Prepare in Advance

Mix blue watercolor wash into shallow containers that will not spill easily. Print copies of *Fountain of Everlasting Life*, p. 2 for each child. Trim off edges with scissors or a paper cutter.

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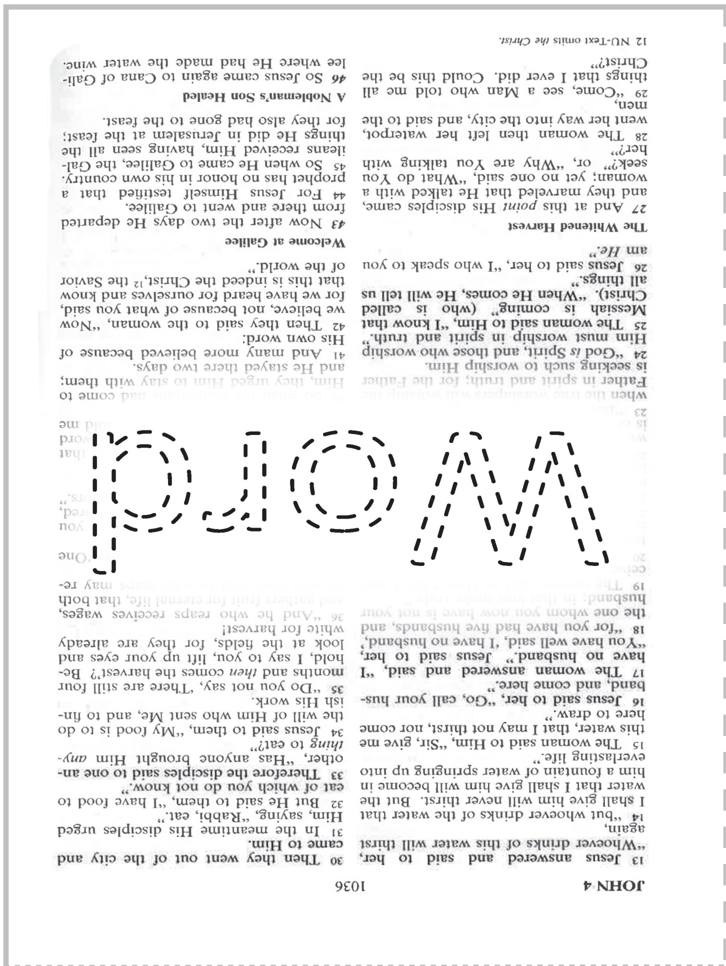
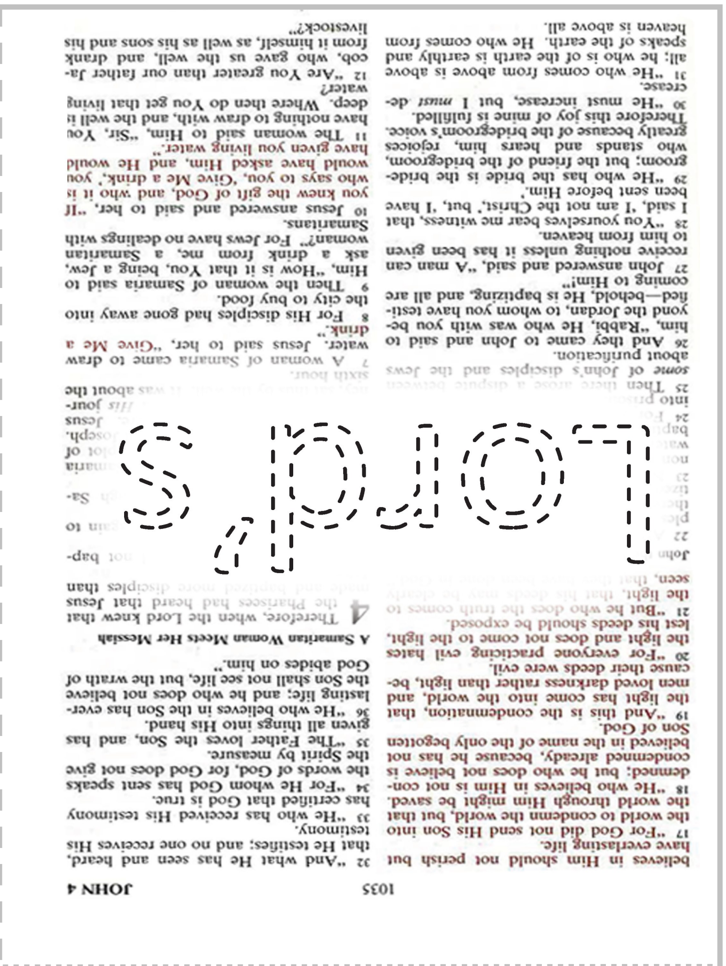
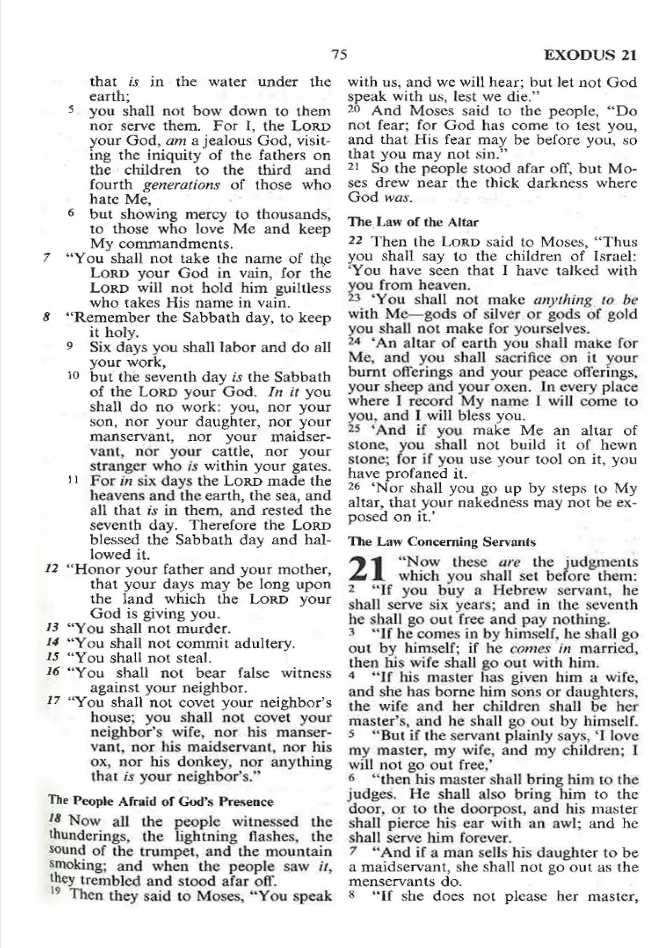






that *is* in the water under the earth;
5 you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, *am* a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth *generations* of those who hate Me,
6 but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.
7 "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.
8 "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
9 Six days you shall labor and do all your work,
10 but the seventh day *is* the Sabbath of the LORD your God. *In it* you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your manservant, nor your maidservant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who *is* within your gates.
11 For *in* six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that *is* in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it.
12 "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you.
13 "You shall not murder.
14 "You shall not commit adultery.
15 "You shall not steal.
16 "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
17 "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that *is* your neighbor's."

The People Afraid of God's Presence

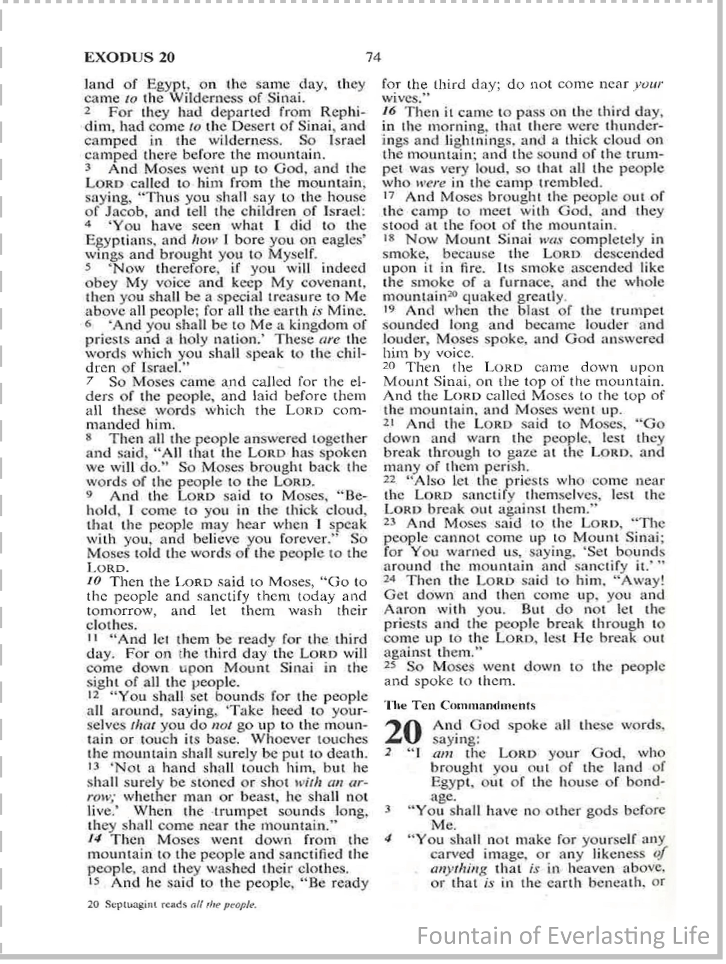
18 Now all the people witnessed the thunderings, the lightning flashes, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking; and when the people saw *it*, they trembled and stood afar off.
19 Then they said to Moses, "You speak with us, and we will hear; but let not God speak with us, lest we die."
20 And Moses said to the people, "Do not fear; for God has come to test you, and that His fear may be before you, so that you may not sin."
21 So the people stood afar off, but Moses drew near the thick darkness where God *was*.

The Law of the Altar

22 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: 'You have seen that I have talked with you from heaven.
23 'You shall not make *anything to be* with Me—gods of silver or gods of gold you shall not make for yourselves.
24 'An altar of earth you shall make for Me, and you shall sacrifice on it your burnt offerings and your peace offerings, your sheep and your oxen. In every place where I record My name I will come to you, and I will bless you.
25 'And if you make Me an altar of stone, you shall not build it of hewn stone; for if you use your tool on it, you have profaned it.
26 'Nor shall you go up by steps to My altar, that your nakedness may not be exposed on it.'

The Law Concerning Servants

21 "Now these *are* the judgments which you shall set before them:
2 "If you buy a Hebrew servant, he shall serve six years; and in the seventh he shall go out free and pay nothing.
3 "If he comes in by himself, he shall go out by himself; if he *comes in* married, then his wife shall go out with him.
4 "If his master has given him a wife, and she has borne him sons or daughters, the wife and her children shall be her master's, and he shall go out by himself.
5 "But if the servant plainly says, 'I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free,'
6 "then his master shall bring him to the judges. He shall also bring him to the door, or to the doorpost, and his master shall pierce his ear with an awl; and he shall serve him forever.
7 "And if a man sells his daughter to be a maidservant, she shall not go out as the menservants do.
8 "If she does not please her master,



land of Egypt, on the same day, they came *to* the Wilderness of Sinai.
2 For they had departed from Rephidim, had come *to* the Desert of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness. So Israel camped there before the mountain.
3 And Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel:
4 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and *how* I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself.
5 'Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth *is* Mine.
6 'And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These *are* the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel."
7 So Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before them all these words which the LORD commanded him.
8 Then all the people answered together and said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do." So Moses brought back the words of the people to the LORD.
9 And the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I come to you in the thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and believe you forever." So Moses told the words of the people to the LORD.
10 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Go to the people and sanctify them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their clothes.
11 "And let them be ready for the third day. For on the third day the LORD will come down upon Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people.
12 "You shall set bounds for the people all around, saying, 'Take heed to yourselves *that* you do *not* go up to the mountain or touch its base. Whoever touches the mountain shall surely be put to death.
13 'Not a hand shall touch him, but he shall surely be stoned or shot *with an arrow;* whether man or beast, he shall not live.' When the trumpet sounds long, they shall come near the mountain."
14 Then Moses went down from the mountain to the people and sanctified the people, and they washed their clothes.
15 And he said to the people, "Be ready for the third day; do not come near *your* wives."
16 Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud, so that all the people who *were* in the camp trembled.
17 And Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain.
18 Now Mount Sinai *was* completely in smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire. Its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain[20] quaked greatly.
19 And when the blast of the trumpet sounded long and became louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him by voice.
20 Then the LORD came down upon Mount Sinai, on the top of the mountain. And the LORD called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.
21 And the LORD said to Moses, "Go down and warn the people, lest they break through to gaze at the LORD, and many of them perish.
22 "Also let the priests who come near the LORD sanctify themselves, lest the LORD break out against them."
23 And Moses said to the LORD, "The people cannot come up to Mount Sinai; for You warned us, saying, 'Set bounds around the mountain and sanctify it.' "
24 Then the LORD said to him, "Away! Get down and then come up, you and Aaron with you. But do not let the priests and the people break through to come up to the LORD, lest He break out against them."
25 So Moses went down to the people and spoke to them.

The Ten Commandments

20 And God spoke all these words, saying:
2 "I *am* the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.
3 "You shall have no other gods before Me.
4 "You shall not make for yourself any carved image, or any likeness *of anything* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or

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[20] Septuagint reads *all the people.*

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