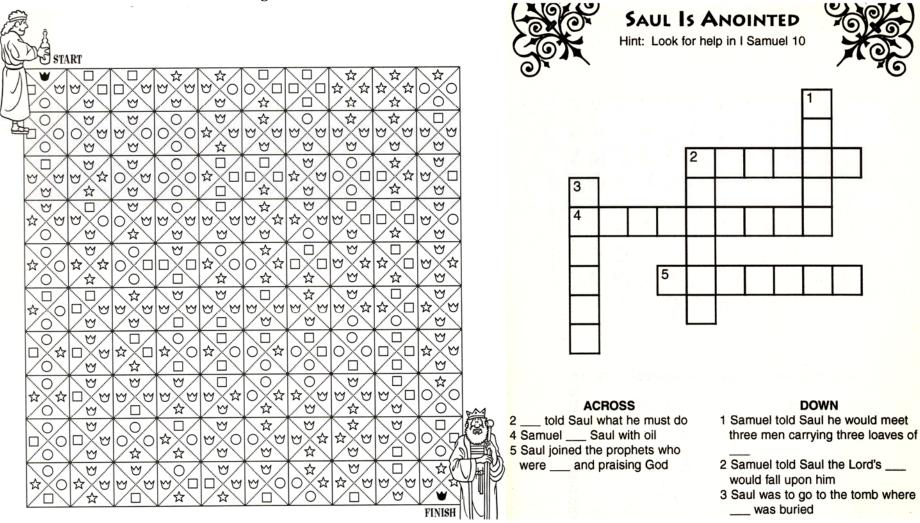
A King for Israel:

The people of God wanted a king. God had always told them that they were special and that He was their King. But they insisted on having a human king like all the other nations. After being warned, God allowed them to have Saul as their first king. Many of the kings who came after Saul were evil and led the people away from God. The Israelites wanted something that was not good for them – they should have listened to God!

Follow the trail of crowns to get to King Saul – the first one is dark to show where to begin.



1 Corinthians 15:33 Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character."

John 8:31-32 To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples.

Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

Psalm 119:1-3 Blessed are those whose ways are blameless, who walk according to the law of the Lord. Blessed are those who keep his statutes and seek him with all their heart—they do no wrong but follow his ways.

How can we be influenced today?

How do we avoid negative influences?

How can we stand up to negative influences?

What are some ways we can be a positive influence on others?

Draw or write some ways you can avoid or stand up to negative influences today and be a positive influence instead: