



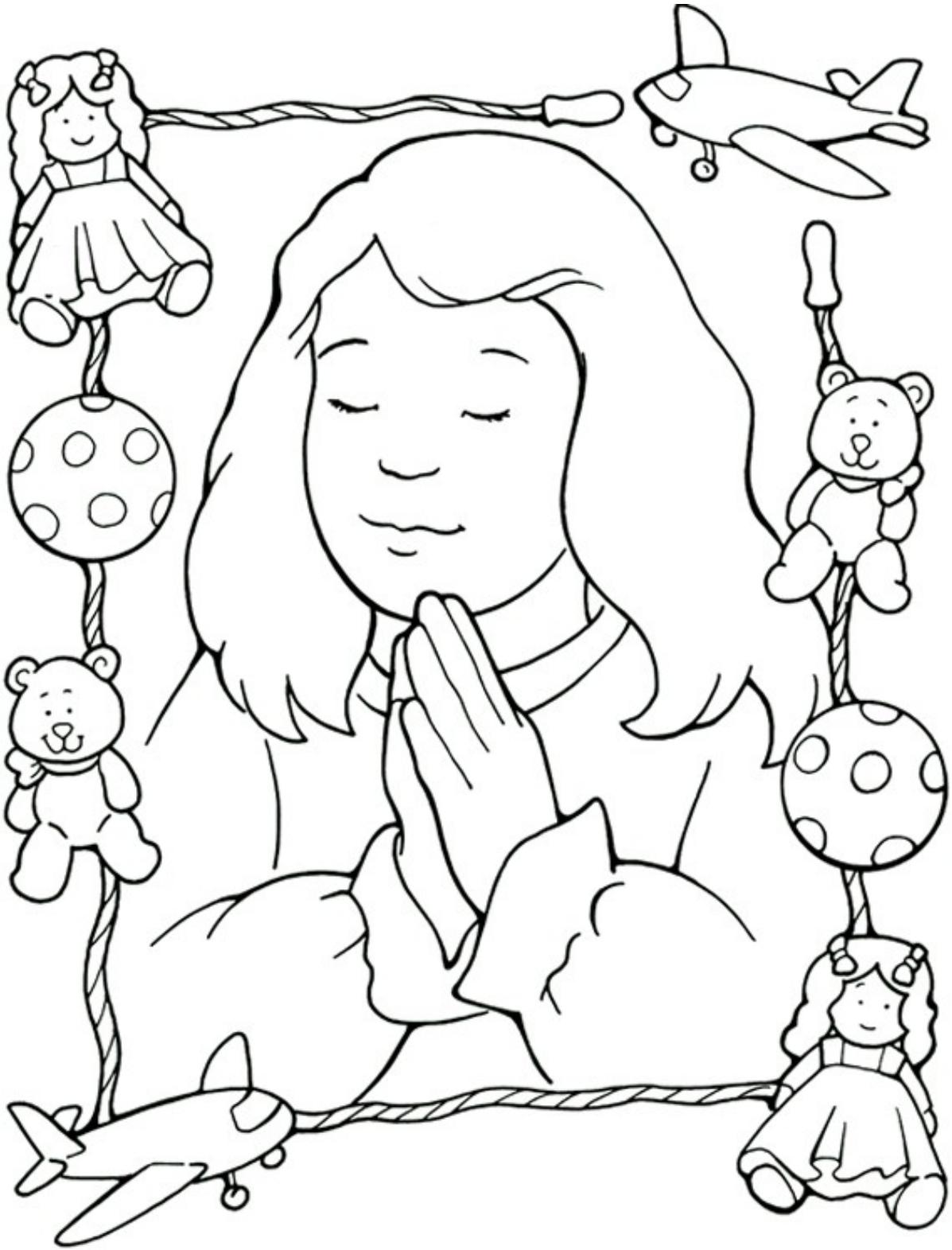
**ST NINIAN'S UNITING CHURCH**  
**OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup> 2025 PEBBLES**  
**BASED ON LUKE 18:1-8**  
**THE PARABLE OF THE PERSISTENT WIDOW**



**God Will Answer His People**

**18** Then Jesus used this story to teach his followers that they should always pray and never lose hope. <sup>2</sup>“Once there was a judge in a town. He did not care about God. He also did not care what people thought about him. <sup>3</sup>In that same town there was a widow who kept coming to this judge. She said, ‘There is a man who is not being fair to me. Give me my rights!’ <sup>4</sup>But the judge did not want to help the widow. After a long time, he thought to himself, ‘I don’t care about God. And I don’t care about what people think. <sup>5</sup>But this widow is bothering me. I will see that she gets her rights, or she will bother me until I am worn out!’”

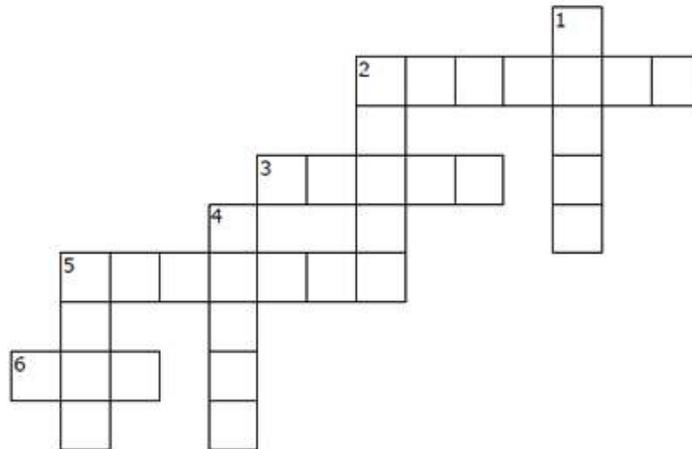
<sup>6</sup>The Lord said, “Listen to what the bad judge said. <sup>7</sup>God’s people cry to him night and day. God will always give them what is right, and he will not be slow to answer them. <sup>8</sup>I tell you, God will help his people quickly! But when the Son of Man comes again, will he find those on earth who believe in him?”



# Keep On Praying

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This puzzle is based on Luke 18:1-8 (NIV)



## ACROSS

2. To be treated fairly
3. A woman whose husband has died and who has not remarried
5. A simple story illustrating a moral or religious lesson
6. The period from sunrise to sunset (light)

## DOWN

1. The period between sunset and sunrise (darkness)
2. An official who hears and decides cases brought before a court of law
4. A belief that does not require proof
5. To speak to or make a request to God

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| justice | night | pray  | widow   |
| faith   | day   | judge | parable |

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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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- 21-9-8-9-14-6-13 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6-26-2-24-13-7 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5-7-15-5-2-24 \_\_\_\_\_
- 15-5-2-24-26-16-13 \_\_\_\_\_
- 8-13-10-5-2-13-3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 13-9-8-24-19 \_\_\_\_\_
- 20-26-3-23-20 \_\_\_\_\_
- 10-9-26-24-19 \_\_\_\_\_

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| JUSTICE | PARABLE | FAITH  | REFUSED |
| EARTH   | WIDOW   | UNJUST | LISTEN  |

**HELP THE WIDOW FIND THE JUDGE**



**"Always Pray and Not Faint"**

Luke 18:1-8



Fill in the blanks of the memory verse and color the picture.

"Shall not \_\_\_\_  
avenge his own  
\_\_\_\_, which cry day  
and night unto him,  
though he bear long  
with them? I tell you  
that he will \_\_\_\_  
them \_\_\_\_."

Luke 18:7-8

