



Fit the pieces into the puzzle.  
Find what Jesus said to the  
priests and elders.



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## Jesus' Authority, and a Parable

Jesus taught in the temple courts.  
The chief priests and elders were not happy  
with things Jesus was doing.

Find 12  hidden in the picture.



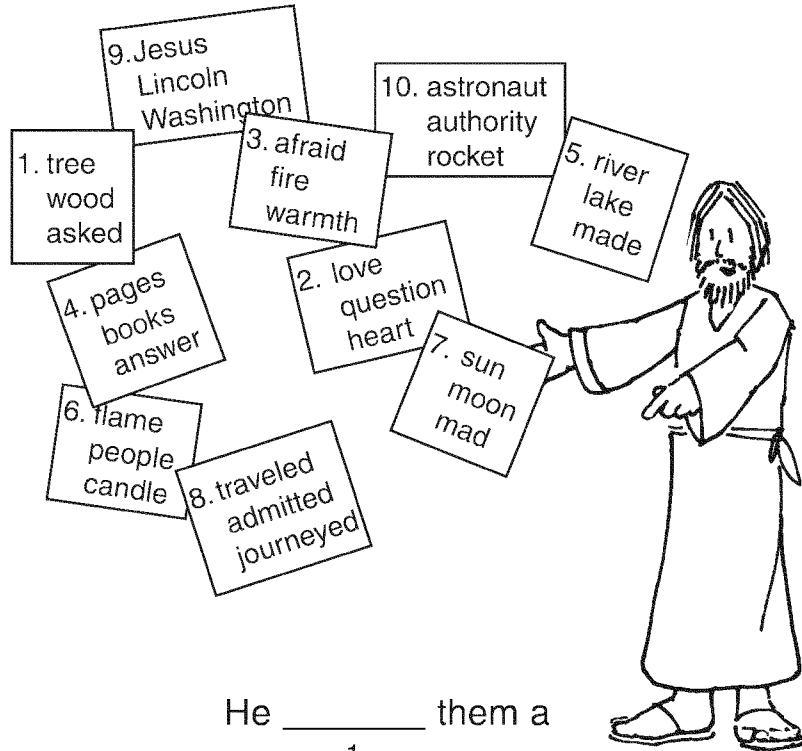
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The chief priests and elders asked Jesus who gave Him the authority\* to preach and perform miracles.  
What did Jesus say?

Find the word in each set that does not belong.  
Write them on the numbered lines.



He \_\_\_\_\_ them a \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ they were \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_!  
They would have \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ was the \_\_\_\_\_!

\* Authority - the right to do something.

Jesus told a parable: A man had two sons.  
He went to the first and said, "Son, go and work today in the vineyard."

Use the code to finish the "Parable of the Two Sons."

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The son said ...



" \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ "

\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ .

Then the father went to the other son, and said the same thing. The son said ...

" \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ "

\_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ .

Jesus asked, "Which of the two did as the father wanted?"