

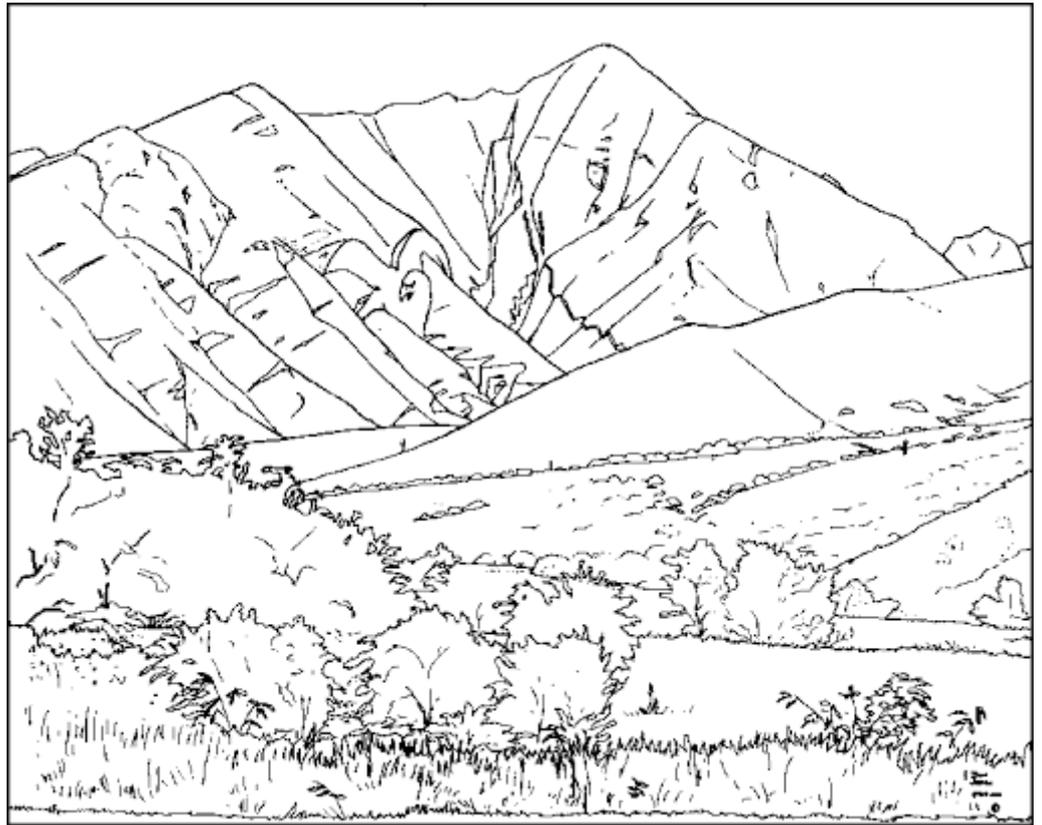
MOUNT ZION BAPTIST CHURCH JUNIOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Laish: A dream world

Lesson 87



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Read this story in the Bible: Judges 18 v 7-11, 27-29

In the north of Israel was a beautiful town called Laish. It was in a quiet valley between mountains. The people had nice houses and they could grow good food on the land. Laish was all on its own. The people living there thought they were very safe and didn't need anyone's help to live a good life. They even thought they didn't need any rulers. They became very selfish and trusted in themselves. They never thought about God Who had given them such a wonderful home to live in.

The people of the tribe of Dan sent spies to discover a new place for them to live. They came to Laish and realised it was just right. The people in Laish were careless. They didn't have anyone guarding their town. So the spies went back and told of this good place to live. "It will be easy", they said. "There are no guards. We can overcome the people and move in." Their army went and quickly overcame the people of Laish. The town became a new home for the people of Dan.

We are just like the people of Laish. We think we can live as we like. We think we don't have to obey God. We live selfish and careless lives, thinking we are safe just as we are. But we are wrong! We have a great enemy, Satan. He wishes us harm and is always trying to keep us from thinking about God. We all need a Saviour, a powerful God to help us against Satan. When Jesus died on the cross He overcame Satan and his evil ways. We need to trust in Jesus and to ask Him to protect us from Satan. If we belong to Jesus, we will be safe for ever.

LAISH - A DREAM WORLD

Colour in the two sections of land that belonged to Dan in one colour - one at the top, and the other about half way down (see arrows). You can colour in the other tribes' lands different colours if you like. Now describe the land where Laish was:

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A verse to memorise:

“Put your trust in the Lord.”

Psalm 4 v 5 (NKJV)