

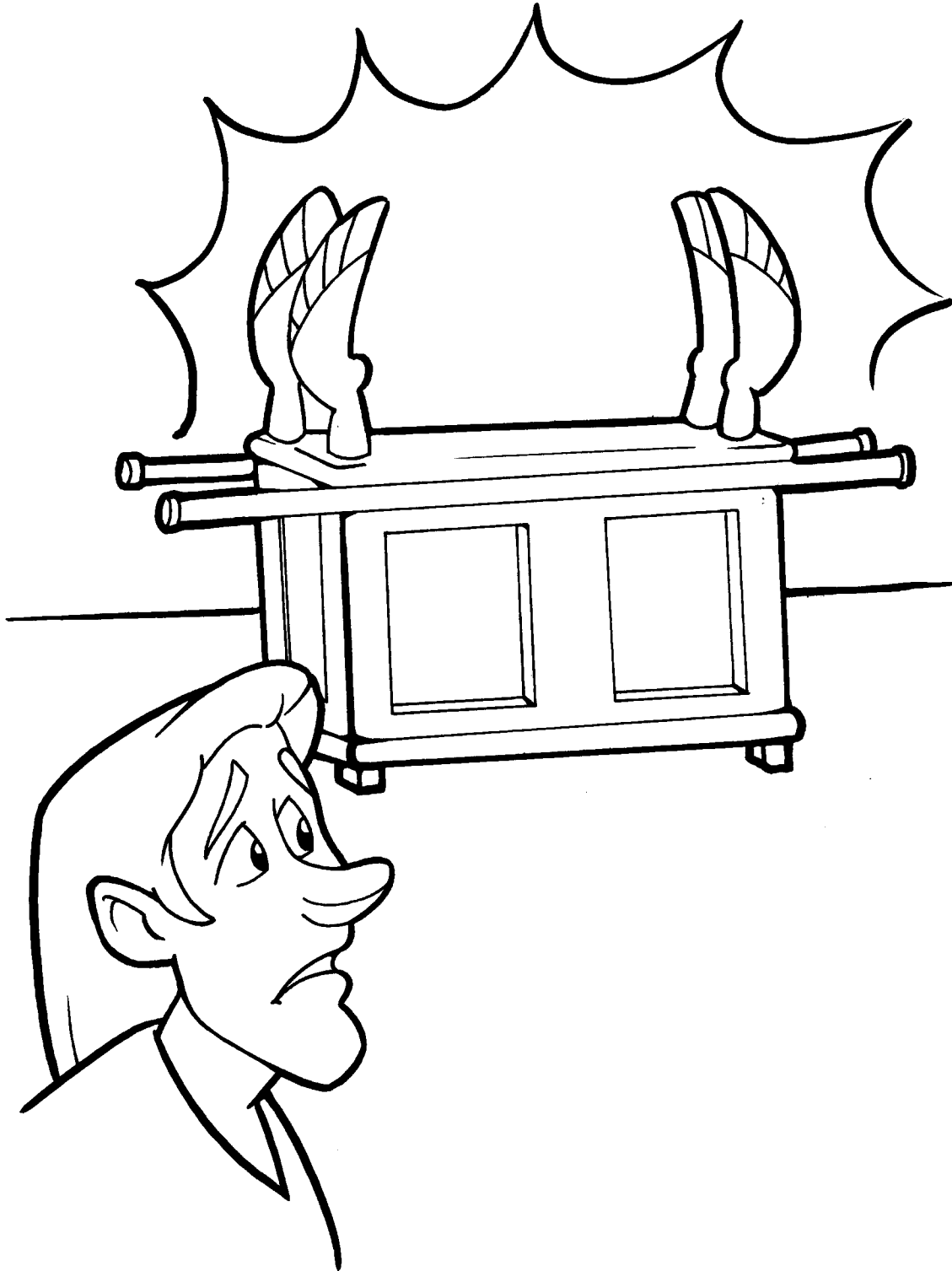
**Bible Story 74**

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### MEMORY VERSE:

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4. "When the ark of the covenant of the LORD came into the camp, all Israel shouted so loudly that the \_\_\_\_\_ shook." 1 SAMUEL 4:5

### TRUE OR FALSE:

5. "So the Philistines were afraid, for they said, 'God has come into the camp!' And they said, 'Woe to us! For such a thing has never happened before.'" 1 SAMUEL 4:7  
TRUE OR FALSE
6. So the Philistines gave up and ran for their lives. 1 SAMUEL 4:9-10  
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7. "The ark of God was captured; and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, died." 1 SAMUEL 4:11  
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8. "And when the Philistines took the ark of God, they brought it into the house of Dagon and set it by Dagon." 1 SAMUEL 5:2  
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9. "When the people of Ashod arose early in the morning, there was Dagon, fallen on its \_\_\_\_\_ to the earth before the ark of the LORD. So they took Dagon and set it in its place again." 1 SAMUEL 5:3
10. "The hand of the LORD was heavy on the people of Ashod, and He ravaged them and struck them with \_\_\_\_\_, both Ashod and its territory." 1 SAMUEL 5:6
11. After the ark brought destruction upon Gath, it was sent to Ekron and the people "sent and gathered together all the lords of the Philistines, and said, 'Send away the ark of the God of Israel, and let it go back to its own place, so that it does not \_\_\_\_\_ us or our people.'" 1 SAMUEL 5:11

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12. "So they sent messengers to the inhabitants of Kirjath Jearim, saying, 'The Philistines have brought back the ark of the LORD; come down and take it up with you.'" 1 SAMUEL 6:21  
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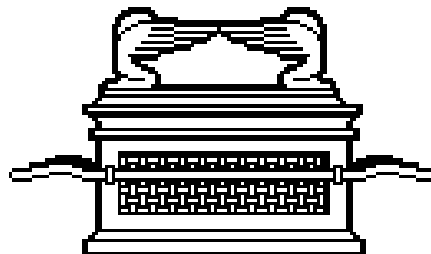
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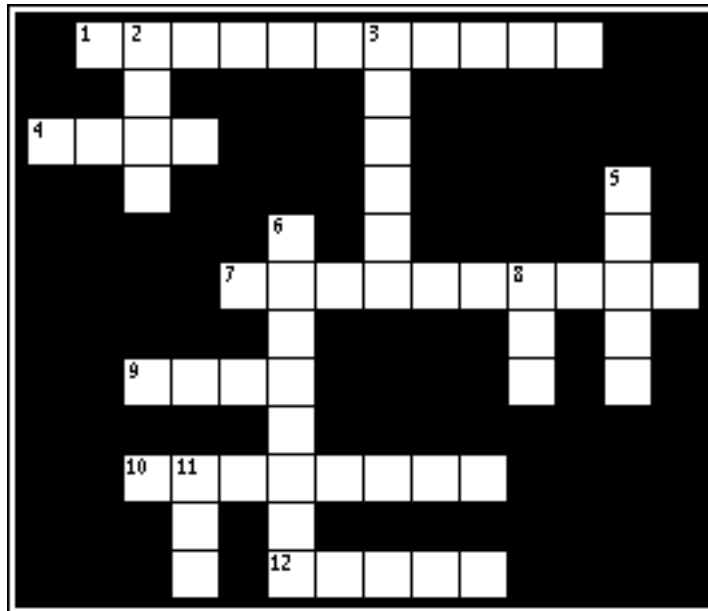
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