## Wednesday, July 1st - Coping with Covid - Morning

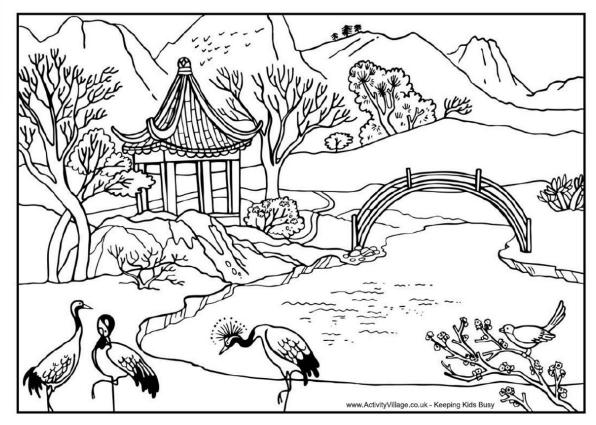
**Laugh it off**: A client brought her two cats to our veterinary clinic for their annual checkup. One was a small-framed, round tiger-striped tabby, while the other was a long, sleek black cat. She watched closely as I put each on the scale. "They weigh about the same," I told her. "That proves it!" she exclaimed. "Black does make you look slimmer. And stripes make you look fat."

God's Comfort: Prov3:5-8 5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; 6 in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight. 7 Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil. 8 This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones. Psalm 9:7-10 7 The Lord reigns forever; he has established his throne for judgment. 8 He rules the world in righteousness and judges the peoples with equity. 9 The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. 10 Those who know your name trust in you, for you, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you.

**Pray Daily** – **God is easy to talk to:** Jesus, I start another day by talking to you and then find I talk to you all day. I tell you I am grateful for the safe place I live in and thankful for the cooks and staff, and helpers who make my life easier. I thank you that my mind works, I have pleasant memories, and enjoyable friends. Because life is fraught with pain and misery, I know these blessings have come from you. It is very reassuring to me that I can talk to you all day and then say my prayers before I fall off to sleep. Thank you. Thank you for being kind, gracious,

gentle, merciful, and loving to me. Help me to be the same to those I meet. Amen.

National Day Today
(July 1) American
Zoo Day, Canada
Day, Creative Ice
Cream Flavor Day,
Estee Lauder Day,
Deep Fried Clams
Day, Gingersnap Day,
Postal Workers Day,
Resolution Renewal
Day. Second Half of
the Year Day, U.S.
Postage Stamp, Zip
Code Day.



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# Wednesday, July 1st - Coping with Covid - Noon

**Laugh it off**: The military may have invented the Internet, but not all government schemes have worked as well. In the '60s, the CIA hatched a plan to implant a battery and a microphone in a cat so the furry feline could spy on unsuspecting targets. The program was halted when, after years of research and millions of dollars spent, the spy cat was run over by a cab.

God's Comfort: Matthew 20:29-34 29 As Jesus and his disciples were leaving Jericho, a large crowd followed him. 30 Two blind men were sitting by the roadside, and when they heard that Jesus was going by, they shouted, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!" 31 The crowd rebuked them and told them to be quiet, but they shouted all the louder, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!" 32 Jesus stopped and called them. "What do you want me to do for you?" he asked. 33 "Lord," they answered, "we want our sight." 34 Jesus had compassion on them and touched their eyes. Immediately they received their sight and followed him."

Historical Perspective (July 1): 1845 - Uniform postal rates across U.S. 1847 - U.S. Post Office – NYC - First adhesive stamps. 1862 - Bureau of Internal Revenue established. 1863 - Gettysburg begins. 1874 – First U.S. Zoo - Philadelphia. 1898 – Teddy Roosevelt and "Rough Riders assault San Juan Hill - Cuba. 1908 - Estee Lauder born. 1916 - Olivia De Havilland born. 1936 - Wally Amos, Jr. born - Famous Amos chocolate chips 1941 - First TV commercial – NYC - Bulova Watch. 1943 – Automatic federal income tax withholding. 1951 - Bob Feller – MLB record - pitched 3<sup>rd</sup> no-hitter - Indians. 1952 - Dan Aykroyd born. 1961 - Princess Diana born - Princess of Wales. 1963 - Five-digit ZIP (Zoning Improvement Plan) code. 1966 - Medicare begins. 1979 - Sony Walkman released. 1980 - "O Canada" – Canadian national anthem. 1987 - John Kevin Hill (11) youngest to fly across U.S.

**Writing for Fun**: Write a 12-line poem (three 4-line verses) about blind people being healed by Jesus. Make sure every line has the same number of syllables and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> lines rhyme.

### **Sample Poem:**

On the road to Jericho Not a thing could my eyes see The son of David passed nearby I raised a loud and throaty plea.

> Have mercy, I cried long and loud Have Mercy on us was my plea What would you have me do for you? Lord, Son of God, We want to see.

Jesus chuckled and touched my eyes In seconds, the world, I could see You are healed and free to sin no more So rise, take up, and follow me.

#### Your Poem:

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# Wednesday, July 1st - Coping with Covid - Supper

**Laugh it off:** My father's secretary was visibly distraught one morning when she arrived at the office and explained that her children's parrot had escaped from his cage and flown out an open window. Of all the dangers the tame bird would face outdoors alone, she seemed most concerned about what would happen if the bird started talking. Confused, my father asked what the parrot could say. "Well," she explained, "he mostly says, 'Here, kitty, kitty.'"

God's Comfort: Genesis 18:16-20 16 When the men got up to leave, they looked down toward Sodom, and Abraham walked along with them to see them on their way. 17 Then the Lord said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do? 18 Abraham will surely become a great and powerful nation, and all nations on earth will be blessed through him. 19 For I have chosen him,

so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the Lord by doing what is right and just, so that the Lord will bring about for Abraham what he has promised him." 20 Then the Lord said, "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous 21 that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has reached me. If not, I will know."

#### **Quotes/Other Wisdom:**

"Far too often, we have limited the definition of the Church. While not in all cases, in many cases, 'Church' has become an informational, inspirational weekly gathering rather than the group of people that God has ordained from Heaven to operate on his behalf on Earth in order to bring Heaven's viewpoint into history." – Dr. Tony Evans

"I knew, regardless of anything else, singing in front of an orchestra was going to be inspirational. It would feed me." -George Michael

#### Game- Number Search.

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## Number Search Puzzle #001

DIRECTIONS: Find the numbers in the list below the grid. The numbers can be in any direction: backwards, forwards, up, down, or diagonally.

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