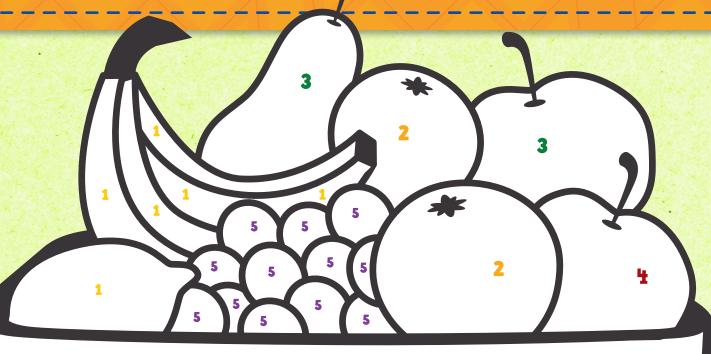
Jesus Defends His Authority

Matthew 12:22–26, 12:33

Use the code to color the fruit basket then see if you can name all of the fruit

- 1. Yellow
- 2. Orange
- 3. Green
- 4. Red
- 5. Purple



How many different kinds of fruit do you see?

For each fruit, think of something good Jesus wants you to say or do.

What You Heard in the Word

- Jesus healed a man who had a demon.
 The Pharisees said Jesus was using Satan's power, but Jesus did his miracles only by God's power.
- Jesus taught that the good fruit of our words and actions comes from a good heart. Bad fruit comes from an evil heart.

Ask your child these questions from today's lesson:

- 1. What happened when Jesus got rid of the man's demon? *The man could see and talk again.*
- 2. Whose power was Jesus using, Satan's or God's? *God's power*.
- 3. Where does the fruit of our words and actions come from? *Our hearts*.

Memory Verse

Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' But seek first the 'What shall we wear?' But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

Matthew 6:31 & 33

Justin & Jessie

"Dish ish sho good!" Jessie said, slurping the juicy apple.

"Mine is, too." Justin wiped his chin. "Where's yours, Ellie?" he asked.

Ellie poked around at the fruit and finally chose the apple she found earlier. Just as she put it to her lips, Mom shouted, "Ellie, wait—!"



Uh-oh! Wasn't Ellie supposed to eat an apple, like Justin and Jessie? Find out what went wrong in "Bad Apples & Good Fruit."

Go to **KidsAnswers.org/jj145** to read the rest of the story and print out this week's Justin and Jessie coloring sheet.

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