

# Lenten Puzzle

Let us get ready. (“Get Ready to Worship Card”)  
Come close to this story of Jesus.

The season of Lent is the time when we prepare for Easter. Purple is the color the church has used for many years. Let’s lay out the purple cloth to help us get ready.

*Lay out the purple felt underlay.*

Every week is a different piece of a very special story.

*Do not put the puzzle together, yet.  
Let each person lay or touch a piece on the table.*

There is one... (Point to a piece.)

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			Ash Wednesday			
Lent Week 1						

Two... Three... Four... Five...

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
Lent Week 2						
Lent Week 3						
Lent Week 4						
Lent Week 5						

Six pieces and weeks for Lent.

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<b>HOLY WEEK</b> <b>Lent Week 6</b>						
Palm Sunday				Maundy Thursday	Good Friday	Holy Saturday

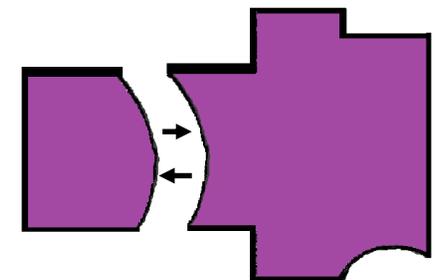
Lent is like a puzzle your family and friends are putting together. There are lots of special parts.

*Point to each person and say their name.*

This box of stories help us use Lent as a time to get ready for Easter.

Each week you will layer a new piece on top of the matching piece.

All the pieces will come together on Easter.



The foundational pieces we can put together now.

*Work together to put the pieces of the puzzle together  
or have each person take a turn.  
—it should make a cross.*

*Stop and enjoy the puzzle!*

## Wondering with God's Story

I wonder...

how you get ready to talk to God? Worship?  
(I wonder... )  
how you will get ready for Easter?  
what stories might go with these pieces?

## Giving Up or Taking On

Lots of people “fast” or “give up” something during the time of Lent. Some people “take on” a faith idea. By doing these boxes each week, you are already taking something on to help your faithful relationships.



## Working with God's Story

1. Work as a family to create a ritual (light a candle, etc.) to get ready to share and reflect. (See: “Getting Ready to Worship”)
2. Have each person retell the story without reading the words. *Just use items.*
3. Ask the wondering questions more than once. Dinner? Car? Bedtime? (All ages answer.)

Check the “Weekly Faith FITNESS Plan” card.

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**Matthew 6:25-27**

(Common English Version)



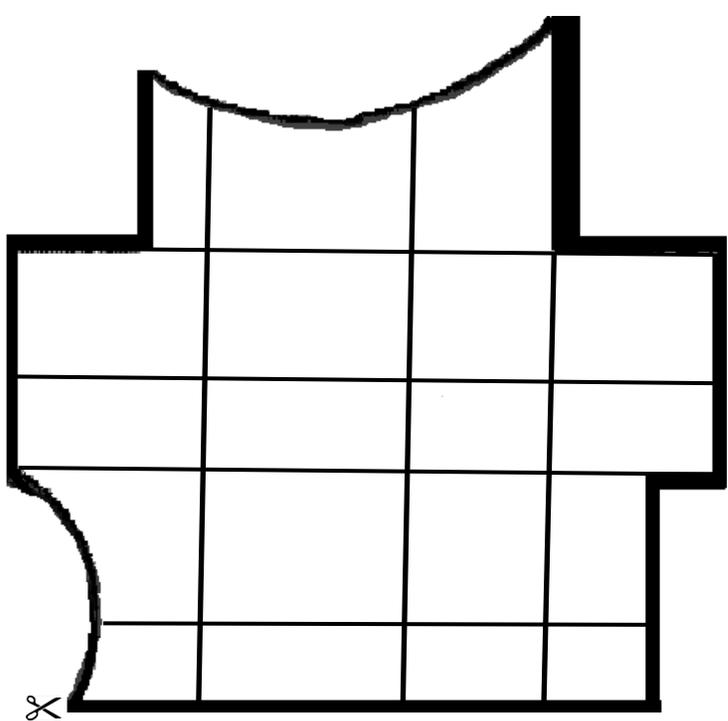
Therefore, I say to you, don't worry about your life, what you'll eat or what you'll drink, or about your body, what you'll wear. Isn't life more than food and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds in the sky. They don't sow seed or harvest grain or gather crops into barns. Yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Aren't you worth much more than they are? Who among you by worrying can add a single moment to your life?



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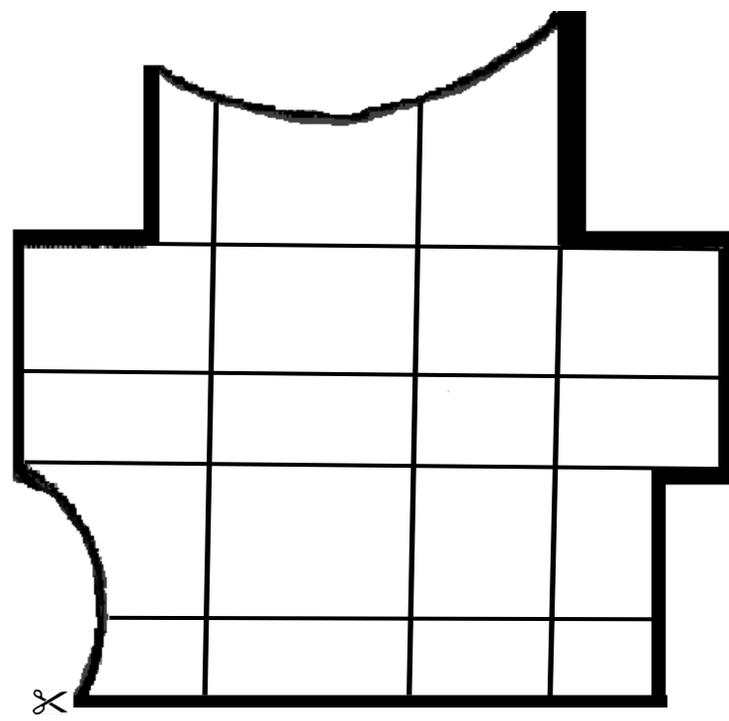
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*Thank you for your care. Amen.*

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