

Activity -- Storyboard

Cover the table with paper, or provide each student with several large (11x 14) sheets on which to draw.

Illustrate one or more of these:

Gideon's visit with the Angel (v. 11 - 24)

Gideon throws down the grove and idols of Baal (v. 25 - 32)

Gideon's fleece test (v. 33 - 40)

Discuss in each instance how Gideon wanted to make very sure what God was telling him. He wanted to know God's will. Discuss how God wants to reveal His will to us.

Closer --

A man was on a strict diet. As he drove to work one day he prayed, "Lord, if you want me to go to the Donut Shop, let there be a parking spot out front."

After he had driven around the block about nine times, there was a spot to park!

Ask: What was wrong with this man's prayer? How was he trying to make decisions? How do you want to make decisions?

4 FACTS BY FOUR 4

Name four facts in each of the following categories from the story of Gideon in Judges 6:11-40. The beginning letter is given for the correct answer.

Name the people of four nations in the story. (Three ending with "ites")

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- I _____ (verse 14)
- A _____ (verse 33)
- M _____ (verse 13)
- A _____ (verse 11)

PEOPLE

Name four places in the story.

2

- O _____ (verse 24)
- M _____ (verse 15)
- V _____ Of _____ (verse 33)
- E _____ (verse 13)

PLACES

Name four things Gideon used.

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- A _____ (verse 24)
- S _____ (verse 21)
- F _____ (verse 37)
- T _____ (verse 34)

THINGS

Name four foods/drink in the story.

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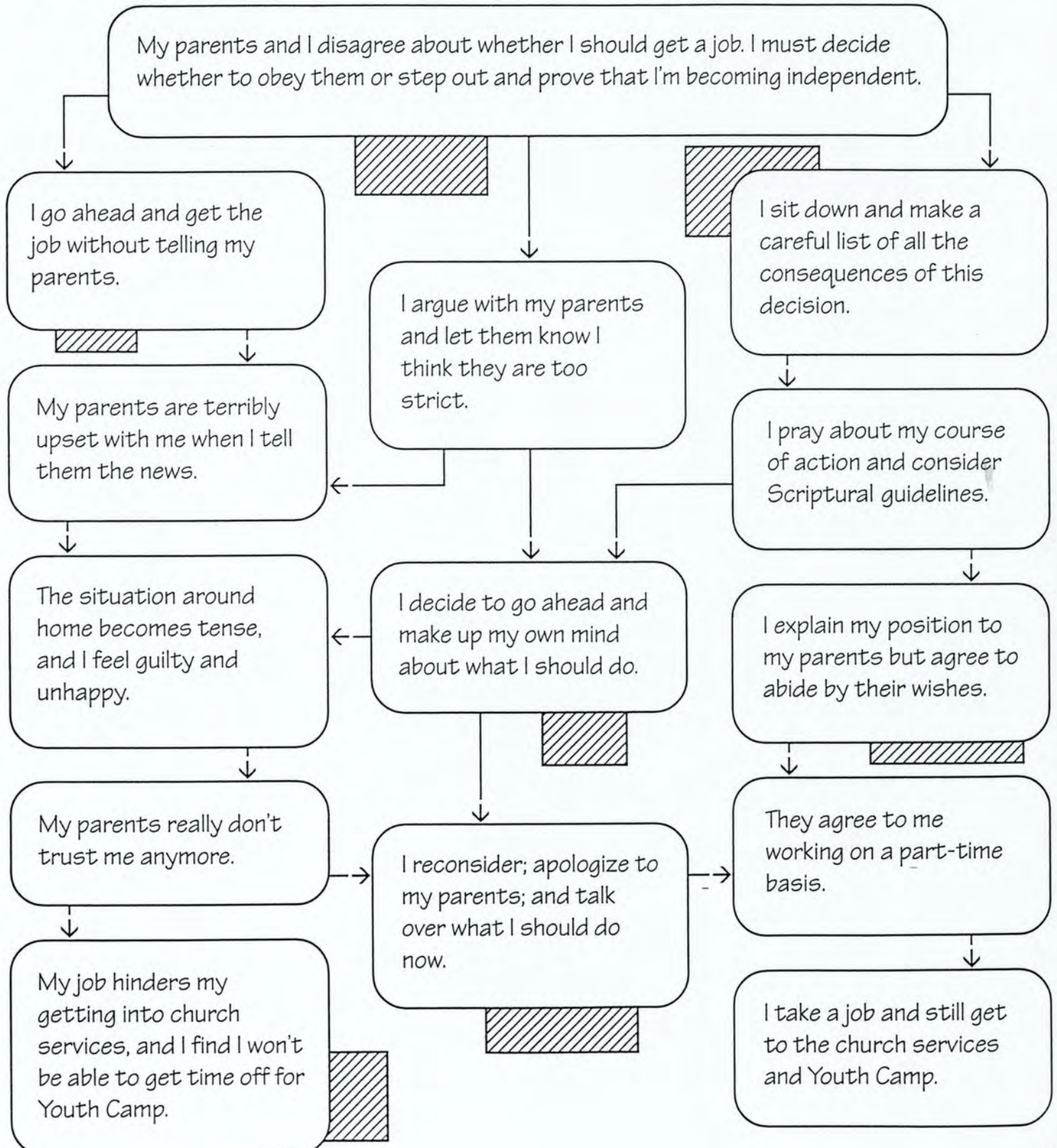
- B _____ (verse 20)
- U _____ C _____ (verse 21)
- W _____ (verse 38)
- K _____ (Goat) (verse 19)

DRINK

FOOD

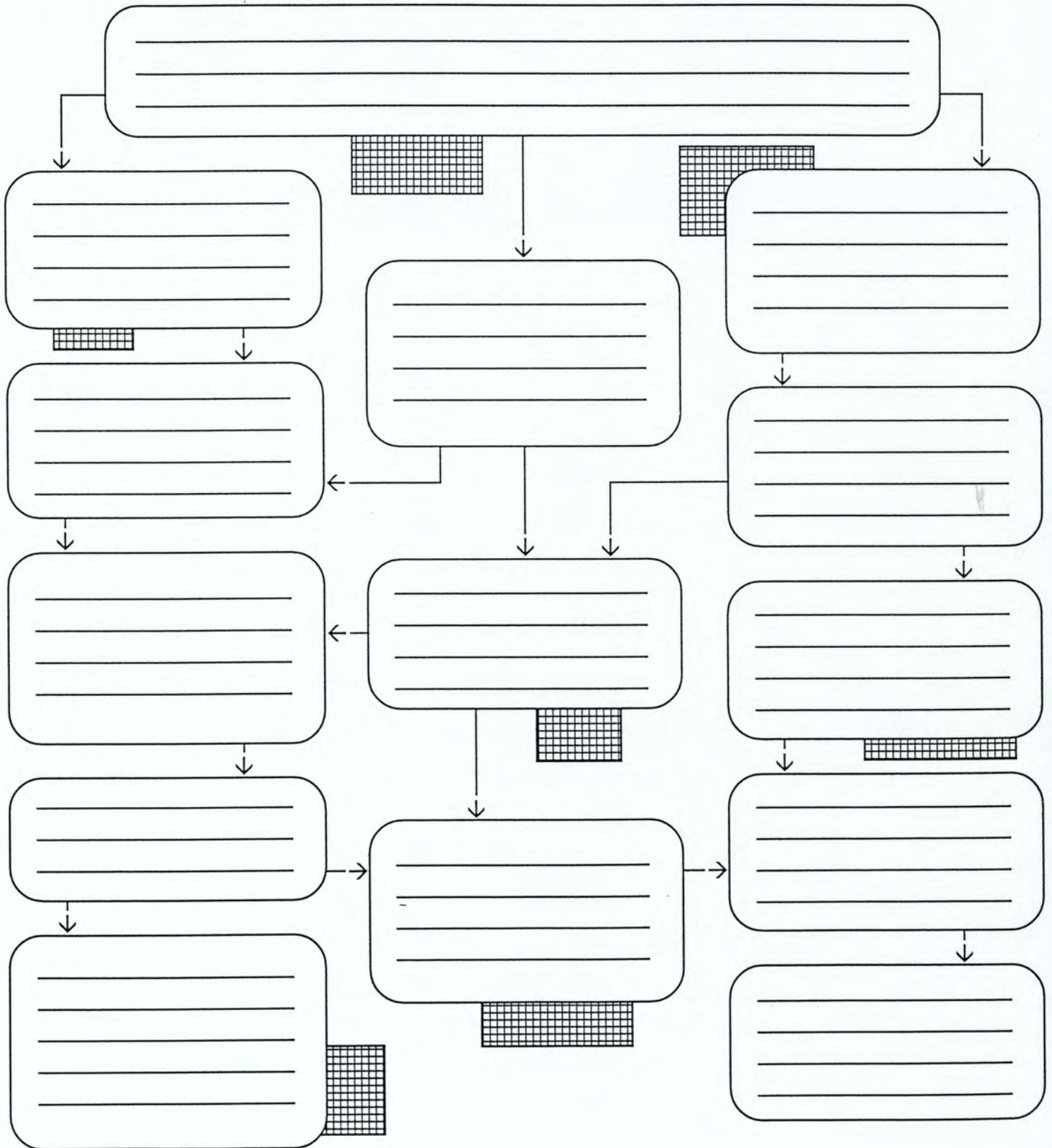
WHAT TO DO? WHAT TO DO?

It is very important that all our decisions be based upon the Word of God. As we let God guide us in the decisions we make, our lives will be blessed. Our Christian example will be a light to others who don't know Jesus, and a good testimony to those who may be watching us. Starting with the top box, follow through the maze of boxes below and find out why the right or wrong decisions made a big difference in this persons life .



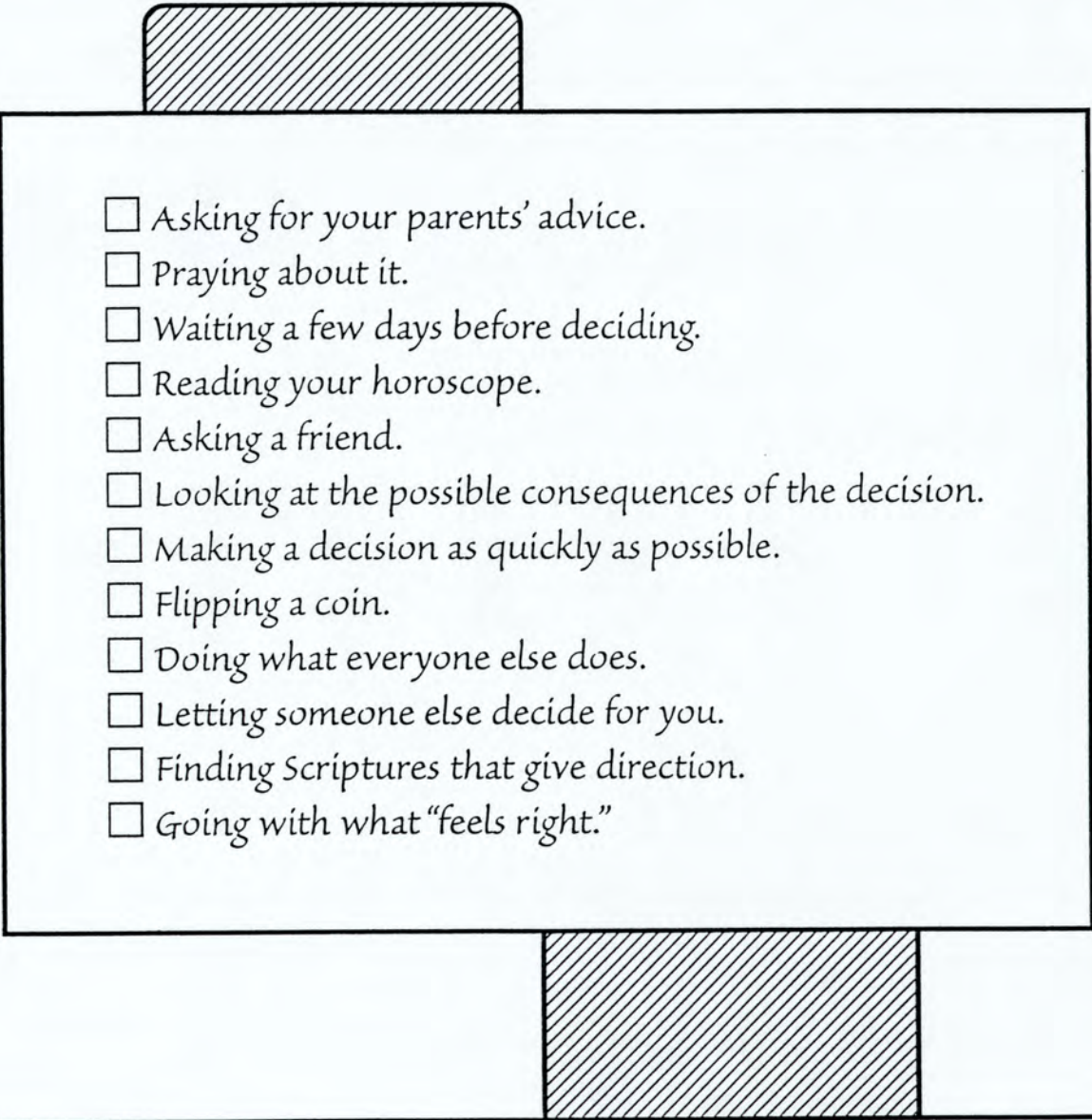
WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM?

Think of a problem that might come into a young person's life, and write it in the top box below. Then use the other boxes in the maze to write out the right and wrong decisions and the consequences that could come because of those decisions. Share your problem and solutions with a friend. Talk about why all your decisions should be based upon God's Word.



Decisions! Decisions!

The list below contains many ways in which people are known to seek advice. Read through the list and check off the best ways to go about making the right decisions. Which is the way that you use most often?

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- Asking for your parents' advice.
 - Praying about it.
 - Waiting a few days before deciding.
 - Reading your horoscope.
 - Asking a friend.
 - Looking at the possible consequences of the decision.
 - Making a decision as quickly as possible.
 - Flipping a coin.
 - Doing what everyone else does.
 - Letting someone else decide for you.
 - Finding Scriptures that give direction.
 - Going with what "feels right."

The Most Important Decision!

Have you made a decision to follow Jesus? In the Book of Exodus, Moses asked the Children of Israel a very important question: "Who is on the Lord's side?" (Exodus 32:26). Will you make the right decision and choose to follow Jesus. It will be the best decision of your life!