## Time Alone

Key Word: Retreat
Verse: When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." Mark 1:37

Kevin and Carol's mom was so tired. It had been a long month. Devin had football practice, football games, music lessons, and his scout meetings. Carol had cheerleading practice and soccer practice and games for both of those. She also had choir practice and they were both in youth group at church. It seemed like their mom spent hours taking them everywhere and watching their games. Usually their dad helped out, but he had to go out of town for his company for six weeks and it was just at the time when everyone was so busy.

After one practice, Carol jumped happily into the van and asked, "Mom, can I have four friends stay over after the game on Friday night? We want to watch a movie and do each other's hair. We promise to clean up everything afterward." Kevin looked grumpy. "Wait a minute," he said, "I told the guys on the team they could probably come over to go over plays after the game. There are only six of them!" Mom took a deep breath
and looked into their eyes. She hated to say "No" to them because she liked it when their friends came over. She agreed to let everyone come over.

After the game it was wild in the house with five giggly girls and seven boys who had just won a hard-fought game! They were eating snacks and the noise level was very high. Suddenly Kevin and Carol realized their mom was not in the house. They were all looking in every room for her. Kevin went outside, and there she was on the bench swing in the corner of the yard.
"Mom, you scared us. Why are you out here?" Kevin asked. Mom answered, "I'm sorry, I am just so tired, and I miss your dad. I just needed to think by myself. I'm okay now. How about some popcorn?" Kevin hugged her and they went inside.

## Questions

Why was mom so tired?
Why was Jesus so tired?


## Word Scramble

Unscramble each of the clue words and write the correct spelling on the line.

RDEHGTAE $\qquad$ DYERAP

SGAESME $\qquad$ GNIRACEHS $\qquad$
EEIALGL $\qquad$ NIOMS

PNISNOOMAC SEHUO

VEERF
EDWARN


## Fill In The Space

Place one letter of the alphabet in the blank space to make a word from today's Gospel story. Words are at least 5 letters long. Use each alphabet letter only once. We have included an alphabet chart to mark off the letters as you use them. Two have already been done for you.

| $S$ | $G$ | $G$ | $A$ | $T$ | $H$ | $E$ | $R$ | $U$ | $W$ |
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| $T$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

