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FOREWORD



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FOREWORD

As we embrace the dawning of a new era in the Sunday School of our Diocese, it is with profound gratitude and joy that we introduce the newly launched textbooks. This milestone is not merely a culmination of efforts but a new beginning, charting a course for faith-filled learning.

Special recognition is due to the Director and the team of dedicated authors of the Diocese of Southwest America of our Church who have tirelessly woven this tapestry of knowledge and devotion. Their commitment to creating a curriculum that speaks to the heart of our tradition is truly commendable.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to His Grace Zachariah Mar Nicholovos and His Grace Thomas Mar Ivanios, our Metropolitans, whose blessings and guidance have been the bedrock of this endeavor. Their spiritual leadership has been a guiding light throughout this year-long journey of preparation and transition.

Our teachers, those steadfast beacons of knowledge, deserve a resounding acknowledgment for their adaptability and perseverance, ensuring a smooth transition to this new curriculum. Their dedication to the spiritual growth of our youth is a testament to their faith and love for the church.

In line with the Apostle Paul's exhortation in Titus 1:9 (NRSV), "He must hold firm to the sure word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to confute those who contradict it," we recognize the pivotal role of sound teaching in nurturing faith. This verse echoes the mission of our Sunday School to steadfastly impart the truth of the Gospel, fostering a resilient and enlightened community of faith.

To the teachers and students embarking on this sacred educational journey, may you be filled with enthusiasm and wisdom. May your hearts and minds be fertile grounds for the seeds of divine knowledge to flourish.

The significance of the Sunday School in our community cannot be overstated. It is here that the foundations of faith are laid, where the stories and teachings of our church come to life, and where the future guardians of Orthodoxy begin their spiritual journey.

A special word of gratitude is extended to Fr. Anoop M. Abraham, Vice President of the Sunday School for the Diocese. His leadership, along with the director, curriculum coordinator, secretary & joint secretary, reviewers, trainers, and all team members, has been instrumental in bringing this vision to fruition.

As we conclude, let us move forward in the spirit of Orthodox tradition, with hope and prayer that these textbooks serve not only as vessels of knowledge but also as lanterns lighting the path towards spiritual maturity and devotion.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

+ Metropolitan Abraham Stephanos

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Glory to the Triune God!

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I am also grateful to the head teachers and teachers who took the time to review and provide valuable feedback on the content and structure of the textbook. Your insights and suggestions have greatly enhanced the quality of the material and have made it more engaging and accessible to our young learners.

I would also like to acknowledge the role of Holy Episcopal Synod and OSSAE officials for their unwavering support and encouragement towards this new curriculum. It is with their guidance and vision that we were able to compile a textbook that aligns with the goals and objectives of our Holy Church and Diocesan Sunday School education.

Finally, I would like to express my heartfelt appreciation to the students who will be using this textbook. Your enthusiasm and eagerness to learn about our faith is what motivates us to continue improving and developing resources for your spiritual growth.

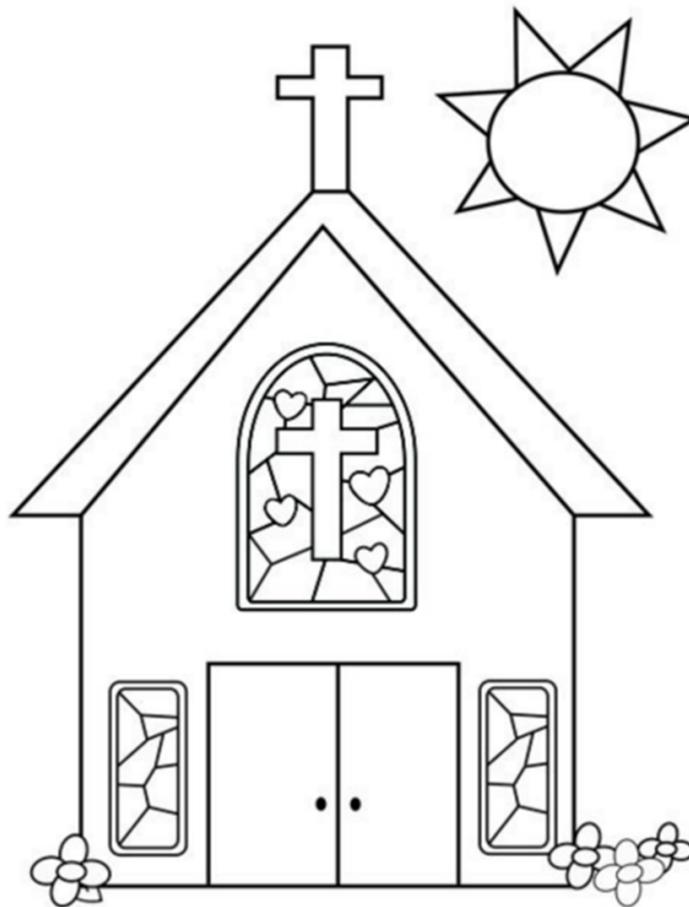
In conclusion, I would like to thank everyone who has been a part of this journey and has contributed in any way towards the creation of this Orthodox Sunday school textbook. May it serve as a valuable resource for many generations to come and may it inspire and nurture the faith of our young Orthodox students. Thank you all for your support and dedication.

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God's House



The **Church** is not only a building ...

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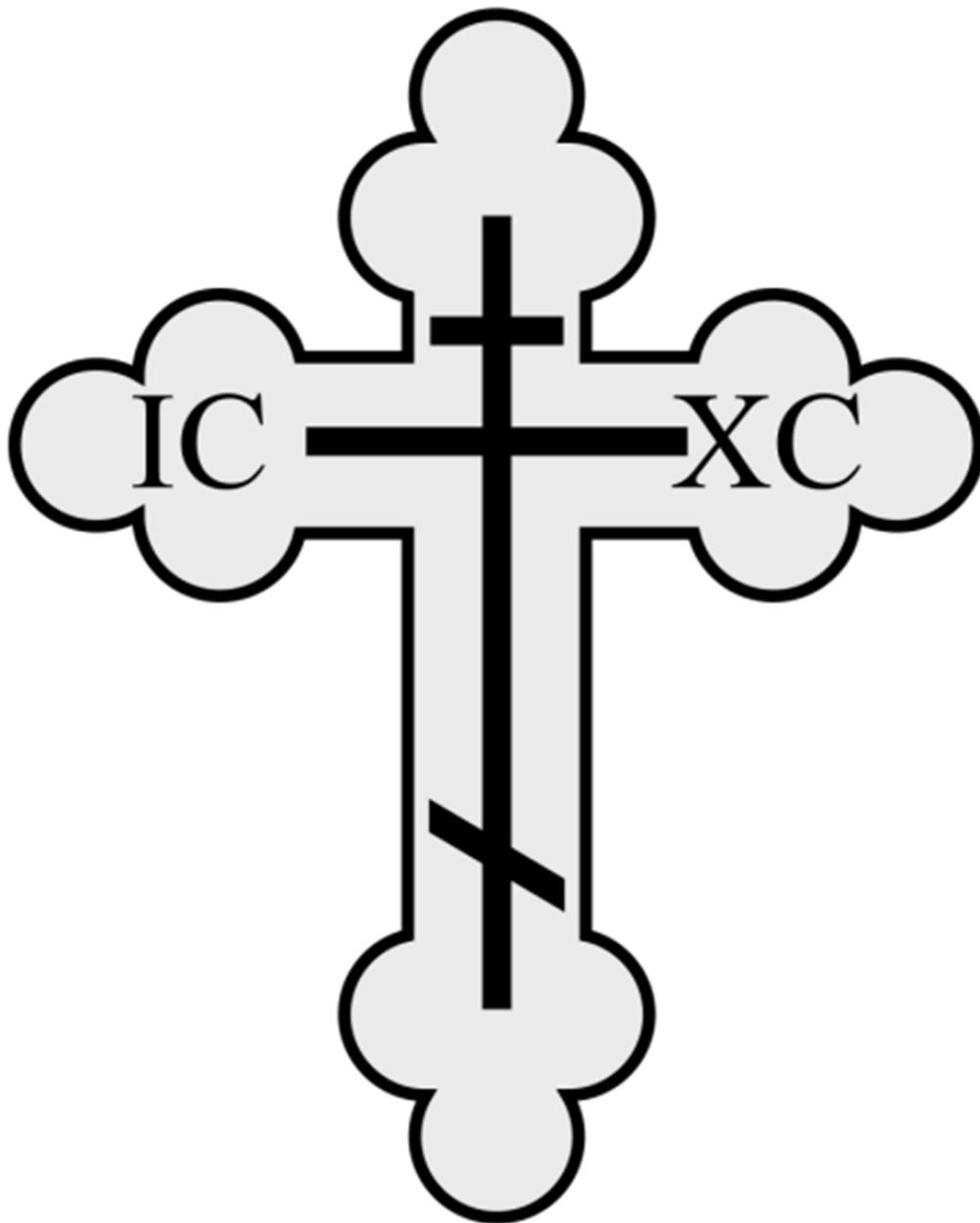
The **Church** is God's family!

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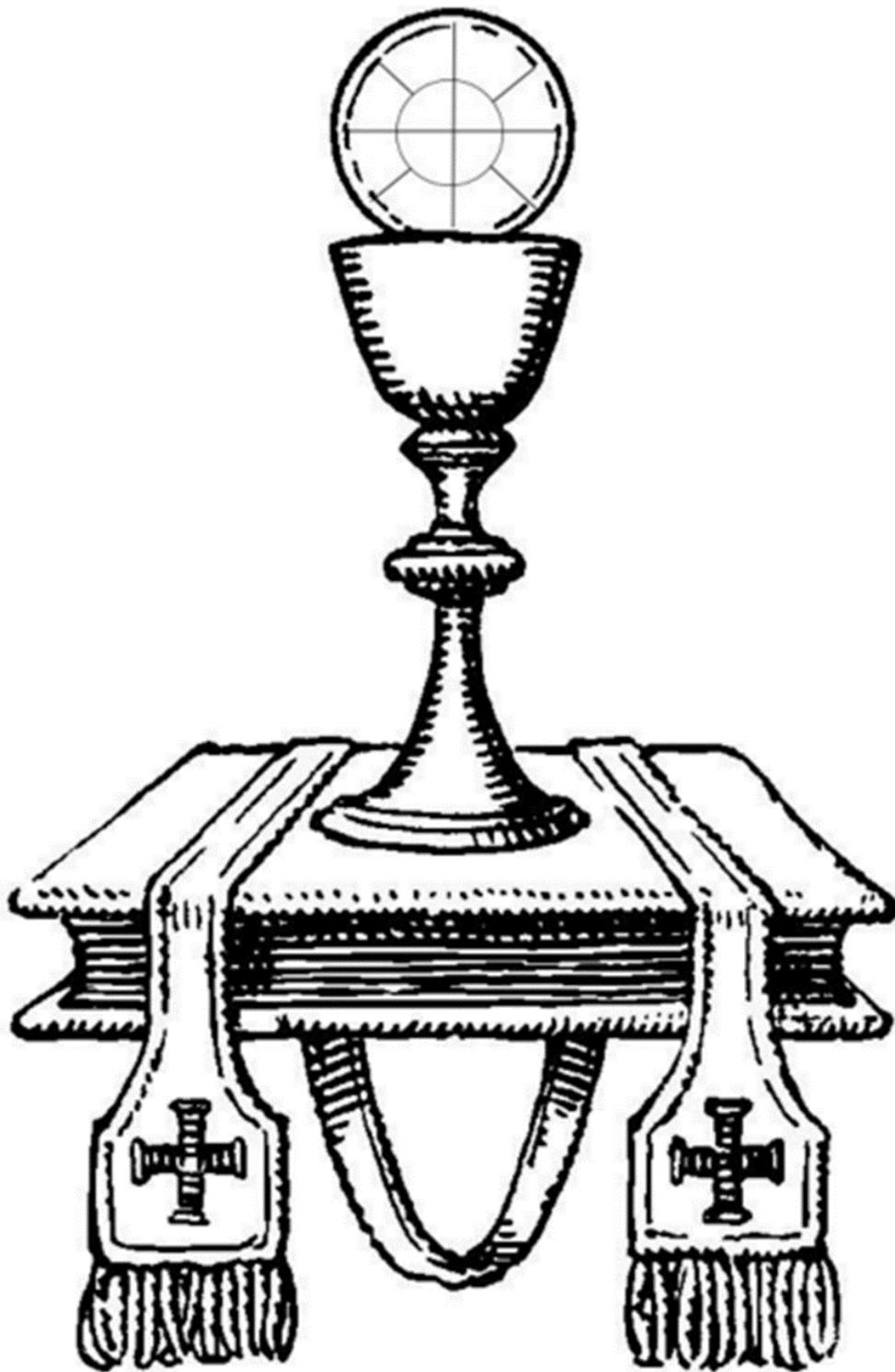
The **Church** is the Body of Christ.

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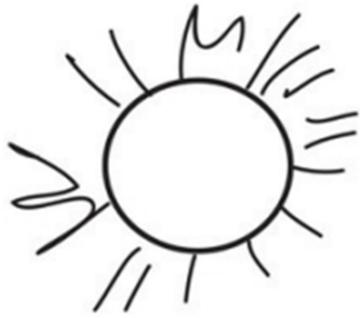


The **Church** is One.

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The **Church** is Holy.



The **Church** is Catholic.

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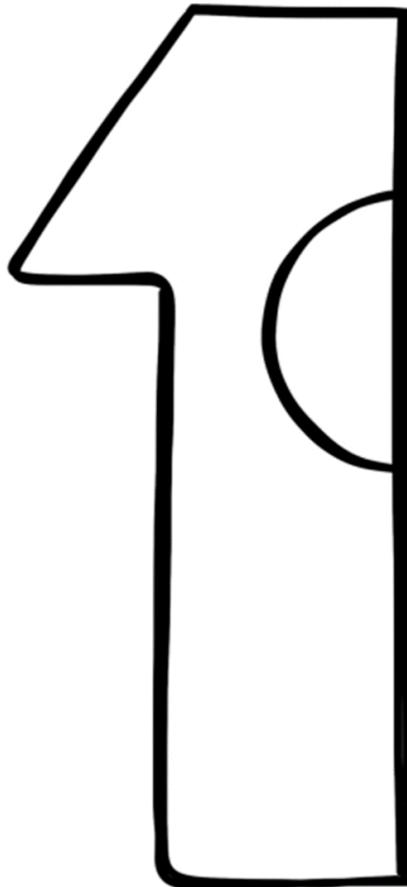
The **Church** is Apostolic.

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In the Beginning...

On the first day, **God** spoke and said,
“Let there be light”, and there was light!

“Let
there
be
light.”



He made day and night, and it was **good!**

On the second day, **God** spoke and made the sky and the water.



“Let
there
be
clouds
and
seas.”

He saw it was **good!**

On the third day, **God** spoke and made oceans, rivers, and seas. He made dry land with flowers, trees, and plants.

“Let
there
be
dry
land
with
plants
and trees.”



He saw it was **good!**

On the fourth day, **God** spoke and made the sun, moon, and stars.

“Let
there
be...



a sun,
moon
and
stars.”

He saw it was **good!**

On the fifth day, **God** spoke and made the birds, fish and other water animals.



“Let
there
be
creatures
in the sky & sea.”

He saw they were **good!**

On the sixth day, **God** spoke and made all the animals.

“Let there be land
animals.
Let us
make
man
in
our
image.”



He saw they were **good!**
He also spoke and made people that day. But,
God made man and woman to look like Himself.
He saw we were so **good!**

On the seventh day, **God** rested



All He had
made was
very
good
and
then He rested.

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Adam And Eve in the Garden of Eden

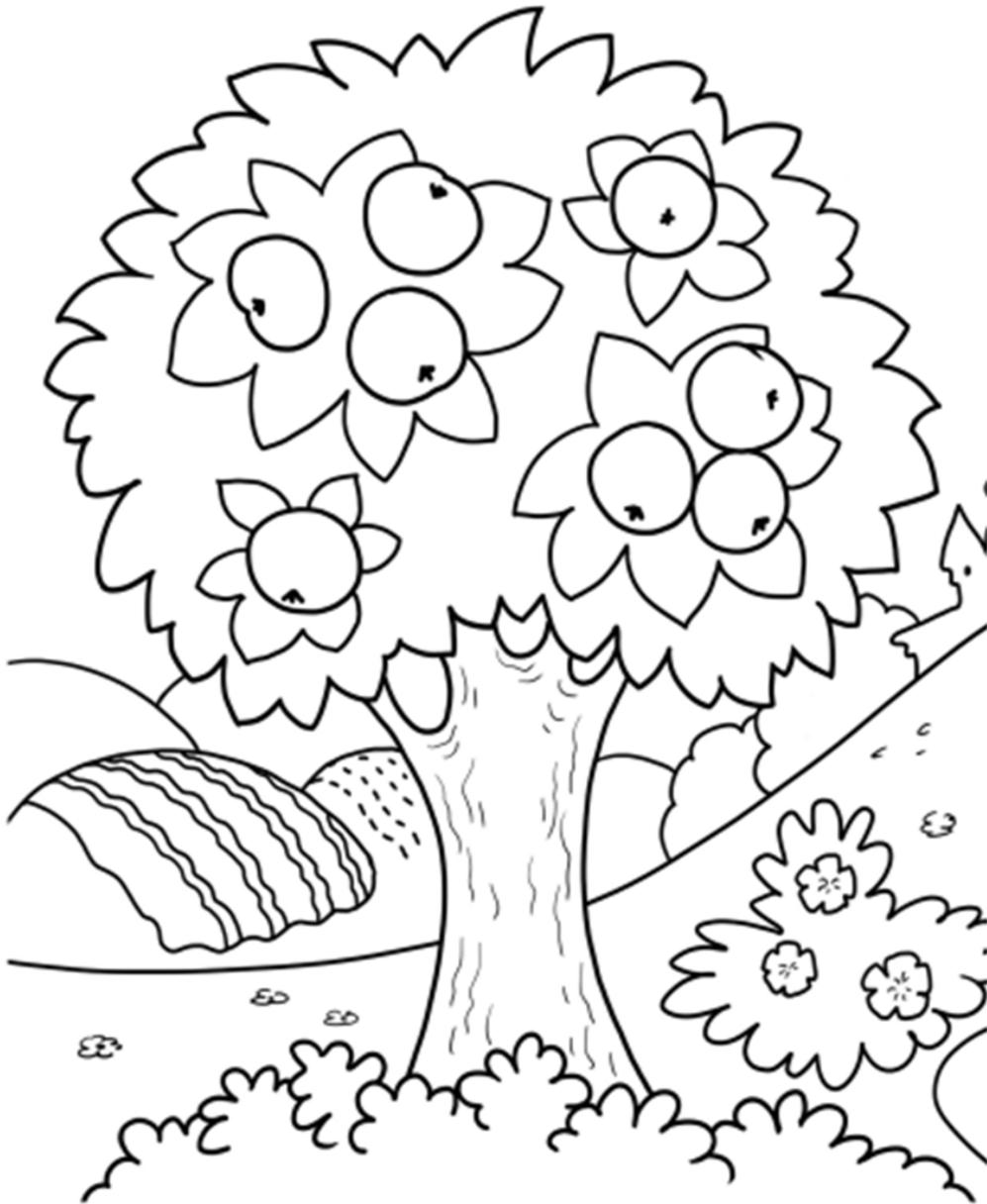
God made Adam and Eve, and they lived in a beautiful garden called Eden.



God gave Adam and Eve everything. There were animals, **fruits**, flowers ... all sorts of wonderful things!

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God loved Adam and Eve so much!



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At the centre of the garden was the **tree** of knowledge of good and evil. **God** told them not to eat the **fruit** from this **tree** as it would make them sick.

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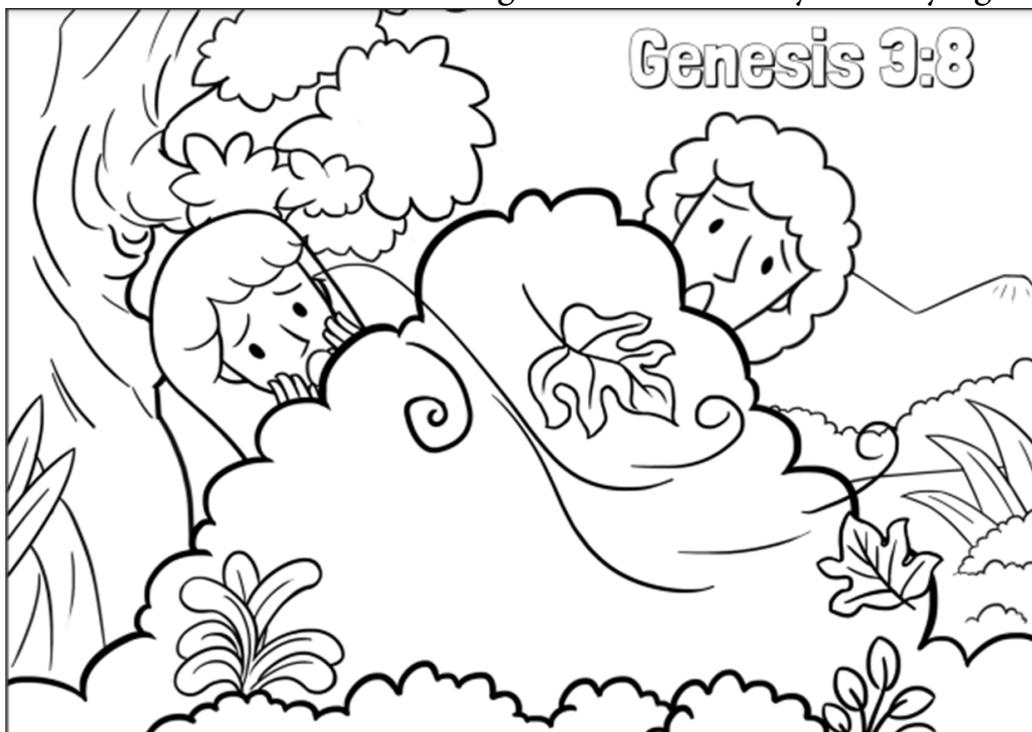
A sneaky snake lived in the garden. He was jealous that **God** loved Adam and Eve so much. So, one day he told Eve to eat the **fruit**.



Eve ate the **fruit**, and also gave some to Adam. And he ate it too.

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God was very sad that Adam and Eve did not listen. Adam and Eve now had to leave the garden because they were dying.

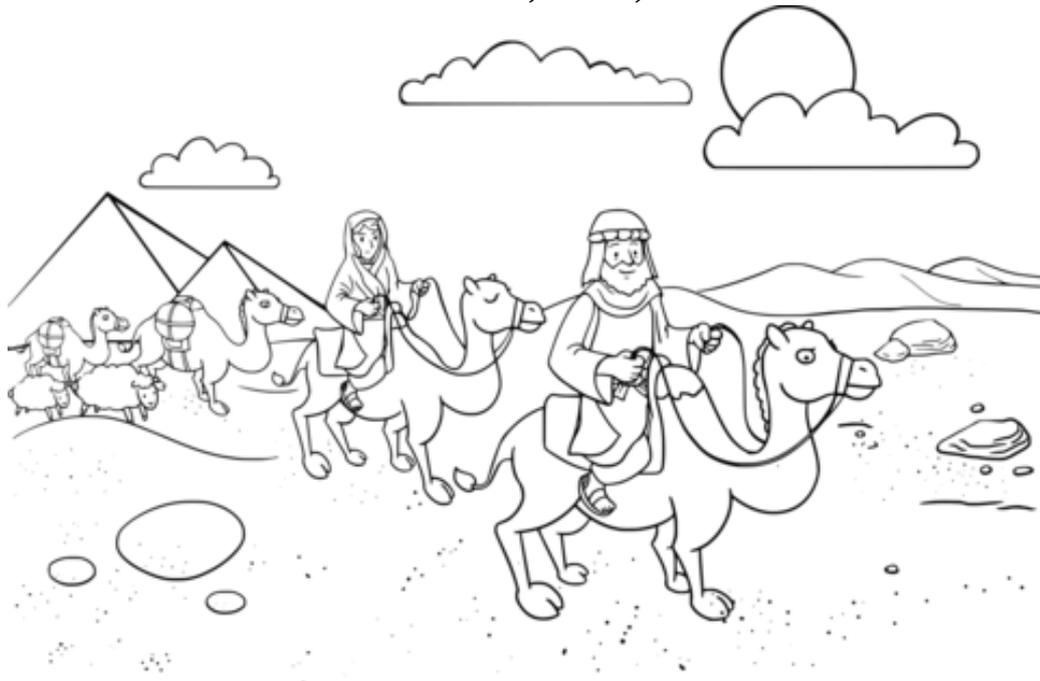


God still loved Adam and Eve very much, and would save them later.

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God's Promise

Abram and his wife, Sarah, **loved God.**



God told Abram. “Take everything you have.
Go to a far away land that I will show you”
Abram and Sarah **obeyed.**

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God was happy.



A long time has passed. Abraham and Sarah did not have a baby yet. But they had **faith** in **God**. They **prayed** and waited.

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One day, three visitors came by their home. Abraham and Sarah gave a good feast to them.



The visitor said, “Sarah will have a son soon”. Sarah laughed as she was very old. But they waited for God’s promise to come true.

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Time passed by. Abraham was 100 years old. Sarah gave birth to a son. They thanked **God** and named the baby Isaac.



A long time has passed. Abraham and Sarah did not have a baby yet. But they had **faith** in **God**. They **prayed** and waited.

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Leader for the Israelites

To save her **baby**, Moses' mother placed him in a basket in the river.



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The **baby** was found by the King's daughter, who kept and raised Moses.
When Moses grew up, he ran away from
the king's house to live in the desert.



He spent his days being a shepherd. **God** loved him.

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One day, **God** spoke to Moses and told him to save His people in Egypt.



Moses listened and **obeyed God**.

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God gave Moses Ten Commandments and told him to share it with **God's** people.



The Ten Commandments helps us to be like **God**.

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Daniel and the Roaring Lions

Daniel loved God.



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Daniel **prayed** to **God** but some people did not like that.

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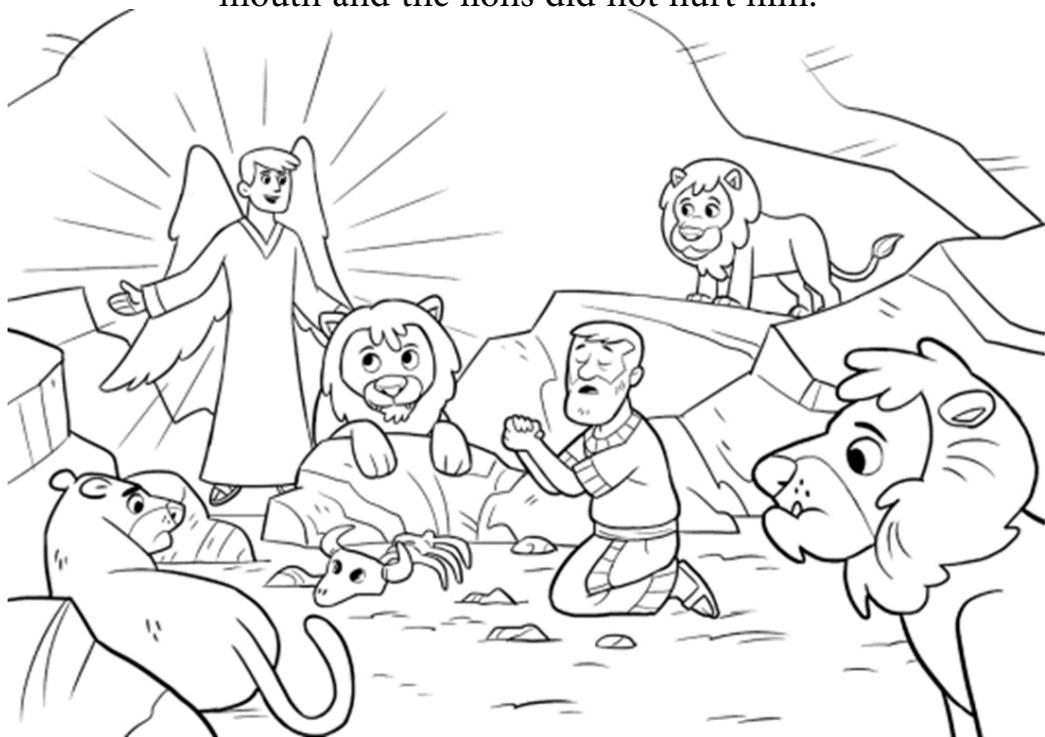
They threw Daniel into a lion's den.



Daniel **prayed** to God.

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God sent an angel to shut the lion's mouth and the lions did not hurt him.



God is always watching over us.

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Prayer

Our **Father**, who art in **heaven**, hallowed be Thy **Name**



Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in **heaven**.



Give us this day, our daily bread



and forgive us our debts and sins as we also have forgiven our debtors.



Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.



For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen!

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A King is Born

An **angel** visited Mary and asked if she would be the **mother** of **Jesus**.



Mary said yes, and **obeyed** God's will.

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Mary's son is **Jesus**. **Jesus is God**.



Saint Mary is the **Mother of God**.

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Christmas is when **God** is born as a man!
Glorify Him!



Jesus grew up and taught us many important things. **Jesus** saved the world!

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A Little Boy versus A Giant



David was a young **shepherd** boy who was very special to **God**. He made up songs and sang them to **God**.

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One song is, “The Lord is my **Shepherd.**”



The Holy Spirit made David brave. With **God's** help,
David defeated a big and strong giant named Goliath.

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Later, David became the King, and he loved and **trusted God** very much.

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Baptism of Jesus



John the Baptist was a prophet! He lived in the desert and ate bugs and honey.

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John the **Baptist** lived in the wilderness. People came to him to be **baptized** in the River Jordan so that their sins can be forgiven.



One day **Jesus** came to be **baptized** by **John**. **John** was very surprised to see **Jesus**. He knew that Jesus is the **Son of God** and that he had never sinned. Jesus said that John must **baptize** him because it is what God wanted.

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John obeyed and baptized **Jesus**. After **Jesus** was baptized, the heavens opened and the **Holy Spirit** came down in the form of a **dove**.

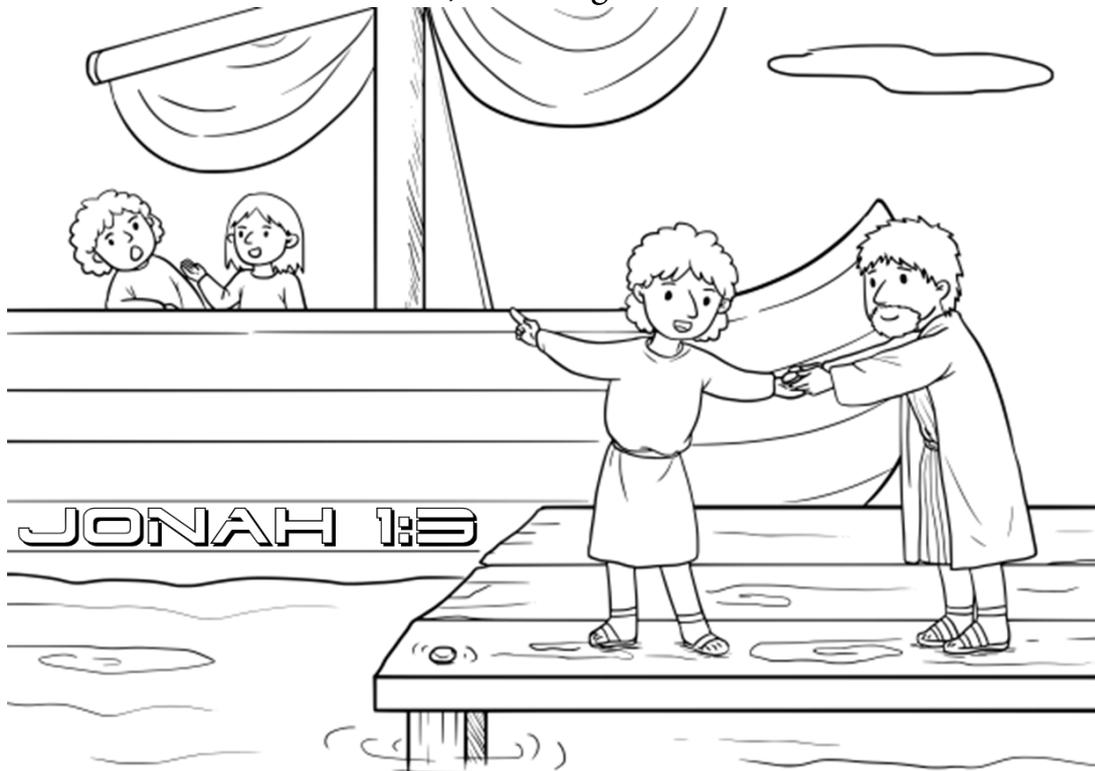


Theophany

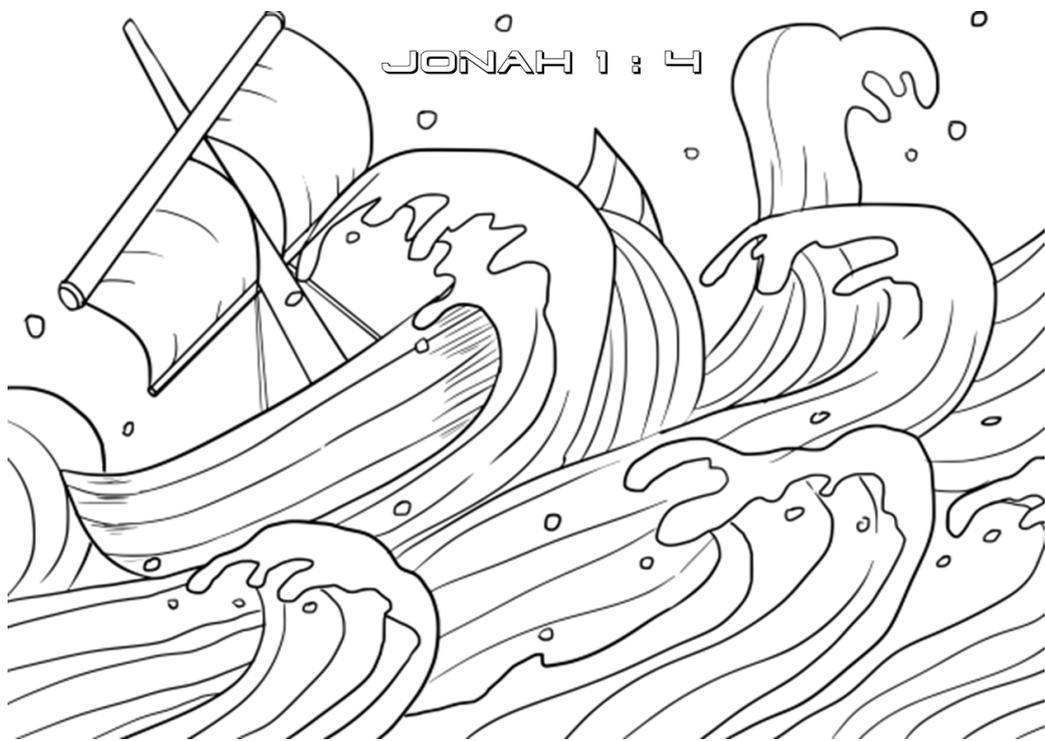
Suddenly a voice came from heaven and said “*This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased*”.

Jonah and the Sea Creature

God asked Jonah to go to Nineveh.



Jonah did not want to go and ran away. Jonah went on a boat, but God knew where he was going.

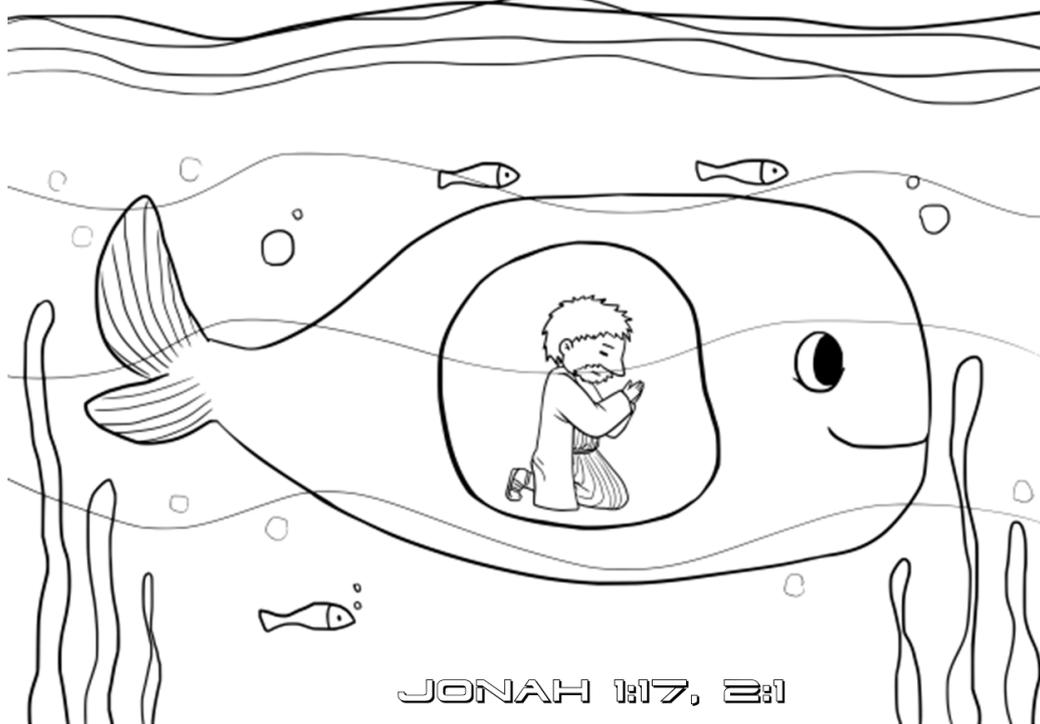


A big storm came.



Jonah was thrown into the sea to save the ship.

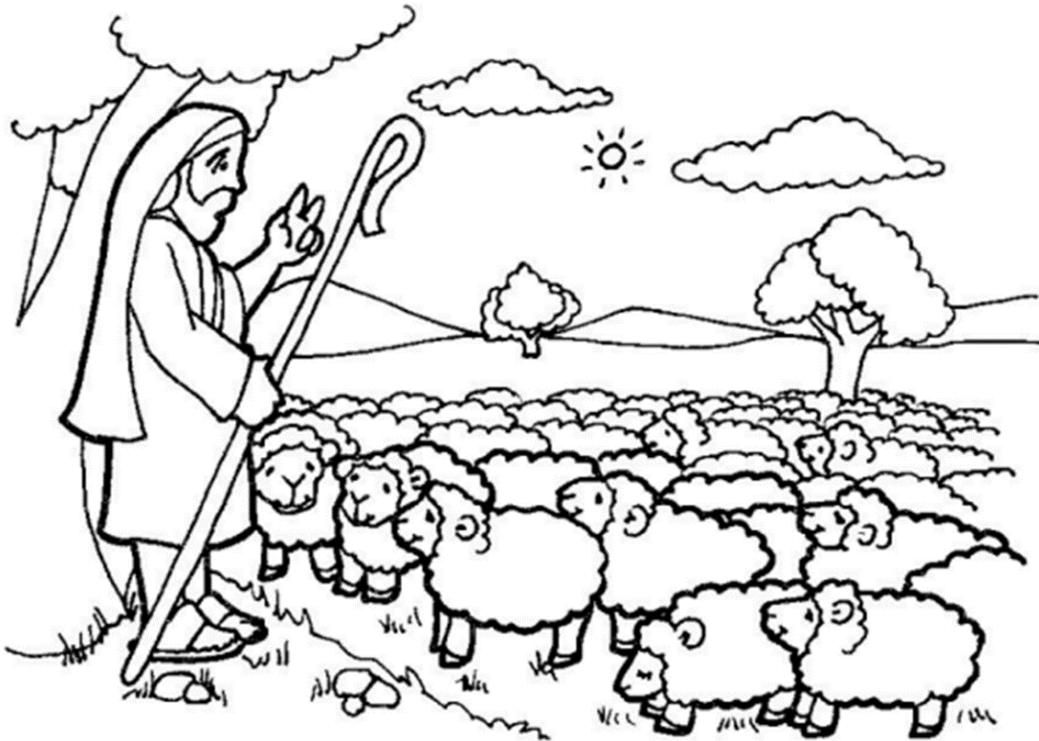
A big fish then swallowed Jonah! Jonah was in the belly of the fish for 3 days and 3 nights. He prayed to God for help.



The big fish spit him on to the dry land.
Jonah listened to God and went to Nineveh.

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The Good Shepherd



Jesus told a story about a man who had 100 sheep, but one got lost.



The shepherd left his 99 sheep and went to look for his one lost sheep.



When the shepherd found his lost sheep, he carried the sheep back home to celebrate.



He was filled with joy when he found his lost sheep.

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Lost sheep, lost sheep,

(Hold right hand above eyes as if you are shielding your eyes from the sun)

Where did you go?

(Hold out hands with palms up and begin to shrug shoulders)

Jesus will find you,

(Touch right pointer finger to left palm and then left pointer finger to right palm)

I'm sure you know.

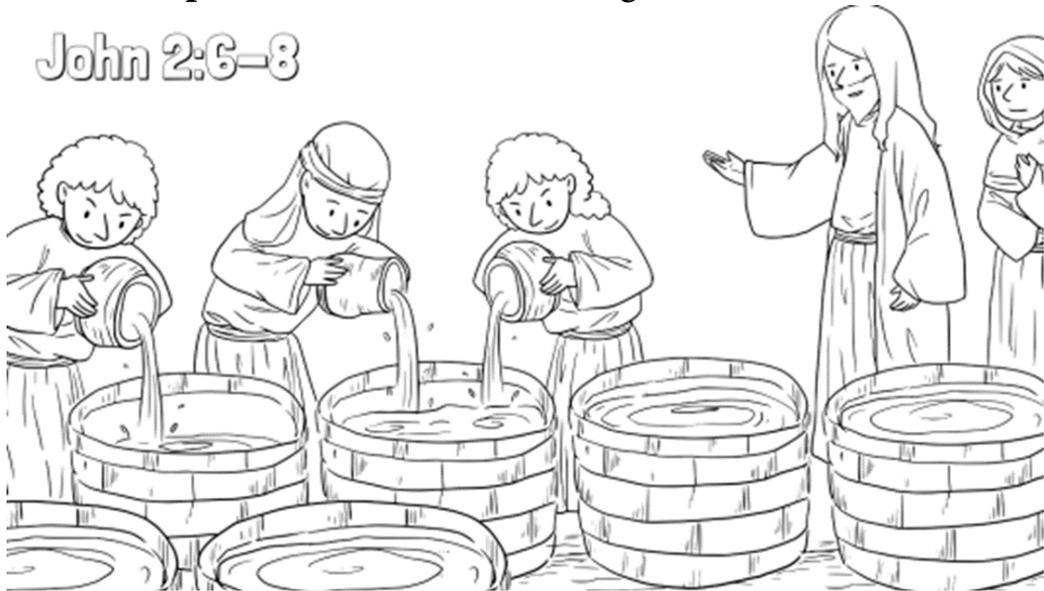
(Point to your head)

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Jesus performs miracles

A Special Feast – Jesus Turning water into Wine

John 2:6–8



Jesus was at a wedding in Cana with His mother, St. Mary. The wine was finished. Mother Mary felt bad and asked Jesus to help. He told them to take some water from the pot and give it to the master of the feast. He tasted it. It was not water any more. The water had turned into a very tasty wine.

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A Healing From Afar



One day, a man came to visit Jesus. His son was very sick. So, he said, “Master, I know you can heal my son without even coming to my home. You just have to say a word”. Jesus was happy to see his faith. Jesus told him, “Your son will live. Go home in peace.”

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A Walk With a Bed

Jesus makes a sick man well.

John 5:1-15

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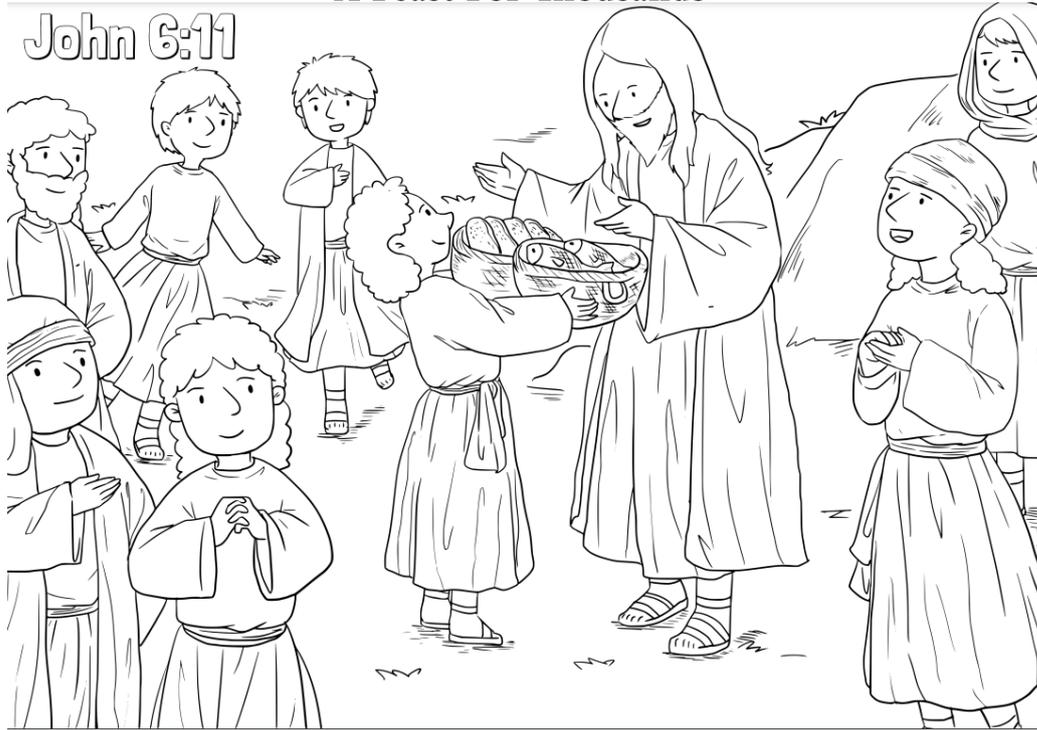


One day Jesus was going by the pool of Bethesda. There was a paralytic lying on the porch beside the pool. He couldn't move his hands or legs. The man was lying near the pool all alone. Jesus told him, "Take your bed and walk." The man was healed!

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A Feast For Thousands

John 6:11



One day Jesus left in a boat for a quiet place in a mountain. But people found Jesus and gathered around him. He began teaching them. Jesus told His disciples, "The people are getting hungry; we must get them some food". One little boy had a basket of five small loaves of bread and two fish. He looked up to heaven and gave thanks for the food. The disciples passed food to all people. The leftovers were twelve large baskets. Jesus had fed five thousand men, along with women and children, with just five loaves of bread and two fish.

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Jesus Walks on Water



After the giant meal, the disciples left on a boat for Capernaum. Hours went by, and the boat was a long way from shore. A strong wind was blowing, and the boat was being tossed around on the waves. The disciples started to get worried. Just then, they saw someone walking on the water towards them. It was Jesus. Jesus reached the boat and got inside. Right away, the wind died down.

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Jesus Heals a Blind Man



One day, Jesus and his disciples were walking along a road in Jerusalem. They saw a man who had been blind since he was born. Jesus spit to the ground. He made a ball of mud and rubbed it on the eyes of the blind man. He told him, "Go wash your eyes in the pool of Siloam. The man washed his eyes. When he opened his eyes, he could see.

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The road to Easter

Palm Sunday



It was the day of the big festival of Passover in Jerusalem. “Look, Jesus is coming. He is riding on a donkey.” All the people put clothes on the way. They waved palm leaves and sang. “Hosanna in the highest, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord”.

What a wonderful greeting for Jesus! We remember this day as **PALM SUNDAY**.

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The Last Supper



Jesus took bread and wine and blessed it. He gave it to his disciples. “ This bread and wine are part of me. Take them as a way of remembering me”. We remember and partake in Jesus’s body and blood in the **HOLY QURBANA**.

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Jesus Prays



After supper, Jesus and his disciples went into a garden on the Mount of Olives. Jesus prayed , “Father, let it happen as per your will.” When he came back, he saw the disciples were asleep. He woke them up and said, “The time has come.”

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A Dark Friday



Friday morning, the high priest Caiphas took Jesus before the Roman Governor Pontius Pilate. Jewish leaders blamed Jesus. “He calls himself King of Jews. Put him to death”. They put a red robe and a crown of thorns on Jesus. They made Jesus carry his cross to a place called Golgotha. Jesus was nailed on the cross between two thieves. Jesus died on the cross. We remember this day as **GOOD FRIDAY**.

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A Joyful Sunday



Christ is risen from the dead. What joyful news!
We remember this day as **EASTER SUNDAY**.

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Apostle to India



St. Thomas was one of the twelve disciples that Jesus chose to follow Him.

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India



In AD 52, **St. Thomas** traveled to India. **St. Thomas** established seven churches in Kerala and baptized several families. **St. Thomas** died in AD 72.

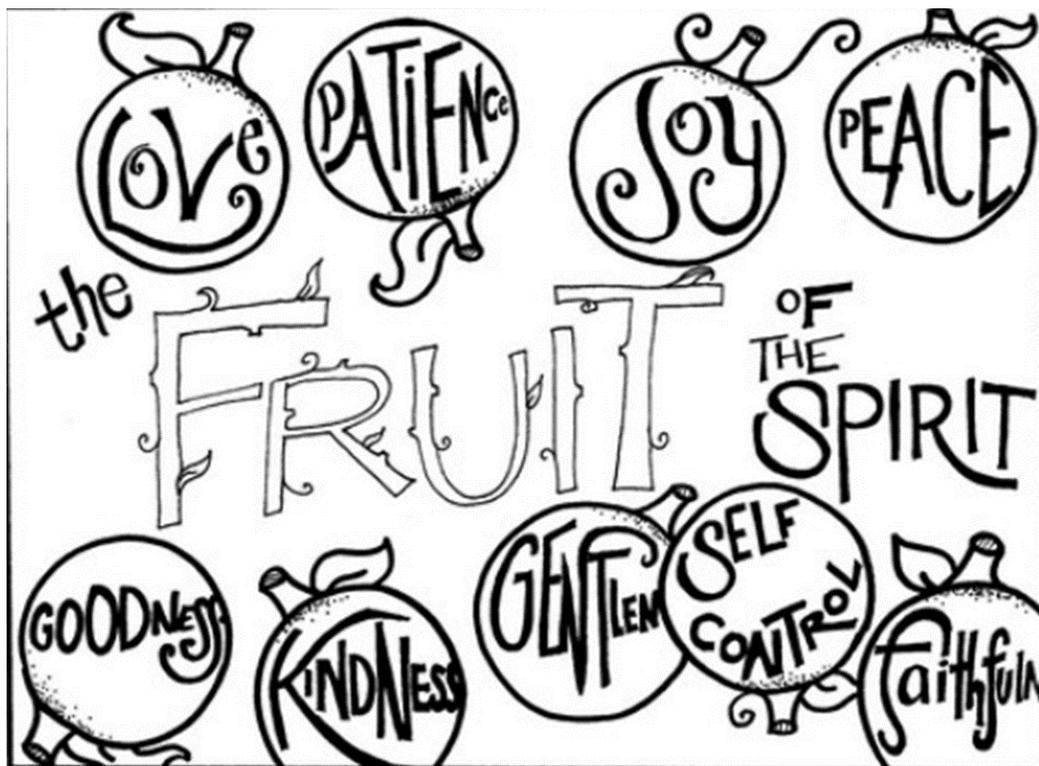
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You are a special child to God

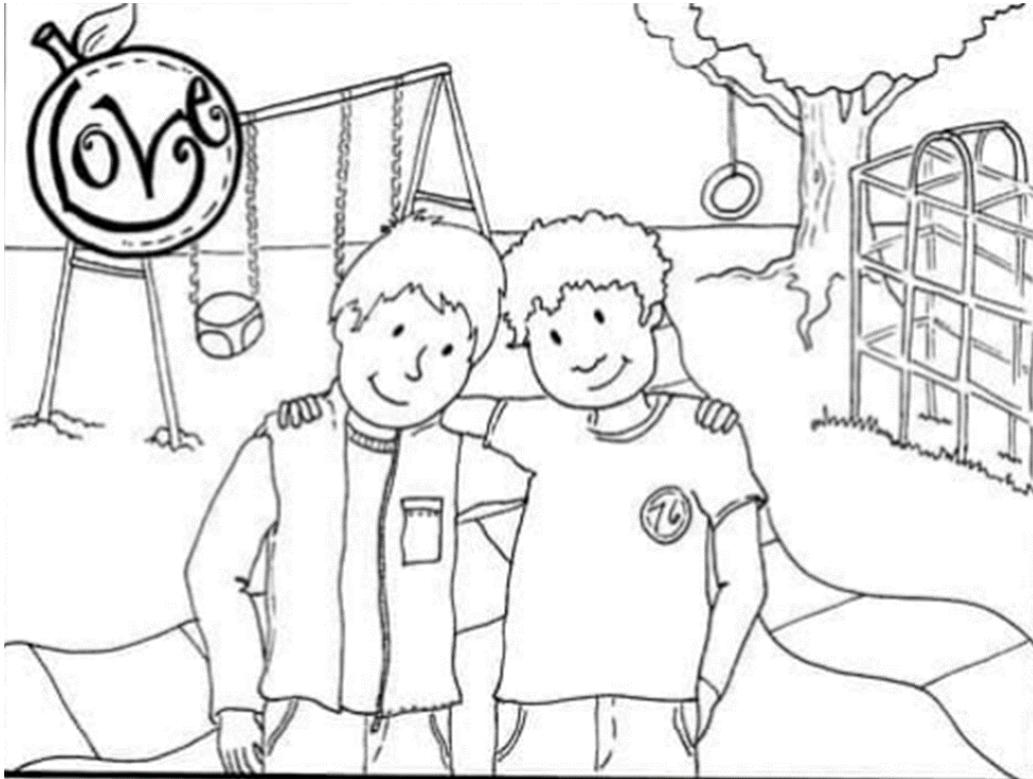


You are so special to God; the Bible says you are fearfully and wonderfully made. It means that God created you on purpose and you are special to Him.

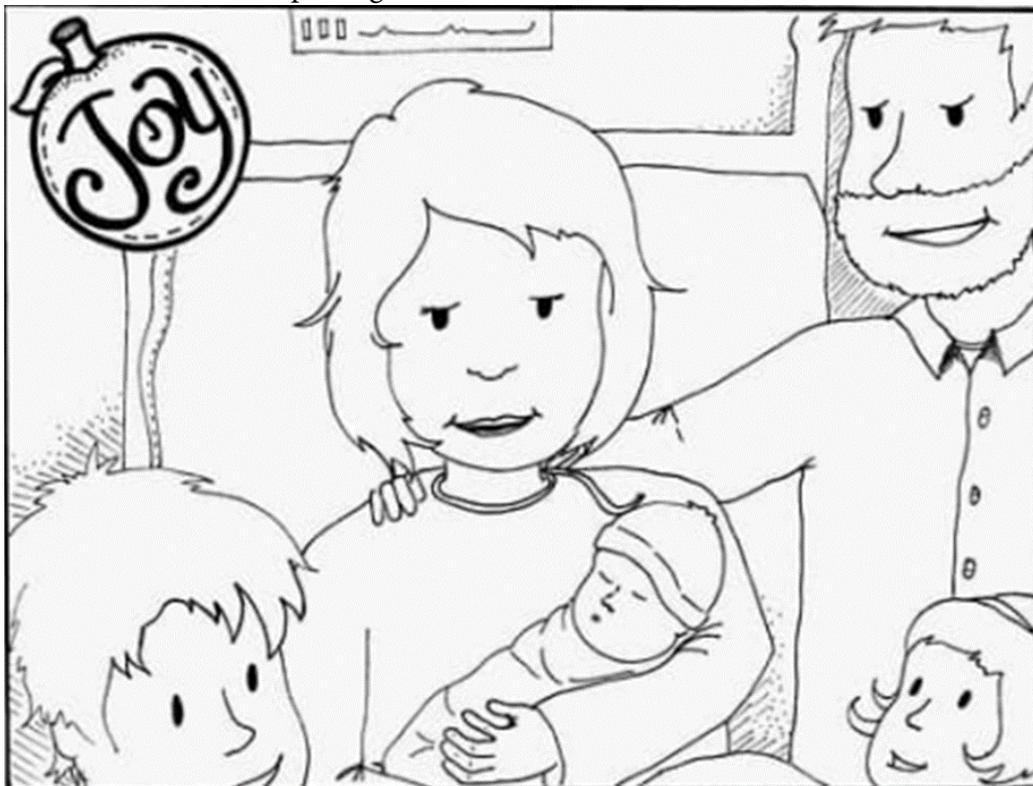
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Let us look at some trees and their fruits. A good and healthy tree would produce good fruits. But a bad and unhealthy tree will produce bad fruits. Just like we can tell a tree by its fruits, so a Good Christian person can be seen by how they act. The Bible says that the fruit of the Spirit of God is love, joy, peace, longsuffering (patience), kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. (*Galatians 5:22- 23*).



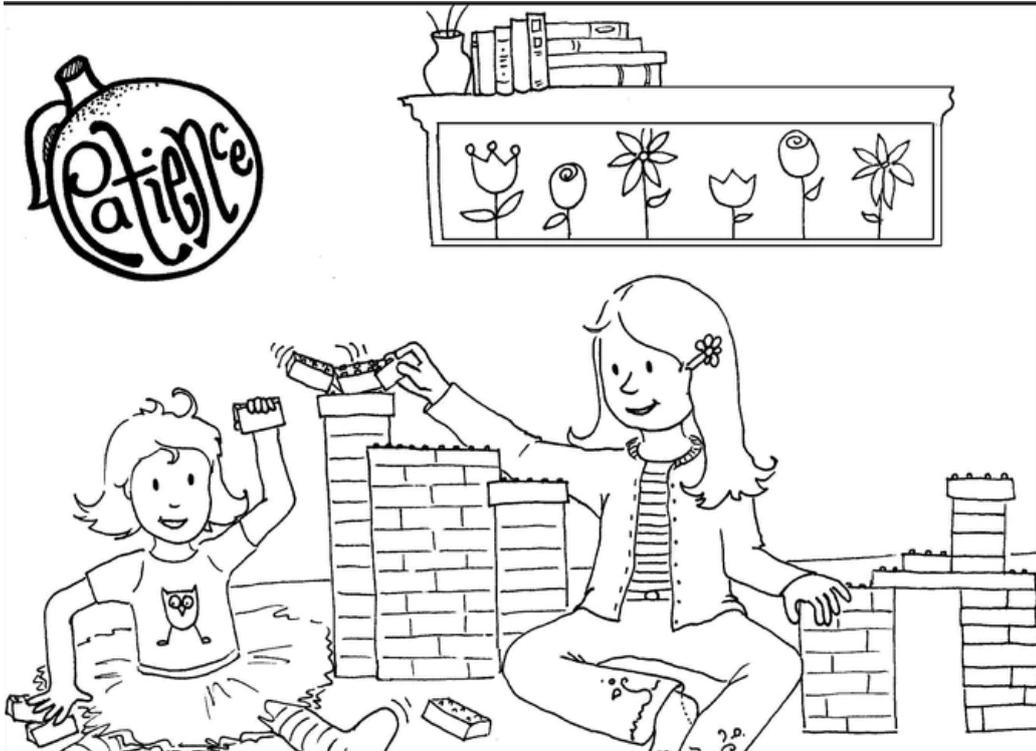
Love is putting the needs of others before our own



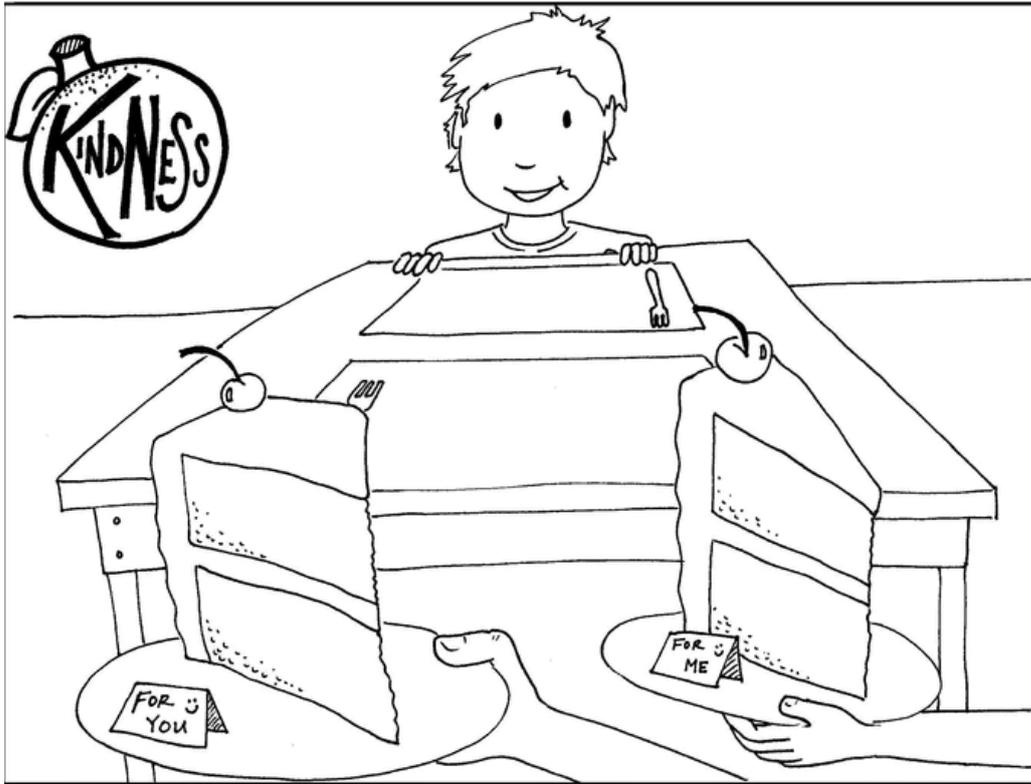
Joy is not the same as being happy; joy is even better than happiness!



Peace is staying calm even when things are bad, scary or seem impossible.



Patience is when we make the choice to wait and not complain about it.



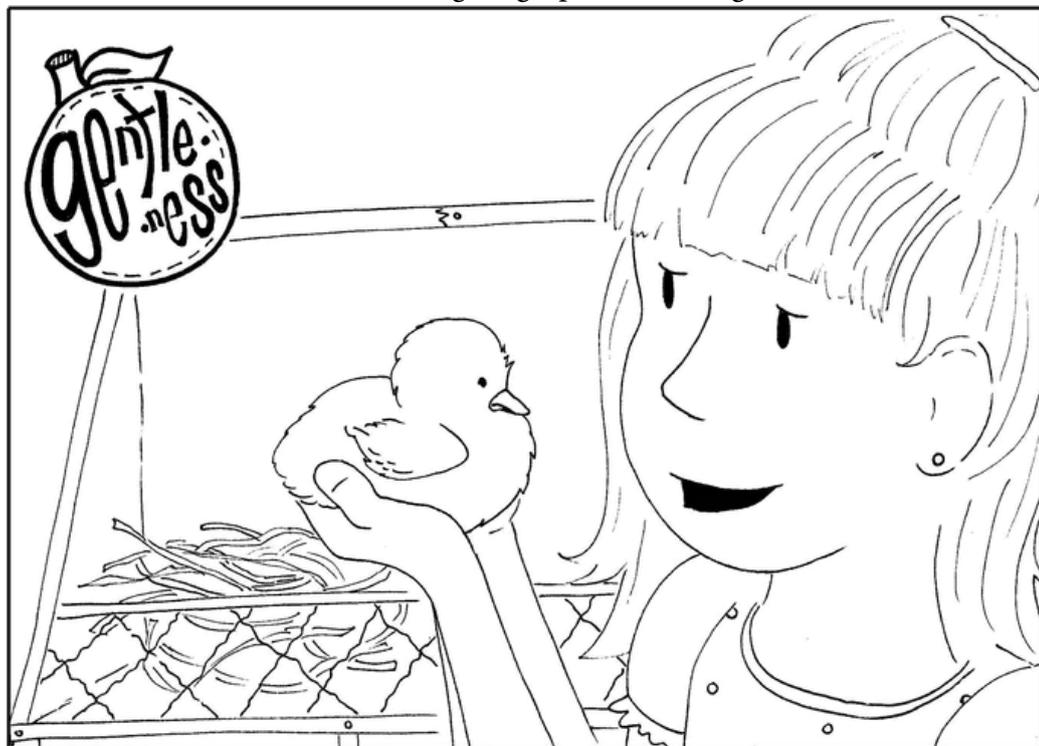
Kindness is making the choice to be nice to everyone, even when it's not easy.



Goodness is a quality to do good, even when it isn't easy.



Faithfulness is not giving up and trusting in God.



Gentleness is making the choice to care and love others when they are in need (bearing each other's burdens).



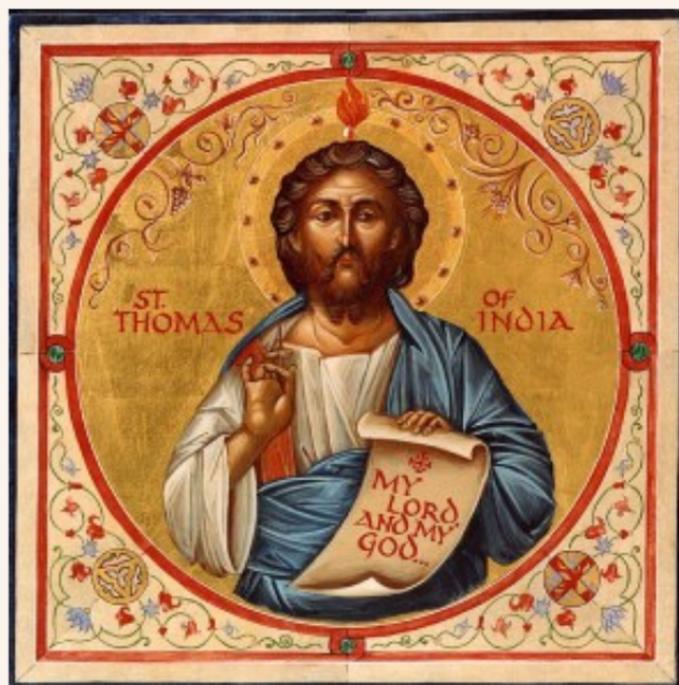
Self-Control is thinking before you act or speak.

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