

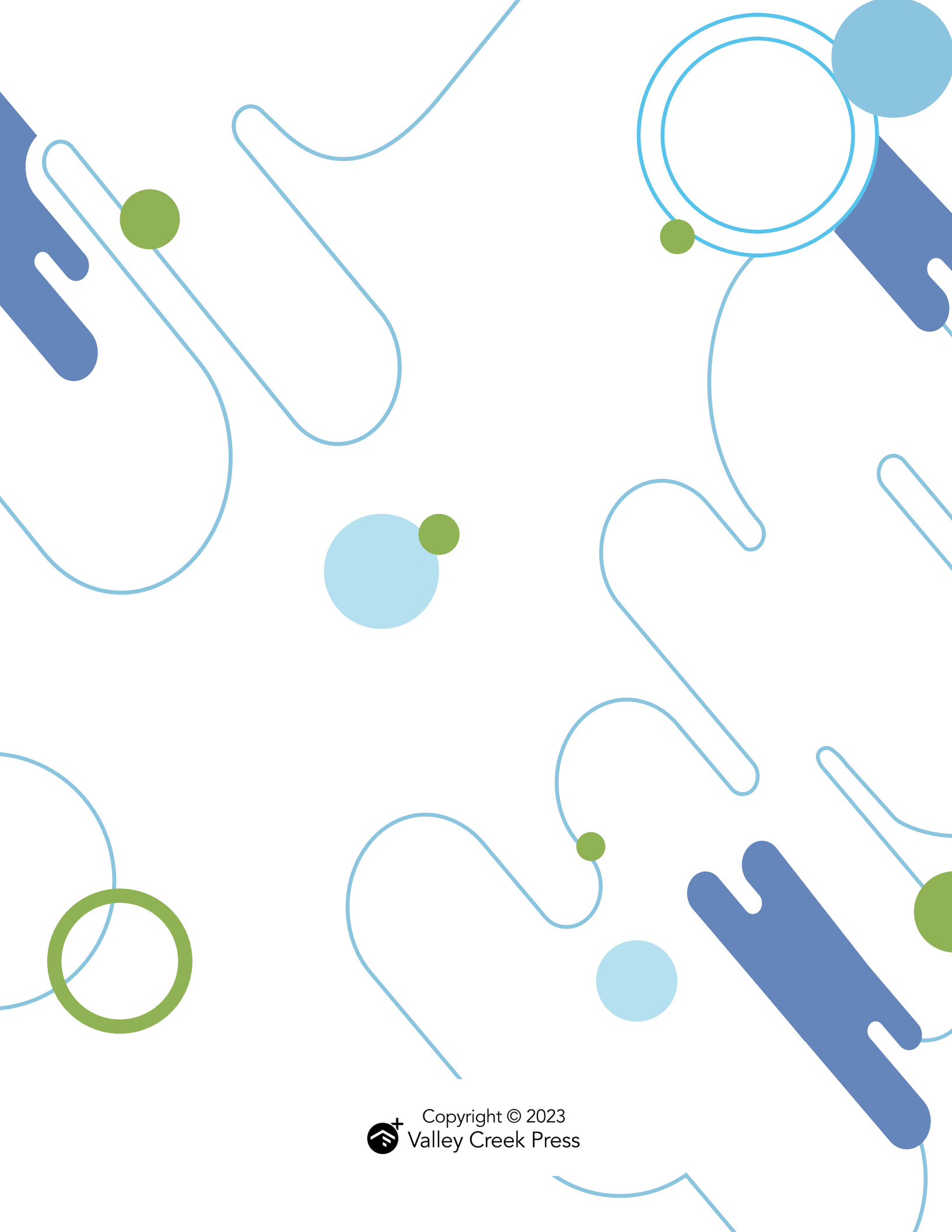


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# EASTER



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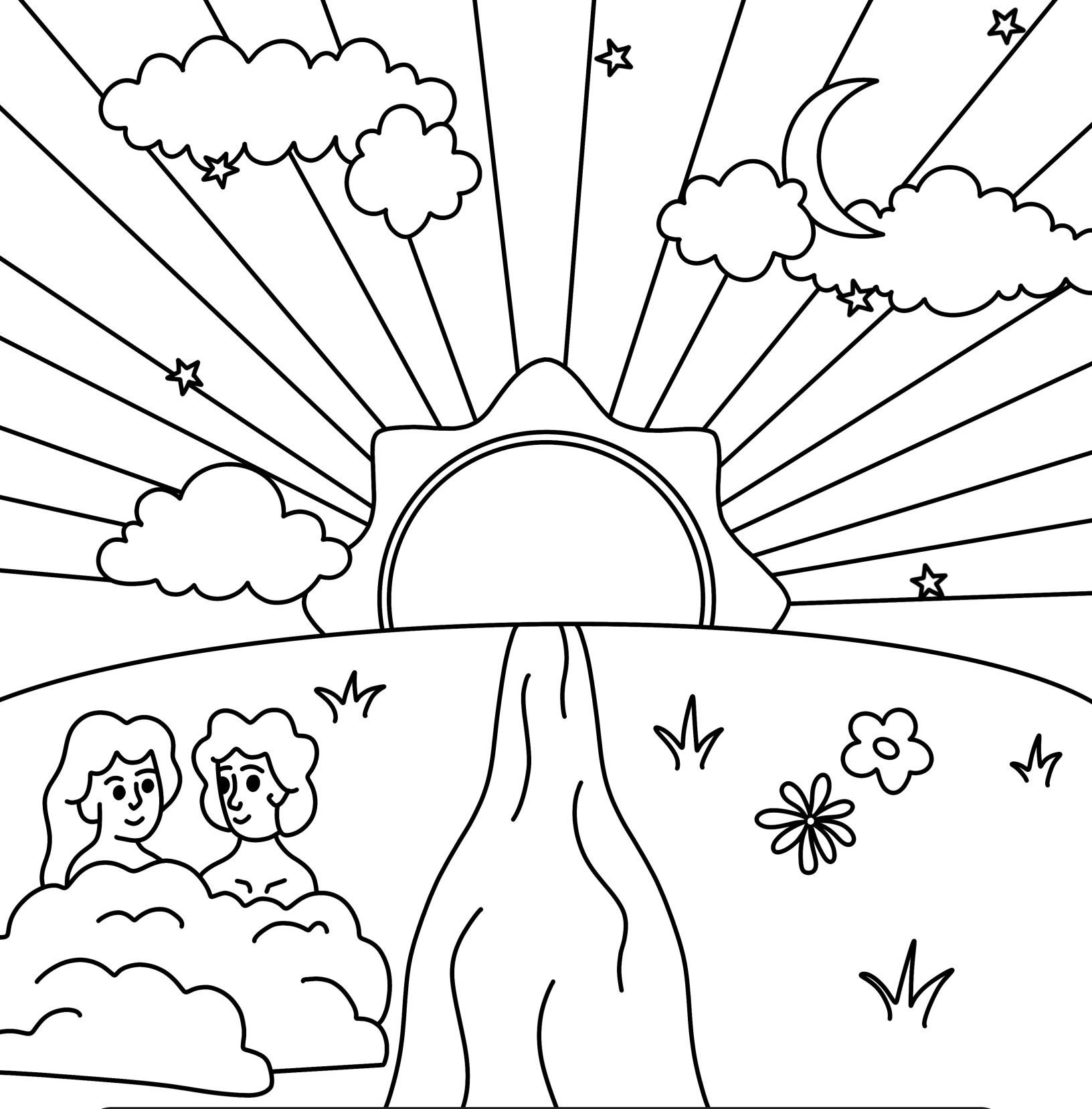
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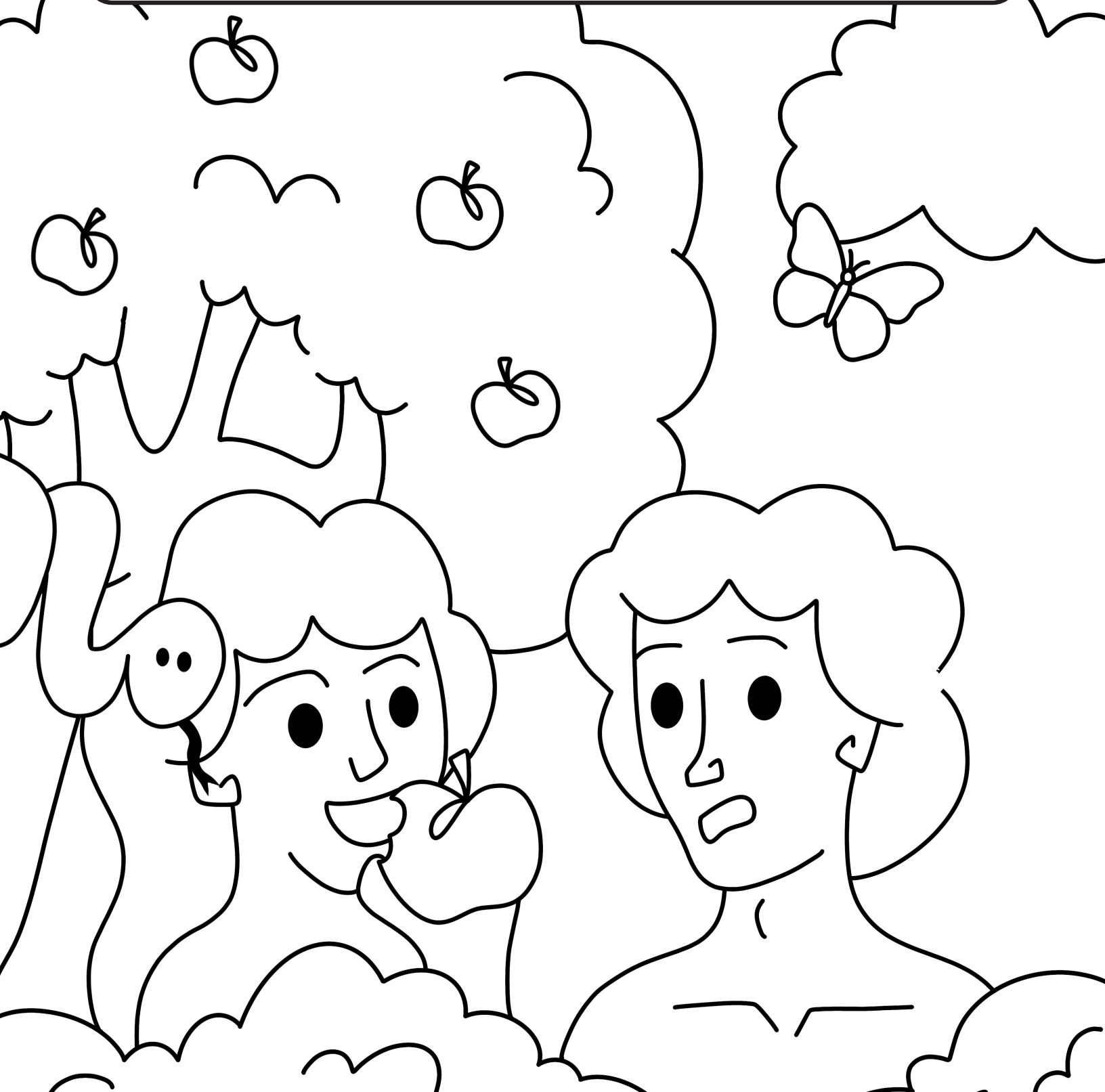


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In the beginning of time, God created the heavens and the earth and everything in the whole universe... including people! He created a man and a woman in His image and likeness, breathed life into them, and placed them in a garden to live with Him. God blessed the man and woman and gave them authority to rule and reign with Him in the garden. This was God's original design, and it was very good.

But then, an enemy disguised as a serpent entered the garden. He convinced the man and woman to eat fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, the one thing God had asked them not to do. At that moment, sin entered the world. Our identity was wrecked, our relationship with God was broken, and our purpose was lost. So, because He loved us, God set a rescue plan in motion. He promised to send a Savior who would make all things right.

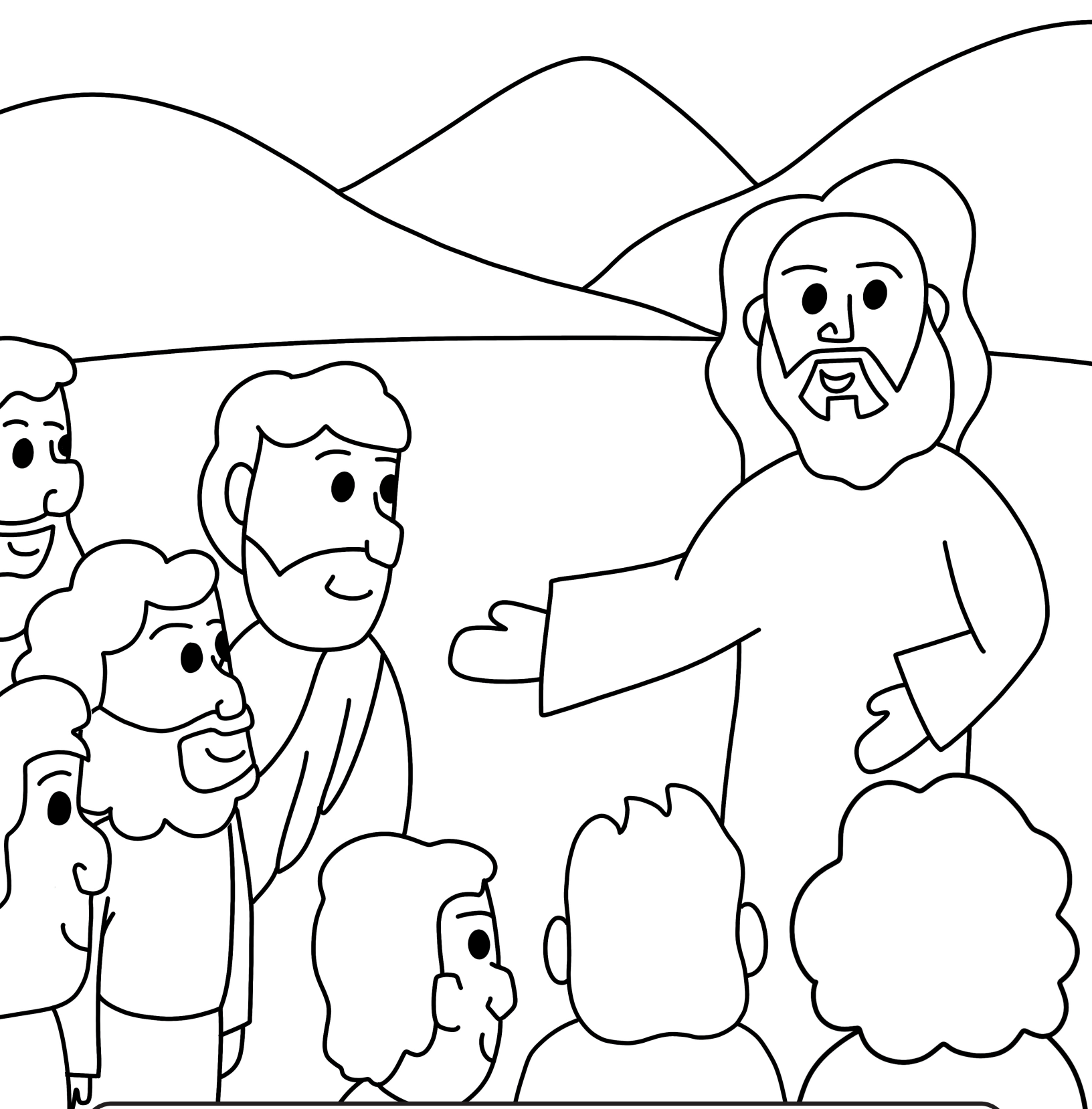




When the time was right, God sent the promised Savior – His one and only Son, Jesus. Born as a little baby in a manger to an ordinary man and woman, Jesus left His throne and His crown behind, making Himself nothing just so He could come to earth to serve us. He grew up and faced every challenge, trial, or grief we could ever experience, and still, He was perfect in every way. He was God’s heart on display for everyone to see!

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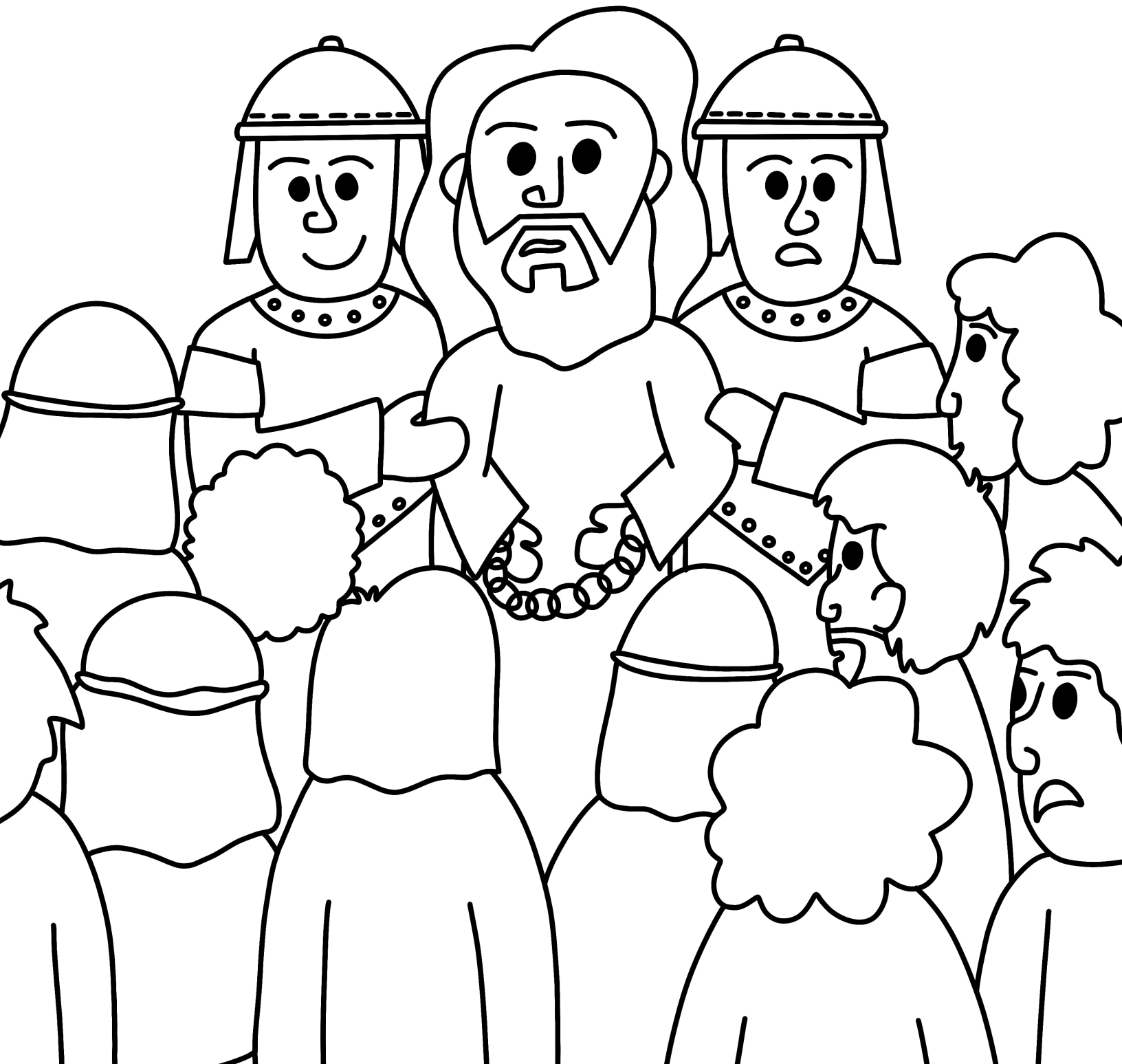
JOHN 3:16



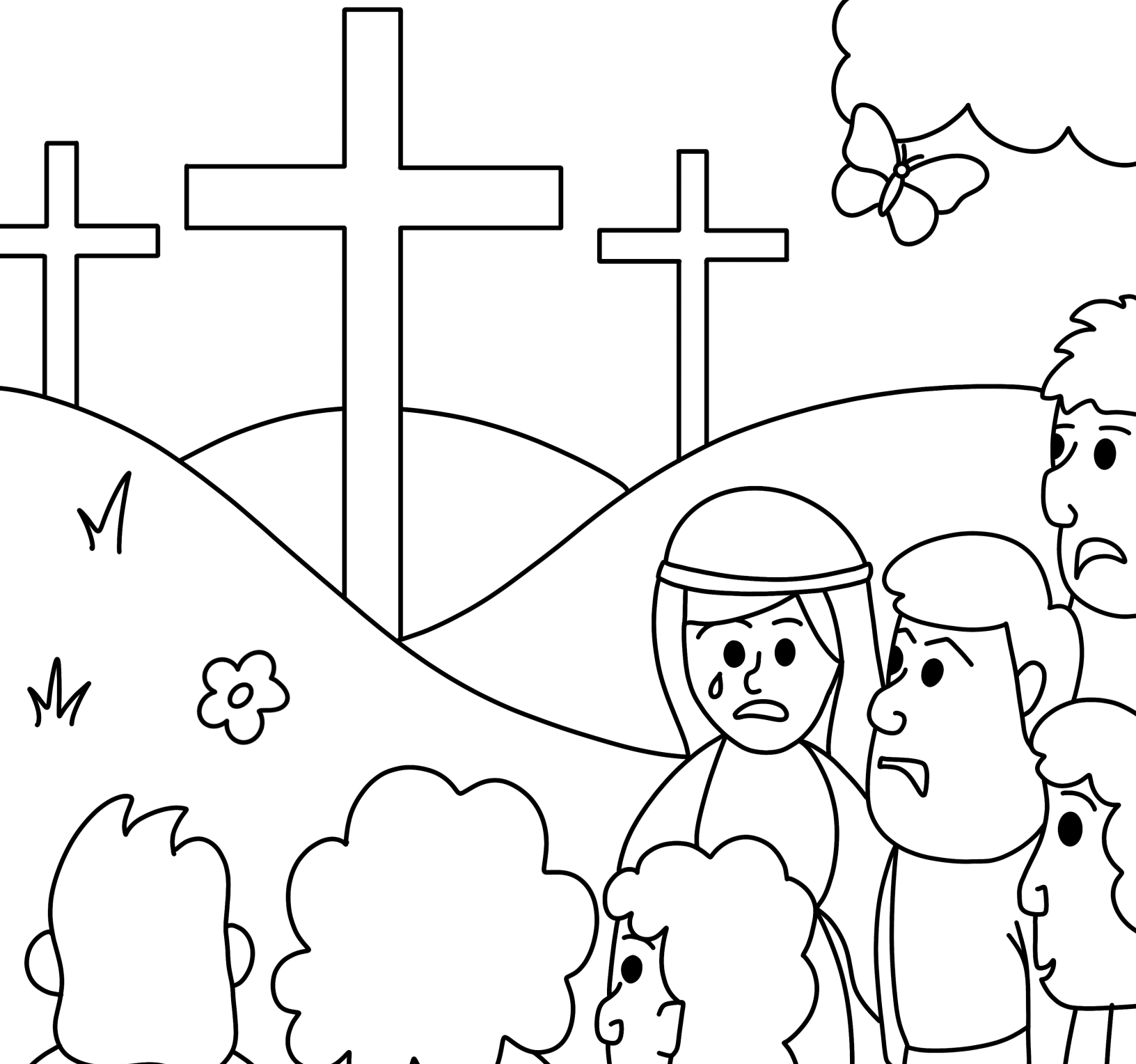
Jesus brought kindness to hate, love to fear, and peace to chaos. He was showing us a new way of living! It was time to change our way of thinking because the kingdom of heaven was here. Everywhere Jesus went, miracles happened. He healed the sick, calmed storms, brought the dead back to life, and so much more. People loved Jesus and knew He was our Savior! Crowds gathered everywhere He went just to see Him and hear Him speak.



But others rejected Jesus. They didn't believe He was the Son of God. The rulers of the land saw Jesus as a threat and wanted Him dead, so a plan was hatched to get rid of Him once and for all. Jesus was arrested and sentenced to death on a cross. A crown of thorns was placed on His head, and crowds of people who once celebrated Jesus were now shouting for Him to be crucified. Jesus hadn't done anything wrong, but this was part of God's plan to fix everything.



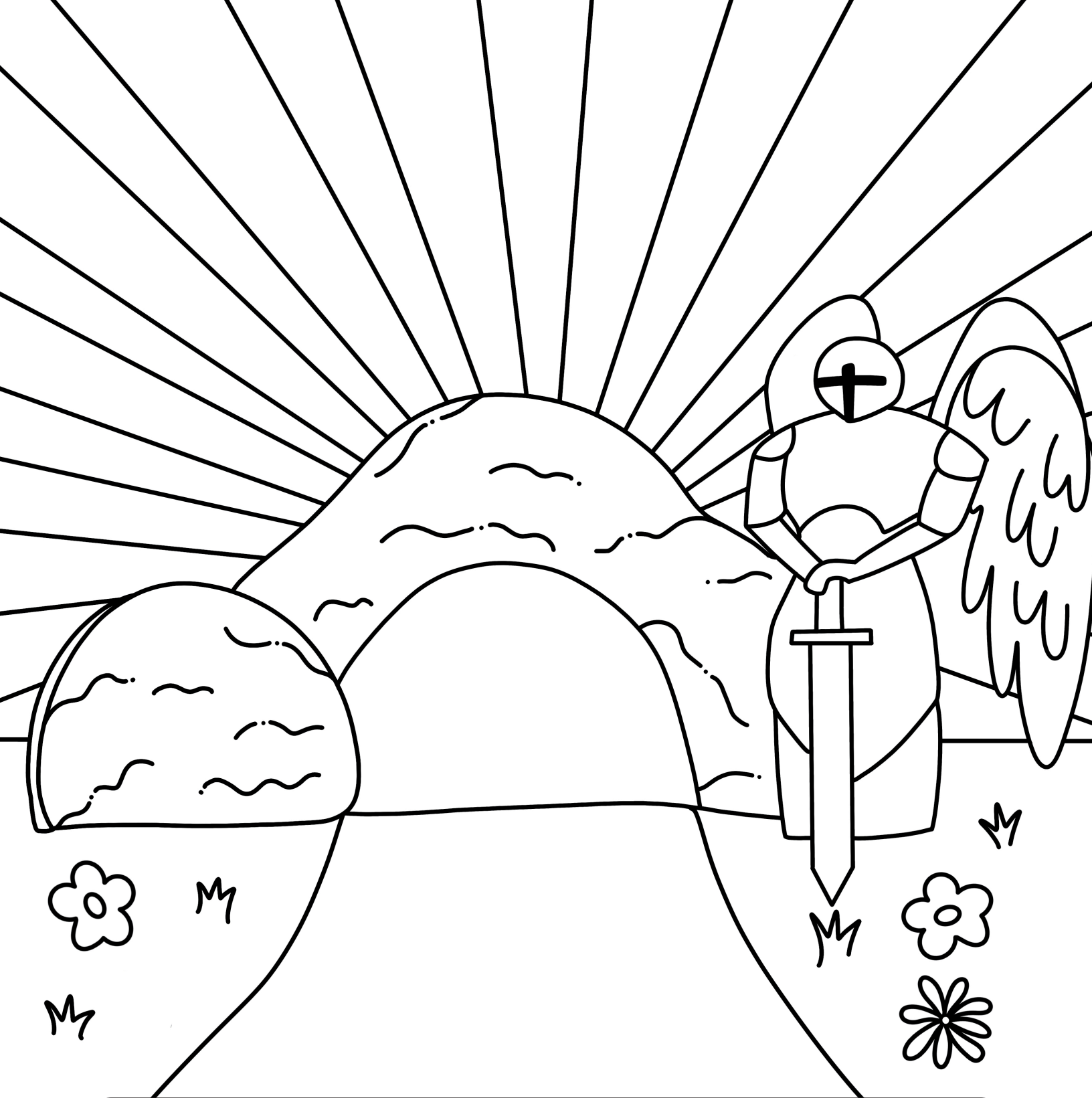
Jesus was nailed to the cross. If He wanted to save Himself, He could have, but instead, He stayed... for us. The cost for our sin was death, so Jesus died to pay the price for us because He loves us. As He hung on the cross, darkness fell across the whole land. The punishment that belonged to us was placed on Jesus. Knowing that God's plan was about to be fulfilled, Jesus cried out, "It is finished" and took His final breath.





**"IT IS  
FINISHED."**

**JOHN 19:30**



The body of our Savior was taken down from the cross and put in a tomb, and the entrance was covered by a stone so no one could get in or out. It seemed like Jesus was gone forever... until three days later, His friends saw that the stone had been rolled away. The tomb was empty, and Jesus' body was gone! An angel told them the good news, "He is not here; He has risen." Jesus had defeated sin, death, and the grave. He was alive!



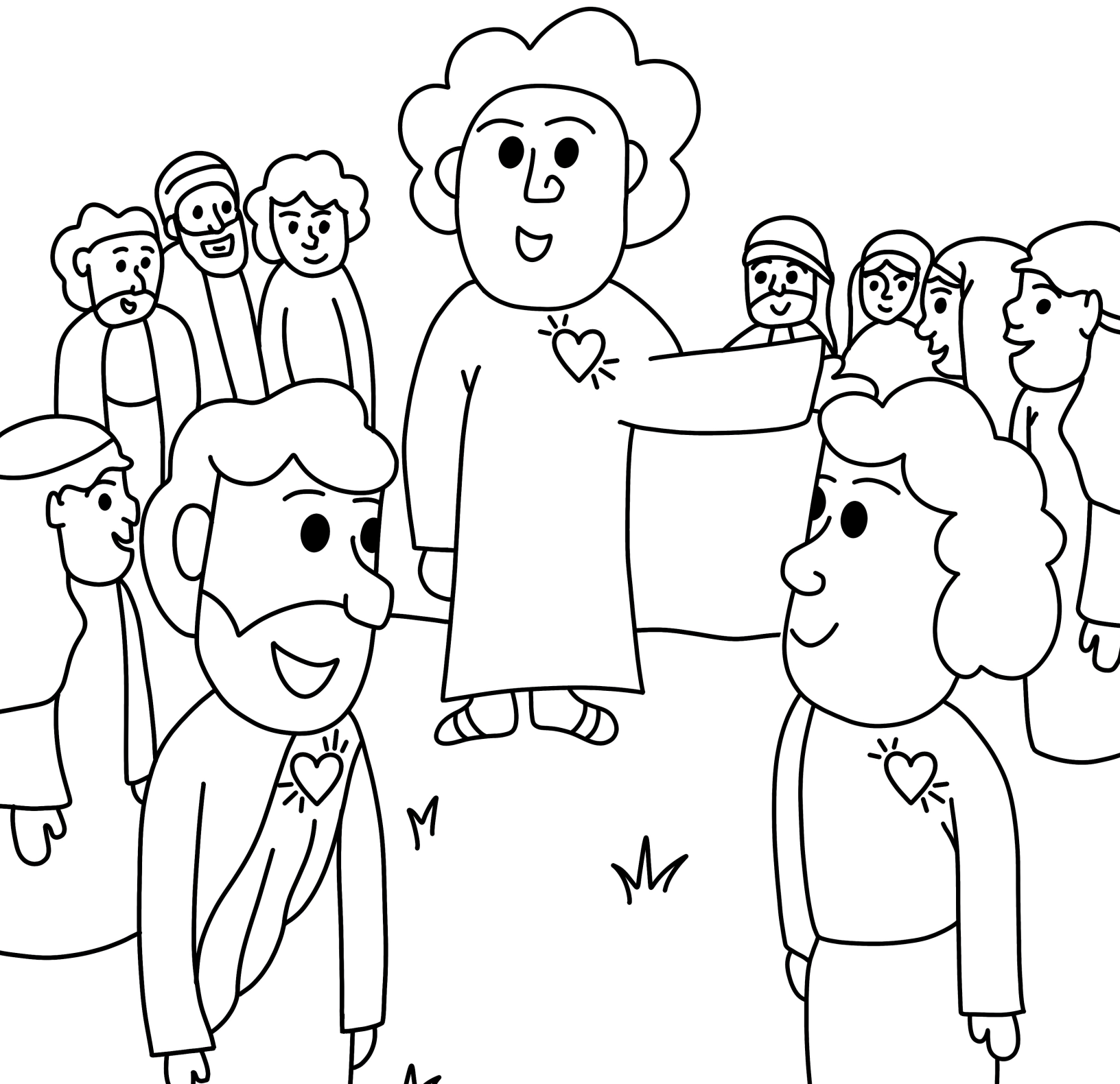
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**MATTHEW 28:6**

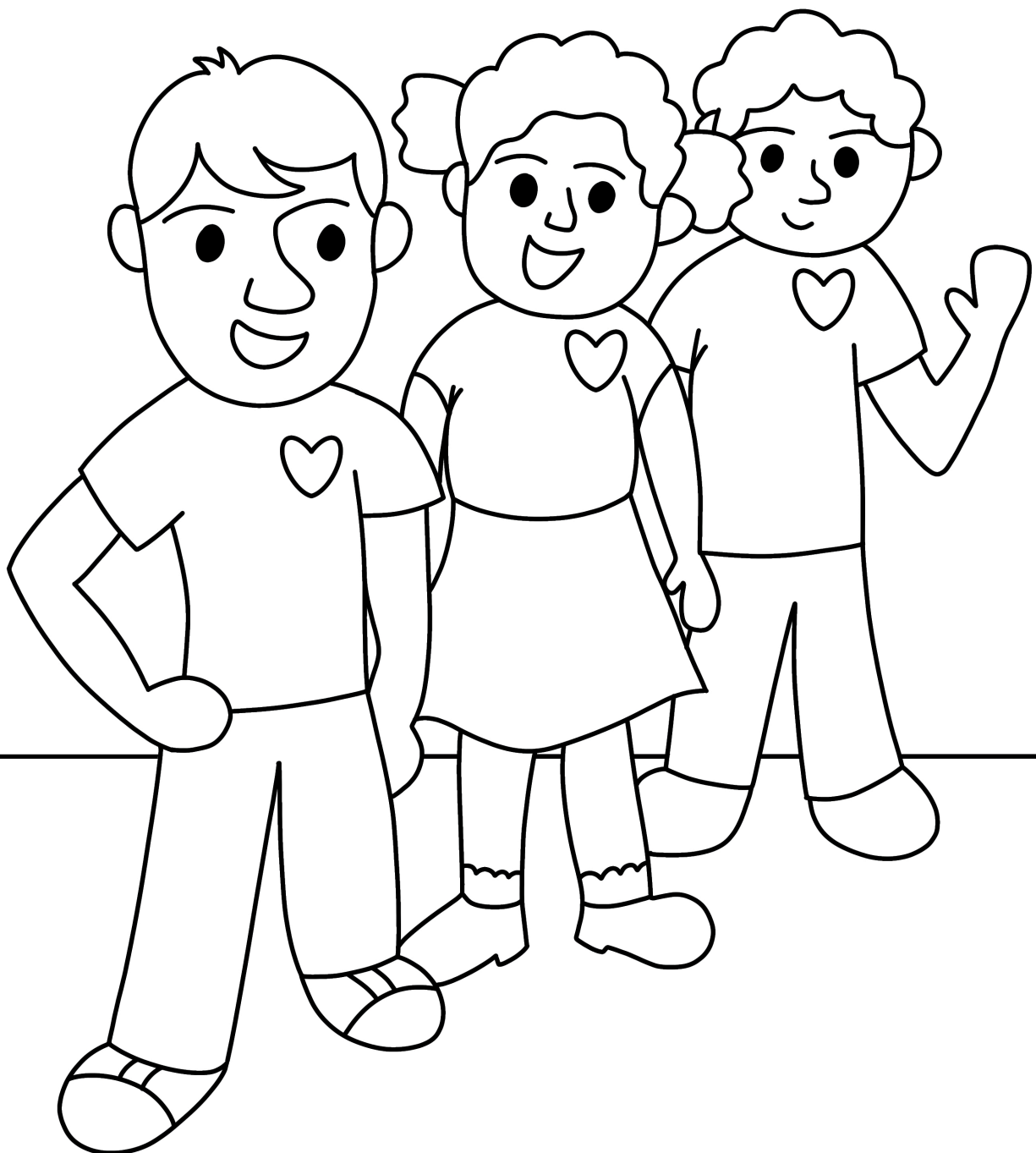


Over the next 40 days, Jesus appeared to His followers and showed them that He really was alive. He spoke to them about God's kingdom and explained what He had done for them – and for us. Jesus had rescued us! On the cross, He fixed what had once been broken in the garden, restoring our identity, reconciling our relationship with God, and redeeming our purpose. Jesus' sacrifice made everything right!

It came time for Jesus to go back to heaven to be with God. His followers didn't want Him to go, but Jesus explained that God would send the Holy Spirit in His place! The presence of God would come to live in their hearts, giving them access to His kingdom on earth and empowering them to live like Jesus. And that's what happened! The Holy Spirit came to live in the disciples. Through their words and actions, many people came to know Jesus.



Today, the same is true for you! Jesus came to save you and set you free. He made God's kingdom accessible to you – not just for the promise of heaven someday but for abundant life today. When you believe the truth of who He is and what He has done, receiving His forgiveness and making Him Lord of your life, the Holy Spirit comes to live in you. You become a beloved child in God's family, in relationship with Him once again, empowered to release His kingdom.







**GOD  
is  
GOOD**



**JESUS  
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**I am  
LOVED**



**EVERY  
THING is  
POSSIBLE**

This is the gospel! This is the good news – that God is good, Jesus has forgiven you, you are loved, and everything is possible!

Take some time to talk about the following questions to help you better understand the story of Easter and why it matters to you.

**WHO IS JESUS, AND WHY DID HE COME?**

**HOW DOES IT MAKE YOU FEEL TO KNOW WHAT  
JESUS DID FOR YOU?**

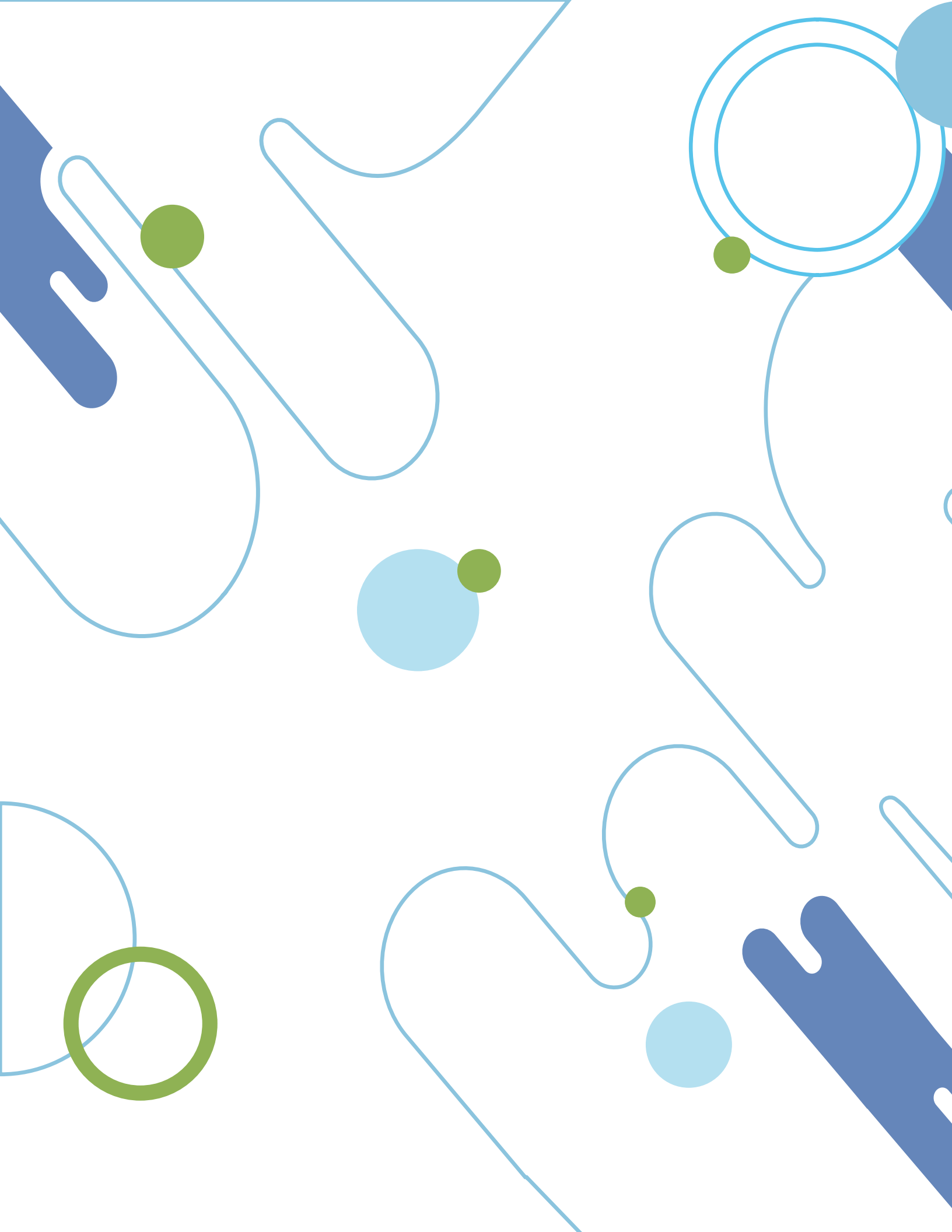
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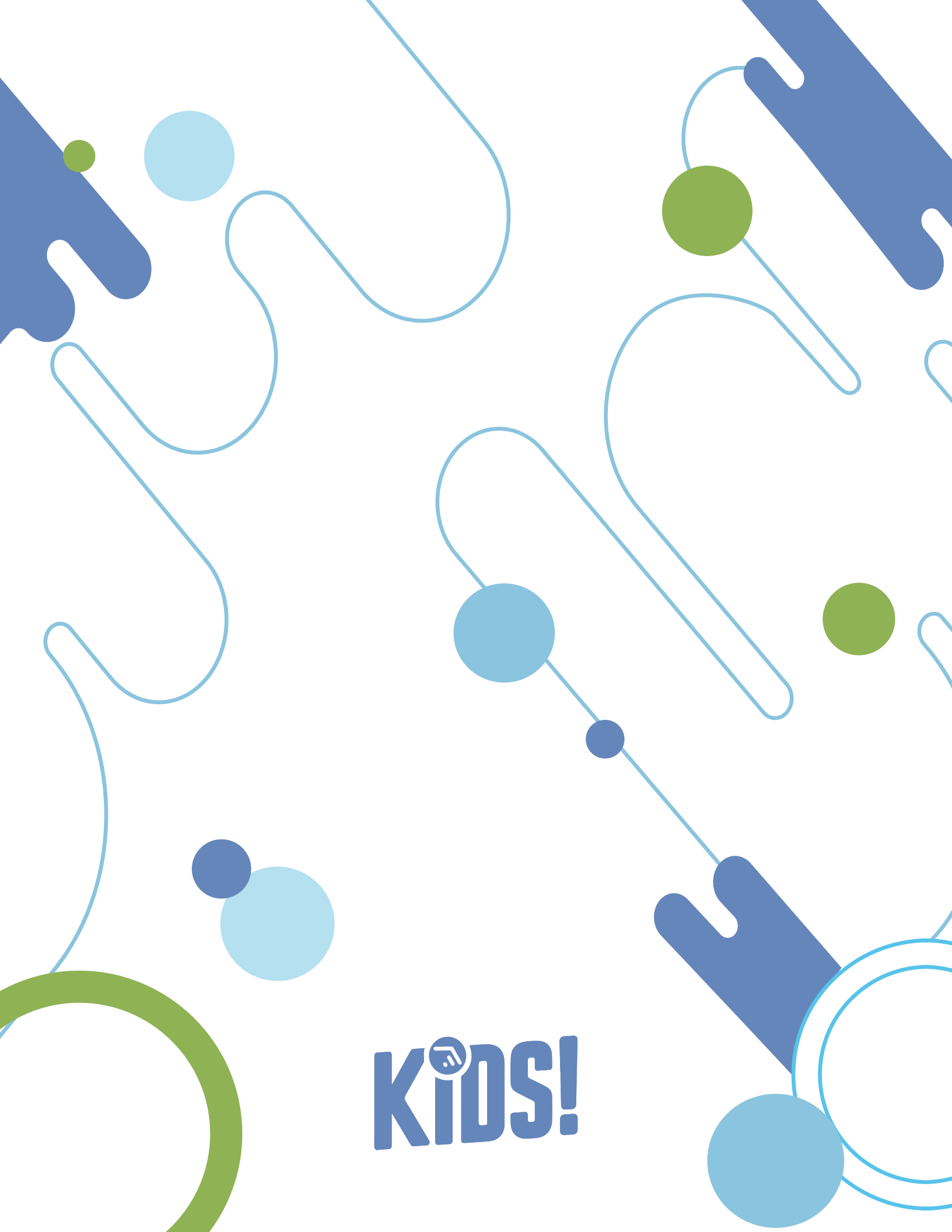


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remind you that in Jesus, you have peace.





**KIDS!**