

BIBLE STORY

With Jesus

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Letter of Recommendation

Hallelujah!

Thanks to Lord for bringing us the new-testament story book.

We always suffer insufficiency of teaching material for sunday bible school at the mission field. Nevertheless, we get teaching books for summer bible schools every year, those materials could not provide enough stories for children to remember the word of God to live with. Sunday school teachers had difficult time in making the bible verses to easy understanding stories to the children.

Then, book of the “Stories of heaven” of Mrs.kim was given to us as a blessed gift. The text was full of real testimony of heaven and it was fun to read. Teachers were thankful that children get easily concentrated in worship and they now dream to go to the kingdom of God. Meanwhile, we got a joyful news of releasing the new testament-story book. I really wish the new book could brought to more places and children, so more young spirits could be guided to the Lord and also to extend the kingdom of God.

- Younghee Han, Philippine legazpi missionary -

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1. Birth of Jesus

(Matthew. 1:18-25, Luke 2:1-7)

A young woman called Mary was living in a town in Galilee. She was engaged to be married to a faithful man called Joseph.

They were been loved by God as true believers. One day, angel Gabriel was sent to Mary, she feared seeing Gabriel.

“Mary, don't be afraid. I'm here to deliver the message of God.”
“Angel Gabriel, for what have you visited me?”

“Mary, although you haven't get married, you `ll be having a baby was given by a holy spirit.”



“You are been favored by God, once you give birth to him, call his name Jesus.”

Mary was so shocked, so she runs to Joseph.

“Joseph! Joseph!!”

“Mary! slow down, you might fall.”

“Joseph, phew... I'm out of breath... whew... what should I do? Angel came to me and said that I'll be having a baby by a holy spirit.”

“Really? Mary, that's... wow! what shall we do? how can it happen to us? I am afraid and scared!”



Joseph was lost in deep by hearing Mary's story.

He knew people would talk disgrace about Mary for her pregnancy before the marriage.

Joseph was thinking to break their engagement secretly just not to shame on Mary's name.

Then, the Angel of God came to him in a dream.

“Joseph! son of David, listen to me carefully.”

“oh.. yes! I`m ready to listen to you angel.”

“Don't be afraid to take Mary as your wife. The baby inside her is given by a holy spirit. she will give birth to a son and you will name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.”

“Yes, angel!”





“All this happened to make clear the full meaning of what the Lord said through the prophet, ‘Listen! The virgin shall conceive a child! She shall give birth to a Son, and he shall be called Emmanuel.’”

Joseph woke up full of surprises. He did as the angel commanded and brought Mary home to be his wife. He was getting ready to meet Jesus.

“Thank you, Lord! I will obey your word.”

After their marriage, Joseph was giving good care to Mary than in the past.

In those days, the government was doing population counting. Joseph as a son of David`s family must go back to his hometown Bethlehem. Joseph had to brought pregnant Mary together to his journey. As they arrived at Bethlehem, Mary was about to give birth.

“Mary, are you still okay? can you wait for me a minute, I`ll look for a place to rest” After some time passes, he came back sad.

“Mary, I am sorry, I couldn’t find any room. all the inns are full”

“Joseph! do not be worried, our God is taking care of everything. ah... I guess the baby is coming out, I'm feeling pain”

“Oh, Mary! I can see that stable is empty, at least you can lay down there!”

Mary gave birth at the stable and gently wrap the baby and laid him in a manger.

Finally, baby Jesus has come to the world.

“She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.”
(Matthew 1:21)





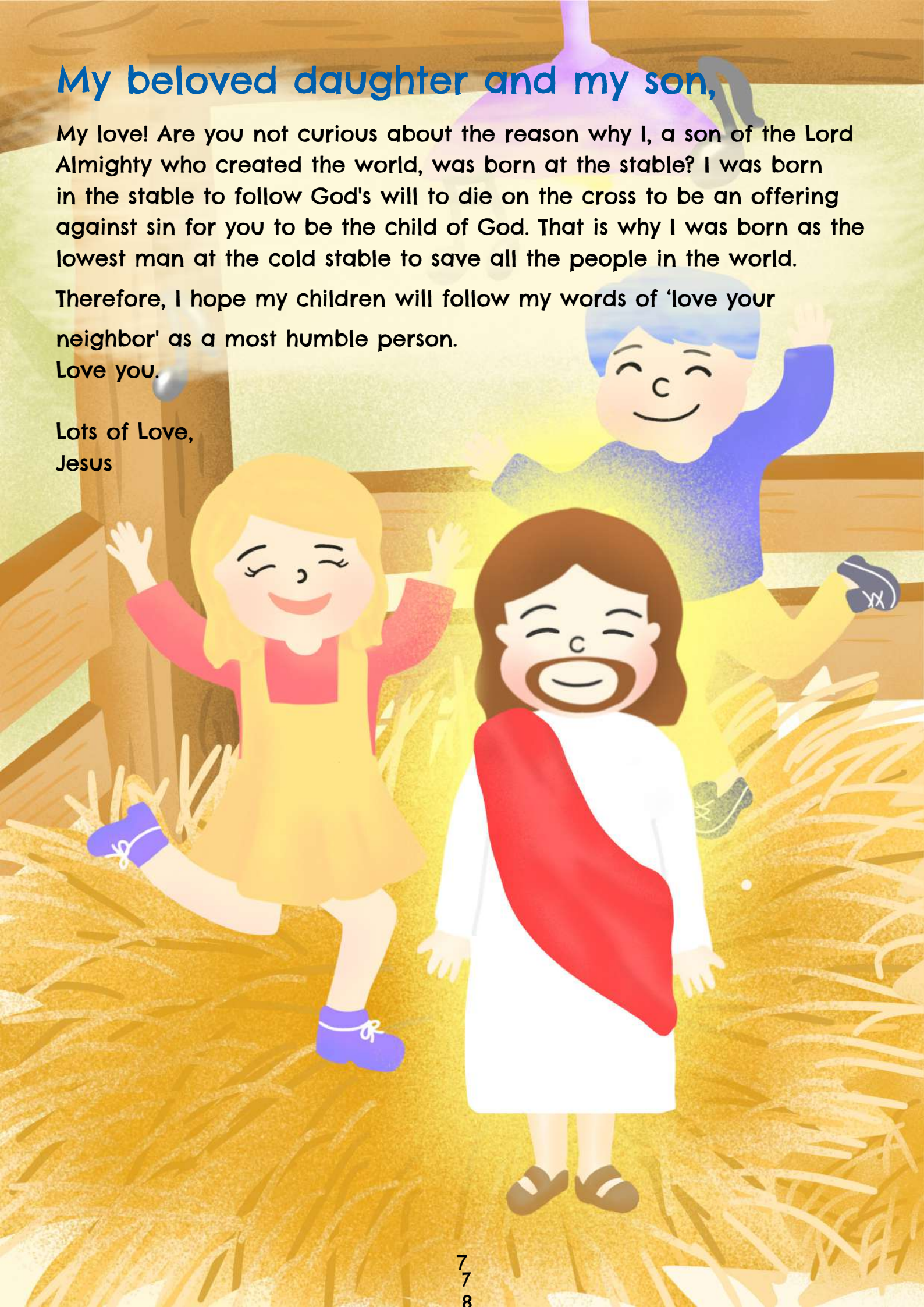
My beloved daughter and my son,

My love! Are you not curious about the reason why I, a son of the Lord Almighty who created the world, was born at the stable? I was born in the stable to follow God's will to die on the cross to be an offering against sin for you to be the child of God. That is why I was born as the lowest man at the cold stable to save all the people in the world.

Therefore, I hope my children will follow my words of 'love your neighbor' as a most humble person.

Love you.

Lots of Love,
Jesus





Beloved Jesus,

My love Jesus, Happy birthday day to you~ Happy birthday to you!
Today is your birthday. It's Christmas. We wore the best dress and
clothes for your celebration and praised your name on high, we had
prepared a play for your birthday as well. It is so much fun.

We are not tired at all preparing and celebrating your day.

Once again, Happy birthday to you! I love you to the moon and the
back!

Love,
your dearest daughter

2. Following the star

(Matthew 2:1-12)

Jesus was born at Bethlehem during the time of King Herod. The wise men who study the star visited Jerusalem.

“Where is he who was born as a king of Jews? Where is he?”

“We are the wise men from the east, we are here to worship him.”

People were not able to understand what the wise men were saying

“Have you heard that king of Jews has been born from the Jerusalem?”





As everyone in Jerusalem was talking about the birth of the king, it goes to King Herod as well. He gathered all important people and leaders for a meeting to talk about it.

“Where is Messiah has been born?”

“It must be in Bethlehem, these had been said by a prophet: A ruler will be born in Bethlehem, land of Jews, who will be the shepherd of the people of Israel.”

King Herod was so nervous to lose the throne as he heard the King of Jews has been born. He called these wise men secretly to hear more.

“When did the star turned up?”

“We started our journey as we saw the star, we had just arrived from the east.”

“Is it? So where is that place?”

“It is in Bethlehem.”

“Then, Now you go to Bethlehem to learn more about that baby. I also like to celebrate his birth, so as soon as you find him come back to tell me.”

The wise men left for Bethlehem not knowing that King Herod was lying to them. The star that showed up at the east appears again to them.

“Wow! look at that star.

That's the one we had seen and followed. It is leading the way for us!”

“True! That star is the one. Then we just have to follow that.”

“Guys! That star had stopped. I believe we arrive at the newborn king.”

“Wow! This is the place. This is the place where the Messiah for Israel stays.”

They entered the stable where the star had stopped over. There was baby Jesus. Mary and Joseph were surprised to see strange visitors.





“How did you manage to come here?”

“A Shining star had shown the birth of the King of Jews and it also led way to here. We just followed the star to arrive here in Bethlehem.”

These wise men bowed down and worshipped baby Jesus.

“Happy birthday, baby Jesus!”

Then they opened the gift box to give it to him.

“These are the gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Our gift to you. Please accept our gift.”



God spoke to the wise men after they had met the baby Jesus.

“Don't go back to see Herod, and he went the other way. He is planning something bad to kill baby Jesus.”

Wise men went to a different way to go back to their place as what God had told them.

“But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.” (Matthew 2:6)



My beloved son and daughter,

Wise men followed the star to meet me, but God let you meet me, the son of God through evangelism. If you have been led by a friend to meet me, then your friend becomes that wise man for you.

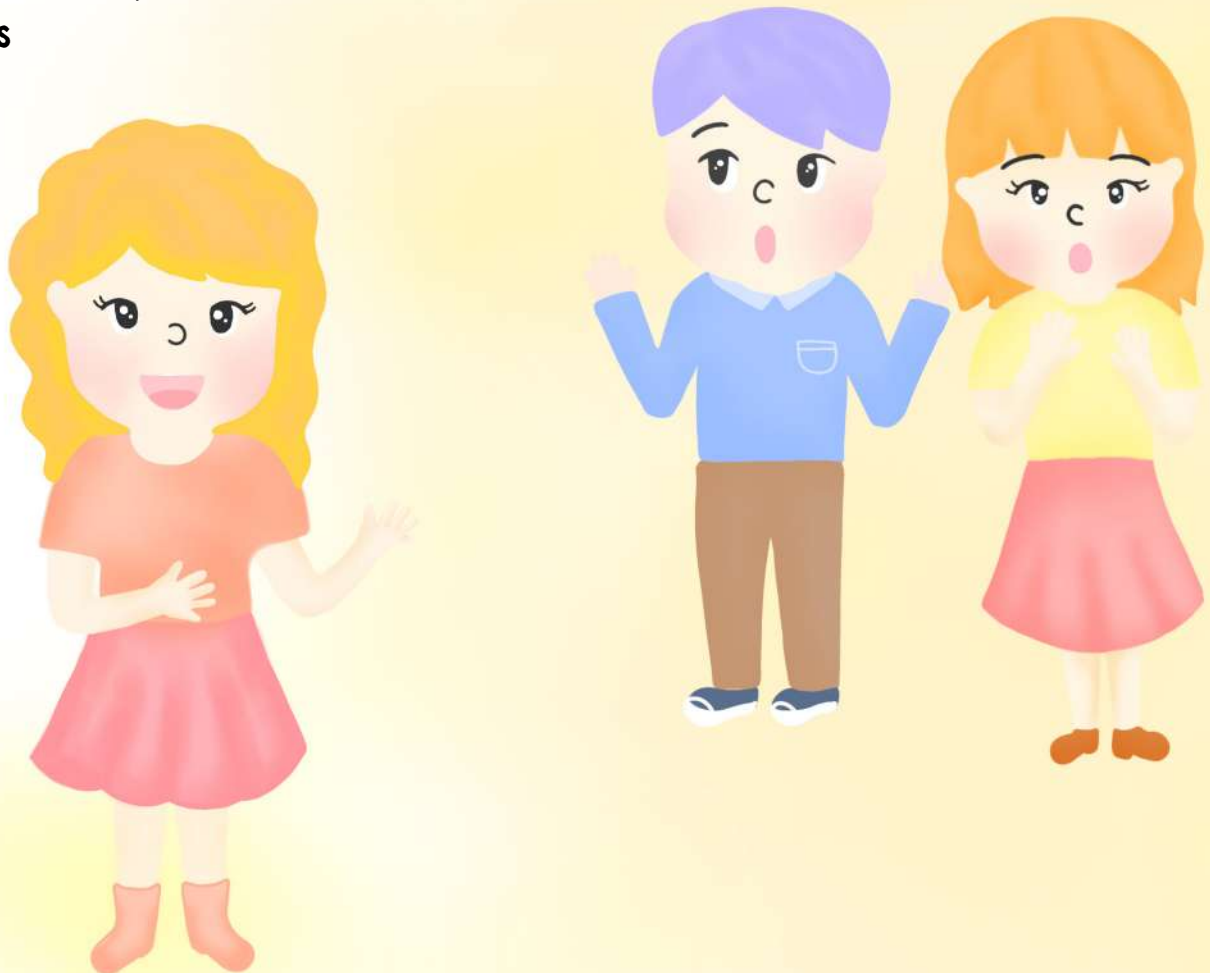
Don't you want to be a wise man to your family and friends who don't know me yet?

Let's share the gospel, which is the most precious gift on earth, feeling how those wise men brought gifts with hearts and love to Jesus.

Our God will be so happy for us.

Love you!

Lots of love,
Jesus





Beloved Jesus,

I want to be a wise man like what you've said. Then am I being a fourth wise man? First, I will write the name of people with whom I want to share this gospel, then I will pray for them and tell them about you, Jesus. I want to be the fourth wise man to them. Well, Let go following the star! I love you, Jesus!

Love,
your dearest daughter/son

3. Jesus is baptized

(Matthew: 3:1-17, Mark 1:1-11, Luke 3:1-22, John 1:19-28)

There was a strange man in the desert of Judah.

His clothes were made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist.

For food, he ate locusts and wild honey.

Everything about him seems so weird, but nobody pointed a finger at him. People even like to come to him say out their sin and to be baptized by him.

His name was John the Baptist.

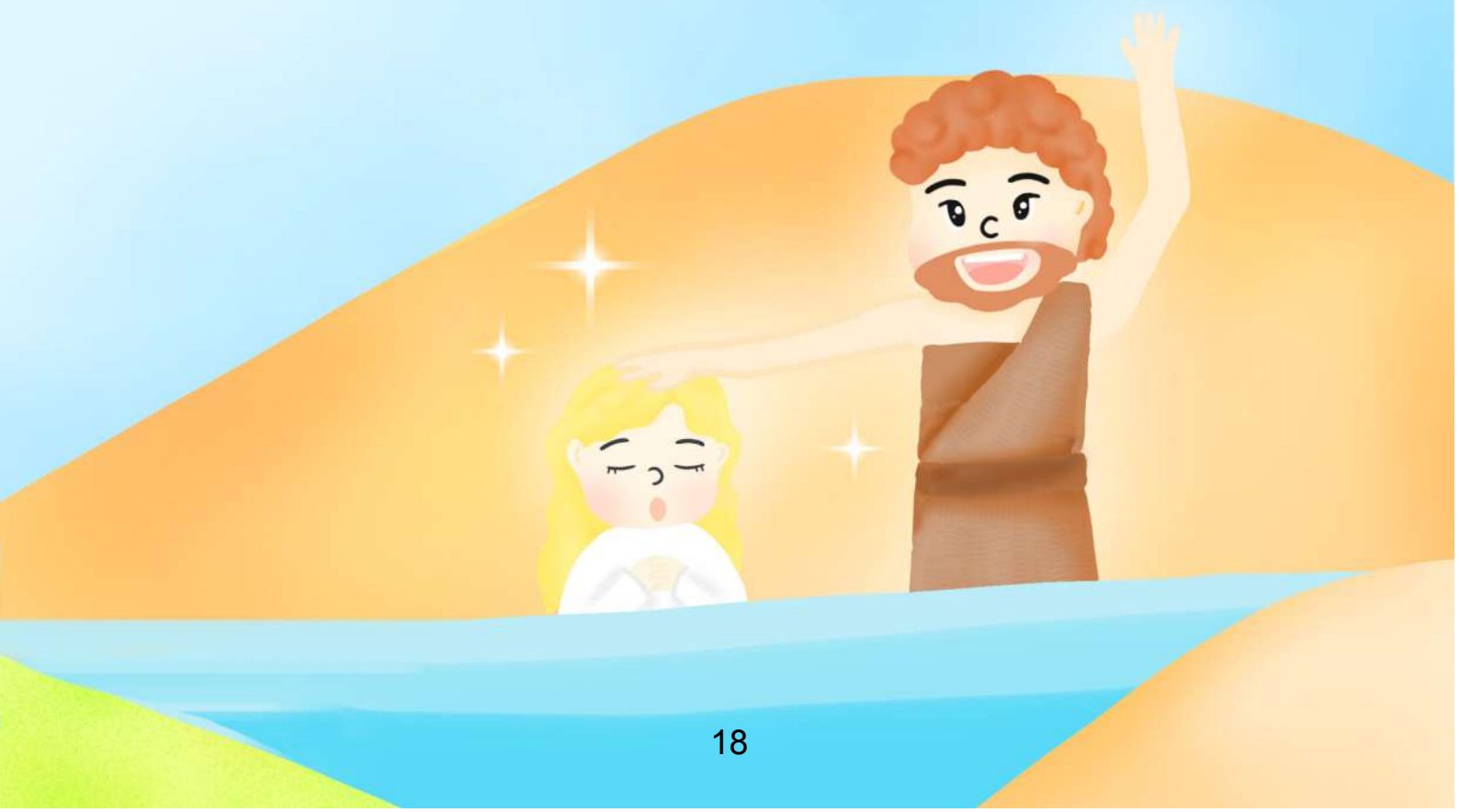
He went around the desert of Juddah spreading the message.



“Repent! The Kingdom of God is now very near!”

People came to John from Jerusalem and the rest of Judea and all the areas along the Jordan River, then get baptized by the Jordan River. Before they go for baptism, People bowed down in front of him and confessed the bad things that they have done.

John was helping people to confess their sins and to be forgiven by God.



One day, Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan River, to be baptized by John.

“John! come and baptize me.”

John was so shocked and wanted to stop Jesus.

“Jesus! How come... This is not possible. I should be baptized by you, Jesus. I even don't deserve to touch your feet, how can I baptize you?”



Jesus was looking at John and said,

“John! Just do as what I said now, This is to come up with what Lord had planned. Don` t be worried, come and baptize me.”

John was so thankful that he could baptize Jesus.
He did baptize Jesus with a joyful heart.



Once Jesus was coming out of the water after the baptism, people around the Jordan River was getting surprised to see an amazing thing.

“Look at that! the sky opened up, the Holy Spirit came down like a dove and stayed to Jesus.”

It wasn't the only thing, there was a voice from heaven as well.

“This is my son, the one I love. I am very pleased with him.”

John was sharing words after he did baptize Jesus.

“I do baptize with water, and as I once said that there will be someone who will come and baptize people with the holy spirit. Jesus is the one. Holy Spirit came down and stayed on Jesus when I was baptizing him. He is the son of God.”

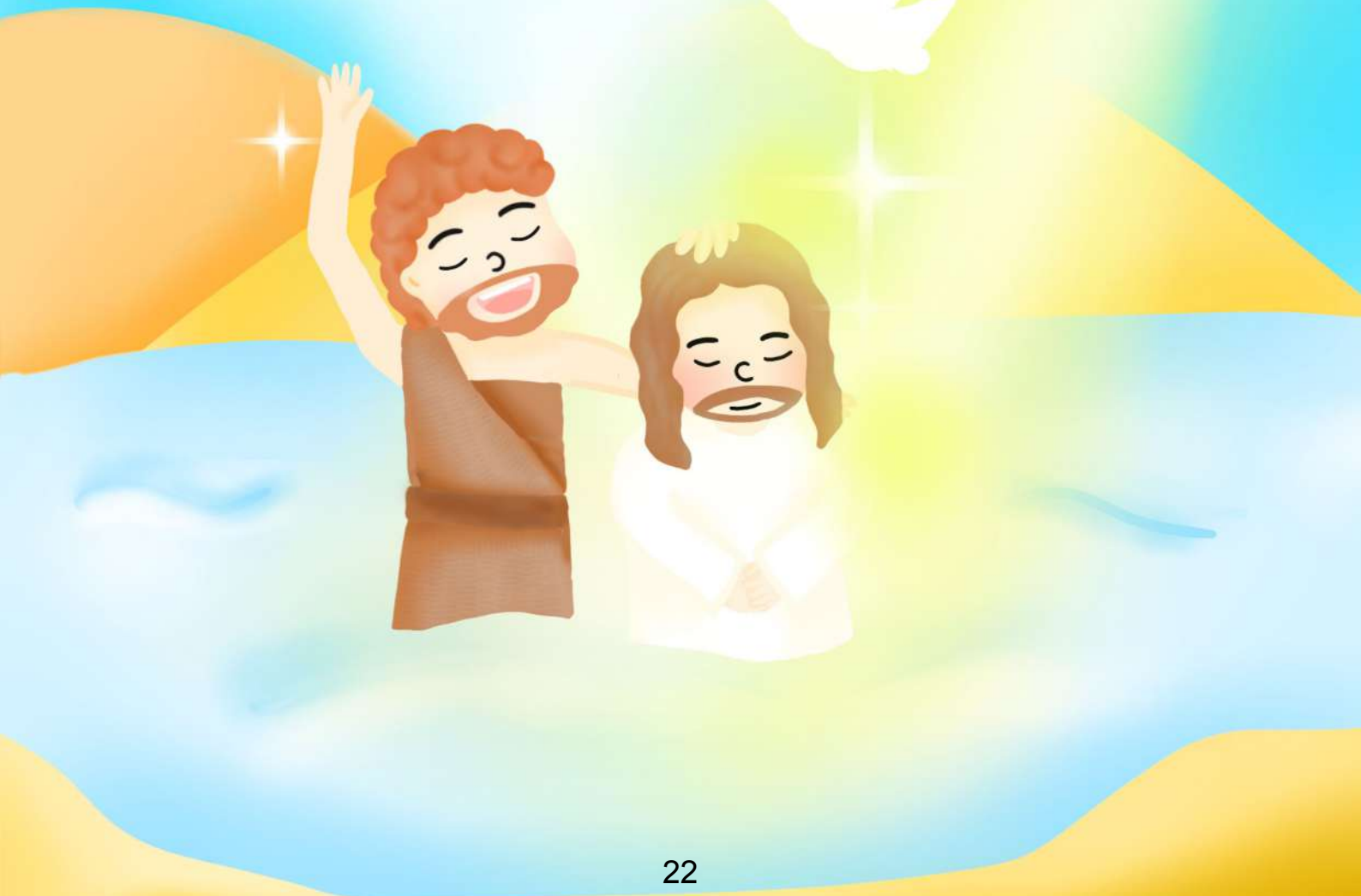
Jesus was truly shown the people that he is the son of God by being baptized by John.



As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said,

“This is my Son, whom I love; with him, I am well pleased.”

Matthew 3:16-17





My beloved son and daughter,

I will tell you a story today which is a little bit hard to understand, but a story you must know.

Have you heard about the Holy Trinity? The father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

When I was been baptized, as I get out of the water, God showed up as the Voice while Holy Spirit came down as the dove. It was the moment when God, I as the Son, and the Holy Spirit was been shown together as the Holy Trinity.

The voice of God which said, "This is my son, whom I love; with him, I am well pleased." was for all of you, my children. Therefore, you can be the children of God by simply believing in me who had been sent by God.

Lots of Love,
Jesus

Beloved Jesus,

Jesus! wow, this is quite hard to understand.

It is harder than memorizing the multiplication table. Is it just to know that the Holy Trinity is by God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit as one.

It is not too difficult to understand that we have to confess our sin to be your children just as what the people did before they get baptized by John.

Thank you for your love to give us the grace to be your children as we confess.

Love you, Jesus.

Love,

Your dearest daughter/son



4. Jesus has been tempted

(Matthew 4:1-11, Mark 1:12-13, Luke 4:1-13)



Jesus came back holy from the Jordan River as he had baptized by John the Baptist. Then Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit to a wilderness place and fasted for 40 days. He was praying for days and nights. One day Satan came to Jesus.

“Hey, Jesus. You must be dying for the food. Are you the son of God?”

“Yes, I am. I am the son of God.”

“Really? If you are the son of God, tell these rocks to be a bread.”

Jesus answered.

“The Scripture said, ‘It is not just bread that keeps people alive. Their lives depend on what God says.’”

Satan can't reply to him.

“Huh, it doesn't work on him. He must be very hungry for his 40 days of fasting. How come he rejects this? hmm... Then I will test him with words of God as he goes through the first temptation by the word of God. hahaha...”



Satan brought Jesus to the holy city to test him. They were stood at the top of the high building.

“So, If you are the son of God, Jump out of here! As the scripture said, ‘God will command his angels to help you, and their hands will catch you, so that you will not hit your foot on a rock.’, so, go Jump out of here!”

Jesus answered.

“The Scriptures also say, ‘You must not test the Lord your God.’”

Satan thought if he tests Jesus with the word of God, Jesus won't do anything, but Jesus didn't get tempted at all.”

“Argh... This is hard. What should I do? He could just be the hero of the Jews crowds. ha-ha...it is not working.

He fought back with the word of God for this temptation made by the word of God.

Let me think! Think well! I must win the last test.

Satan was preparing a harder and trickier test to win Jesus.



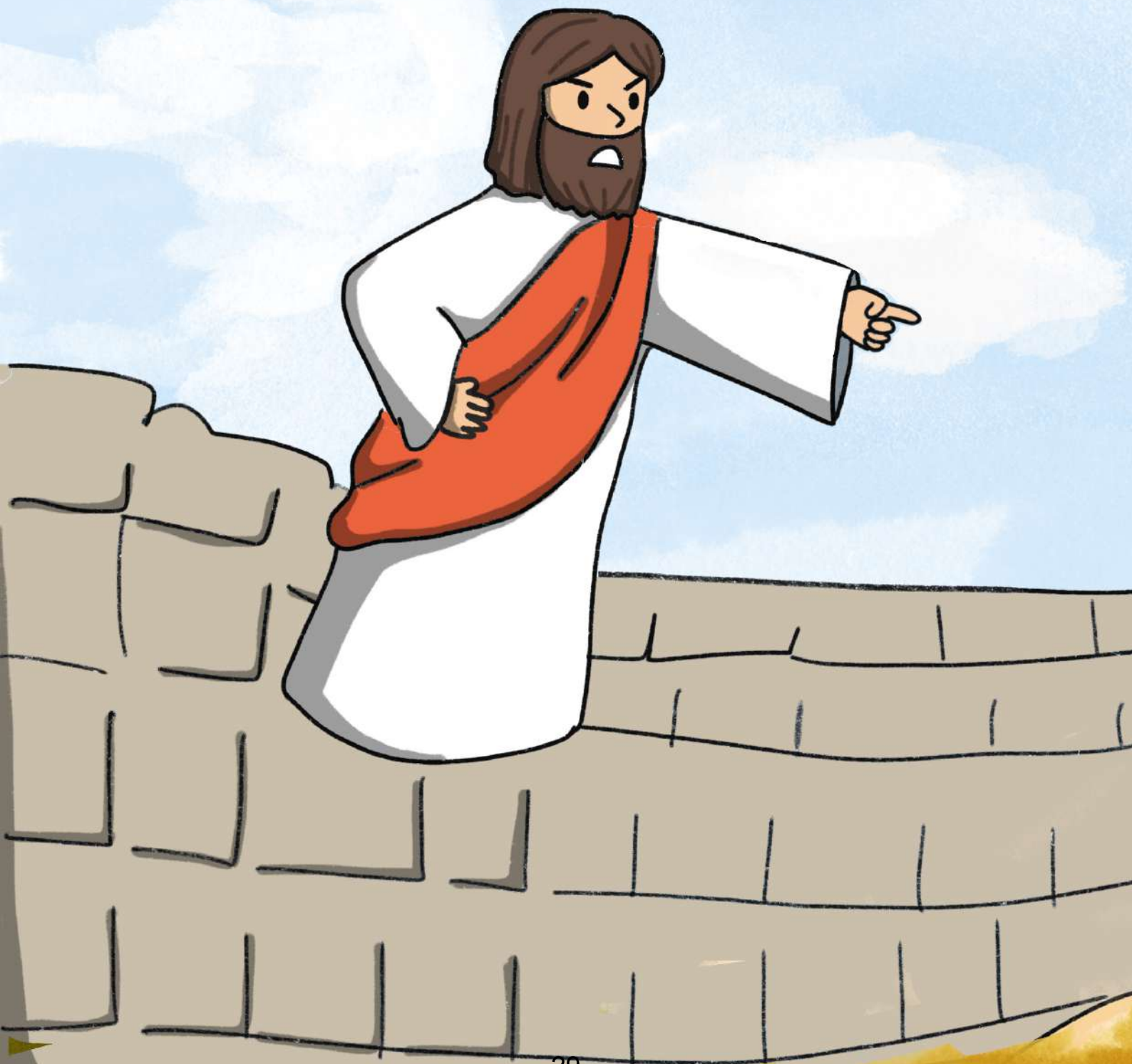


Satan brought Jesus to the top of the very high mountain which was way higher than a place where they went for the last test.

“Look, Jesus! Do you see all the kingdoms from here? And the glory of all the place. I will give all the glory and the power to you.”

“What are you to give me the power and glory of all the kingdoms?”

“It's been given all to me. It is mine, so I can give it to whom I like to give.”



Satan continued.

“Jesus! I will give all of these if you bow down and worship me.”

Jesus commanded Satan.

“Get away from me, Satan! The Scripture said, **‘You must worship the Lord your God. Serve him only.’** Get away now!”

Then Satan quickly ran away.

The Angels came down to Jesus and care him.

Jesus answered him, “It is also written:
‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”
(Matthew 4:7)



My beloved son and daughter,

Satan thought he would win me, but how would it be?

He got scared and ran away but after some time, he tried to come back a few more times to test me and tempt me.

It would be the same to you, my children, you will see more temptation and forces from Satan as you get closer to me by believing me. Satan would keep trying to fail down my close people because he is afraid of me the most.

There will be no single problem if you live with the words of God and pray all the time.

Then there will be a thick wall between you and Satan that he would not be able to see you at all, my love. Love you!

Lots of Love,
Jesus

Beloved Jesus,

Jesus! It would be better if we can see Satan, like a scary monster with horns. I don't know how to fight with it since we can't see it. Sometimes I'll be controlled by them, my family could, or my best friend could be.

Pew! I don't know how I can.

But I know one thing for sure that Satan can't come near me if I always live by worshiping you, praying to you, and listening to your words.

I'll be always with you Jesus. Love you!

Love,
Your dearest daughter/ son



5. Peter, a Fisherman for the people

(Matthew 4:18-22, Mark 1:16-20. Luke 5:1-11)

One day a fisherman called Simon Peter went to Galilee lake to do fishing.

“Fishes~ come to my nets! I want my nets to be full of fishes!”

“Where are you fishes! Come to my nets!”

“Oh... the sun is about to come up already. I have not caught any of them. Am I going back with an empty basket? Then what should I eat for today? Huh!”

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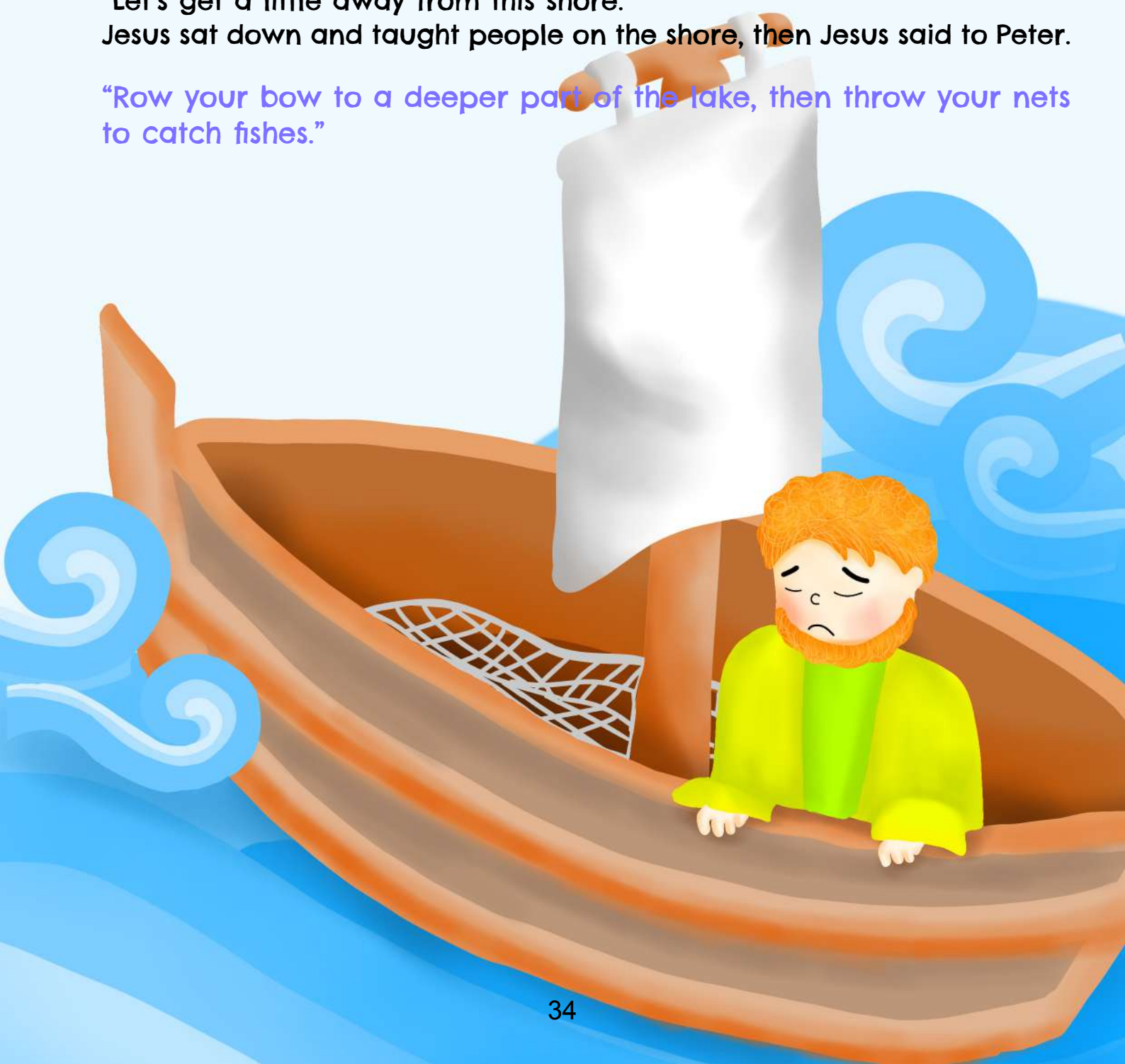
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Then Jesus came to Peter and got into Peter’s boat.

“Let’s get a little away from this shore.”

Jesus sat down and taught people on the shore, then Jesus said to Peter.

“Row your bow to a deeper part of the lake, then throw your nets to catch fishes.”



Peter was an expert fisherman who knows very well about the fishing area.

Jesus said to Peter.

“Go to the deeper area of the lake and throw your nets.”

“Jesus, I was throwing nets for this whole night yet didn’t catch anything at all.”

“Okay, Jesus! I will go as you said.”

Following the words of Jesus, Peter went to a deeper part of the lake and threw the nets.

After some time, Peter pulled out the nets. His nets were too full that he cannot pull it out alone.



“Wow! Oh, God. This is too full! Nets are about to break.”

Peter was asking for help from his friend fishing on another side of the lake.

“Hey, friends! Please come and help me! My nets are so full of fishes and it is about to break.”

“Oh, sure! But how did you get this many fishes? We haven’t caught anything.”

Peter’s friend came and helped to pull out the nets. They filled two boats full of fishes.

“Hahaha, this is way too full! I feel we might get sank in the water with these many fishes!”



Everyone including Peter got so surprised to see what Peter just caught, even his colleagues James and John were shocked.

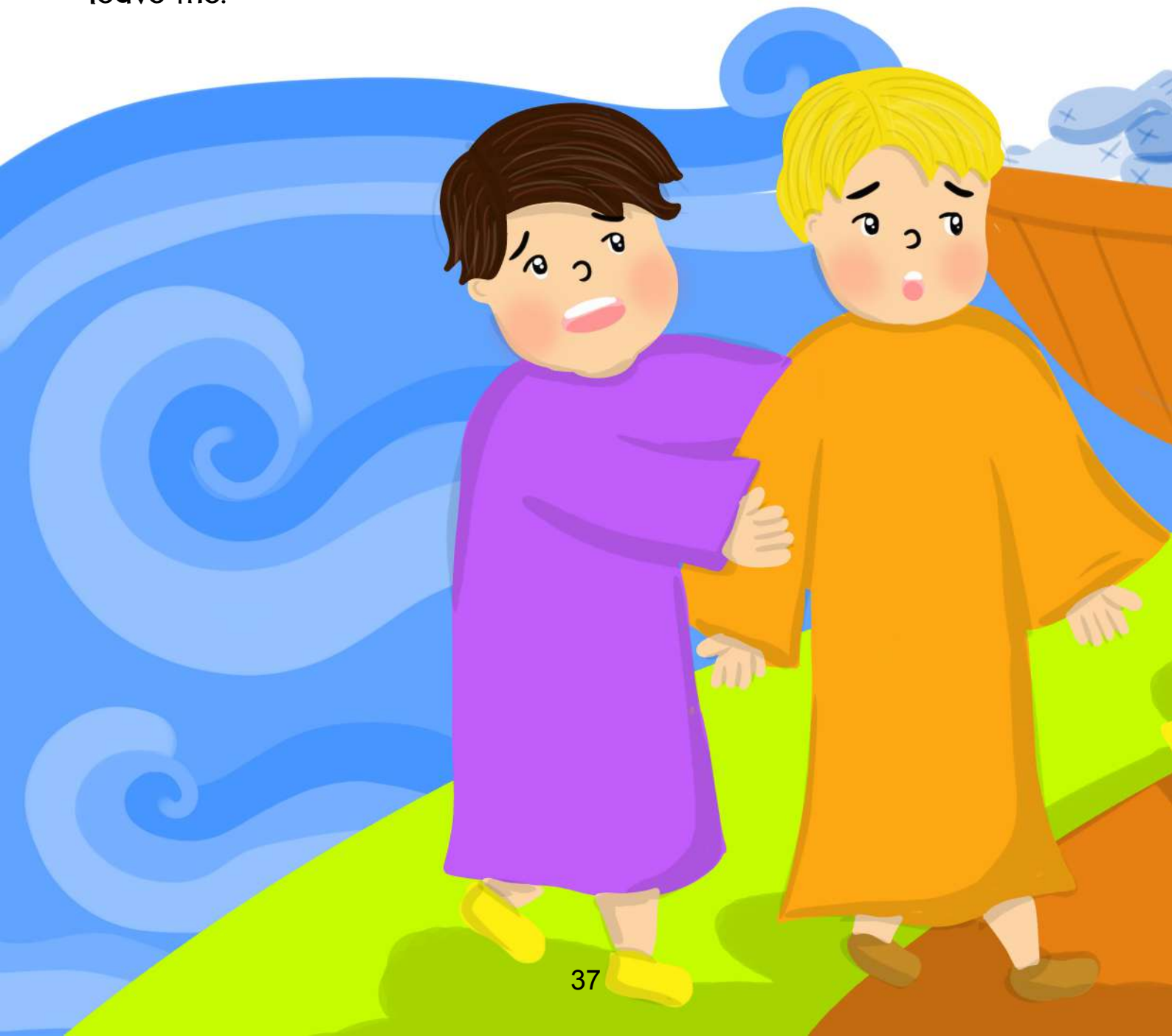
Peter was amazed at these but got afraid too.

Peter went to Jesus and kneeled.

“Jesus, I’m sorry. I am a sinful man. Please leave me.”

“What you mean, Peter?”

“I didn’t know you, Jesus. I did not believe you at first. So please leave me.”



Then Jesus said to Peter,
“Peter, don’t be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.”

Peter and his colleagues, James, and John left everything at the shore and followed Jesus.

Then Jesus said to Simon, “Don’t be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.”
So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.
(Luke 5:10-11)



My beloved son and daughter,

Peter should not understand my saying “Go deeper part and throw your nets.”, because it was not the way for the fishermen to catch fishes. But Peter experienced this miracle by obeying my words and became my disciple. You also must leave your thoughts like Peter and listen to my words. Then you can meet me and talk to me as well. Hmm... You would also see the miracles done by me. Love you!

Lots of Love,
Jesus

Beloved Jesus,

My Love Jesus! What does obey means? I asked my mom, and she said it is ‘truly following’. Ah! Is it just the same as I say “yes!” to my mom when she asks me to do something? Well... I do say “No! I don` t like to do.” more than “Yes!” though. But I do still feel better when I say “Yes! I will.” than saying “No!”. Is that the reason why Jesus tells us to obey? Jesus, I will obey your words to love the neighbors and tell you are great stories to my friends. I love you, Jesus.

Love,
your dearest daughter/ son





6. The first miracle

John 2:1-11

Jesus had shown lots of miracle to people. Changing of wine from water was first miracle he had done.

It happened when Jesus and his mom went to Cana to attend the wedding. His disciples were also invited. A lot of people were eating and drinking at the party celebrating for new married couple.

The manager of the event came out and said to people.
“Ladies and Gentlemen, I’m sorry. We just finished our last wine.



Our preparation wasn't enough for this party. I'm truly sorry."
The mother of the Jesus heard this new, and she said to Jesus.
"My son, Jesus. They are running out of wine."
"Dear woman, why are you telling me this? It is not yet time for me
to begin my work."

But the mother gathered the workers and said.

"Just do whatever Jesus says."



Jews have culture of washing their hands and feet before entering the house, so most of the houses have huge water jars at the entrance door.

There were 6 huge water jars at the entrance door.

“Take those jars and fill with the water.”

Workers were confused.

“Guys, what does that mean? He just asked weird thing to do.”

“Yes, it is really weird. We just ran out of wines, but he asked to fill the water for washing.”



“Guys... but his mom told us to do whatever Jesus says.”
“True. Do we have other choice? Let’s just do as he said.”

As they fulfilled the jars with water, Jesus said to them.
“Now dip out some water and take it to the manager of this party.”
They followed just as what Jesus said.



They brought some water from the jar to the manager of the party. The manager had a sip of it and looked for the groom.

“Wow! How come you kept this nice wine till now? Usually people bring out good wine at first and followed by cheaper wine as people get drunk. You are really nice person!”

The workers were shocked.

“What?? Is it possible? We clearly brought water to him.”

“I can’t believe this! Did the water just change to wine while we walk to him?”

“Wow, yes! It changed to nice wine.”



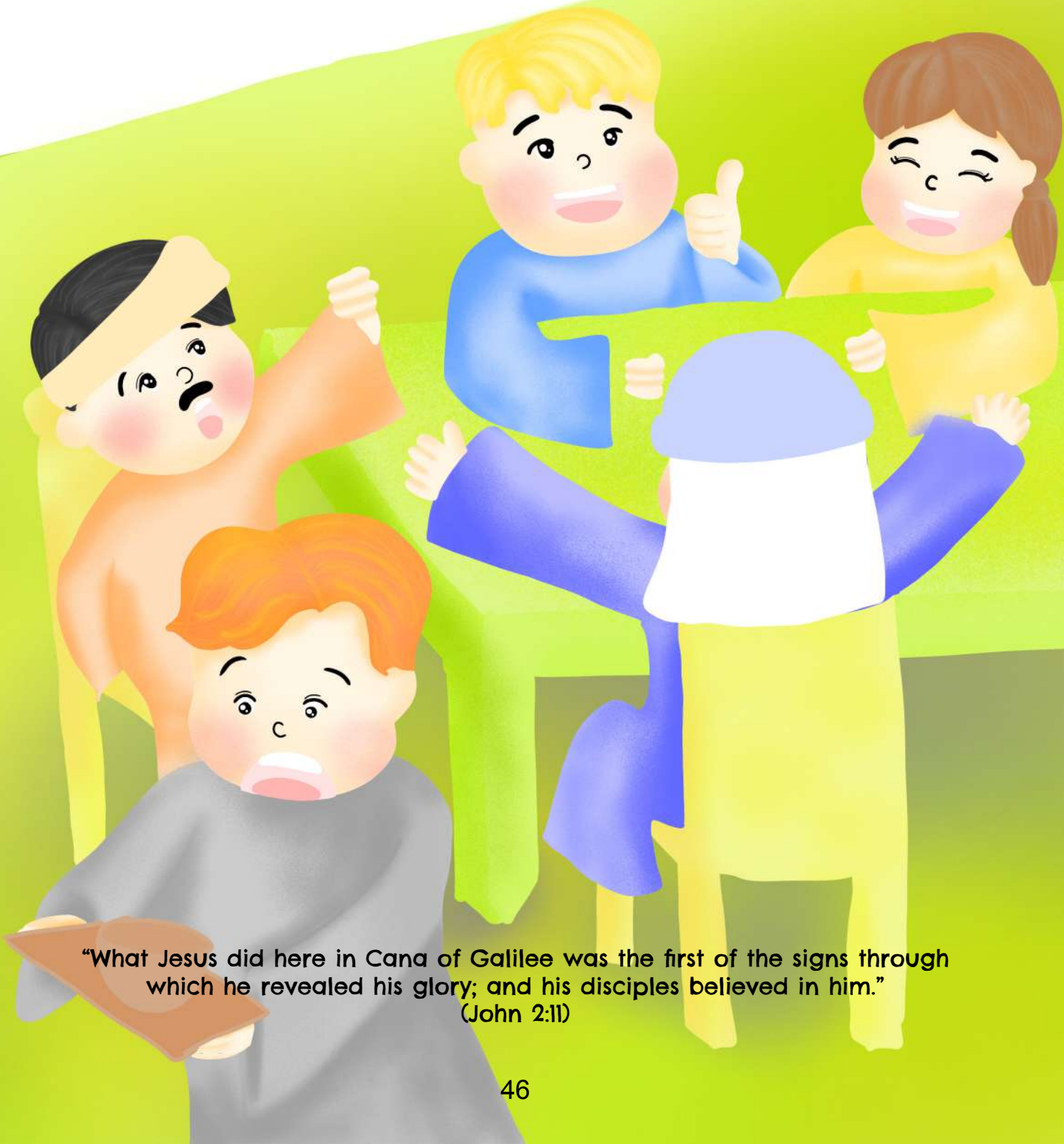
“It was a such a good decision that we followed on Jesus.”

“I can’t still believe that It happened in front of my eyes. Did it really happened? Right?”

“Yes, yes! I’m still in shock though.”

Jesus did his first miracle in front of people by changing water to wine at the wedding party. Lots of people had an amazing time by enjoying wine which was brought by Jesus.

His disciples also saw miracle done by Jesus, and they believed on him.



“What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.”
(John 2:11)

My beloved son and daughter,

My children, I want you to be always happy, so I did lots of miracles. The first miracle happened at the wedding party, wedding party must be full of happiness and joyful, that's why I did it. My first miracle was happened at wedding party to show you that I want you to be always happy and joyful just like those people who enjoyed party with my wine.

I gave greater miracle to you. It is the privilege of being my children just by believing me. So, I really want you to be always with me and share this good news to your friends and family.

Love you!

Lots of love,
Jesus



Beloved Jesus,

Jesus! You gave us the greater miracle that set us free from our sin, which no one else in this world could do, but only you could.

You took our sin by carrying the cross to give us the happiness of being people of your kingdom. You gave us the privilege to be your children just by believing you.

Thank you, Jesus! I love you.

Love,
I



7. Jesus, It is the storm. I'm scared.

(Matthew 8:23-27, Mark 4:35-41, Luke 8:22-25)

People wanted to see Jesus closer. so, once Jesus finished his teaching to the people, they were still standing around him. Jesus took the boat with his disciples to leave the place.

“Let’s go over the other side of the Galilee lake.

Everyone was relaxed at the boat sailing on a calm lake. Jesus was tired of the teaching for huge crowds, he fell asleep on a pillow.

All of the sudden, a huge storm arose. Big waves were hitting the boat, and the boat was filled by water so quickly. Disciples were running shocked and felt so scared.

“No! More water is getting in the boat.”

“This boat will be broken soon!”

“Then we’ll be drowned to death!”

“Where is Jesus? Yes! We are with Jesus.”

“Jesus! Jesus!”





Somebody shouted.

“I’m so afraid. some of you go and look for Jesus while we’ll take these bows.”

“It seems we’ll gonna sink shortly, Let’s quickly look for him.”

Disciples were running to look for the Jesus.

Jesus was sleeping soundly at the aft of the ship.

They run to Jesus.

“Jesus, Jesus! How come you are still sleeping?”

“We’ll gonna sink shortly. Please save us.”

“Oh Lord, Please save us.”

“Jesus, please help us. We’ll gonna die.”

Disciples were crying to wake up Jesus.

Jesus woke up by hearing their cries and rebuked the winds and waves.

“Winds, stop now!”

“Waves, calm down now!”



Then the crazy storm stopped, huge waves became so calm, and the boat was not anymore shaking side to side.

Jesus spoke to disciples.

“Where is your faith? Oh you of little faith. tsk tsk”

Disciples were still afraid hearing from Jesus, they were shocked seeing the miracle that Jesus just did.

“Who is this man?”

“He is the son of the God.”

“How... He did command to the wind and water.”

“Right! Who is he that storm obeys?”



“It is amazing, he did stop the crazy storm by his words.”

“Ah! Although we have seen a lot of amazing things that he did, we didn’t truly believe him.”

“True... That’s why he asked that where our faith is.”

The disciples went and woke him, saying, “Master, Master, we’re going to drown!”

He got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waters; the storm subsided, and all was calm. (Luke 8:24)



My beloved son and daughter,

My children, at the shaking boat the disciples were running to me being so afraid. They woke me up crying for help. They should not be afraid of anything being with me, but they were so afraid of dying.

I knew that they don't have the faith, but I love them so much, still I help out right away. In your life, there will be lots of things to ask for help from me. Run to me to wake me up for my help, but you have to stay close to me for reaching me out. Stay close to me by praying daily and worshiping, alright?

Love you!

Lots of Love,
Jesus



Beloved Jesus,

I had read the storybook. It was about the brother and sister who became the sun and the moon. That sibling took the rope from the sky to go to up, so they can save their lives from the scary tiger. While the chasing tiger fell down and died by taking the rotten rope. I was thinking of you reading this story. Praising, worshiping and praying to you Jesus, is the rope that saves us. While fighting and telling a lie to my friends and family will be the rotten rope to let us fall down to death.

Jesus! You'll send rotten ropes to the satans around us if we'll stay close to you. right?

I Love you, Jesus!

Love,
I



8. Father! I wanna go back

(Luke 15:11-32)



There was a rich man in a town living with two sons.

The older son was hardworking and always helping the father, while the younger one was always out to play around.

“Father! Please scold the younger brother. He is just taking a nap under the tree not working at all.”

“Father, father! I`m getting so pissed off at younger brother. He went to his friend`s house to play while telling you that he went for work. See? He hasn`t come back.” The younger one whom just want to play didn`t listen to his brother and father. One day, he came to the father and said to him.

“Father, give my part of property now that you are planning to give me later.”



“Tsk tsk... my child... What will you do with this money?”

“Father~ give me now. I'll live by doing whatever I want.”

Father was worried but he divided the property and give to his two sons. The younger son prepared his money and left home after a few days. He was rich, so he went to different places to travel, spend lots of money on eating and buying things that he likes. He did whatever he like to do.

“Wow! This is too much fun to leave the house! hahaha.”

“Yehey~ I`ll do whatever I want to do.”







But Money didn't last that long.

“No! I spend all the money! Where did it all go? What should I do? I don't know how to work to earn money. I should have learned from my brother how to work.”

“Ah... People are getting stingy of bad harvest while I got no money. Where should i get some food?”

He was so hungry that he went out to beg for the food.

“I'm so hungry. Please give me some food.”

“Hey! I'll give you some food if you feed my pigs.”

The younger son was feeling so hungry while feeding the pigs.

“Ah... Starving. How I wish to eat these pigs.”

“Nice life, pigs! You guys eat, sleep, eat and sleep. ah.... I should go and beg for the food for pigs.”

But nobody was even giving him that food.

“What happened to my life? Boo Hoo.... Right! I have my father. His servants were given lots of foods. I'll be able to eat good food if I go back to his house.”

“But How can I see his face again? Ha.... I should go and ask him to use me as his servant.”



He walked weakly to the house and saw the father standing at the gate. Father ran to the younger son. Although younger son looked like a beggar, but the father knew it was his younger one. Father hugged and kissed him while crying.

“Oh, my son... Do you know how long I have waited for you? I was out standing here at every sunset to wait for you. This must be real.”

“Father, I'm so sorry. I spent all your money and came back as the beggar. Haaa.... Please forgive me. Please let me stay as the servant and feed me with some food.”

“What do you mean servant? You are my son. Today is a happy day. My son whom I thought been dead had returned alive, let's prepare the party.”

The father and the son were seeing each other's face crying and crying. Father had said to his servants.

“Bring the best clothes and put them on him. Also, put a ring on his finger and good sandals on his feet. Bring the best calf and cook plenty of food to eat. Let's celebrate for my returned son. The younger one had returned home and lived as the son of the father.

“My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’”

(Luke 15:31-32)



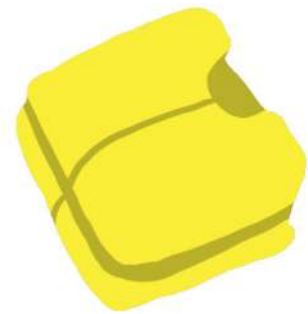
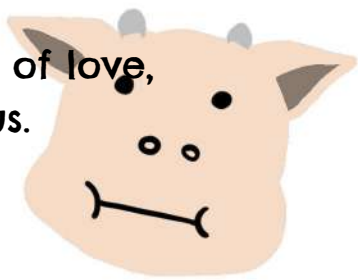
My beloved son and daughter,

Today's story is all about the love of the Lord.

His love is just same as the father's love for his son. Lord still wait for you even you live away from him. He waits for you to come back just as that father waited for his son every day, He waits for you to call him and you to live as the child of God.

If you were not living as the child of God, Let's just pray to him now, so you can go back to the Lord, our father. Our Lord is good because he is our father. Love you.

Lots of love,
Jesus.



Beloved Jesus,

Jesus! Is love of the father same as love of the God?
I thought the love of the mother was always bigger than father's.
My mom spends more time with me but I do see my dad only at night
when he gets back from the work. But I heard that He is busy to make
our family to live happily. He also likes to play with me more than go
for work, so I learned both my mom and dad give same love to me.
I thought Jesus loves me more than Lord did, but now I knew it is same
love to me. Lord and Jesus is one, so it should be the same, isn't it?
I love you, Lord! I love you, Jesus!

Love,
I



9. Zacchaeus, Come down to me.

(Luke 19:1-10)

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. Zacchaeus went into the crowds to see Jesus.

“Please let me pass to the center. I also want to see Jesus.”

Zacchaeus was short that whether how much he jumped among the people to get closer to Jesus, He was not able to see at all.



Moreover, He was a tax collector hated by Jews, that's why people didn't let him pass through.

“Go away. A sinner like you is not worthy to see Jesus.”

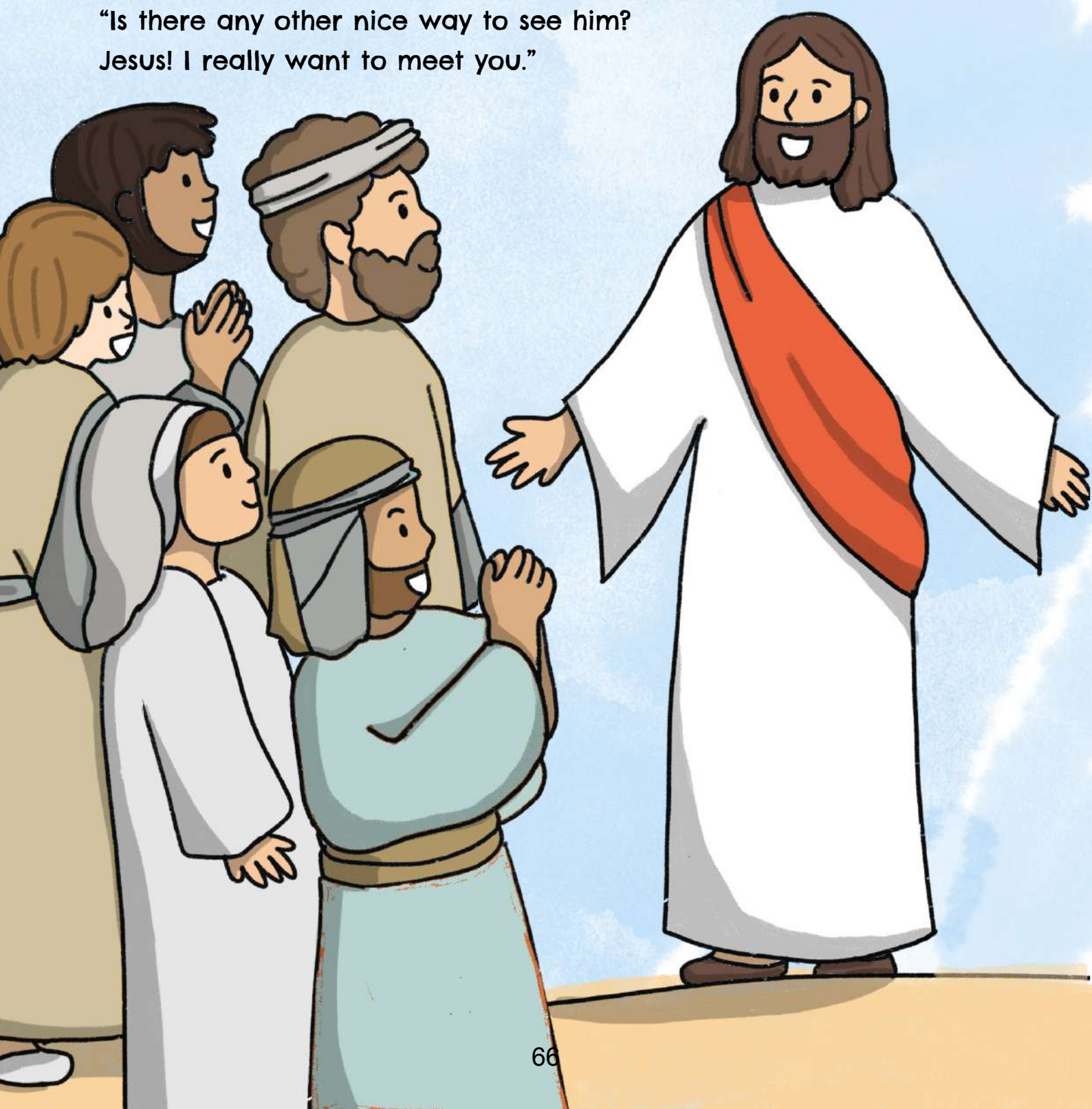
Zacchaeus sneaked out of the people feeling sad.

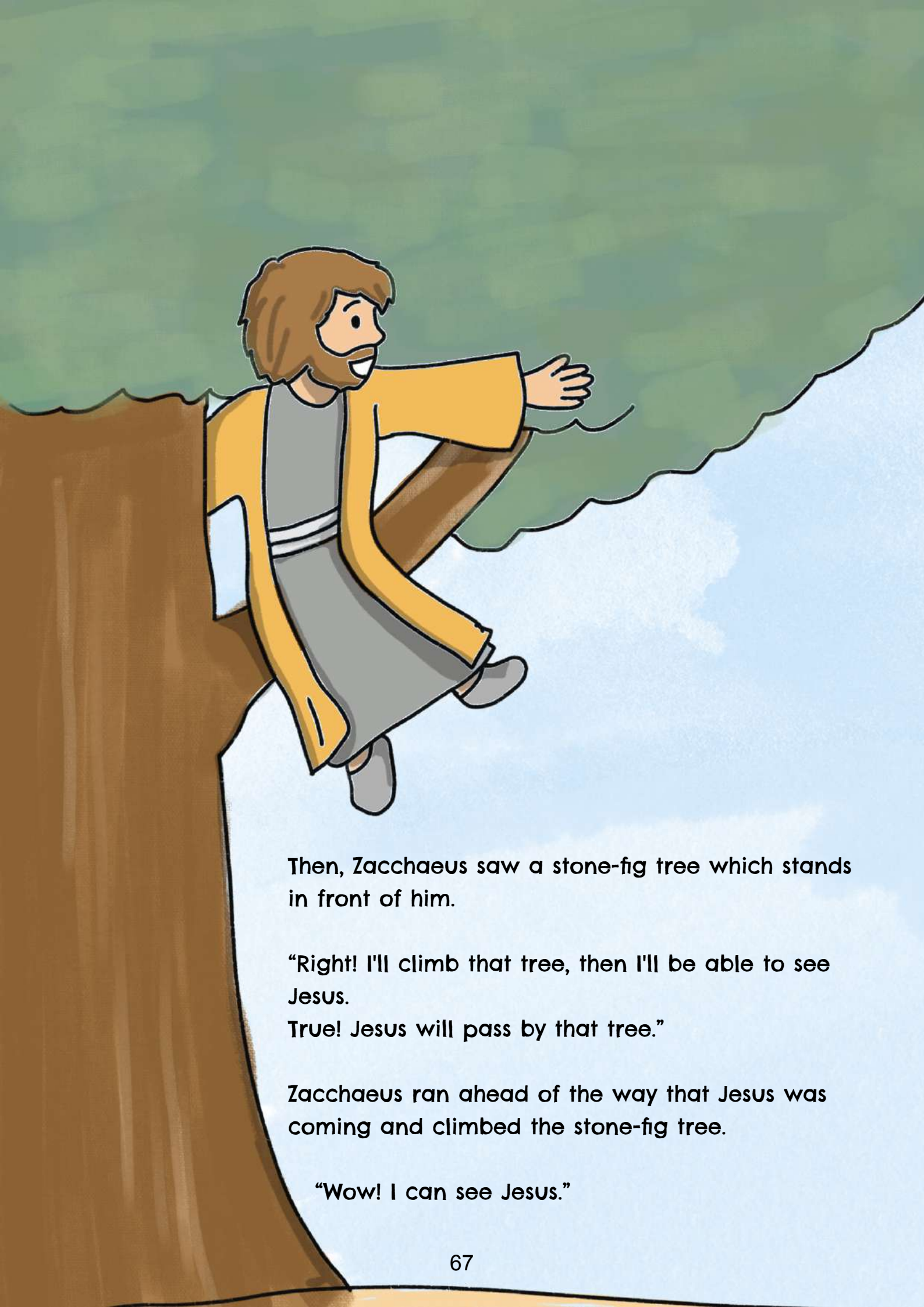
“Ah... I really wished to see Jesus today. I'm so short that I can't stand at the back to see him, and people hate me much that they will not help me to get inside. Huh...”

But He didn't want to just give up and go back.

“Is there any other nice way to see him?”

Jesus! I really want to meet you.”





Then, Zacchaeus saw a stone-fig tree which stands in front of him.

“Right! I’ll climb that tree, then I’ll be able to see Jesus.

True! Jesus will pass by that tree.”

Zacchaeus ran ahead of the way that Jesus was coming and climbed the stone-fig tree.

“Wow! I can see Jesus.”

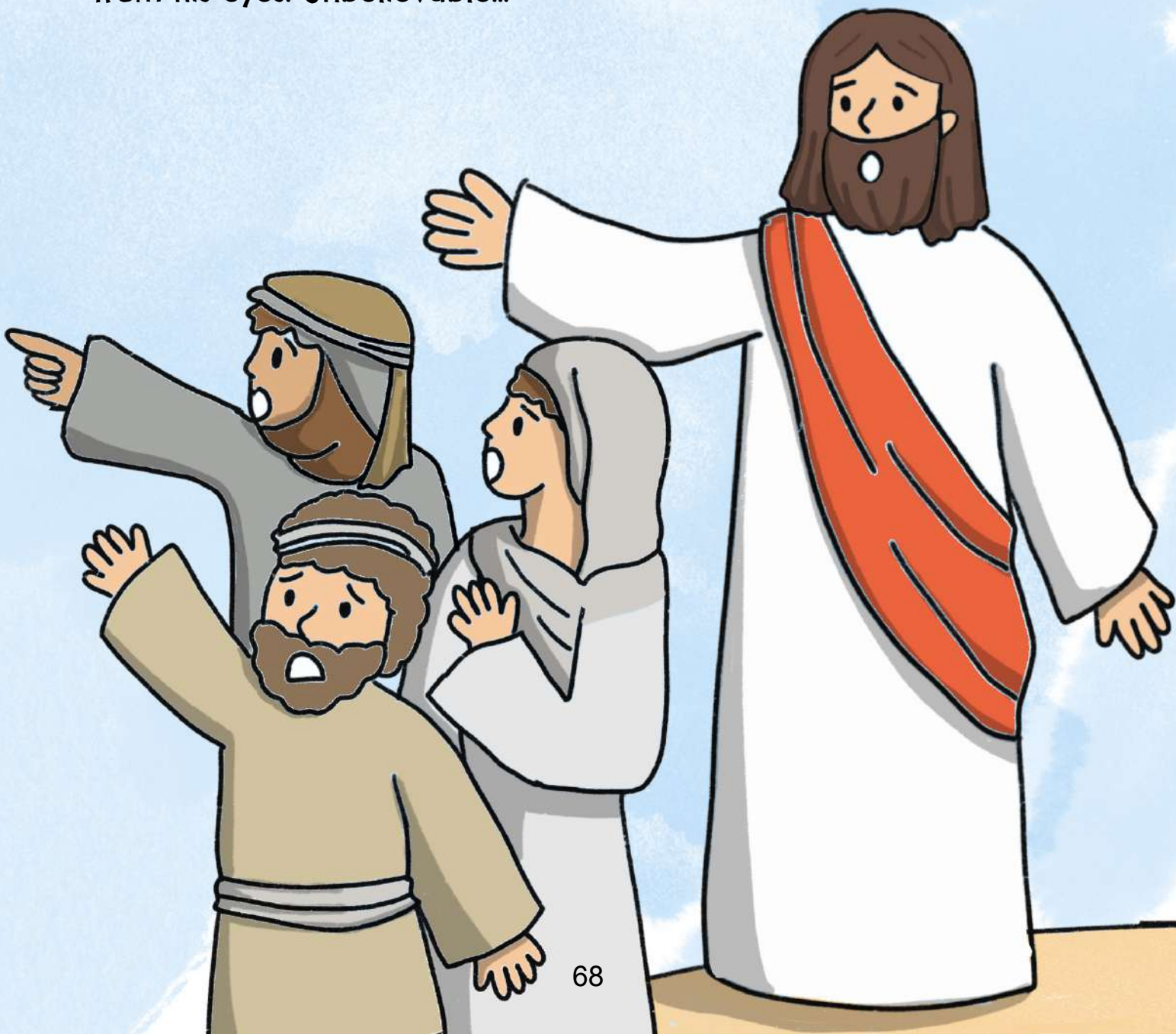
People found Zacchaeus at the tree and shouted to him.
“Come down. It's dangerous.”

“No way. Today, I have to see Jesus, who is he. If I go down, I'm too short that I can't see his face. And you people didn't let me get into the front. I can see Jesus so well from here. I'll not go down.”

Jesus just passed under the tree.

Jesus stopped and look up seeing Zacchaeus.

“Ah! Jesus looked at me. He is looking at me as I can see myself from his eyes. Unbelievable...”



Zacchaeus was so happy that his heart beats so quick.
Then Jesus talked to Zacchaeus.

“Zacchaeus! Come down quickly. I have to stay
at your house today.”

“Jesus! Will you really come to the house of someone like me?
Everyone hates me. They are still talking in whispers about me.
Are you really coming to my house?”

Jesus smiled and nodded his head.

When Zacchaeus heard what Jesus said, he felt that he was
floating in the clouds. He was so excited that he could not close
his mouth.

He quickly came down and brought Jesus to his house.

“Zacchaeus! There will be salvation at your house
today because you are also descendants of Abraham.
I came to find the lost one and save them.”

Jesus shared the gospel at the house of Zacchaeus.
Zacchaeus was so happy meeting Jesus, promised to share half of
his wealth to the poor people.

Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this
house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the
Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

Luke 19:9-10







My beloved son and daughter,

People do judge by his or her appearance, but I do see the heart of the person. When I pass by that tree, I felt Zacchaeus's sincere heart to climb the tree desperately to see me.

I saw Zacchaeus `s eyes when I looked up, He was looking at me with a twinkle in his eyes. I felt I seen countless hearts from his eyes. hahaha.

If you pray with all your heart, I'll meet you as well.

I'll be going faster to you when you read my words, pray to me, praise with all your heart, and worship sincerely. Love you.

Lots of love,
Jesus.

Beloved Jesus,

Jesus! I'm still short like Zacchaeus, I always stand on tiptoe to see something high. But my friends didn't let me go in front of them, so I kind of understand how Zacchaeus felt.

I do always sit in the first row whenever I go to worship, so I can see well. What if you `ll not find me covered by tall friends if I seat behind. hahaha.

“Jesus, I love you. Please come and be with me.”

Love,
I

10. Bring the children to me.

(Matthew 19:13-15, Mark 10:13-16, Luke 18:15-17)

Jesus was telling people the secrets of heaven. People brought their young children to be allowed to get a blessing from Jesus. But there were so many people that they could not take their children to where Jesus was.

The children went forward to see Jesus. Then the disciples rebuked them.

“Kids, where are you going? This is not the place where you, kids can come. Go away!”



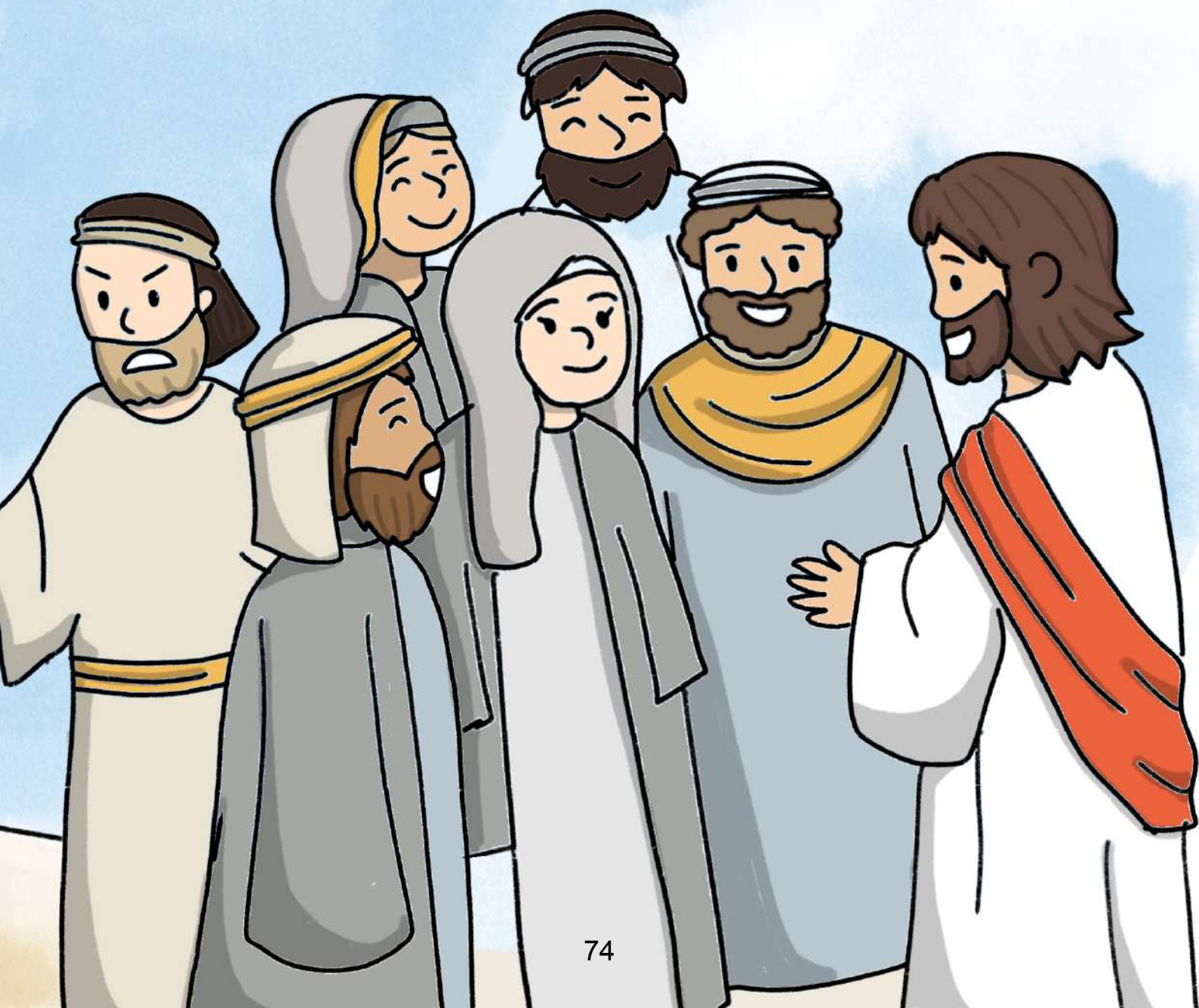
“Uncle Peter! I want to see Jesus. Please take us to Jesus.”

“Enough! Can you not be quiet? Where are your parents? Go to your parents now.”

“Uncle~ Please. We'll stay quiet. Please let us see the face of Jesus.”

The disciples kept pushing the children out.

“What do we do now? We have to meet Jesus... But It looks impossible. I don't think we can make it today, let's come back next time.”



The children gave up and they were about to leave.
Then, Jesus came to disciples and was upset to them.

“Do not stop the young children to come to me.”

The footsteps of the children just stopped at his words.

In the voice of the Jesus scolding the disciples, they could felt that how much he cares and loves the children. Jesus said again.



“The kingdom of God belongs to the people who are like these little children. Come to me, my children.”

The children ran through the people to Jesus.

“Jesus! Jesus!”

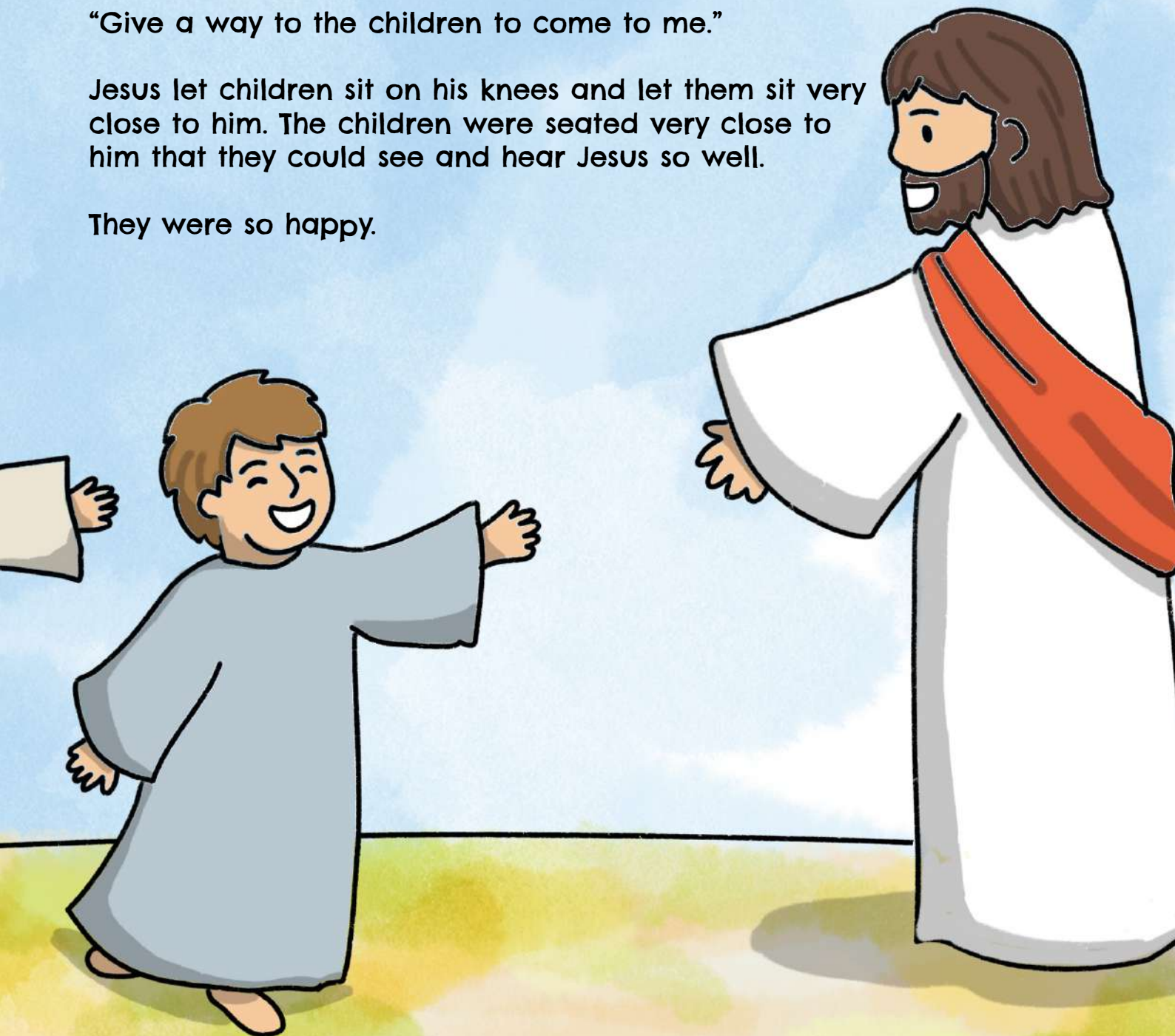
“Sweethearts, you might fall down. Slowly, slowly.”

“Jesus! Jesus! hu...hu...”

“Give a way to the children to come to me.”

Jesus let children sit on his knees and let them sit very close to him. The children were seated very close to him that they could see and hear Jesus so well.

They were so happy.





Jesus said to the people again.

“You can not enter the kingdom of God If you are not just like the child.”

Jesus clearly said that anyone who can't accept God's kingdom as how the child does, they will not be able to enter the kingdom of God.

“Jesus, Jesus! You mean a child like us can go to heaven?”

“Yes Sure. The Heaven is for the children just like you.”

“Wow! So exciting. Jesus said that the children like us could go to heaven. I'm so happy.”

The children were very happy hearing what Jesus said.

Then Jesus took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

“Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

(Mark 10:15-16)



My beloved son and daughter,

I like you guys so much. You are so lovely being kind, pure and sweet.

I feel like I'm watching heaven when I see you.

You look at me purely not asking anything, but adults can't leave the things around them while looking at me.

Always try to live with my words so I can keep seeing heaven from you.

I want you to be my children who believe in me with a beautiful heart and live according to my word.

I love you.

Beloved Jesus,

Jesus! I am very excited. You are on the side of a child like me.

I am happy to hear that the kingdom of heaven is in the hearts of the children.

I will always try to live according to the words of Jesus so that I will have a picture of heaven in me. Therefore, I'll be a child praised by Jesus with "Just a child like you can go to heaven".

I love you, Jesus!

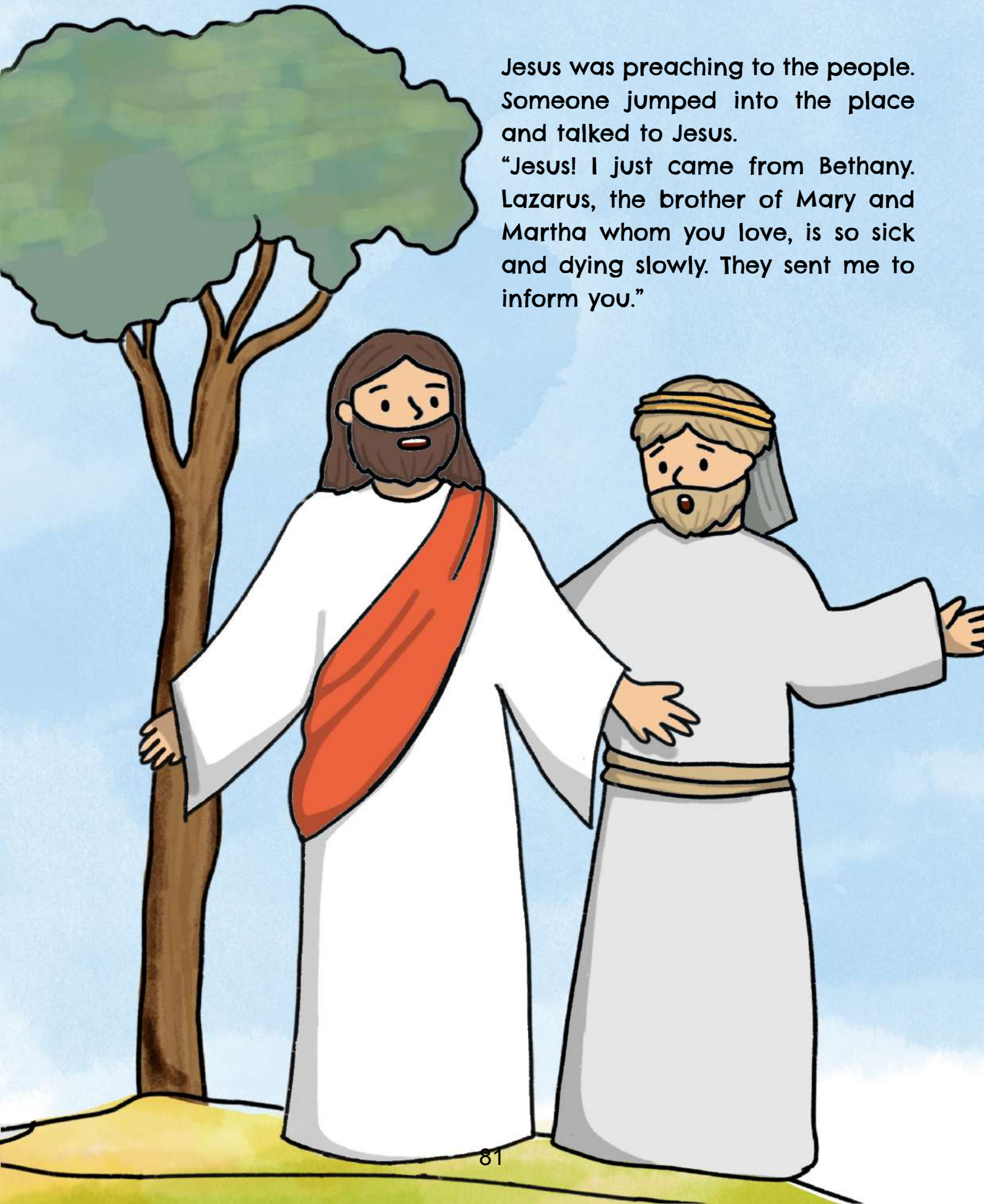
Love,
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11. The dead Lazarus is alive.

(John 11:1-44)

Jesus was preaching to the people. Someone jumped into the place and talked to Jesus.

“Jesus! I just came from Bethany. Lazarus, the brother of Mary and Martha whom you love, is so sick and dying slowly. They sent me to inform you.”



“Go and tell them. This disease will not end in death, it is for the glory of God. Through this, the Son of God will be glorified.”

Jesus stayed there for two more days and then went to Lazarus. When He arrived at Bethany, it had been four days after Lazarus died and been buried. Martha ran to Jesus as she heard he arrived.

“Jesus! Sobbing... Why are you here just now? If you were here, my brother would not have died. He is already dead... Jesus! Please say something. I believe that if you still ask for it, God will give anything to you.”

“Martha! Your brother will rise again.”

“Jesus! I know. My brother will rise again at the time of the resurrection on the last day.”



“My love, Martha! Listen to me carefully. I am the resurrection and the life. If you believe in me will live, even though they die. And if anyone lives and believes in me, he will never die. Do you believe this? “

“Yes. Yes, of course. I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.”

“Yes. Martha! That `s right. Anyway, why did not Mary come with you? Go and tell her that I `m looking for her.”

Martha went home and quietly called Mary.

“Mary. Jesus is looking for you.”

“Huh? Jesus? Where is he now?”

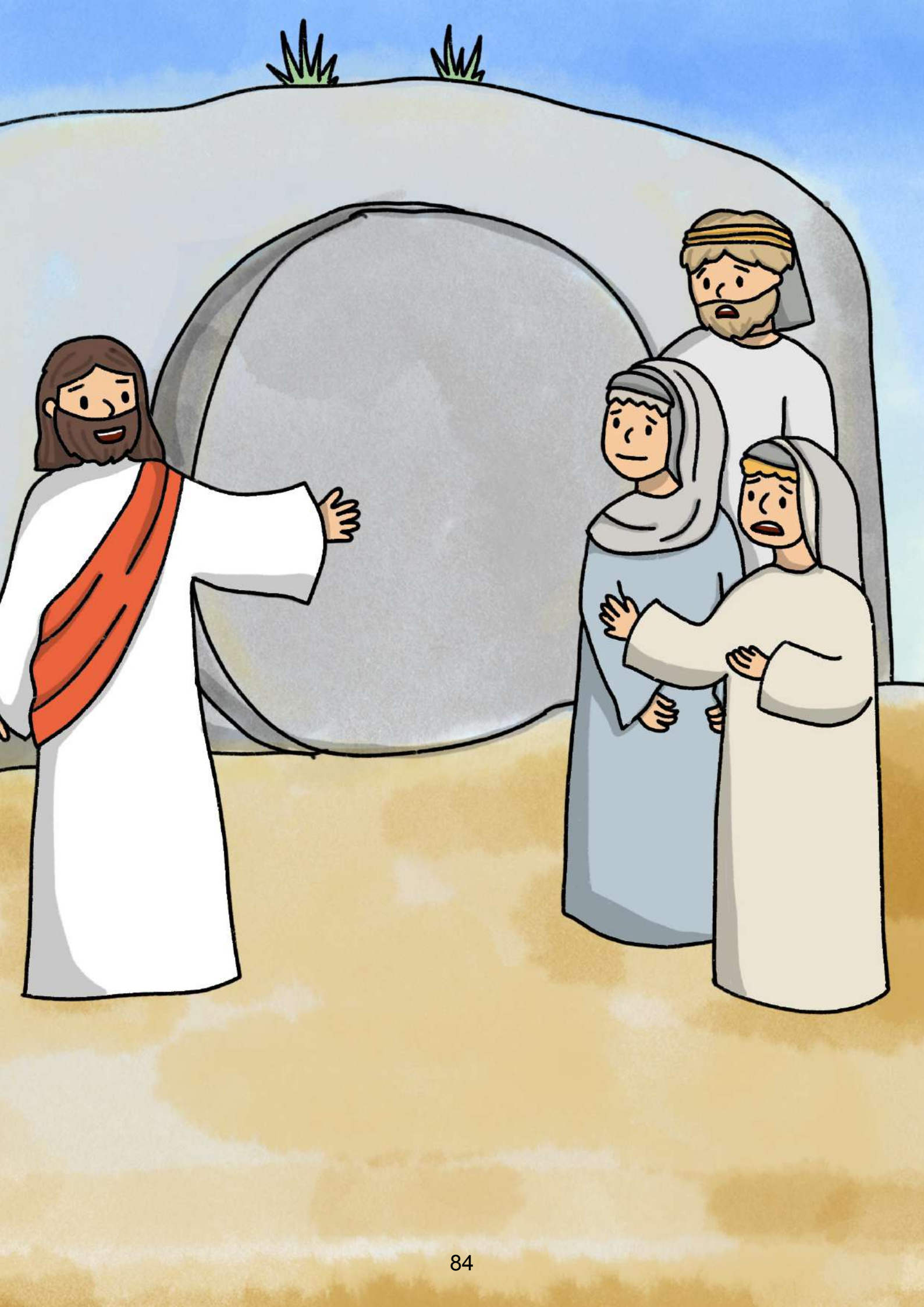
Mary ran to Jesus.

“Jesus. Sobbing... My brother whom you love is dead. Lord, If you had been here, he would not have died. Sobbing...”

“Mary... Tuk. Stop crying now. Where is your brother buried? ”

In front of the tomb of Lazarus Mary cried, and the people of the town who followed her, cried as well and Jesus also cried. The entrance of the tomb was stoned. Jesus commanded.

“Move the stone.”



Then Martha told Jesus.

“Jesus! It has been four days since my brother died. It smells already.”

“Martha! Did I not say that if you just believe, you would see the glory of God? Have you forgotten already?”

Martha and Mary moved the stone with the people. Then Jesus cried out loudly.



“Come out, Lazarus!”

Then, a footstep was heard from the grave, and the dead Lazarus walked out.

“Take off the towel and the clothes, and let him go in his will.”

Mary and her brother Lazarus looked on the eyes.

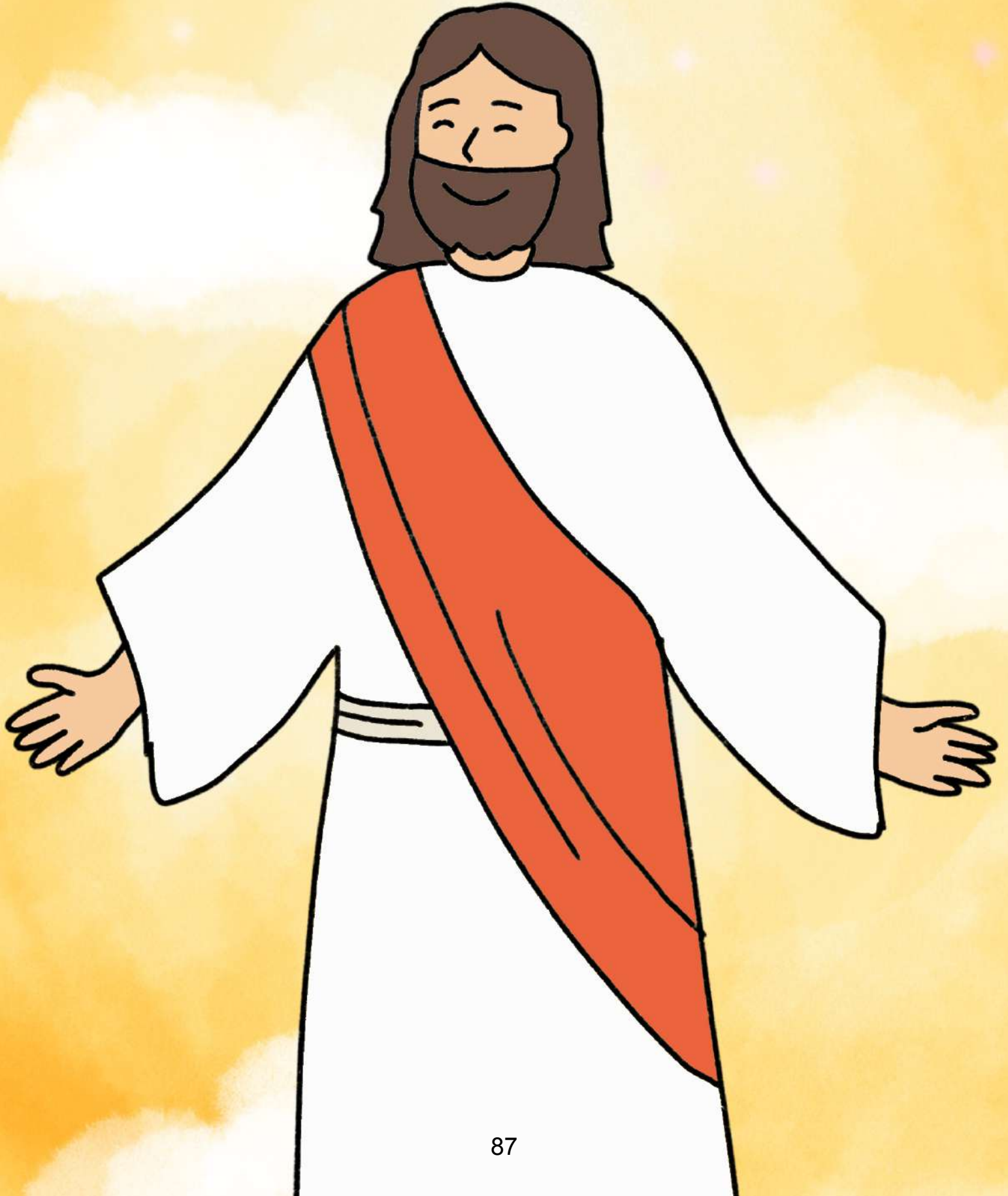
“Hallelujah, Jesus. My dead brother is alive. ”

Jesus looked at Mary and smiled brightly.

Many believed in Jesus as they saw Lazarus, who rose again.

Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

(John 11:25-26)



My beloved son and daughter,

Do you believe the story of Lazarus, who rose again?
I save the dead Lazarus and healed the sick people.
I'll do everything for you, my children.
You just have to believe in me and pray to me.
"Jesus, listen to my prayer. And I want to meet You, Jesus."
I am waiting for you to pray like that.
I love you

Lots of love,

Beloved Jesus,

Jesus! You raised the dead Lazarus to live!
I feel I can hear your voice calling out "Lazarus!".
Jesus! Please call my name same way when I pray to you.
I'll pray while looking forward to hear your voice of full of love.
Until you answer my prayer, I'll keep pray.
I love you, Jesus!

Love,
I

12. Little girl, get up!

(Matthew 9:18-26, Mark 5:35-43, Luke 8:40-56)

Jesus crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake. There was already a large crowd of people at the shore, so Jesus stayed. (Jesus was on the other side of the sea, in the province of Cain, and came across the ship. There were already a lot of people on the beach. So Jesus stayed there.)

Then Jairo, the synagogue ruler, came to Jesus and fell down his feet.

“Jesus! Hkk... Hkk...”

“What makes you cry with grief? Tell me.”



“Lord! I have a twelve-year-old daughter who is now sick and dying. Please come and save my daughter.”

“Oh? Alright. Let's go to your daughter.”

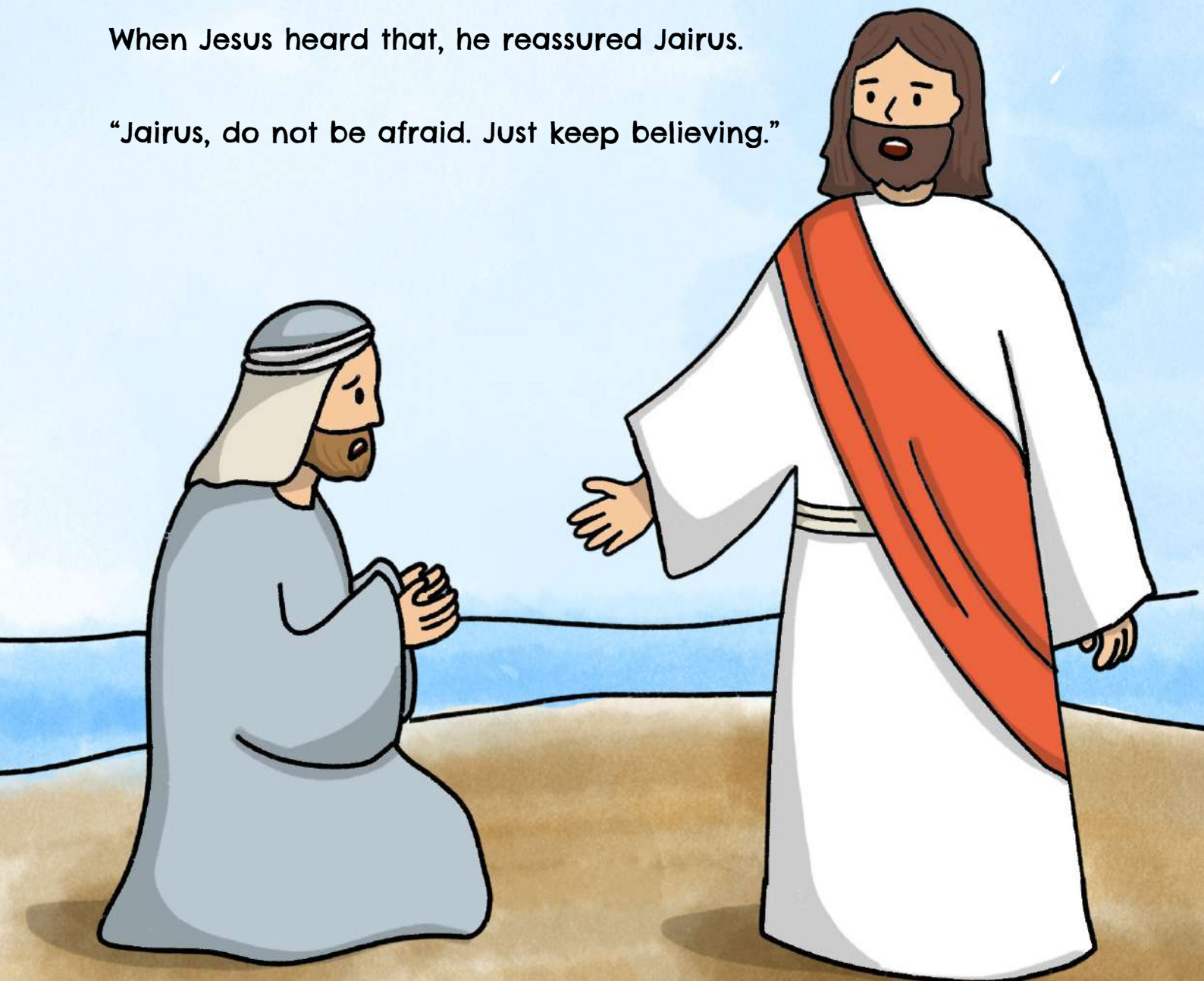
When Jesus made a step with Jairus, the ruler of the synagogue, a large crowd followed Jesus. As they walked a while, some people came from the house of Jairus and said.

“Jarius! Your daughter is dead. So now, do not bother Jesus.”

“What? My daughter... Jesus! What should I do?”

When Jesus heard that, he reassured Jairus.

“Jairus, do not be afraid. Just keep believing.”





Jesus said.

“Peter, James, and John, the brother of James, will only follow me, and all others will return.”

Jesus entered the house of Jairus with them.

The crowd was weeping and crying.

“Poor girl... She was still young....tsk tsk... ”

“After all, she is dead. How would they live by sending their child first.”

Jesus came into the house and said.

**“Why are you so weeping and crying?
The little girl is not dead, but sleeping.”**

“Jesus! My daughter is already dead. She does not breath anymore.”

“Oh, baby, baby... My baby. Oh ~ Lord! I can not see my beloved daughter anymore... I can not touch her, I can not talk together and I can not hear her saying “dad”... Sobbing”

“Jairus, do not be sorry for yourself. Your daughter is not dead but just sleeping.”

Those who heard Jesus say "Asleep" laughed at Jesus.



With the disciples and the girl's parents, Jesus entered the room where the girl was. Jesus grabbed the girl's hand and said.

“Talitha koum!”

This means, "Girl, I say to you. Get up!"

Then the girl got up and walked. The people who watched this were so amazed.


“Jesus! My daughter is really alive. It's like a child who just woke up from sleep. Oh! Lord. Thank you. Thank you very much.”

Jesus was glad to see the girl who got up and walking around.

“Give the girl something to eat.”

“Wow! Seeing you eating I can tell you are real. The girl is truly alive. A miracle happened in front of my eyes!”

Jesus gave a very strict order not to tell anyone about this. But people could not bear to tell the story of the girl Jesus had saved to everyone they met.



He took her by the hand and said to her, “Talitha koum!”
(which means “Little girl, I say to you, get up!”).
Mark 5:41



My beloved son and daughter,

I loved the Jairus' daughter so much, so I saved her from death. Because God loves you so much just as he loves her, God has saved you, a sinner who can not live but just die. He sent me, the son of God to you, to take your sin to save you. So if you believe in me and repent, your sins will be forgiven and you'll become a people of God's kingdom. My children, I love you!

Lots of love,
Jesus.

Beloved Jesus,

Jesus, thank you.

You love me even now and hold my hand telling me to get up. I hope that all of my family will believe in Jesus who is so good. If they do not believe in Jesus, they have to go to the burning hell. I'm so scared.

Jesus! The weather is not right. This is the hottest temperature ever we had. When I go outside, the hot ground seems to pull me down. The sun is so close to me that I think my hair are all burning off. So I do not want to go to the hell which is a million times hotter than this summer. Jesus! I'll go to heaven by believing you sincerely. I will talk to my family about you again. I love you, Jesus!

Love,
I



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