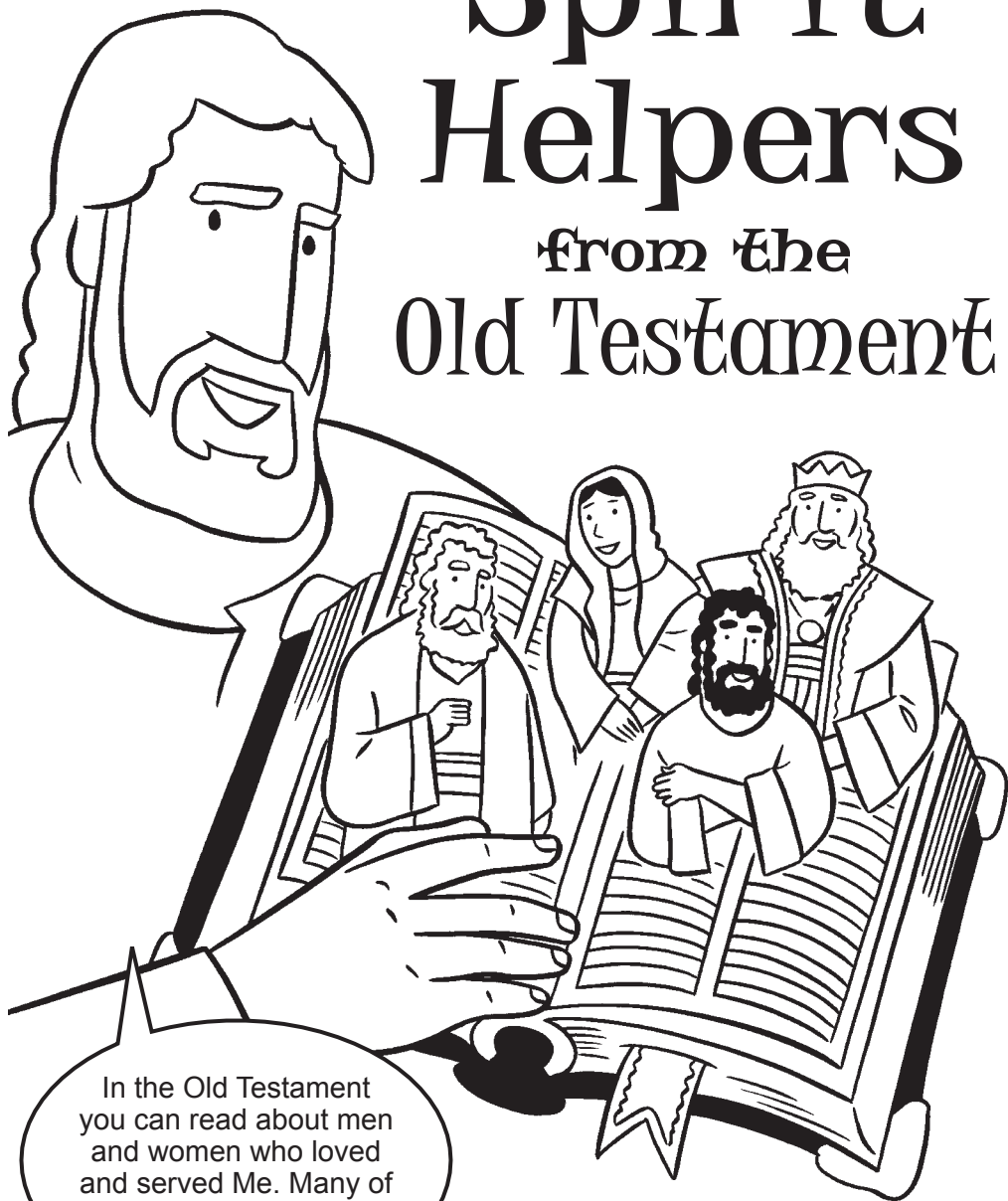


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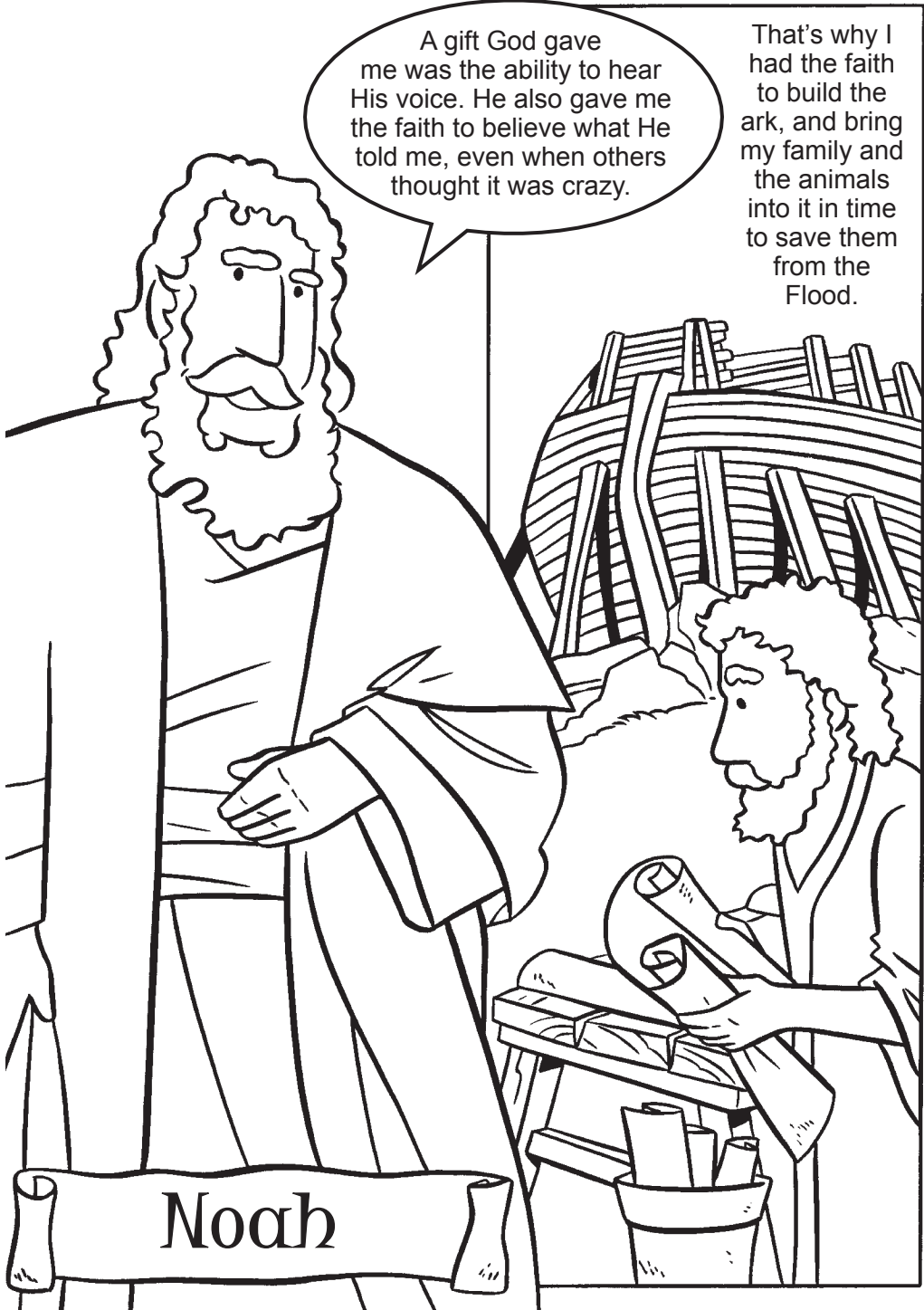
Know Your Spirit Helpers—Part 7

Spirit Helpers

from the
Old Testament



In the Old Testament you can read about men and women who loved and served Me. Many of them are eager to help you today!



A gift God gave me was the ability to hear His voice. He also gave me the faith to believe what He told me, even when others thought it was crazy.

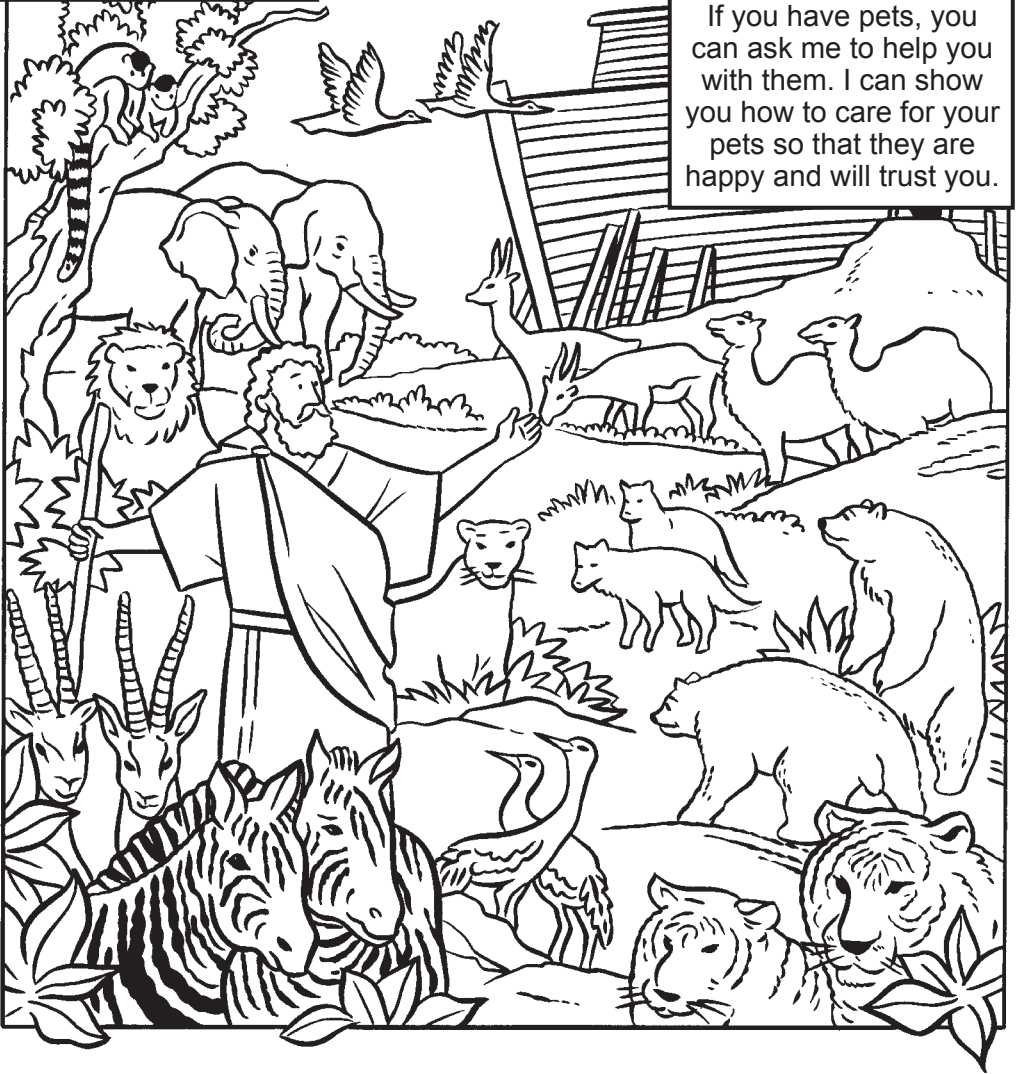
That's why I had the faith to build the ark, and bring my family and the animals into it in time to save them from the Flood.

Noah


You can ask for my help when you need more faith to believe the promises and instructions Jesus gives in prophecy.

Another gift God gave me was the ability to communicate well with animals. The animals knew I loved them, and they trusted me.

If you have pets, you can ask me to help you with them. I can show you how to care for your pets so that they are happy and will trust you.



Read Genesis 6–8 (also *Life with Grandpa 5*, pages 1–64) for the story of how Noah listened to and obeyed God, and saved his family and many animals during the Flood. With your parent or teacher you can also read “7000 Years of World History, Part 1,” ML #645:28–34; ML #2540:84, “Bible for You!—No.21,” ML #2751:4–30.



After Pharaoh's daughter found me, my mother still helped care for me, and taught me to have faith in God. Later, in Pharaoh's palace, I was taught the way of the Egyptians.

Many of these ways were contrary to the ways of God.

Pharaoh's ways are different from God's ways.

But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for He hath prepared for them a City (Hebrews 11:16).

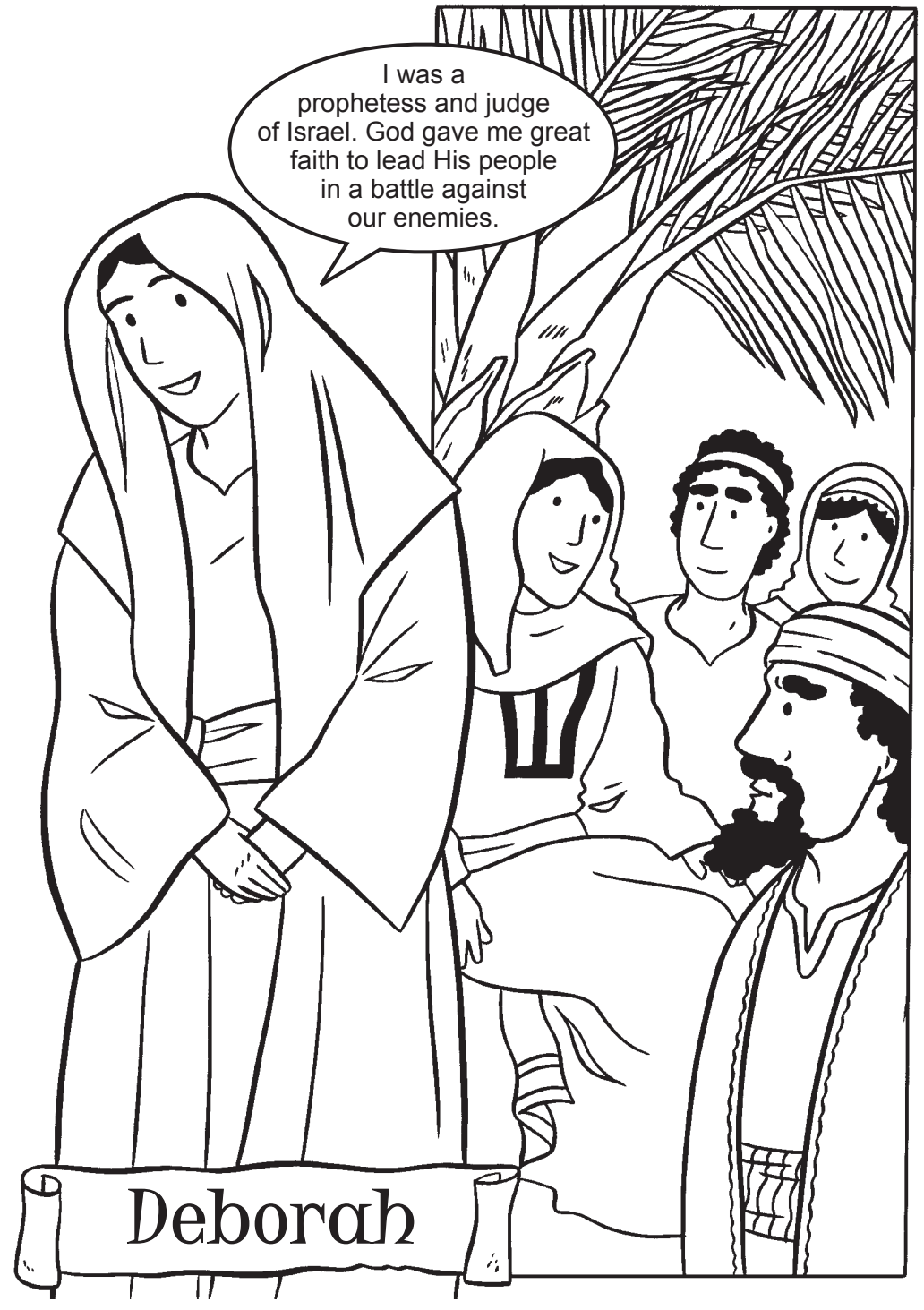
But the truth and the faith in God that my mother had taught me as a young child stayed with me and continued to guide me.

Moses

You can ask me for help to stand strong in your faith and convictions when you are out in the world telling people about Jesus or when you are tempted with worldliness.



You can read about Moses's early life in Exodus 2:1–15. Moses later spent 40 years in the wilderness as a shepherd learning lessons God had for him of humility, patience, and following God's lead. Read in Exodus 3:1–17 about God's call to Moses to serve Him and lead His people out of Egypt. For more about Moses you can also read with your parent or teacher "New Teams," ML #62:3–4, *Vol. 1*; "Bible in Pictures—Chapter 8," ML #1146:28–32, *BIP*; "Bible in Pictures—Chapter 9," ML #1147:1–34, *BIP*; "7000 Years of World History, Part 2—Egypt, Assyria, and Babylon," ML #693:57–60, *Vol. 5*; and "Moses Forsook Egypt" from *Meditation Moments*.



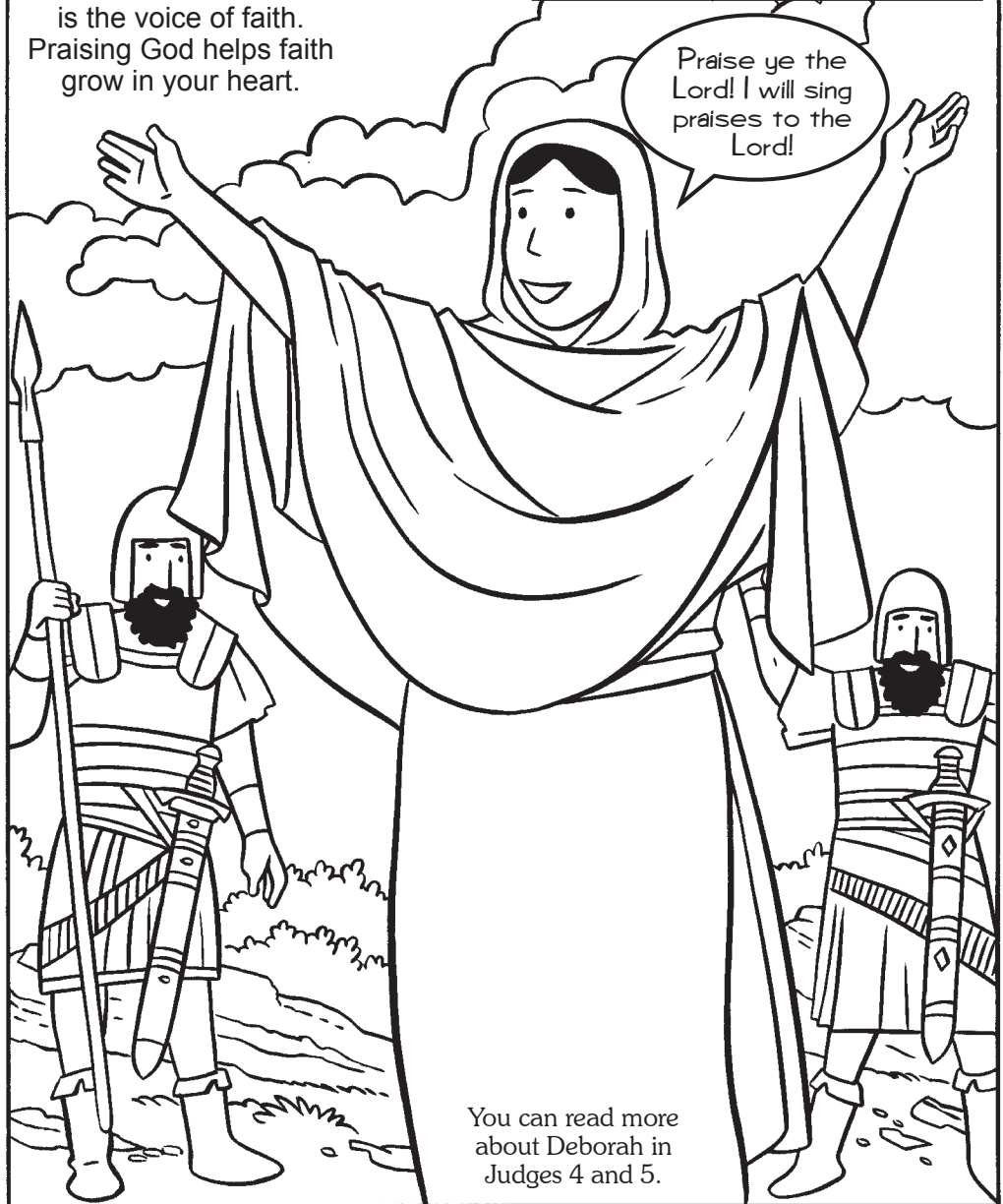
I was a prophetess and judge of Israel. God gave me great faith to lead His people in a battle against our enemies.

Deborah

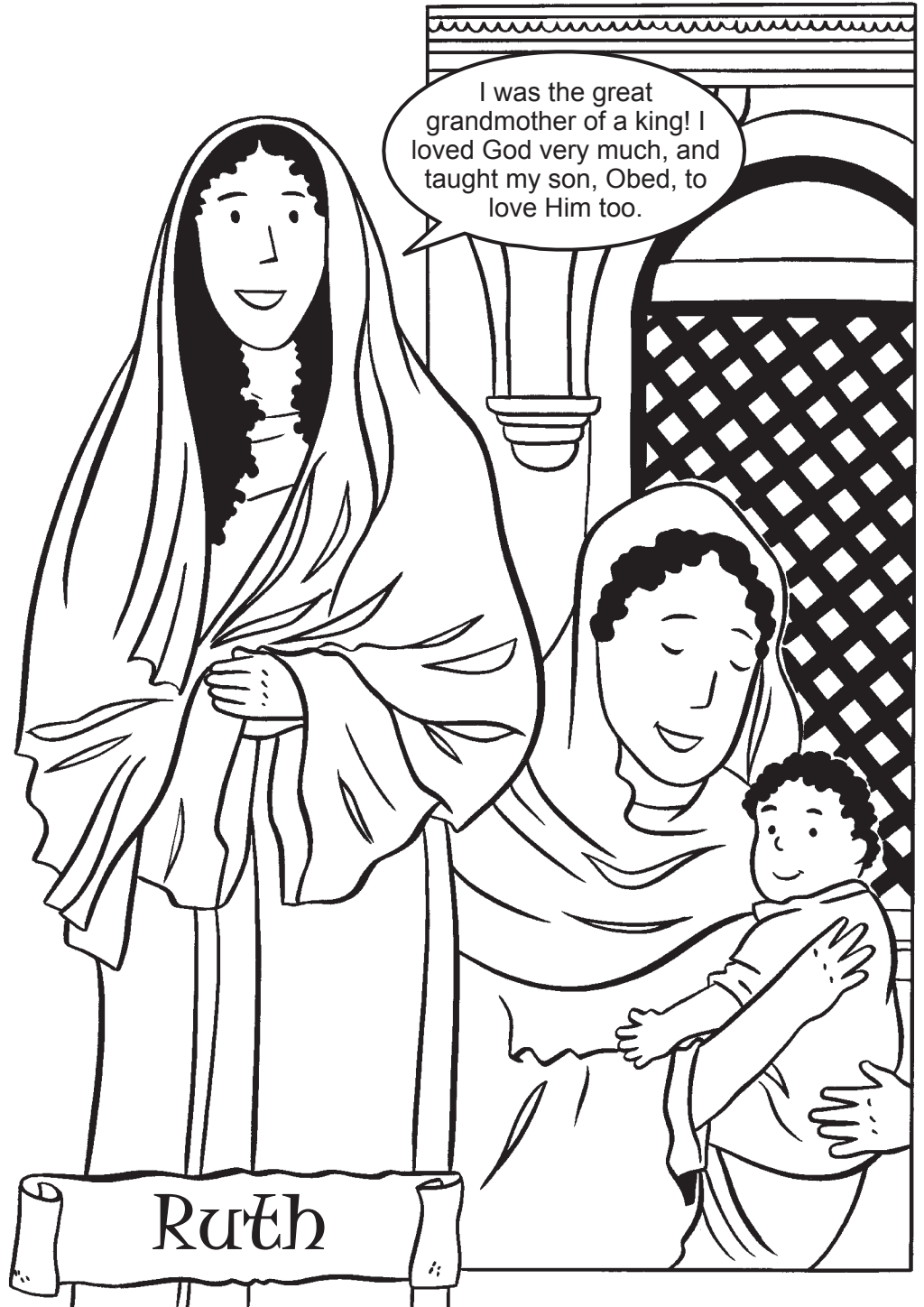
God told me He would help us defeat our enemies, and He did. I then sang a song of praise to God for how He saved us. Praise is the voice of faith. Praising God helps faith grow in your heart.

You can call on me whenever you need faith for God to help you in a difficult situation. I will help you to praise God and have faith to believe His promises!

Praise ye the Lord! I will sing praises to the Lord!



You can read more about Deborah in Judges 4 and 5.



I was the great grandmother of a king! I loved God very much, and taught my son, Obed, to love Him too.

Ruth

Ruth

When Obed grew up and got married, he had a son named Jesse. Jesse had eight sons, and the youngest one was David, who later became King David. That's how I became the great grandmother of a king!



Boaz



Obed



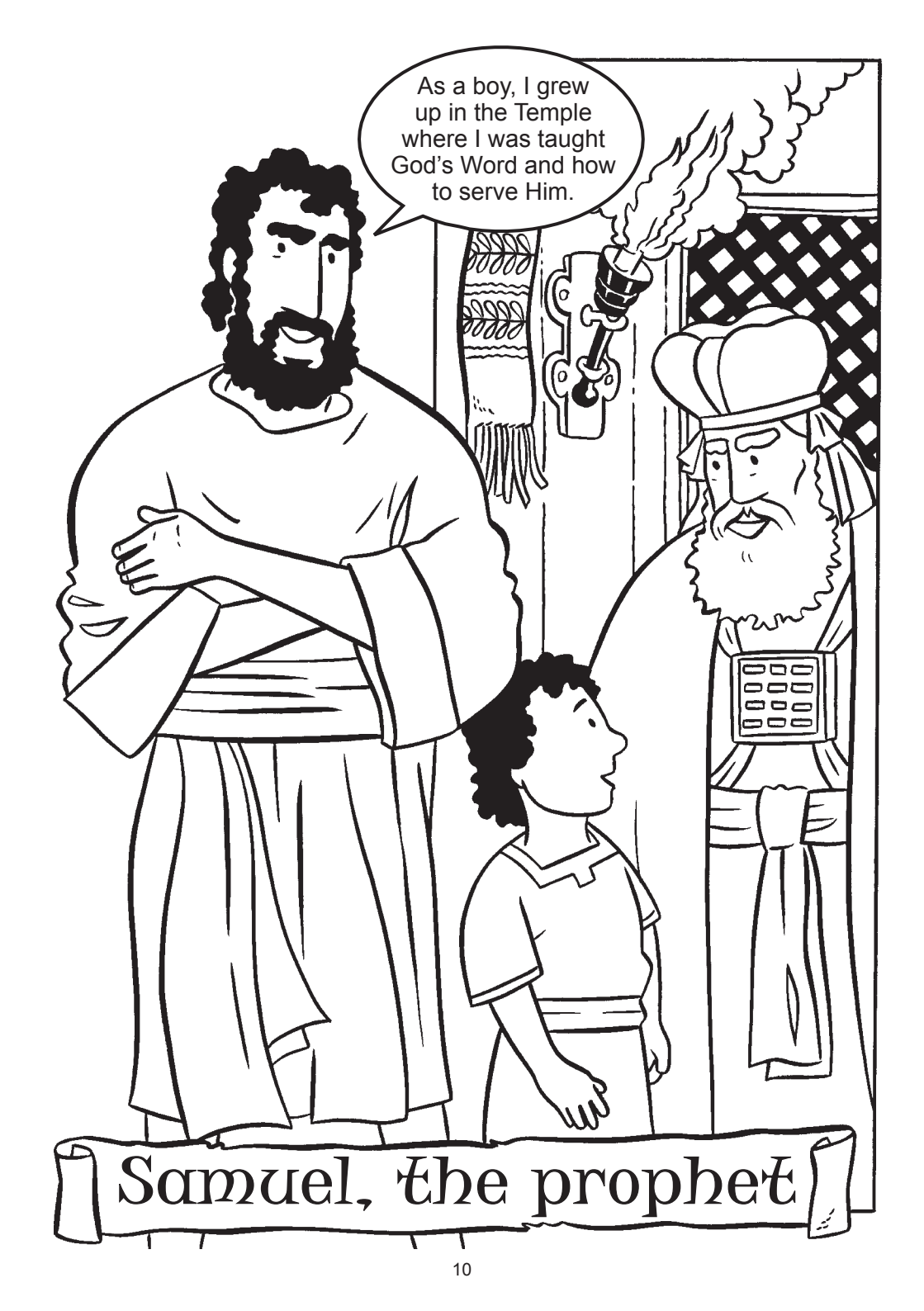
Jesse



David

I am able to help you be faithful and obedient, to trust Jesus for supply, and to love God and Jesus. Call on me, and I'll help you grow in these ways!

You will find Ruth's story in the book of Ruth in the Old Testament. With your parent or teacher you can also read about Ruth in "Bible in Pictures—Chapter 18," ML #1156:12-24, BIP.



As a boy, I grew up in the Temple where I was taught God's Word and how to serve Him.

Samuel, the prophet

By growing up in Family Homes, you too are being raised in God's "temple."
You're learning, like I did, about how to love and serve God.

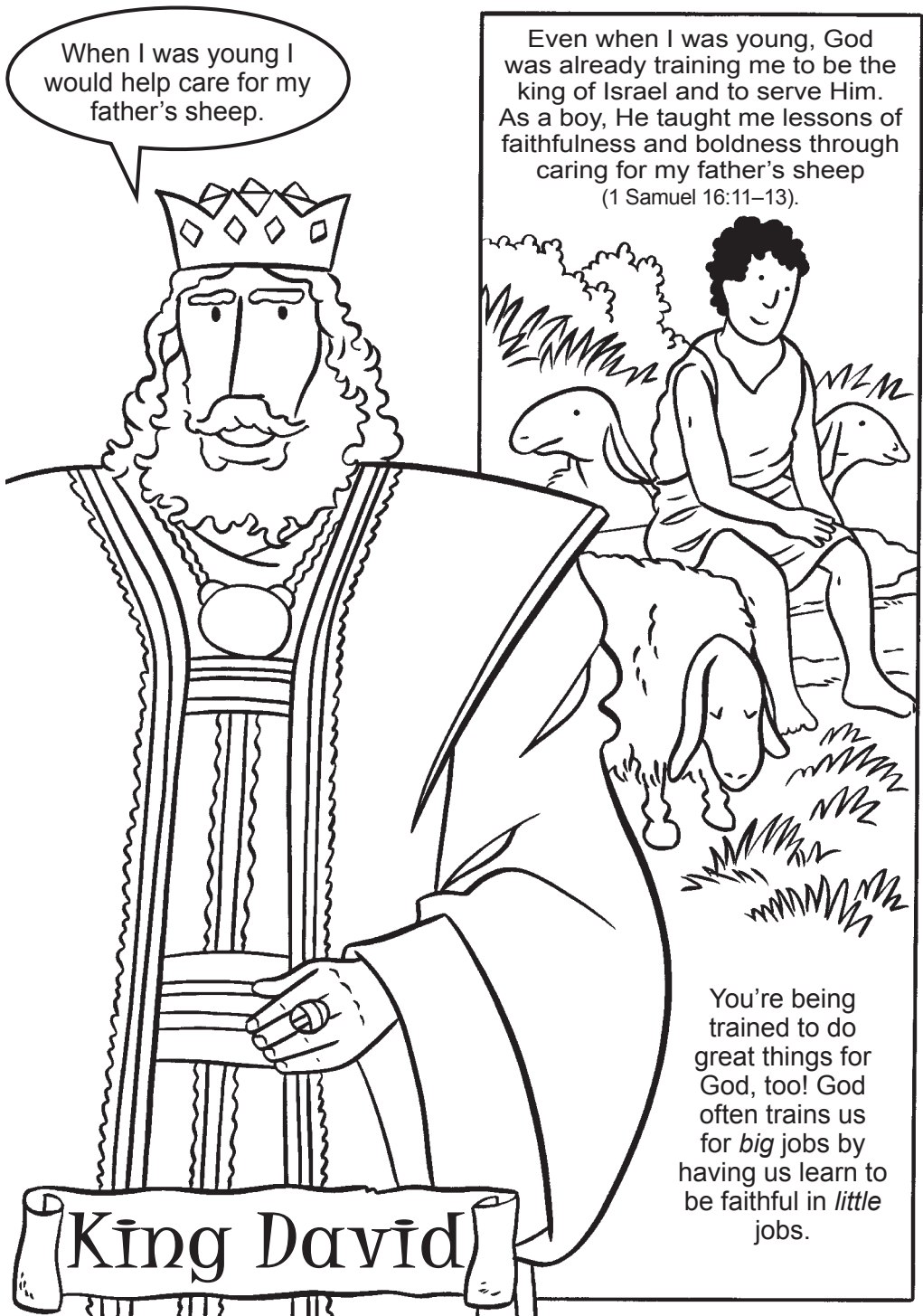
Stories are recorded in the Bible about how I would hear God talking to me, and I would obey what He told me to do. Because I obeyed God's voice, He was able to use me. You can ask me to help you listen to God and obey what He tells you to do.



Ask me to help you when you are studying and memorizing God's Word. I'll help you understand and absorb it, so that you can grow in the spirit to have strong faith like I had.



Read about how Samuel was raised in the Temple and about the first time he heard and obeyed God's voice in 1 Samuel 1-3. With your parent or teacher you can also read about this in "Bible in Pictures—Chapter 18," ML #1156:25-31, *BIP*.



When I was young I would help care for my father's sheep.

Even when I was young, God was already training me to be the king of Israel and to serve Him. As a boy, He taught me lessons of faithfulness and boldness through caring for my father's sheep
(1 Samuel 16:11-13).

You're being trained to do great things for God, too! God often trains us for *big* jobs by having us learn to be faithful in *little* jobs.

King David

I was asked to play the harp and sing for King Saul, which God used as another part of my training (1 Samuel 16:18–23).



You can ask me to help you be faithful in the little things. I'll help you to have a joy in being faithful with the jobs God is giving you today, while you are young and being trained.

He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much (Luke 16:10).



Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord (Mat.25:21).

Naaman was the commander of the Syrian army. He was very sick, so I told his wife how God could heal Naaman. Because Naaman's wife did not believe in God as I did, I didn't know if she would believe me.

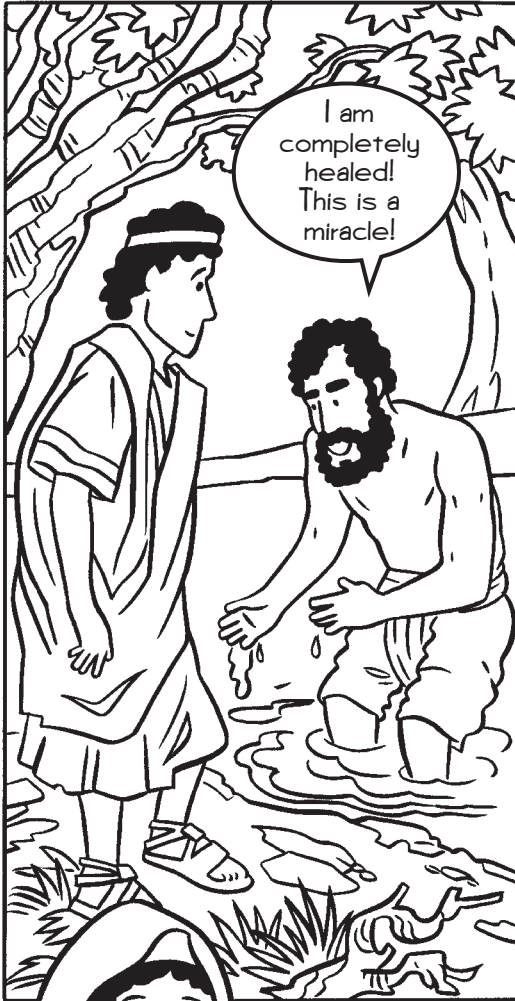
I am the Israelite girl who served Naaman's wife.



Israelite
servant girl

It took a lot of faith for me to tell Naaman's wife that my God could heal Naaman. But she believed me and told her husband.

God then healed Naaman, when he travelled from Syria to the Jordan River and washed there like the prophet Elisha instructed him to do.



When you need help to be a bold witness for Jesus, call on me, and I'll help you.



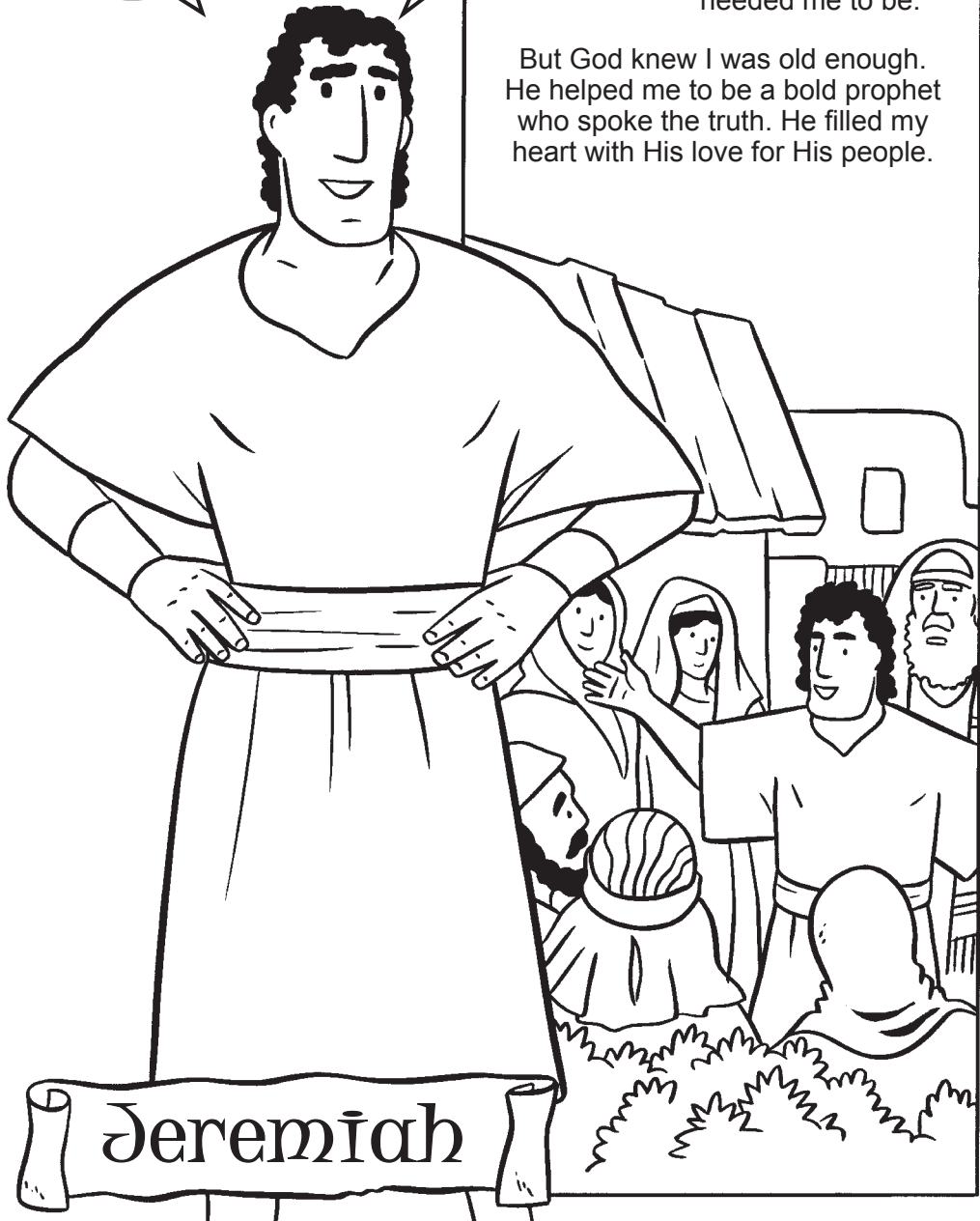
You can read the story about this young servant girl and how the Lord used her to bring His healing touch to the military leader, Naaman, in 2 Kings 5:2-15. With your parent or teacher you can also read about this in "Bible in Pictures—Chapter 26," ML #1164:1-12, *BIP*.

I was still a teen, when God asked me to stand up...

...and speak the truth to the people of Jerusalem and Judah.

I told God that I didn't know if I was old enough to be the strong witness He needed me to be.

But God knew I was old enough. He helped me to be a bold prophet who spoke the truth. He filled my heart with His love for His people.



Jeremiah

God had me give the Jews a message that they should allow Babylon to take over their country. I warned them to stop their bad ways and to turn back to God.

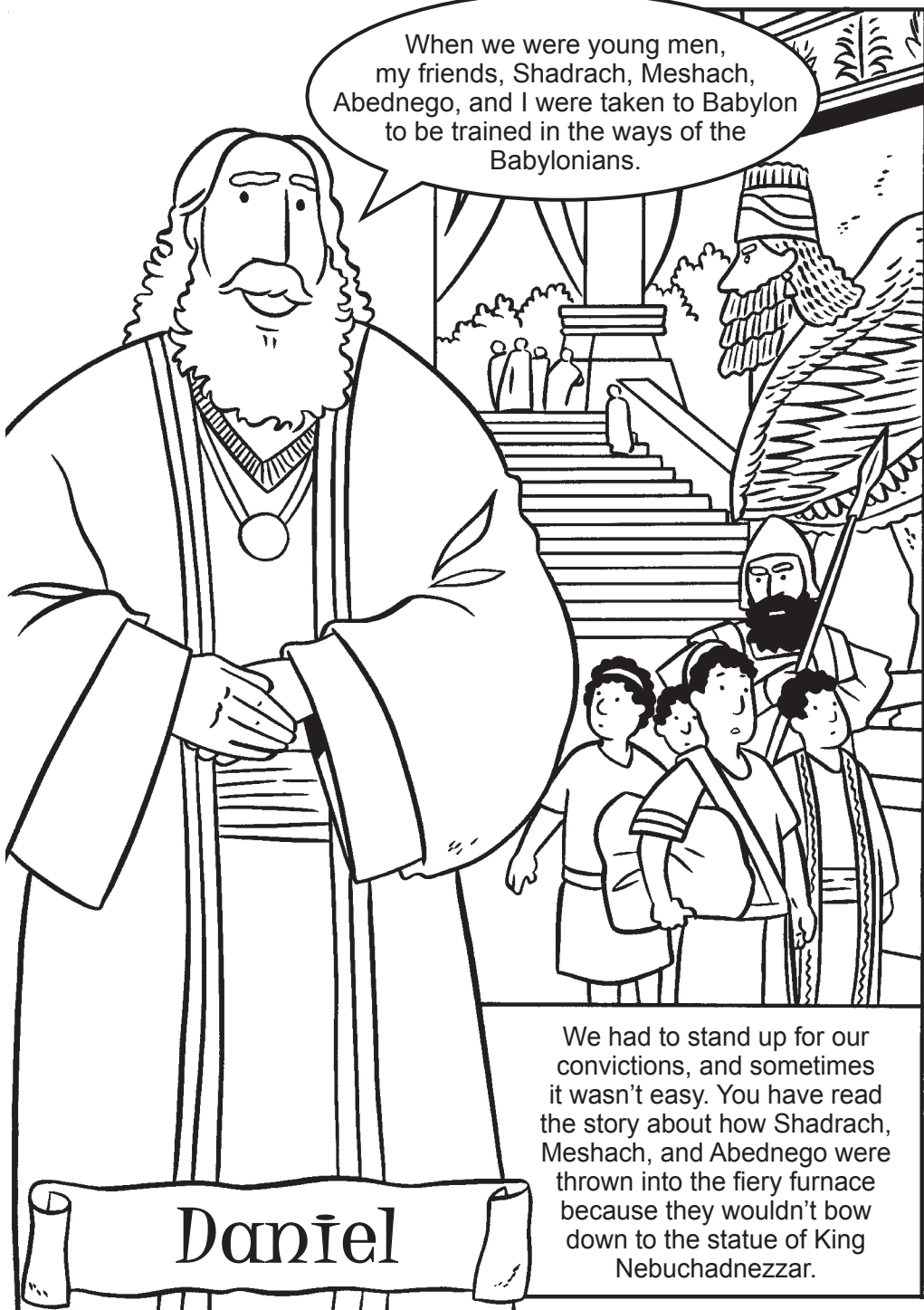


Very few people believed and obeyed the message that God gave them through me. They even put me in jail for a while because they didn't like the message God had for them.

In spite of that, I continued to faithfully witness the truth to the people. No one is too young to serve God. Ask me and I will help you to be a bold and faithful witness. I want to help you tell people about Jesus and His love. I also want to help you tell people about the Endtime so that those who listen to you and believe can be ready.



In Jeremiah 1:5–8 you can read about Jeremiah's call from God to serve Him. Also, you can read more about Jeremiah in "7000 Years of World History, Part 2—Egypt, Assyria, and Babylon," ML #693:70–71, Vol.5 with your parent or teacher.



When we were young men,
my friends, Shadrach, Meshach,
Abednego, and I were taken to Babylon
to be trained in the ways of the
Babylonians.

Daniel

We had to stand up for our convictions, and sometimes it wasn't easy. You have read the story about how Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were thrown into the fiery furnace because they wouldn't bow down to the statue of King Nebuchadnezzar.

And many years later I was thrown into the lion's den because I prayed to God.

Both times God miraculously saved us. Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego, and I all want to help you to have strong faith and conviction to stand up for your beliefs! Ask for our help.



You can read more about how Daniel and his friends stood up for their beliefs in Daniel 1-3, and 5. In Daniel 1 is the story of how God blessed them for only eating healthy pulse (peas, beans, and grain) and not the king's food.

God also gave me the gift to interpret dreams and to see visions. If you need help understanding a dream, vision, or prophecy you receive, you can call on me, and I'll help you understand it as Jesus wants you to.



In Daniel 2 is a fascinating story about Daniel interpreting the king's dream. This was a very difficult assignment for Daniel, because the king couldn't even tell Daniel what the dream was! But God told Daniel the dream *and* gave him the interpretation. Read about it!

