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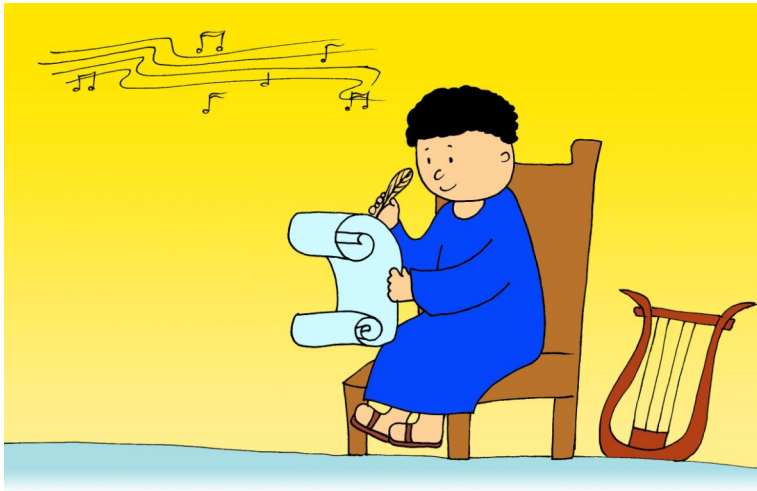
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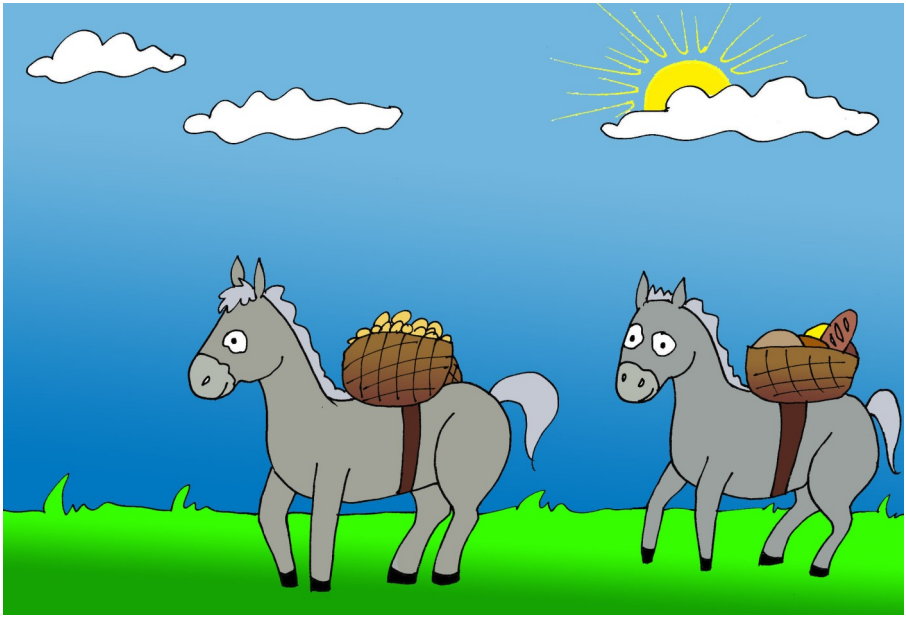
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51.) Psalms and Supply

David prayed and praised God often!

He wrote many of his prayers down, and we can read them in the Book of Psalms. There are many beautiful verses that give us faith in God's love and care. David loved God's Words and thought often about what God has said and about the great things God does.

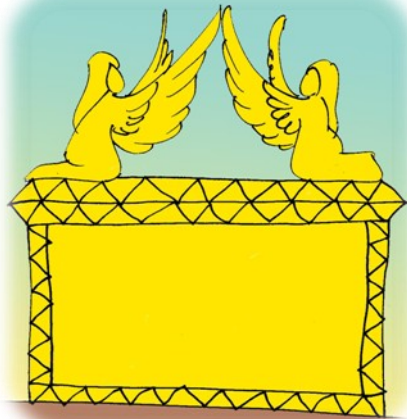
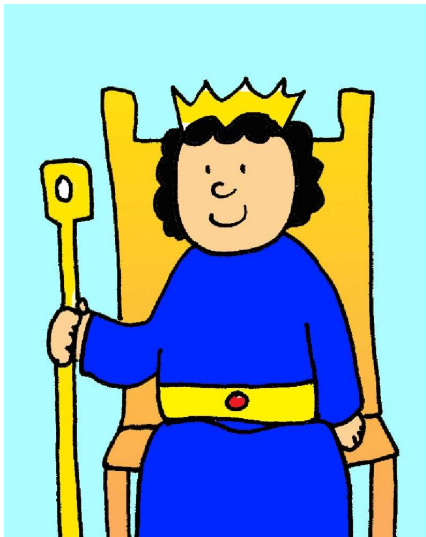


Sometimes David had difficult times and people weren't kind to him. One time, when he and his men were really hungry, a kind lady named Abigail loaded up her donkeys with lots of special food and brought the food to David and his team.



David was so thankful for the kindness shown to him. Abigail loved David and wanted to take good care of him.

God protected David and his team of men, and supplied what they needed as they travelled around the country.

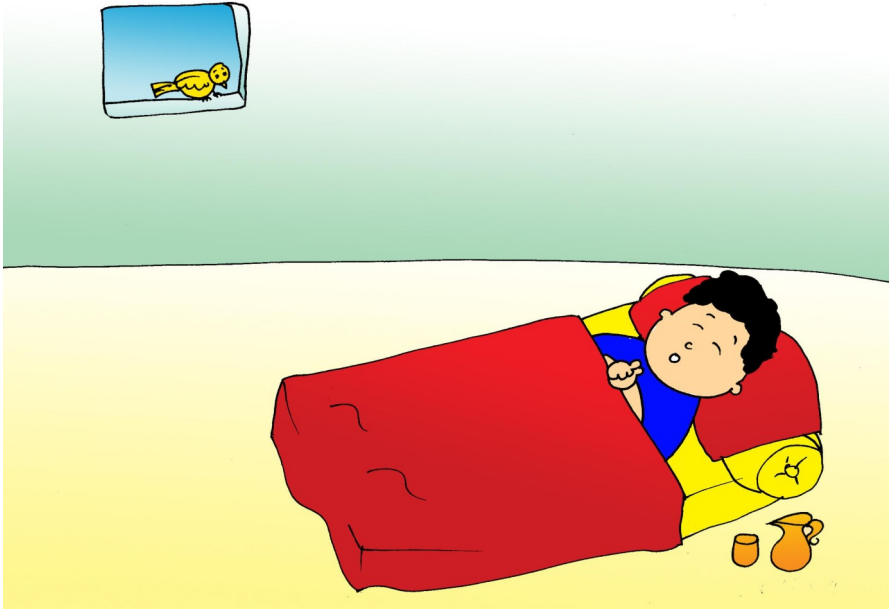


52.) King David and Dancing

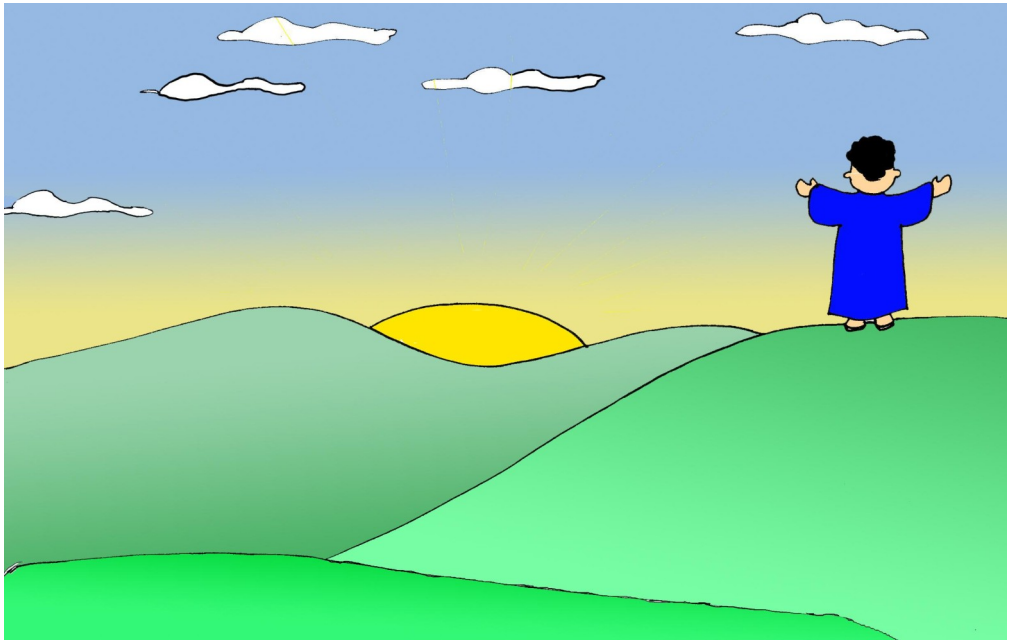
David became the next king after Saul. David loved and praised God often. One time he had a big celebration with many people, because the Ark of the Covenant was going to be placed close to where he lived. It was a special sign that God was pleased with him.



David felt glad that God let him place it there. People sang songs and played musical instruments, and King David showed his thankfulness and love for God by dancing and singing with all his heart. His love for the Lord was what gave him joy and strength.



When things were difficult and he had a hard job to do, or when he was sick, or needed a place to stay and food to eat, King David would pray and ask the Lord to help him. God always answered his prayers and took care of him.



King David was kept safe because he liked to listen to God's Words and would obey whatever God said to do. He wanted to make the Lord happy most of all!



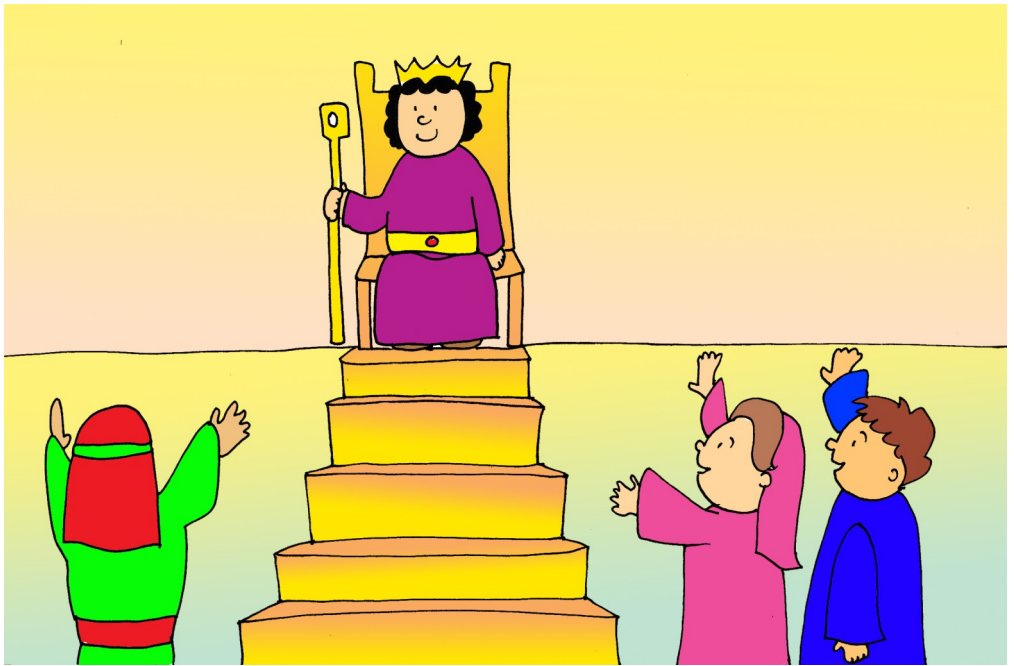
53.) Instructions and Supplies for Solomon

When King David was very old, it was time for his wise son Solomon to be the new king.

King David told his son that it was very important to obey *God's Words* most of all. Solomon was anointed to be the king. The people were glad to have their new king. They sang and played music, and celebrated with a big feast.

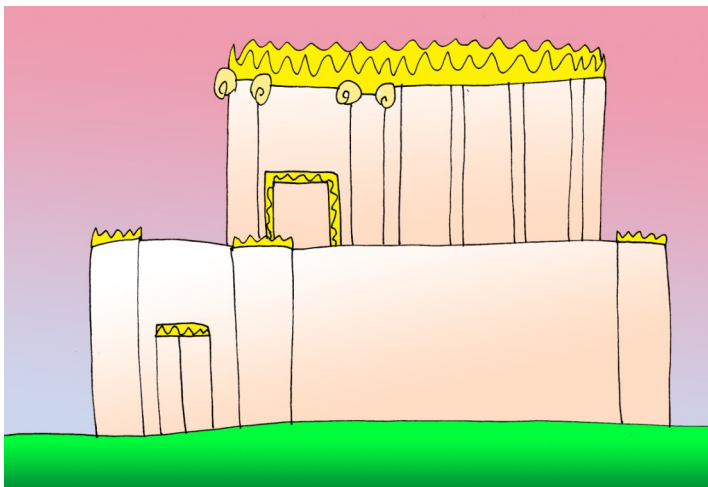


King David told everyone that Solomon would build a big temple for the Lord. King David had made the plans and gave instructions for his son Solomon to follow. He also began to collect the special materials needed for building the temple.



Many people would be needed to help build it, and people were willing and very happy to help.

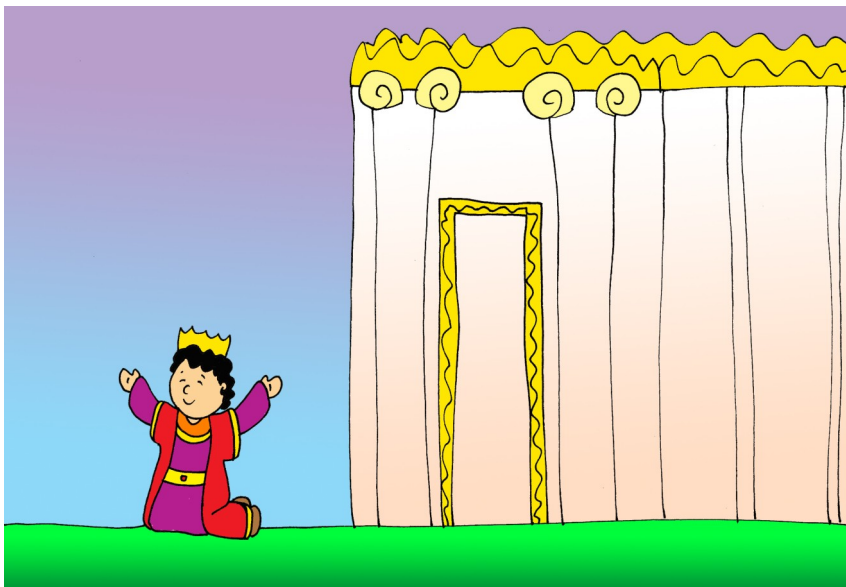
King Solomon sat on the throne and was in charge of leading the country, as well as the big temple building project.



54.) The Temple Is Built

King Solomon had many people working together to build a fancy building to keep the Ark of the Covenant in. It was a temple for prayer, praise, and worshipping God.

It was like a fancy palace, to remind everyone that God was their king, and that they needed to follow Him most of all.

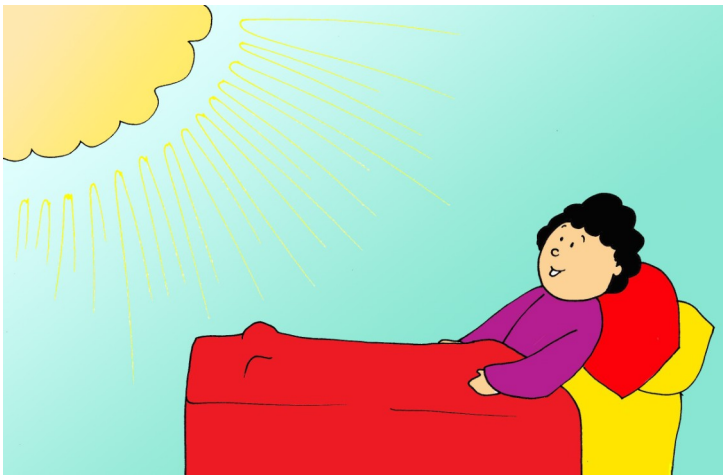


Special things were used, like cedar and fir trees for wood, marble and gold and silver and precious stones, and many large building stones.

When the temple was complete, many people gathered to celebrate and pray. King Solomon prayed a beautiful prayer to the Lord.



Then God surprised them with a display of His power and sent down fire from Heaven onto the altar of prayer! A thick heavenly cloud also filled the temple for a while. Everyone was amazed, and felt how near God was. They wanted to always love and follow Him.

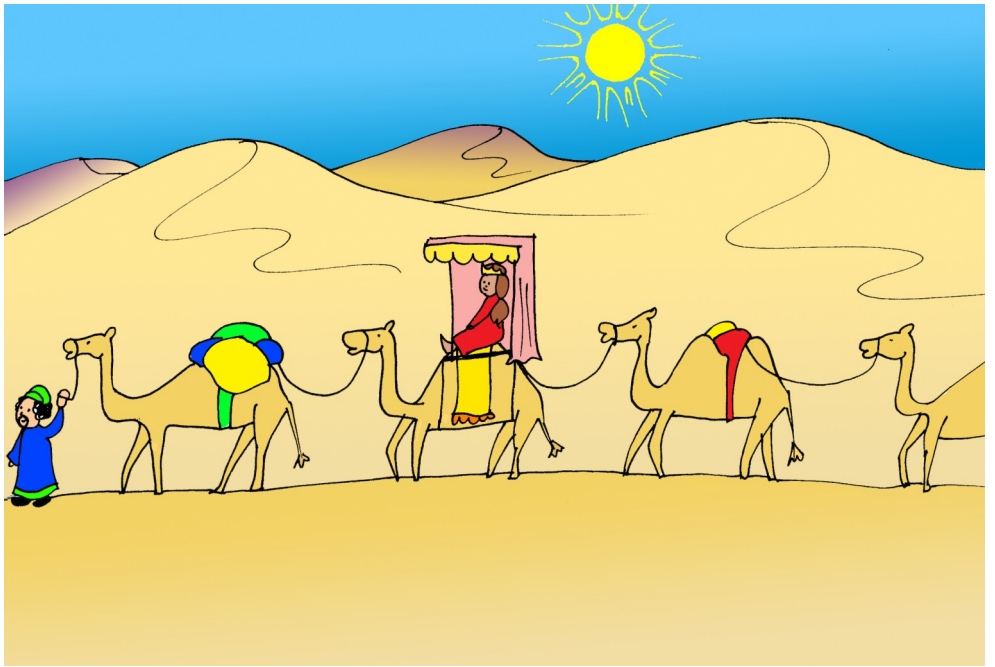


55.) A Wise King

King Solomon had an amazing dream one night. God talked with him and asked him what he would like to have most.

King Solomon said he wanted to be wise and to know what to do, so he could be a good king.

God then gave King Solomon great wisdom and knowledge—more than any other king ever had.



People wanted to hear what King Solomon had to say. The Queen of Sheba travelled from far away, with many camels and servants, bringing gold and spices and other gifts to King Solomon, because she wanted to talk with him.



God gave King Solomon the wisdom to know how to answer all her questions, and she was happy to hear what he had to say.



56.) A King's Proclamation

King Asa wanted everyone in the country—all the men, women, and children—to obey and respect God and His Word. He called the people together and told them what God wanted them to do. Everyone then promised to follow God's ways.



King Asa prayed for God's help, and God continued to bless and protect the kingdom.

The king listened to the prophets that came to tell him God's instructions.



The messages from God said that it was good to ask for His help, instead of only trusting in people, and that God was always looking for opportunities to do miracles for those that loved and obeyed Him.



57.) God Cares for Elijah

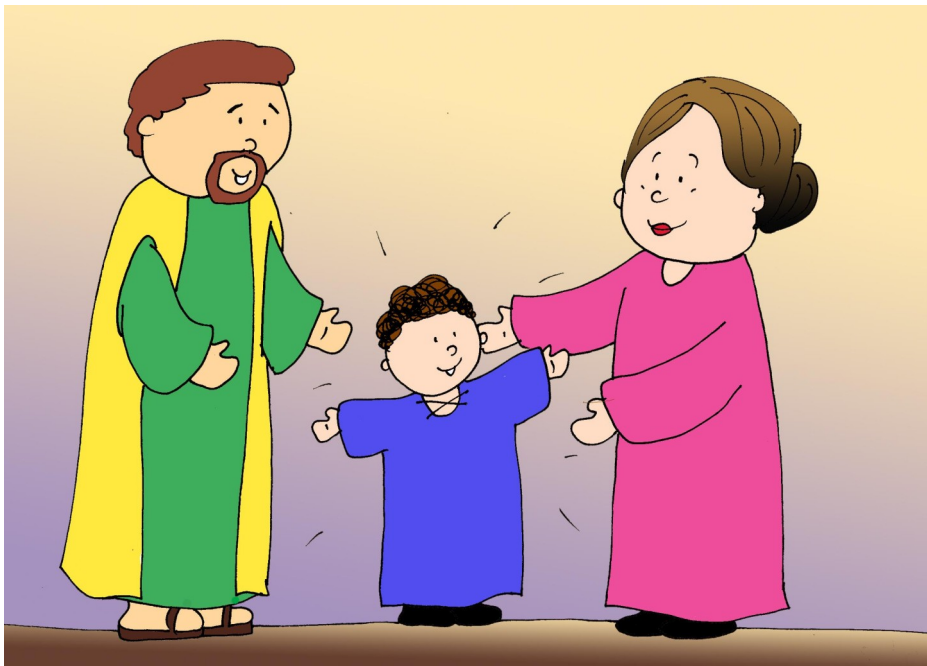
Elijah was a man who listened to God, and did what He said to do. He was a prophet who told people God's Words. One time he said there would not be any rain and the crops couldn't grow, because people were not obeying God.



God told Elijah what to do. He went and stayed by a brook and had fresh water to drink. God sent birds to bring him food in the morning and in the evening every day.



Later, a woman in a city called Zarephath helped Elijah. She gave him water and the last bit of food that she had. Then, for a few years, by a miracle, her jar of oil and barrel of flour always had enough in them to feed her family and Elijah.



One time the woman's son got very sick and then died. Elijah prayed for him to have life again and be healed—and he was! The woman knew that Elijah was one of God's prophets who spoke God's Words.



58.) Fire and Water

God wanted people to love and follow Him and to change from their disobedient ways.

The Prophet Elijah told the king, and the people, to meet him on a mountain and that he would speak with them there.



Elijah prayed for God to do a miracle and send fire from Heaven down onto the altar of prayer.

All of a sudden a blast of fire came straight from God and burned the wood and everything on the altar, including the stones! Everyone was very amazed! They believed that God was powerful and close to them, and knew they should respect and worship Him.

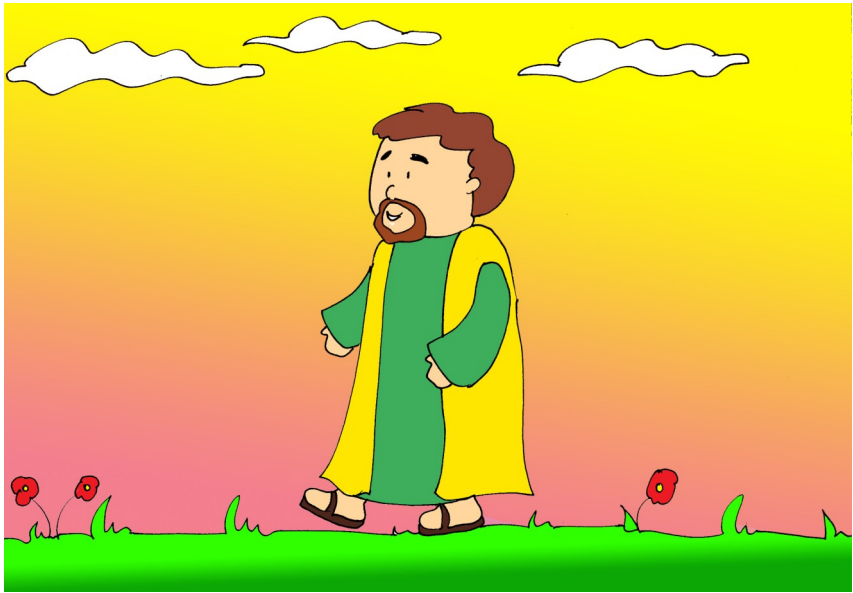


The Prophet Elijah then prayed for the rain to come, so the crops would grow. At first a little cloud was seen in the sky, and it soon turned into a very big rainstorm. Everyone was grateful for the refreshing rain. They knew that God loved and cared for them.



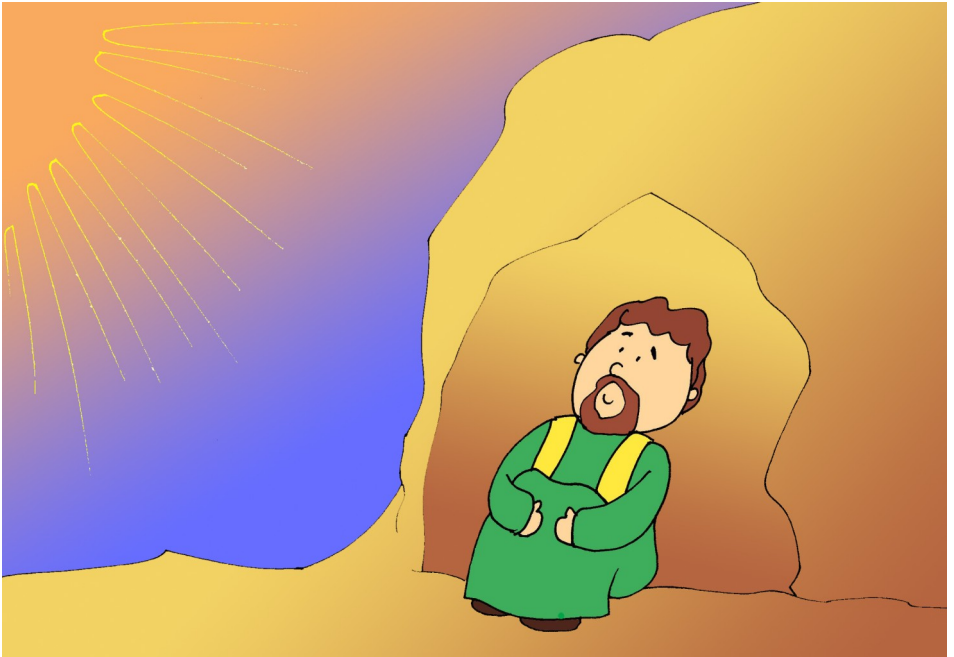
59.) Heavenly Food and Encouragement

One time, the prophet Elijah was tired and needed encouragement. He went to sleep under a tree. Then an angel woke him up and gave him freshly baked bread and some water. Elijah ate it and felt better. He went to sleep again, and once more the angel woke him up to give him more heavenly bread and water.

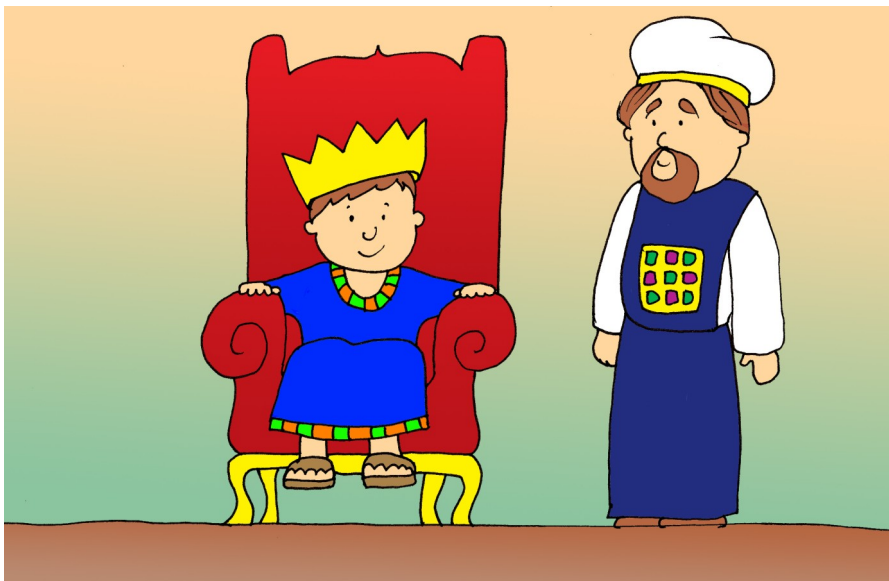


Elijah was going to have a long trip, and he needed this special angel food to give him the strength to travel. He walked, ran, and travelled for 40 days, and didn't even get hungry!

The special bread from the angel gave him lots of energy.

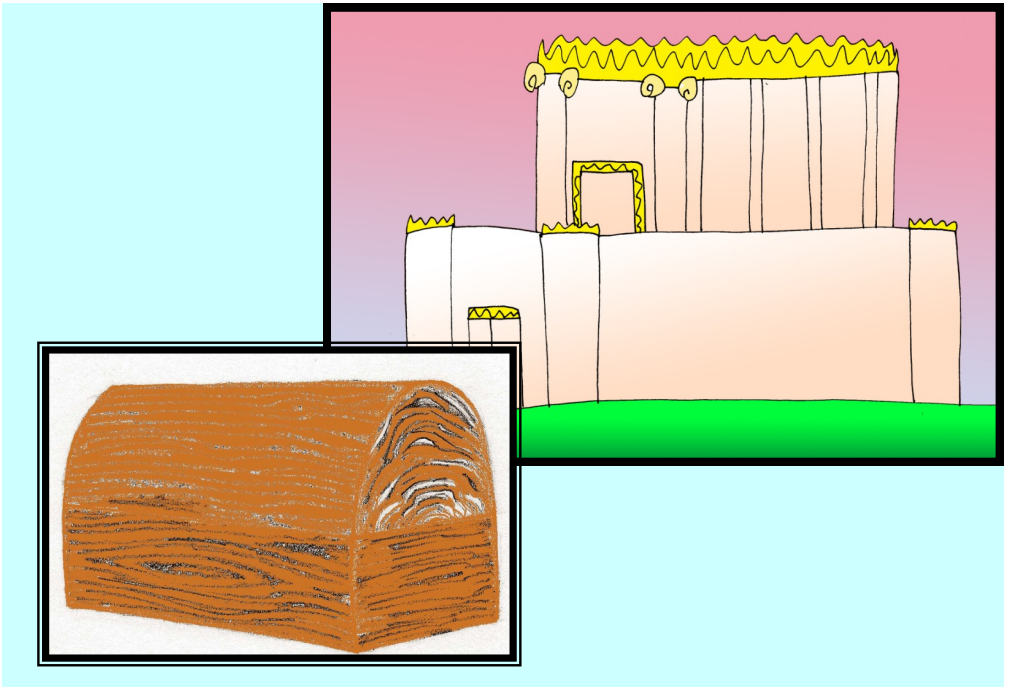


When he arrived at his new place, he stayed in a cave. God talked with him and encouraged him. Then he travelled onward to continue doing the jobs that God wanted him to do.

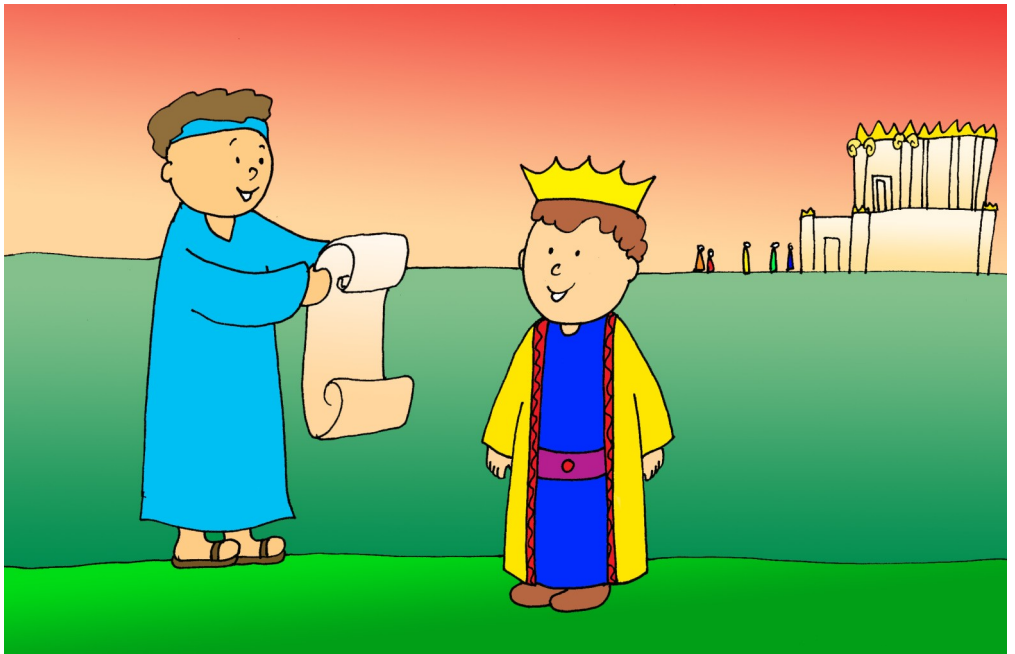


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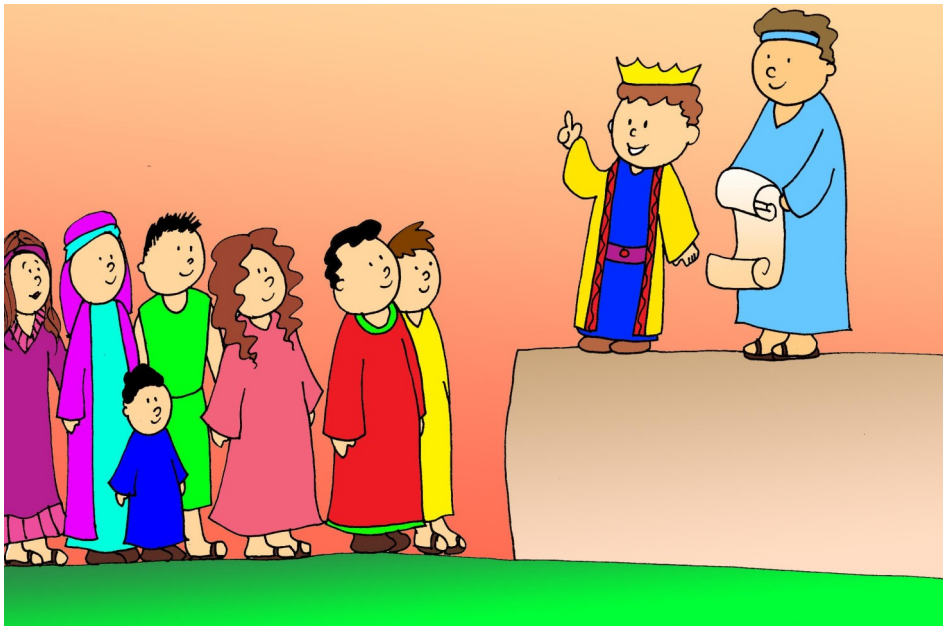
God let children be kings at times—children who wanted to follow and obey Him. One boy was Joash, and he obeyed what God's Word said to do. Priest Jehoiada taught Joash God's ways and helped to instruct him, when he was the King.



When Joash was king, a special chest was set up with a hole in it, for people to drop money in. The money was to be used to make repairs on the temple.



Another boy that was a king later on was Josiah. He also helped to fix up the temple. When someone discovered a scroll of God's Word that was written down a long time before, that was hidden in a wall, they read it to the King.

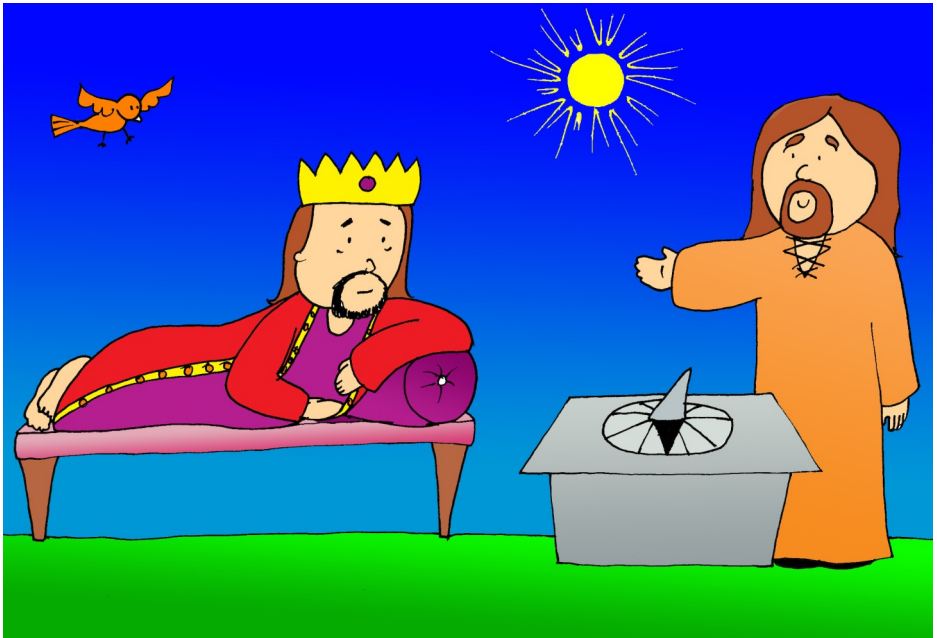


King Josiah wanted everyone to hear what it said and had it read to the people. He got everyone obeying God's Word again. As soon as he heard what God had said, he obeyed right away, and told everyone to do things God's way.

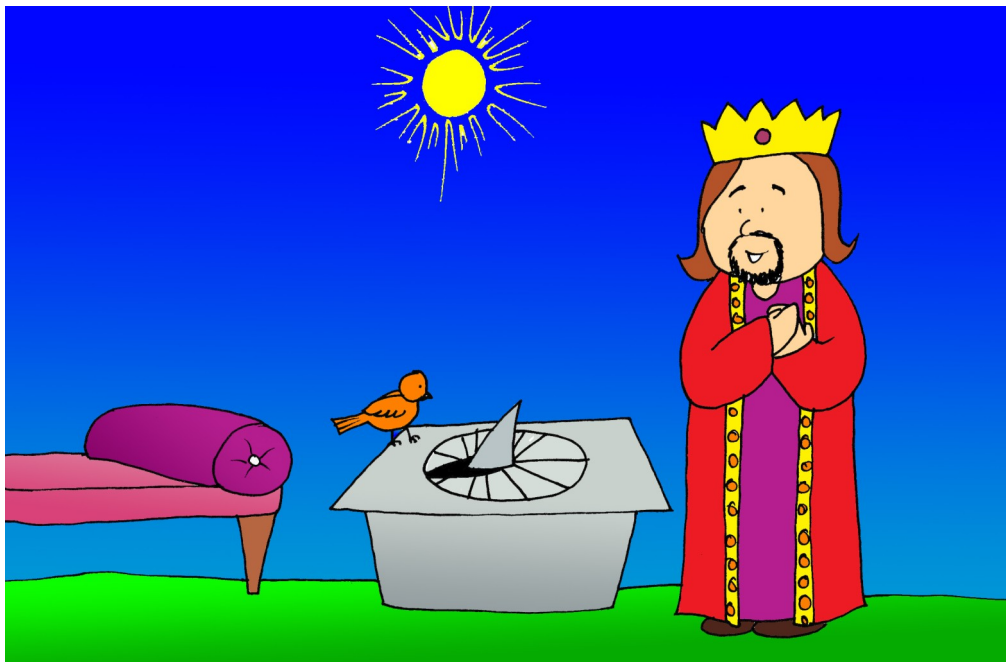


61.) Hezekiah's Healing

King Hezekiah loved God and wanted to obey God's Word, and he told many others to love and follow Him too. He instructed people to sing songs to God with instruments, and to pray and praise. King Hezekiah trusted in God's protection, and the Lord took care of him.



One time he was very sick and he prayed with all his heart for healing. The prophet Isaiah told him that God would heal him. Then God showed King Hezekiah a special sign, as a promise from God that he would get healed.



God made the shadow of the sundial—the way they could tell what time it was—go backwards. Only God could make the sun shine in that unusual way! King Hezekiah was so happy to know that God was near him and that he would be healed soon.