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# THE PEOPLE GO BACK

## EZRA 1-3

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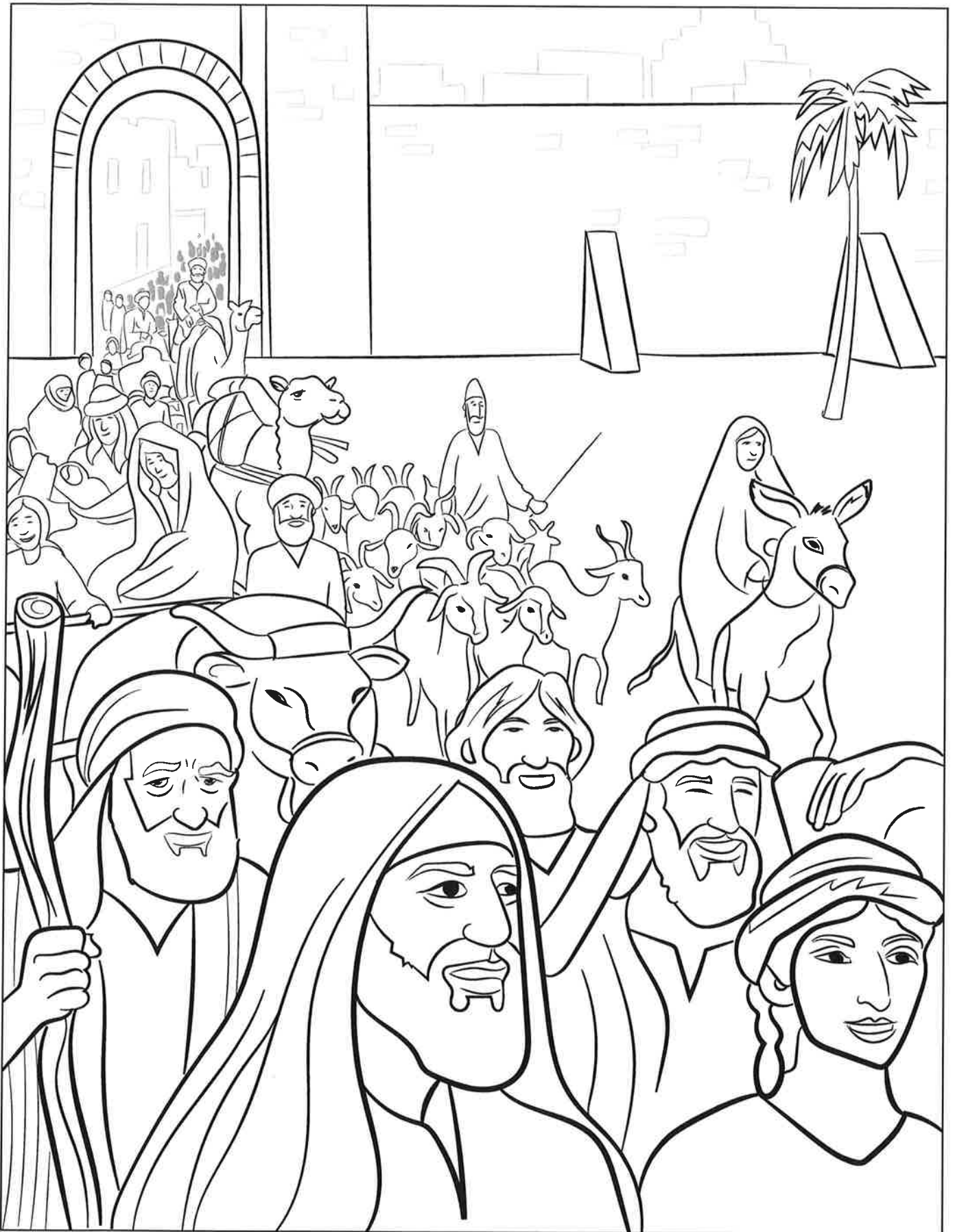
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When the people finished their journey, they worshiped God. Then they found places to live.

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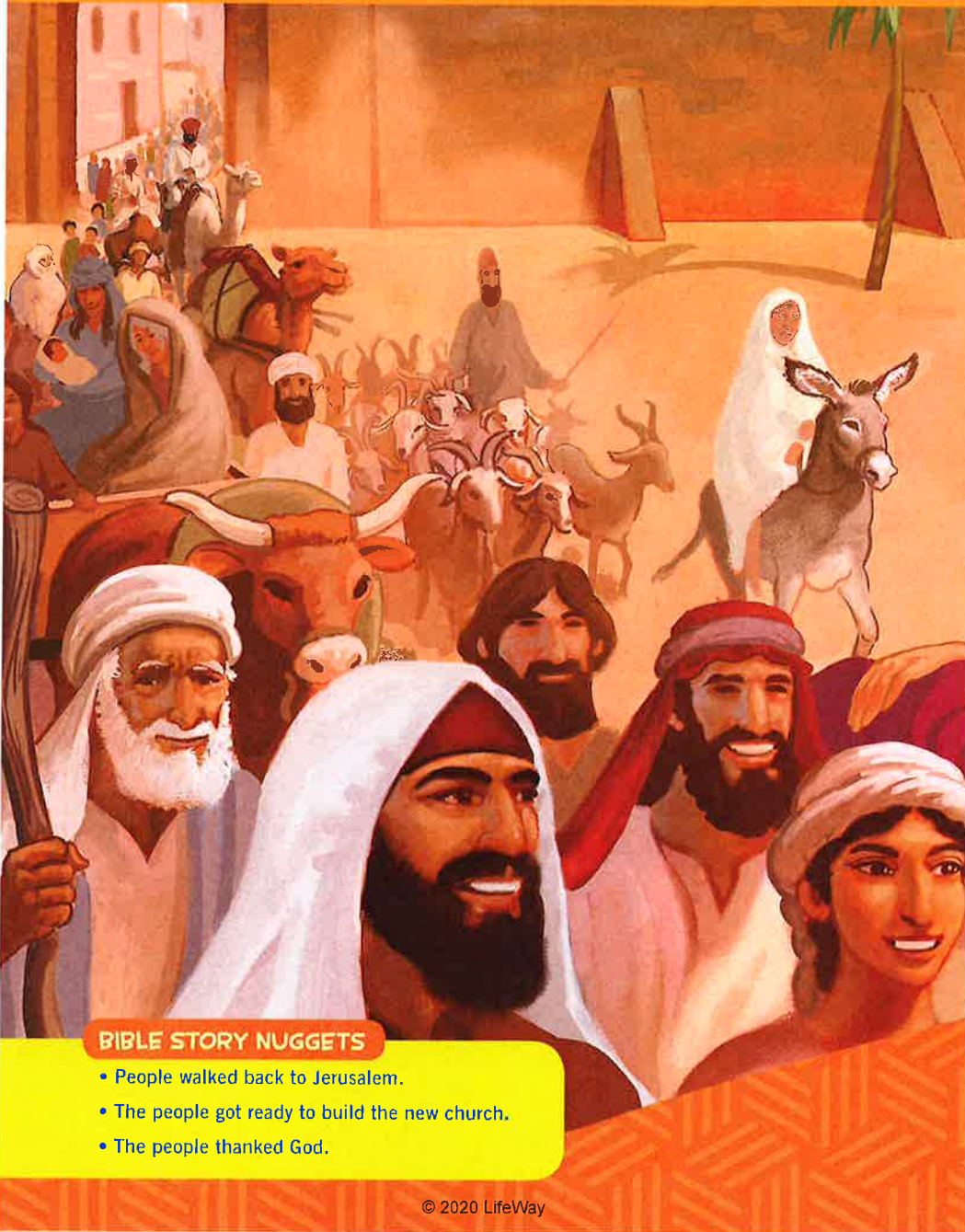
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Text Truth: God's people returned to their home.



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## PARENTS,

Today at church your baby or toddler enjoyed activities related to God's people returning to Jerusalem. Teachers talked about God's love and care. Children enjoyed activities that helped them explore the Bible and learn more about God's faithful love.

This week recall trips your family has made and the ways God's goodness and love were evident in your travel.

**TODDLERS**  
BIBLE STORY

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### FAMILY ADVENTURE WALK OUTDOORS

On a good weather day this week, take your baby or young toddler for a walk outdoors. Talk about the things you see and sounds you hear. Relate your conversation to this week's Bible story. For example, say: "God's people made a long trip to go home. They walked outdoors and saw many things. The people knew God loved them and cared for them on the trip."

### FAMILY ADVENTURE MATCH SHOES

Gather several pairs of family shoes and place them in a box. Lay this card in the bottom of the box. When your toddler pulls out a shoe, say: "That's your sister's shoe. Can you find the shoe that matches?" When this card is discovered, talk about God's people walking to their home in Jerusalem. Open a Bible to the Book of Ezra and summarize the Bible story.