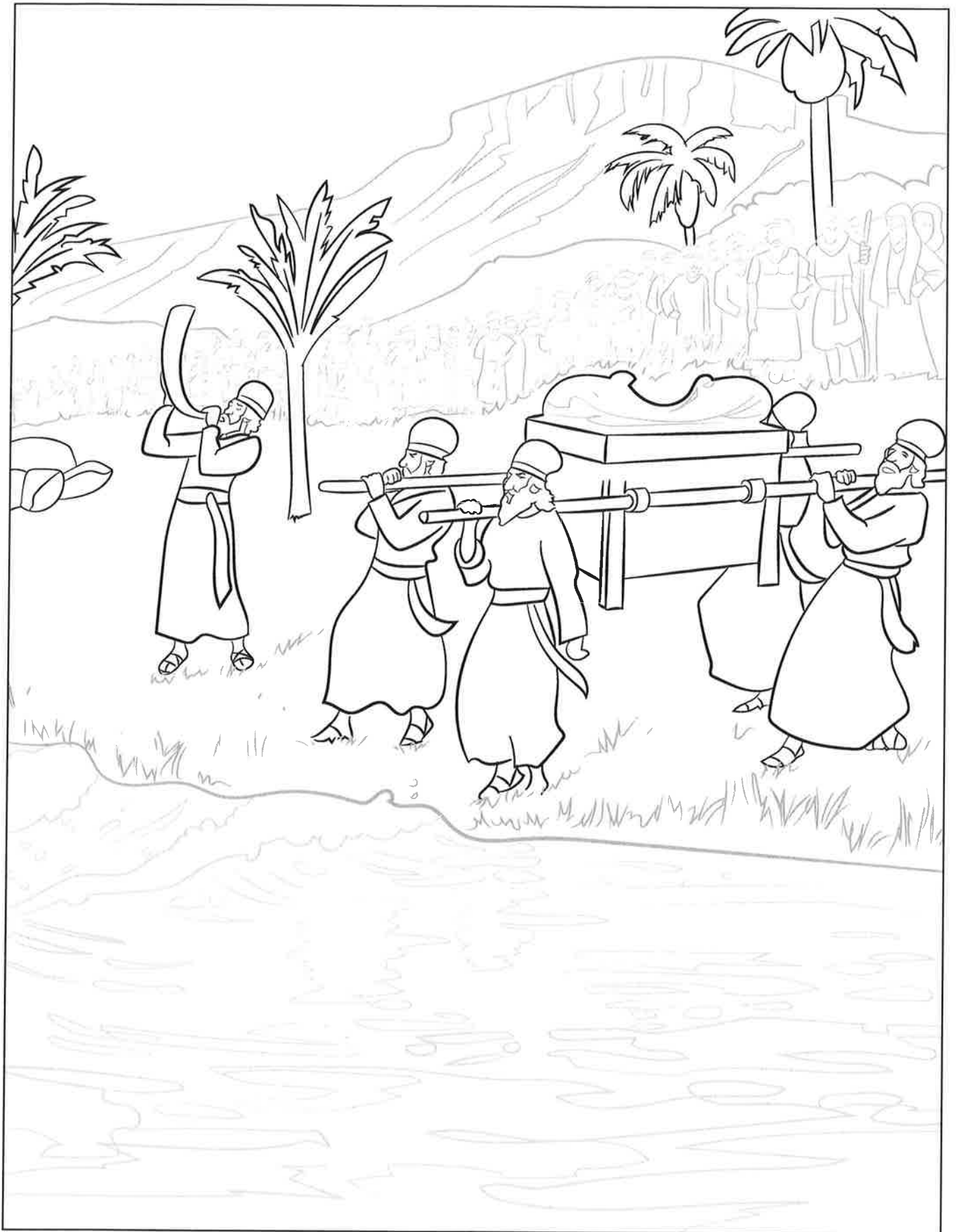






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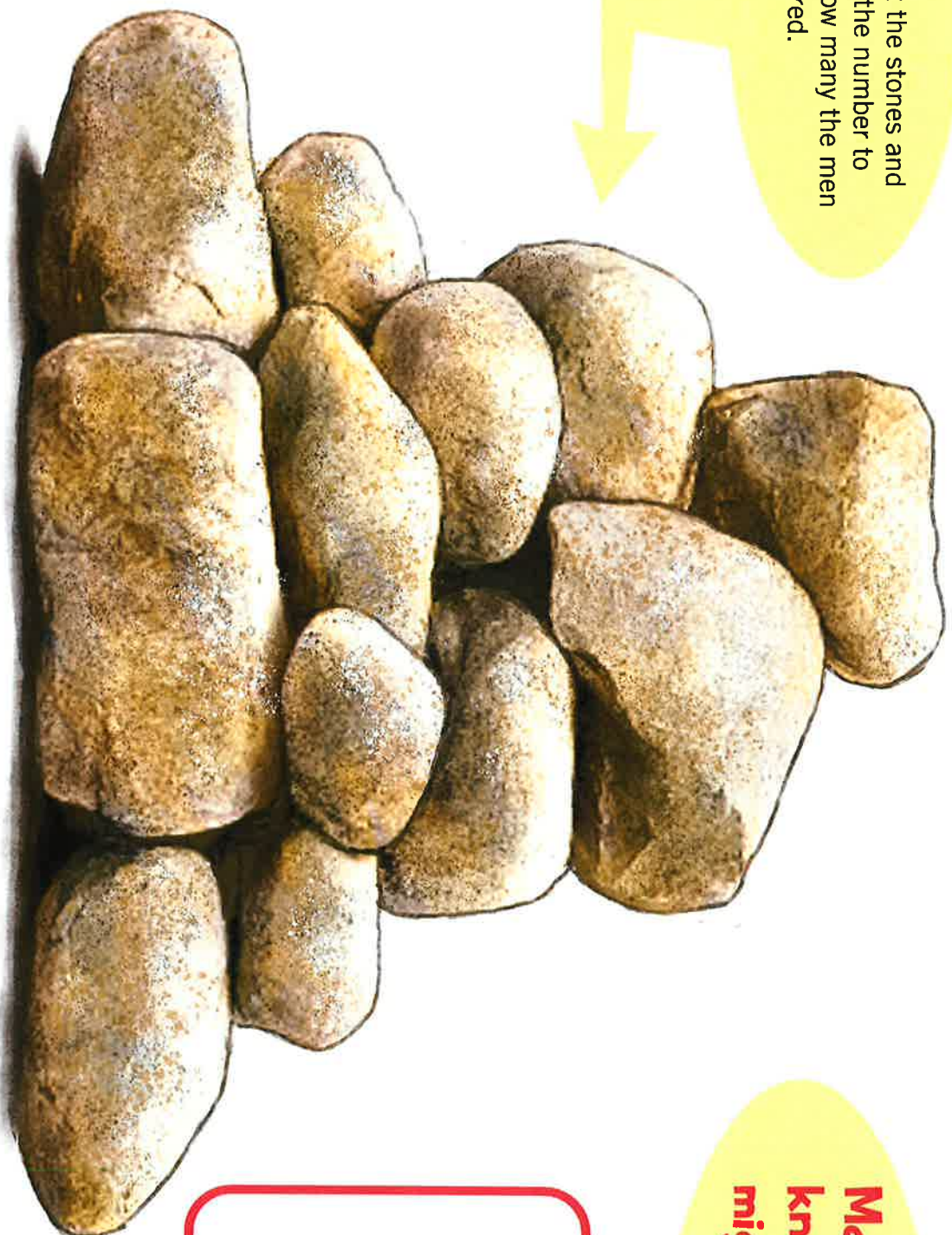
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# COUNT THE STONES

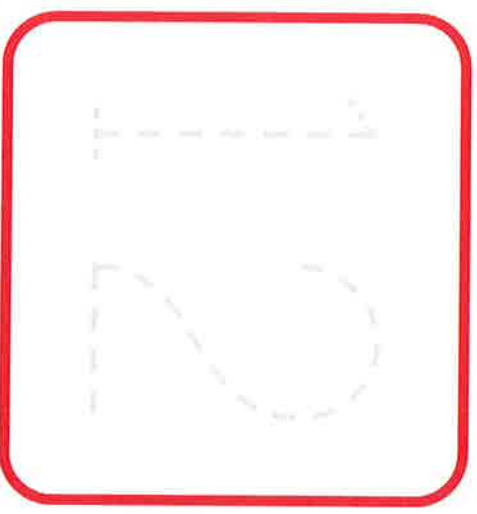
God told Joshua to choose men to gather large stones.

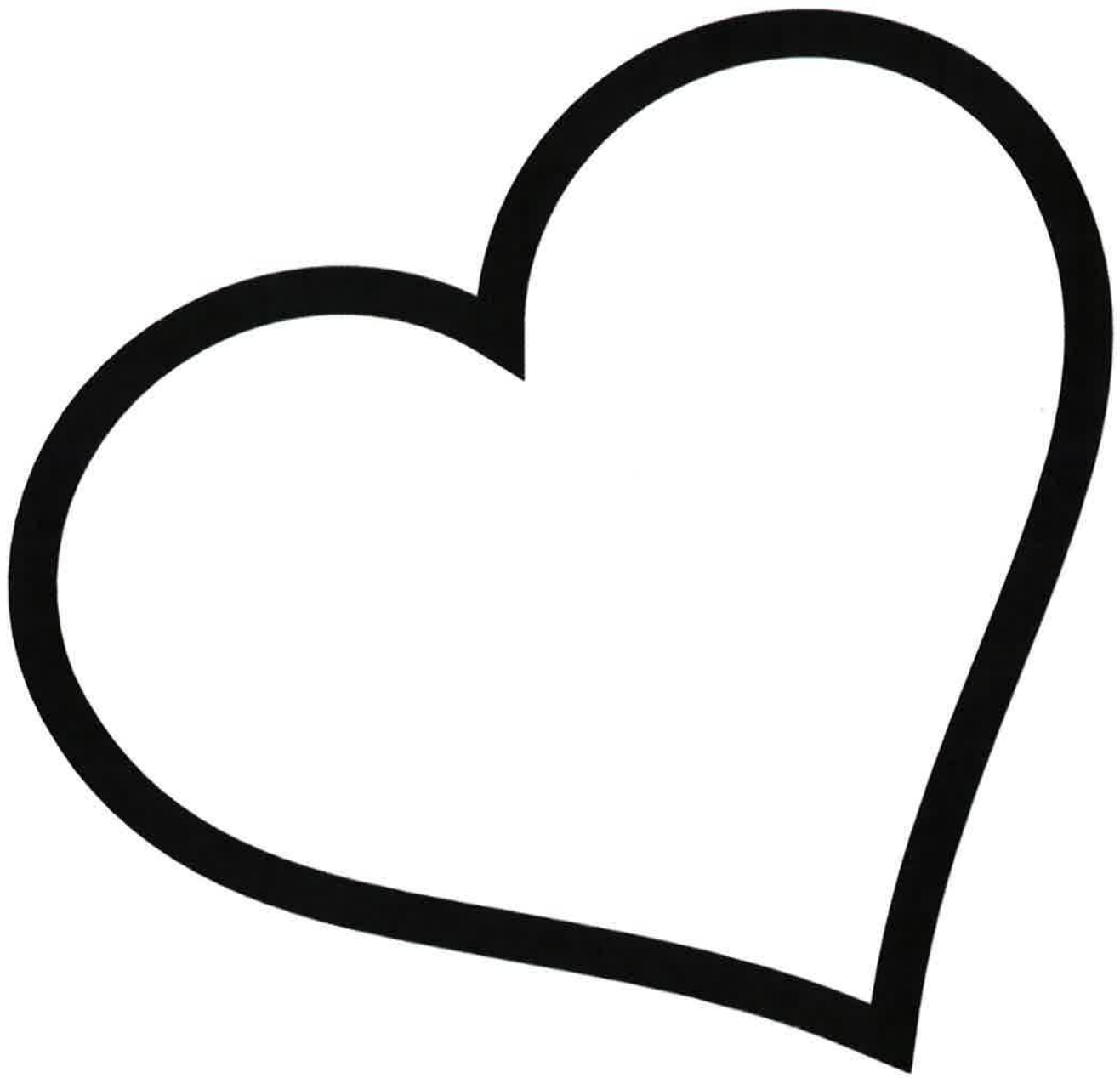
Seeing the stones would help the people remember that God is strong and mighty.

Count the stones and trace the number to see how many the men gathered.



May all the people know that God is mighty. Joshua 4:24





Love each other as I have loved you.

John 15:12



Filled With  
Love 

My love for God  
grows strong.

Deuteronomy 6:5





We ♥ volunteers!



And YOU make a great fit!

## There is a place 4 u:

- 360 @ 11am
- WEST CAMPUS @ 830am & 11am



WELCOME

## Baby

new arrivals

Baby Hester—February 2021



## EXPLORE THE BIBLE

Ask me what I learned today....

### Today's Bible Story:

The People Cross the River

### Bible Text Truth:

God is strong and MIGHTY.  
Joshua led the people to their promised land.



### Bible Skills learned this week:

- God's word is true.
- People wrote the words God told them to write.

### Bible Focus @ Home:

Preschoolers love to hear how big they are growing and how strong they are becoming. This week, help your child know that our strength comes from God. He is the One who helps us accomplish tasks and achieve success. This week's story is a testimony of Joshua's trust in our strong and MIGHTY God. Find ways to encourage your preschooler to continue to use their strengths and abilities for God in their actions, obedience, athletic pursuits, and their treatment of others.

## Let's Pray

## Thankfulness



Dear God, let my child give thanks to you for Your faithful love and wonderful WORKS.

Psalm 107:8

## Upcoming Preschool Events

Party in the Playground Playdates:

6:30—8:00pm

West Older & Rm 1a1 - RSVP by 2.15.21

Puppet Theater 4 & 55 - RSVP by 2.22.21

FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14, 2021

**BIBLE STORY:**

*Joshua 3-4*

**FEBRUARY MEMORY VERSE:**

*Joshua 1:9*

**BABIES—PRESCHOOL TEXT TRUTH:**

*God is strong. (BT)*

*God is strong and mighty. (P)*

**KIDS TEXT TRUTH:**

*We are to remember the good things God does. (YK)*

*We are to remember and share about the good things God does. (OK)*

**ADULT CORE PASSAGE:**

*Luke 6:1-11*

**FAMILY MEMORY VERSE:**

*Luke 6:5*

**FAMILY READING PLAN:**

**SUNDAY:** *Luke 8:40-48*

**MONDAY:** *Luke 8:49-56*

**TUESDAY:** *Luke 9:1-6*

**WEDNESDAY:** *Luke 9:7-9*

**THURSDAY:** *Luke 9:10-17*

**FRIDAY:** *Luke 9:18-20*

**SATURDAY:** *Luke 9:21-22*

## FAMILY BIBLE EXPLORATION

USE THESE ACTIVITIES AS YOU STUDY TOGETHER AS A FAMILY:



• **Cross a river.**

This fun game will engage your family in some high activity. Choose an area that is safe from injury or breakage. Make a "river" by placing two pieces of yarn, string, or tape on the floor separated by a small gap. Give each family member a turn to try to "cross the river" by jumping from one side to the other without falling in the gap between the two lines.

Continue widening the gap between the two lines as each person successfully completes his crossing. Recall the story from Joshua 3 of how God made a way for the people.

• **Visit a river.**

If weather permits, take your family to a nearby river, stream, or any body of water. If weather or access won't allow a visit, use tools to find information about a river and look at it virtually. Talk about the river or body of water and give each person a turn to say what she liked the most.

Say: "At the time of year when Israel had approached the Jordan River, it was the rainy season and the river would have overflowed its banks. God stopped the water in the river and allowed the people to cross safely to the other side."

• **Examine various rocks.**

Open your Bible and read Joshua 4:1-3. Talk about the stones that God asked the Israelites to bring up from the river. Say: "God told the men to take twelve stones and build a pile that would always remind the people of the day God led them across the river on dry ground."

Take the family outdoors to find some hand-size or large rocks. Or get some decorative rocks from a gardening store.

Display the rocks, then challenge family members to stack them. Recall the purpose of the stones in the Bible story.