

13 **STORY PICTURE: Joshua Followed God's Plan**
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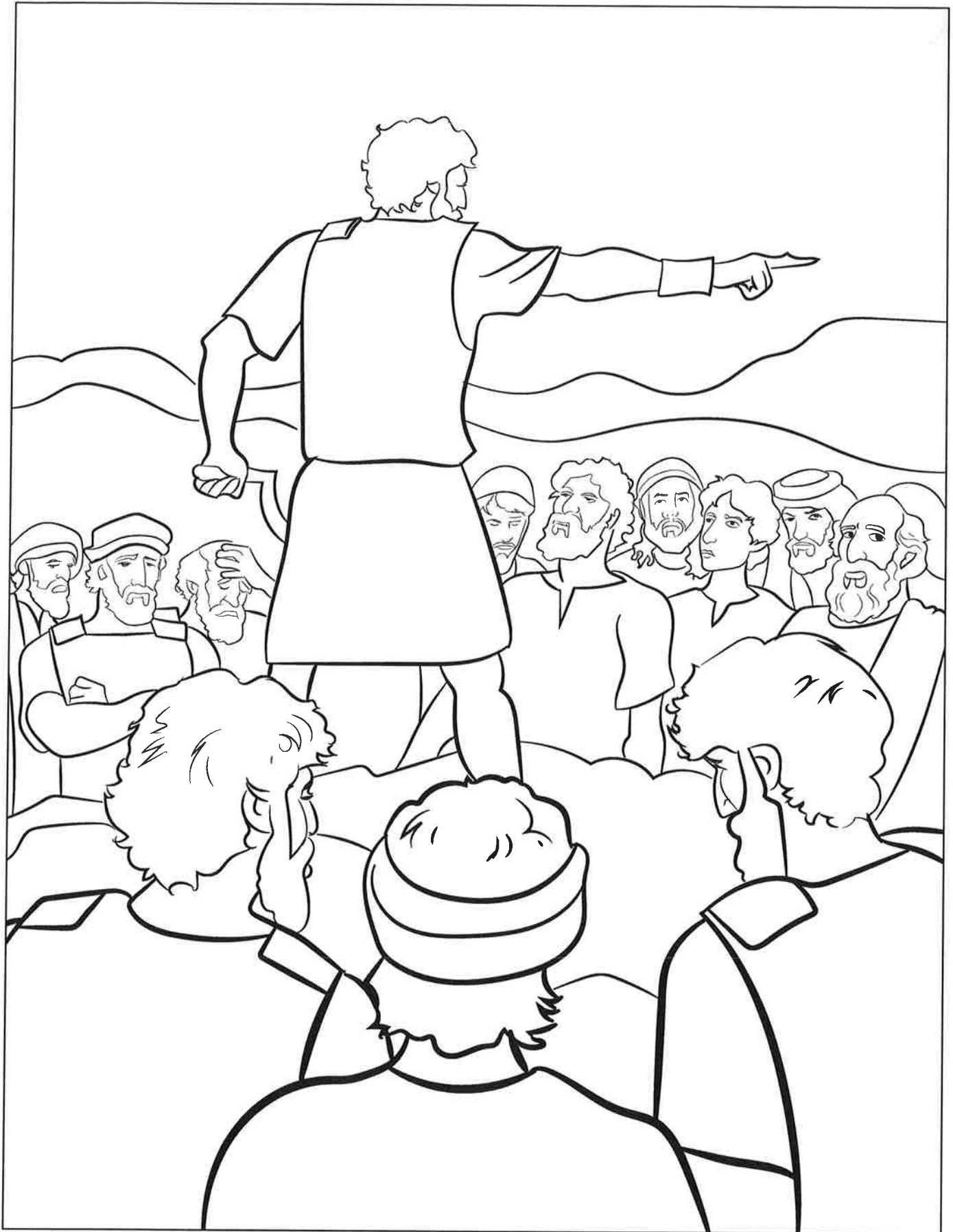
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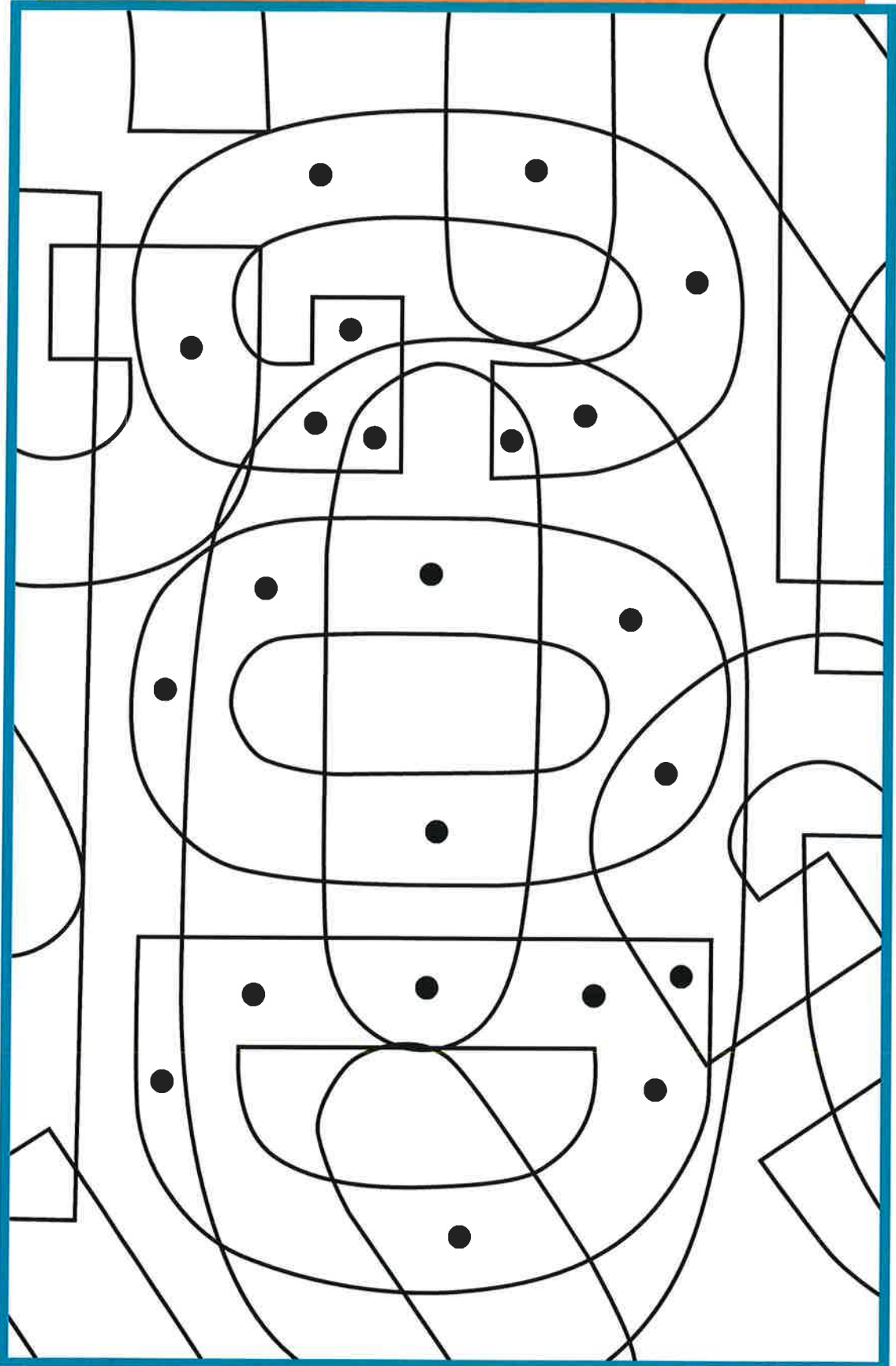
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TRUST GOD

Who did Joshua say to trust and obey at all times?

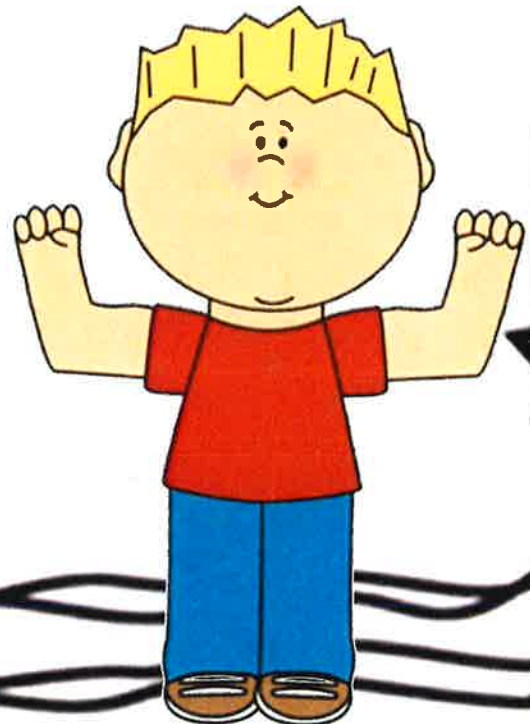
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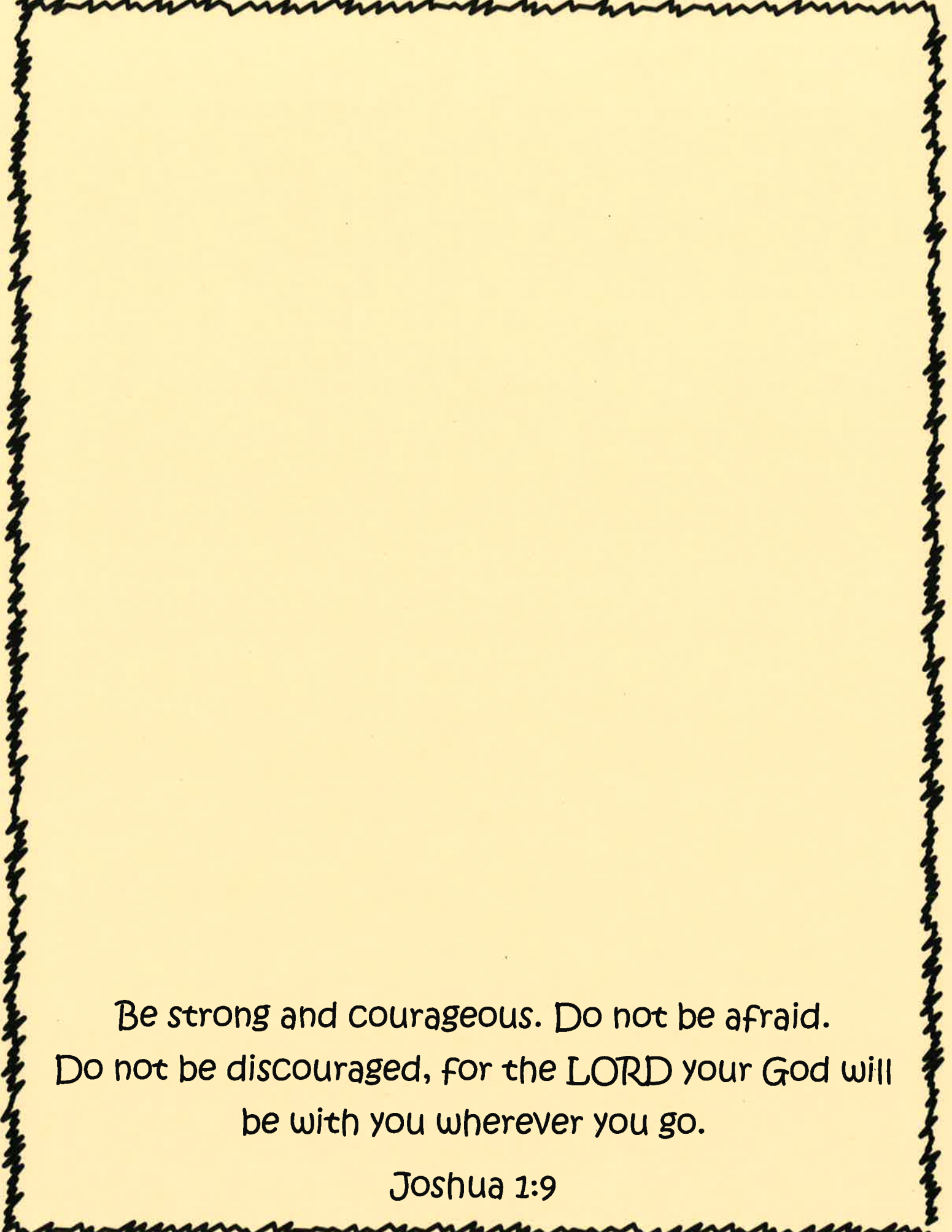


Be Strong and Courageous...

Joshua 1:9

I am strong and courageous when I





Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid.
Do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will
be with you wherever you go.

Joshua 1:9



40+ We ♥ volunteers!



And YOU make a great fit!

- Volunteers for the 8:30am and 11am services are needed and appreciated for both campuses!



WELCOME

Baby
new arrivals

Welcome Lil' One!

Wyatt Austin Hester
2.16.21



Happy Birthday!



EXPLORE
THE BIBLE

Ask me what I learned today...

Today's Bible Story:

Follow God's Plan

Bible Text Truth:

Trust God and do what He says.
God commands us to be strong and courageous.



Bible Skills learned this week:

- God's word is true and we can trust Him.
- Remember the names of familiar Bible people.

Bible Focus @ Home:

God blesses those who follow Him. Because God's goodness, we know we can trust God to lead us and provide for us. Joshua had this assurance once he listened to God and trusted God's plan to capture Ai. God is good and we can trust Him. We can trust God ALL the time. Through your example, guide your preschooler to begin to know that she, too, can trust God and experience His goodness through obedience.

Let's Pray

Wisdom



Father,
when my child lacks wisdom, help her to understand that she should ask you for it. You give to all generously and without criticizing! James 1:5

Upcoming Preschool Events

Party in the Playground RESCHEDULE Playdates:

6:30—8:00pm

West Younger & Rm 106 - RSVP by 3.1.21

West Older & Rm 101 - RSVP by 3.8.21

FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28, 2021



BIBLE STORY:

Joshua 7-8

FEBRUARY MEMORY VERSE:

Joshua 1:9

BABIES--PRESCHOOL TEXT TRUTH:

Trust God and do what He says.

KIDS TEXT TRUTH:

Sin separates us from God. (YK)

Sin is destructive. It separates us from God. (OK)

ADULT CORE PASSAGE:

Luke 9:18-27

FAMILY MEMORY VERSE:

Luke 9:23

FAMILY READING PLAN:

SUNDAY: *Luke 9:57-62*

MONDAY: *Luke 10:1-12*

TUESDAY: *Luke 10:13-16*

WEDNESDAY: *Luke 10:17-20*

THURSDAY: *Luke 10:21-24*

FRIDAY: *Luke 10:25-37*

SATURDAY: *Luke 10:38-42*

FAMILY BIBLE EXPLORATION

USE THESE ACTIVITIES AS YOU STUDY TOGETHER AS A FAMILY:



• **Play Follow the Leader.**

Play a game of Follow the Leader. Give each family member a turn to be the leader. Talk about the importance of following the leader as part of this game.

Say: "God told Israel to be obedient to Him. One of the things God told the people when they conquered Jericho was to destroy everything. One man, Achan, took something that didn't belong to him and he broke God's rule. Because of Achan's sin, Israel could not defeat Ai until Achan was punished for his sin."

• **Explore your neighborhood.**

Say: "The city of Ai was about two miles from Jericho. This is the city that God wanted Israel to defeat next."

Take your family for a ride or walk around your neighborhood. Pray for the people who live in the homes.

For some interesting fun, find a digital map program that will draw a 2-mile radius around your house. Explore this area and see how many homes and businesses lie within two miles of your home. Pray for each business and family and ask God to help you share His love with them.

• **Recall God's promises.**

Open your Bible and read Joshua 1:9. Remind your family that God commanded Joshua to be strong and courageous. Joshua could do this because God promised to always be with Joshua and the people.

Recall the Bible story of Israel's battle with Ai and how the people of Israel were defeated. Discuss how God was still with His people, but because of sin, the people were not able to be victorious.

Say: "God gave the people victory after they turned from their sin. God promised Joshua and us that He will always be with us everywhere we go."

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SESSION 13



Text Truth: Joshua followed God's plan.

Bible Verse: Trust in him. God is our refuge. Psalm 62:8

Bible Verse Paraphrase: Trust in God at all times. Psalm 62:8



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