

# The Queen Bee

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Circle who you would choose to be queen. Share your choice with a friend.



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**Unit 18 • Session 1**  
**Esther Saved Her People**

**BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:**

- The king of Persia chose Esther to be the new queen.
- Haman, an advisor to the king, had an evil plan to kill God's people.
- Esther risked her life to stop Haman's plan.
- God made Esther a queen to protect His people.

**KEY PASSAGE:** 1 Peter 5:10

**BIG PICTURE QUESTION:**

- Who is in control of everything? God is in control of everything in heaven and on earth.

**FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:**

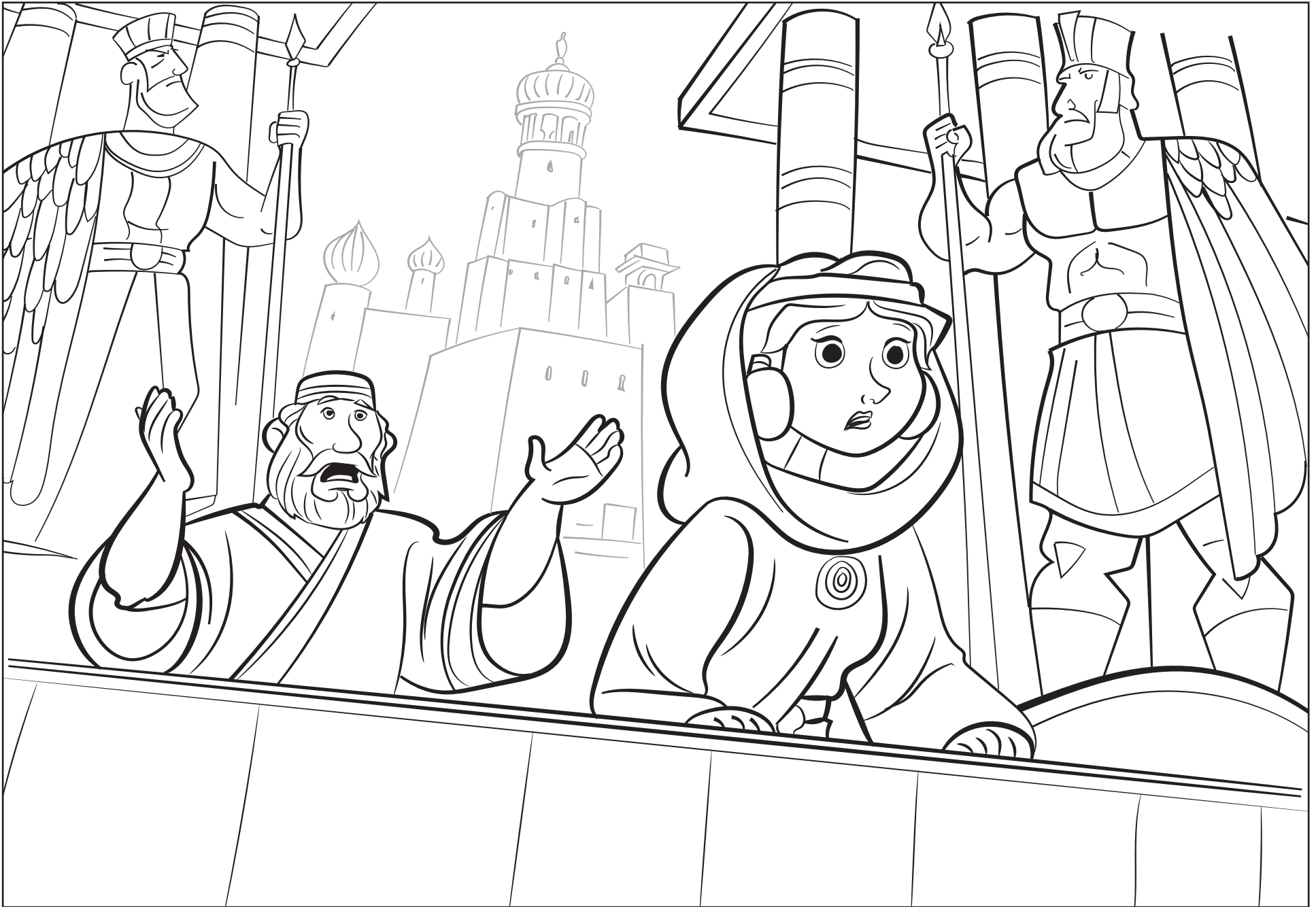
- Does anything ever surprise God?
- How do you feel knowing God is in control of all things?
- Have you ever felt like God is not in control of your life?

**FAMILY ACTIVITY:**

- Use empty paper towel tubes, yellow construction paper, plastic adhesive gems and tape to make royal scepters. Discuss Esther's bravery in approaching the king. Remind your kids that we can approach King Jesus at anytime.

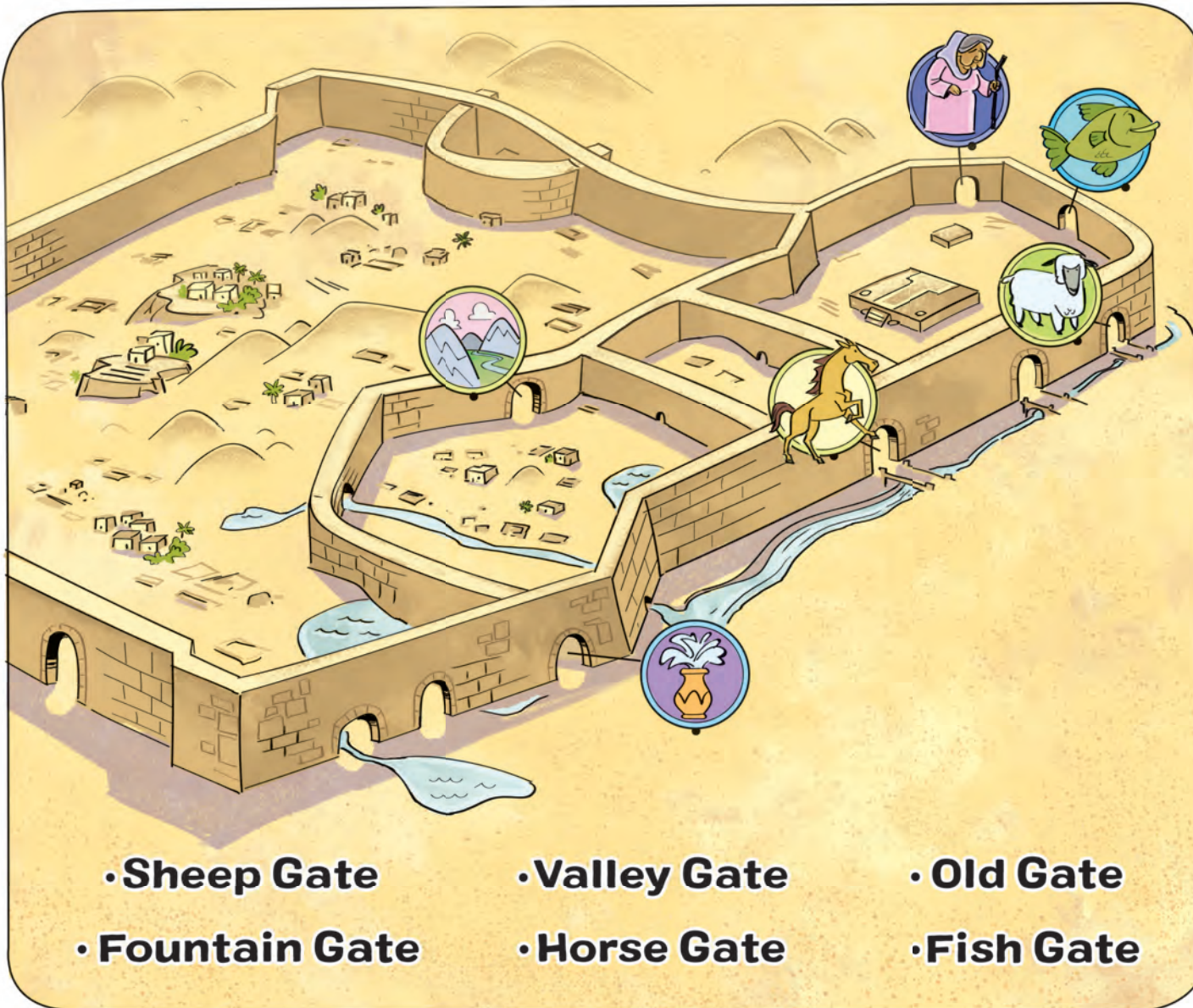


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# Name That Gate

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Use the picture clues to determine each gate's name.



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**Unit 18 • Session 2**  
**The Walls Rebuilt**

**BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:**

- Nehemiah wanted to go rebuild Jerusalem's walls.
- The king of Persia sent Nehemiah to Jerusalem.
- Enemies tried to stop God's people from building the walls.
- God used Nehemiah to rebuild Jerusalem's walls.

**KEY PASSAGE:** 1 Peter 5:10

**BIG PICTURE QUESTION:**

- Who is in control of everything? God is in control of everything in heaven and on earth.

**FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:**

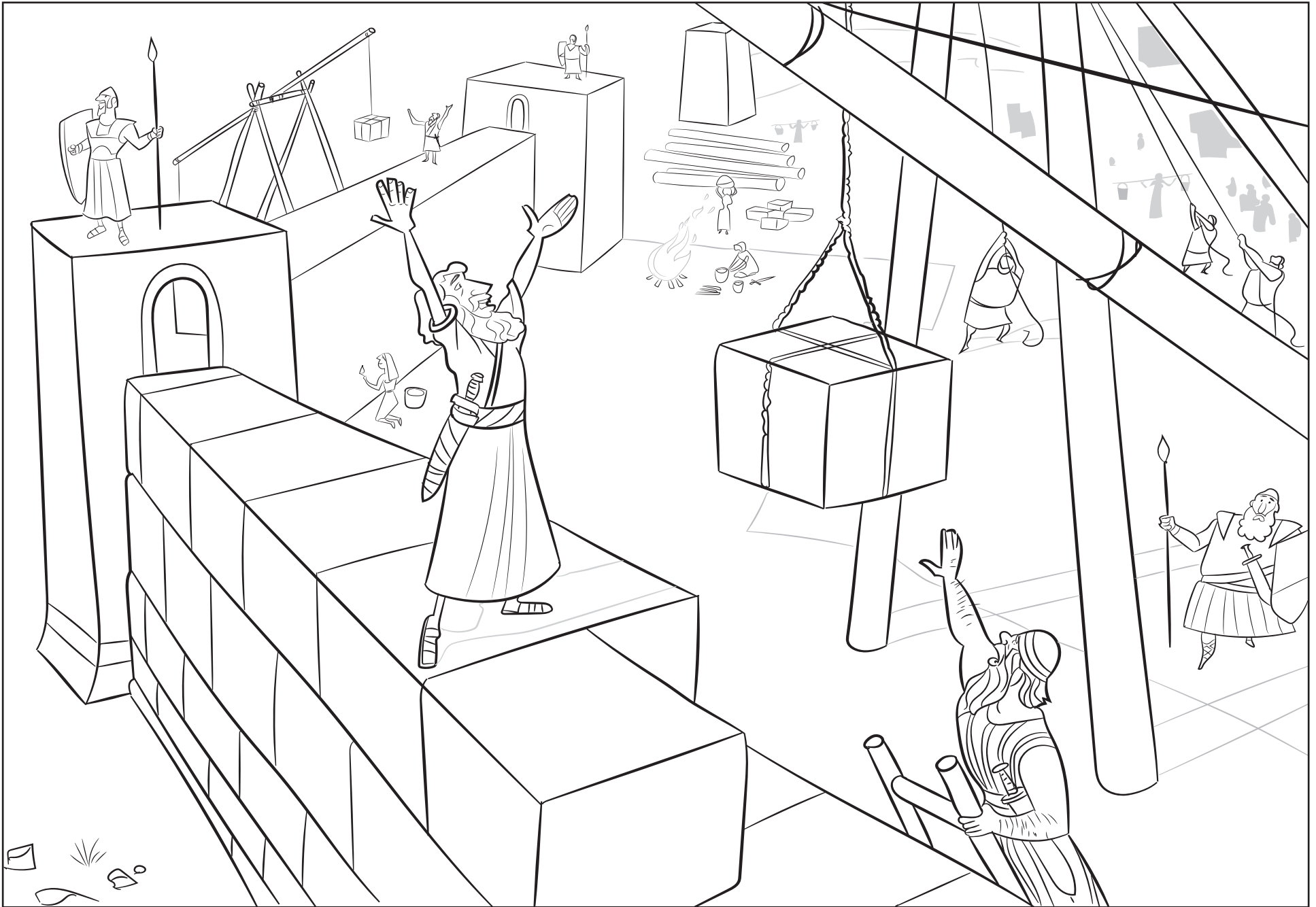
- Why were walls so important in Bible times?
- How is Jesus similar to the walls Nehemiah built?
- What does Jesus protect us from?

**FAMILY ACTIVITY:**

- Show your kids a picture or diagram of ancient Jerusalem's walls. Challenge them to make a model of Jerusalem using building blocks or plastic interlocking bricks. Discuss why and how Jesus protects us from sin and death.



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# Turned to Joy

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Use the picture clues below to change one letter at a time until you spell *Joy*.

SAD

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## Unit 18 • Session 3 God's People Repented

### BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:

- After the walls were built, Ezra read God's law to the people.
- The people were sad when they understood they had sinned.
- Ezra told the people not to be sad, but to celebrate God's faithfulness to them instead.
- God's people repented and promised to be faithful.

**KEY PASSAGE:** 1 Peter 5:10

### BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

- Who is in control of everything? God is in control of everything in heaven and on earth.

### FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

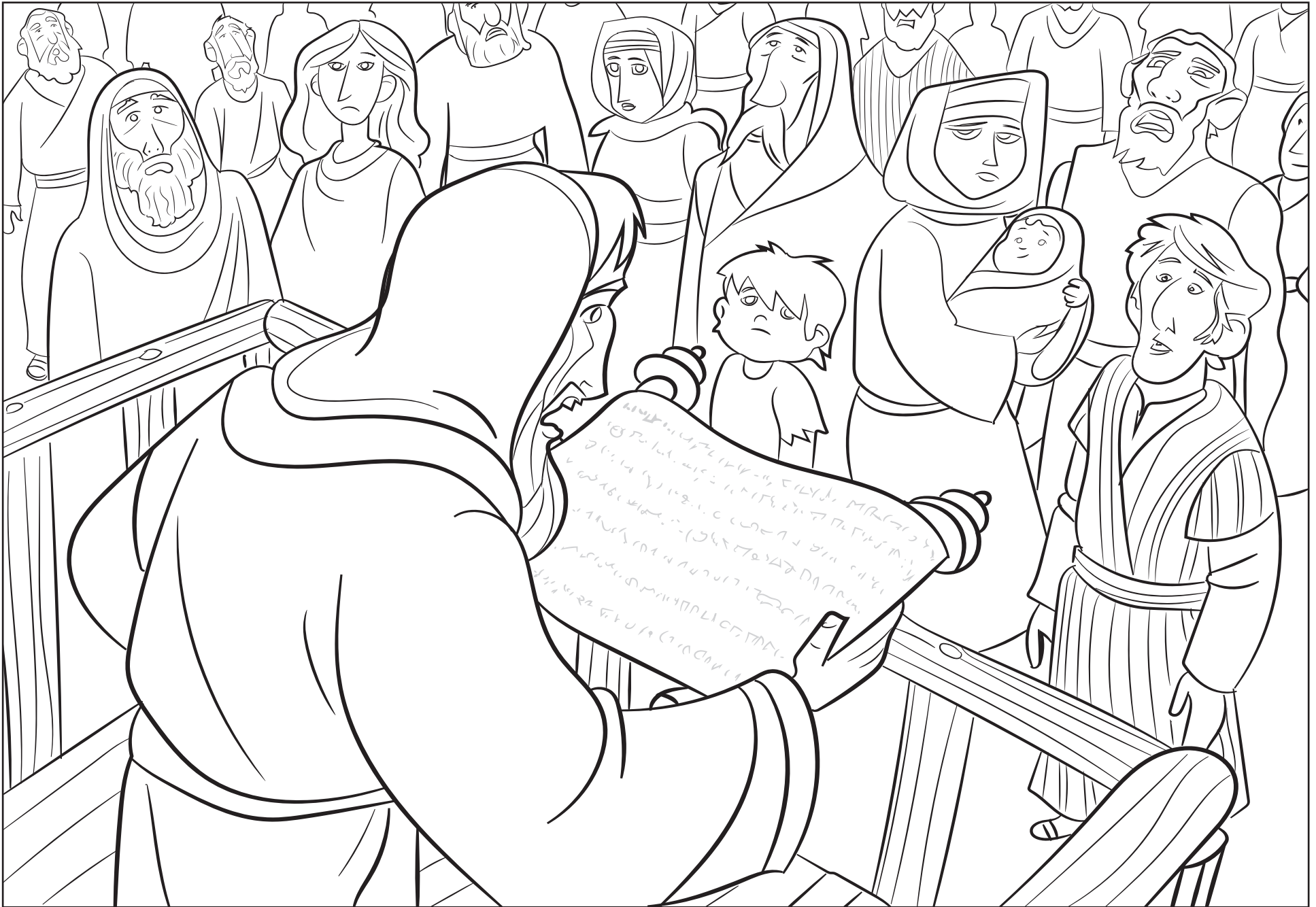
- Why might we feel sad because of our sin?
- Why can we celebrate despite our sin?
- Who can help us better love and obey God?

### FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Throw a party to celebrate God's work in your family. Decorate, serve cake or other desserts, and sing worship songs as a family. Take turns naming specific things God has done for you in the last year.

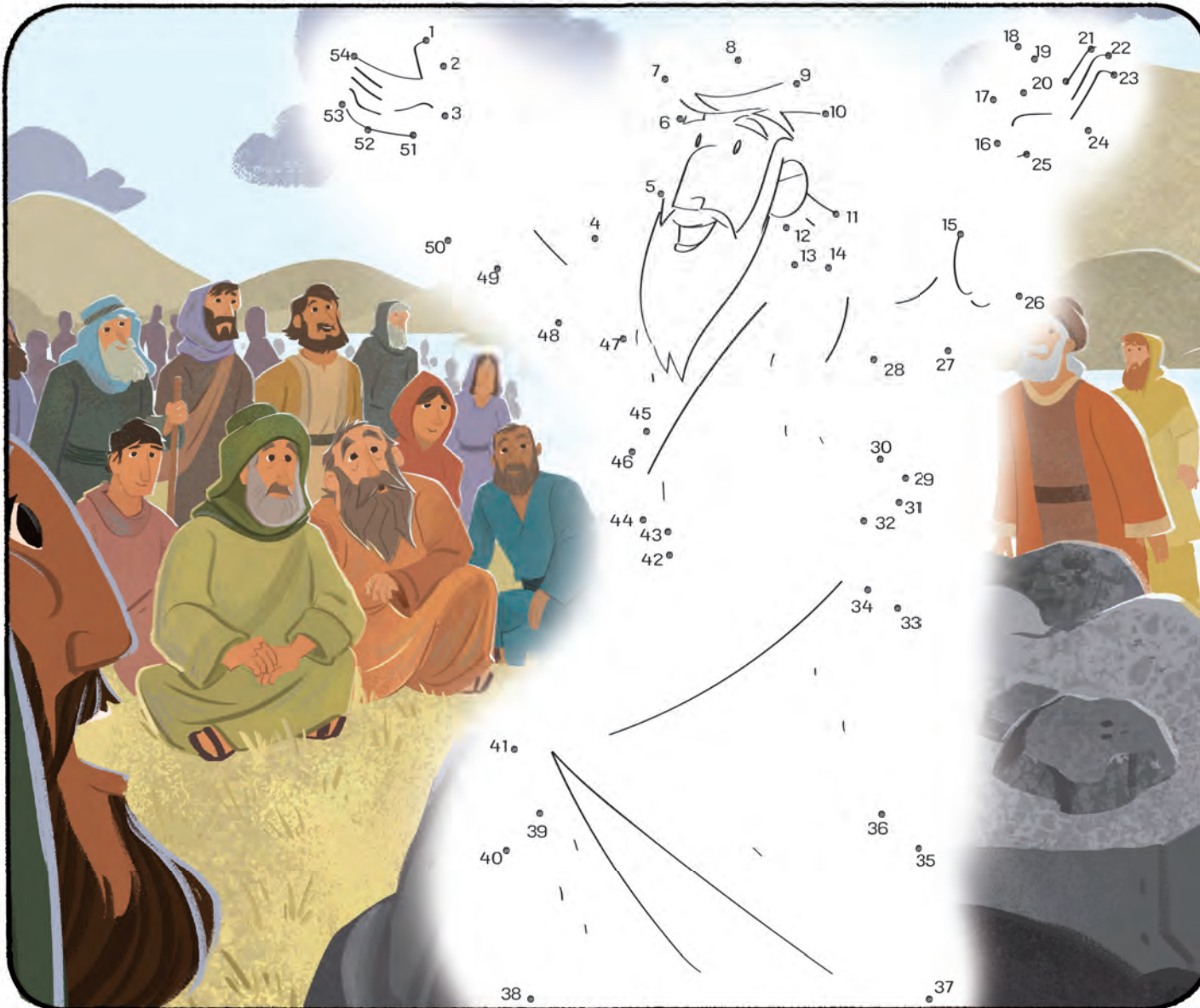


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# Who Is It?

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Connect the dots in numerical order to reveal the picture of a special messenger. (Hint: Read John 1:6-9.)



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**Unit 18 • Session 4**  
**Malachi the Prophet**

**BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:**

- God's people had grown lazy in their worship of God.
- They offered sick and lame animals for sacrifice.
- Malachi called God's people to repent to prepare for the Messiah.
- Malachi told of a messenger to come who would prepare the way for Jesus.

**KEY PASSAGE:** 1 Peter 5:10

**BIG PICTURE QUESTION:**

- Who is in control of everything? God is in control of everything in heaven and on earth.

**FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:**

- Why do we offer our best to God?
- How did God offer His best to us?
- Who was the messenger Malachi said would come before Jesus?

**FAMILY ACTIVITY:**

- Take turns with your family naming chores or daily tasks. Then discuss what would happen if you only did that task halfway, such as only driving halfway to school, only halfway washing dishes, or doing half a project. Remind your kids that Jesus gave His all for us.



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