

Make a Biblical Scroll

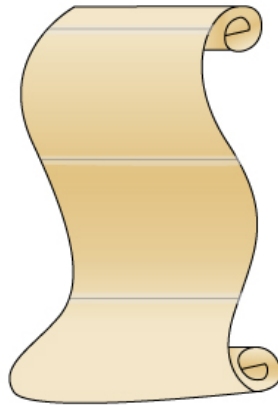
Long before books were invented, people used scrolls to record important information. In Jesus' time, Scribes were specially trained to copy the biblical texts by hand onto new scrolls. These scrolls were then used in the Temple and synagogues for the scripture readings. Create your own biblical scroll of your favourite bible stories and decorating by hand.

Materials

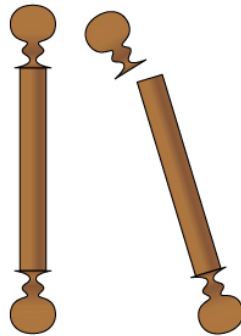
- 2 Wooden Poles (up to 30cm in length, 2-4cm diameter). A curtain rail works well.
- 4 wooden curtain knobs.
- 20 pieces of parchment paper. Tape for fixing the paper.
- 1 tassel or curtain tie back.

Instructions

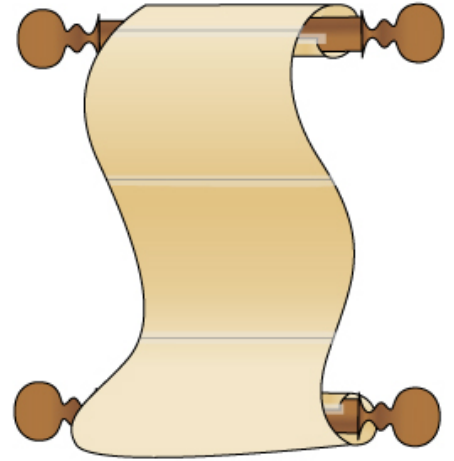
Step 1 Choose some bible stories to include in your scroll. Write, draw or colour your stories and tape them together, end to end, to make a long banner.



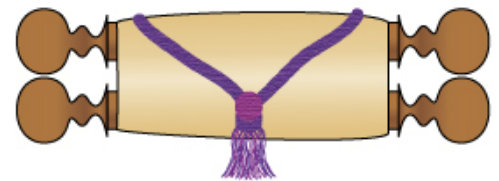
Step 2 Glue or screw the curtain knobs onto the ends of the poles.



Step 3 Tape the ends of your banner to each of the wooden poles and roll them up.



Step 4 Roll up the scroll and fasten it with a tasselled rope.



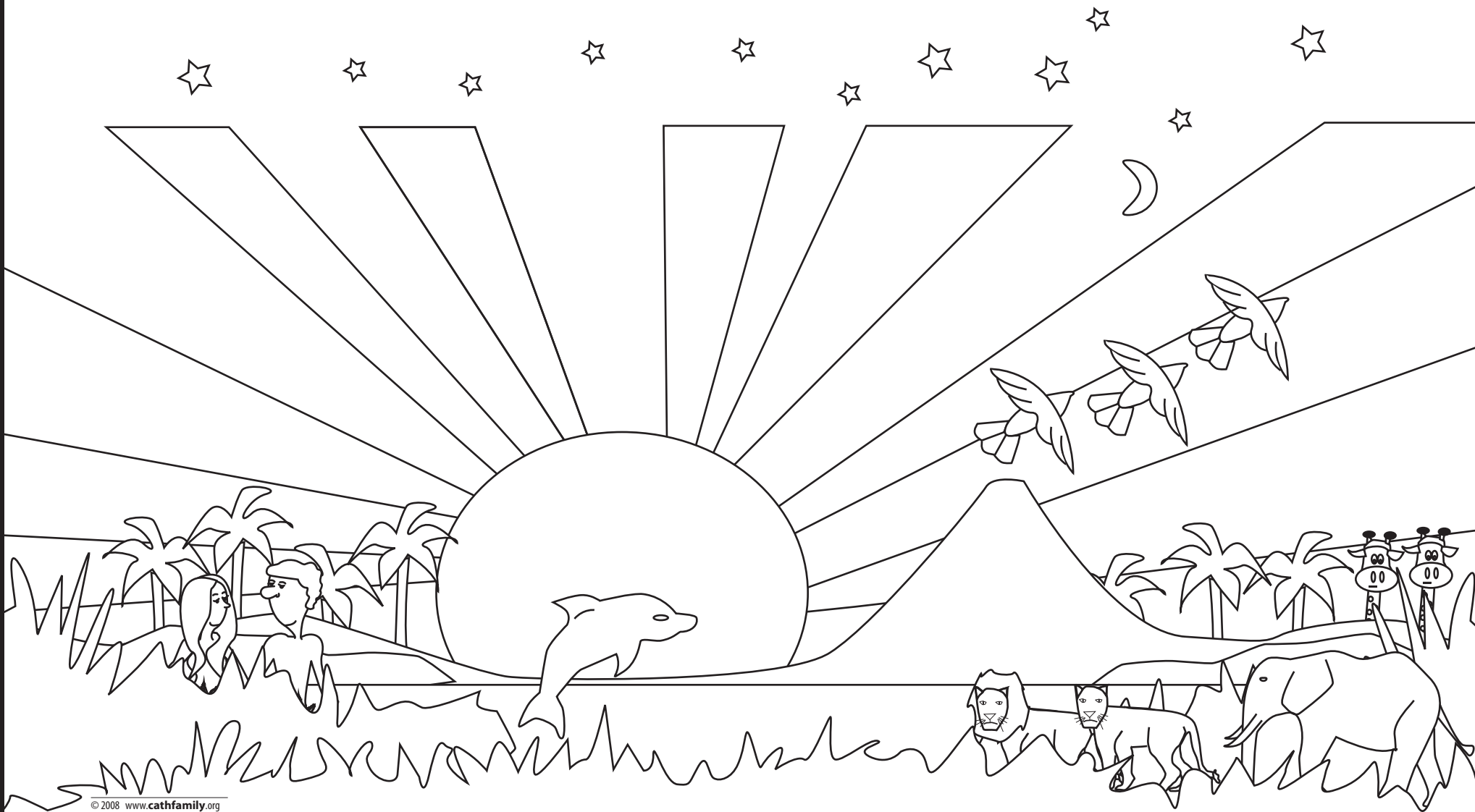
Favorite Bible Stories:

- Creation
- Adam and eve
- Noah's Ark
- Moses Parts the Red Sea
- David and Goliath
- Daniel and the Lions Den
- Jonah and the Big Fish
- The Angel Visits Mary
- The Birth of Jesus
- The Visit of the Wise Men
- The Boy Jesus in the Temple
- The Sermon on the Mount
- The Lost Sheep
- Jesus Heals a Blind Man
- Fishes and Loaves
- Palm Sunday
- The Last Supper
- Jesus is nailed to the Cross
- The Resurrection
- The Coming of the Holy Spirit.

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Creation

Genesis 1: Before the world began, God spirit hovered over the waters. Then God said, "I will make a world" . And so God did. God made the sun to give light to the days. God made the moon and stars to light the night sky. God made trees and plants, the fish in the sea, all kinds of animals and birds. Last of all God made man and woman. And God delighted in creation. On this day, the seventh day, God rested.



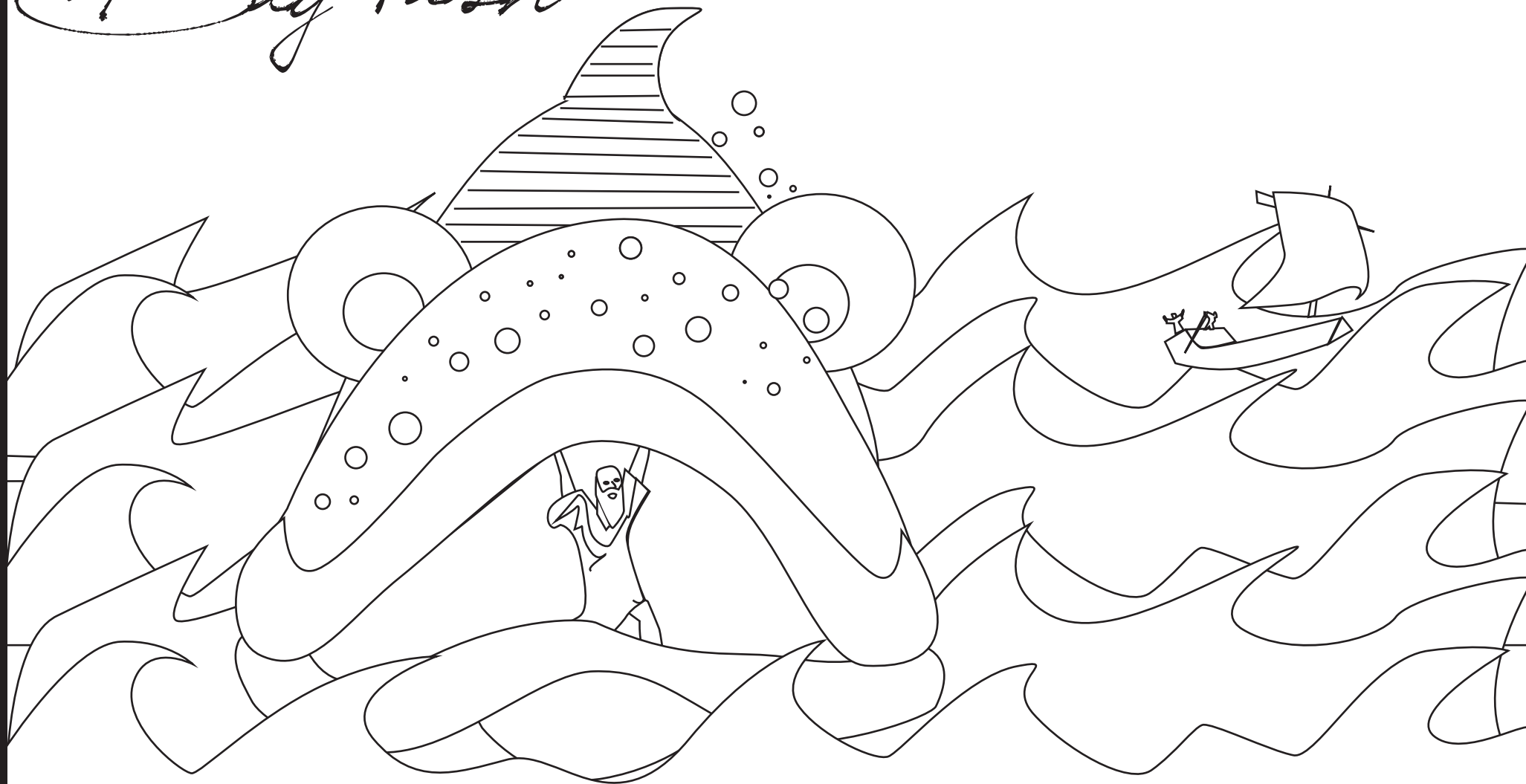
Crossing the Sea

Exodus 15-13: The Israelites were slaves in Egypt. So God spoke to Moses telling him of a land where God's people would no longer be slaves. God wanted Moses was to lead them out of the land of Egypt. At first, the King of Egypt would not let the Israelites go. God sent plagues and the King said they could go. God guided the people with a pillar of cloud in the day and a pillar of fire in the night. But the King changed his mind. He sent his army to bring the Israelites back. The people had come to a big sea and they were afraid for the Kings men were coming fast. God told Moses to lift his stick over the sea. Moses did as God commanded and the waters divided and the people walked safely across. When the Kings men tried to follow, the waters came crashing back and they were swept away.



Jonah and the Big Fish

Jonah 1-3: God told Jonah to go to Ninevah and preach repentance. But Jonah ran from God. He took a boat and set sail in the other direction. A big storm came. The people in the boat were afraid. Jonah told them to throw him into the sea. When they did, the stopped. Then God sent a big fish. It swallowed Jonah. There in the fish Jonah prayed to God for three days. He told God he was sorry. Then the fish spat Jonah out onto the land. This time, when God told Jonah to go to Nineveh Jonah went! The people heard his message and they changed their evil ways.



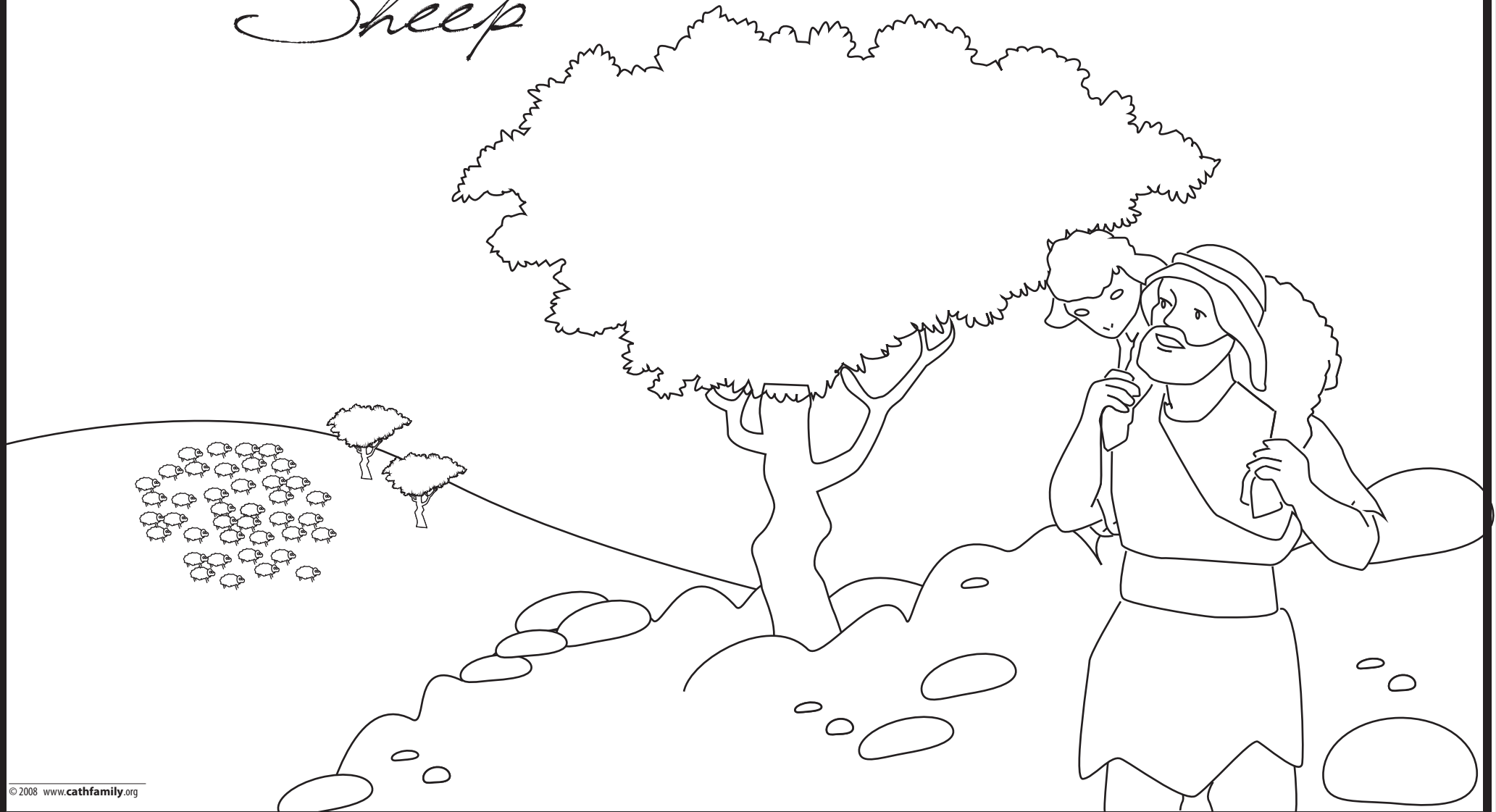
Jesus is born

Matthew 1 :18-25: Joseph and Mary travelled to Bethlehem. It was very busy with visitors and there was no room at the inn. Mary's baby was close to birth. Joseph pleaded with the innkeeper. He gave them a place to stay in the stable with the animals. It was the only place left. That night Jesus was born. A star shone brightly in the sky. Angels appeared to shepherds in the fields singing joyfully. They went to see the child Jesus and gave thanks to God.



The Lost Sheep

Luke 15: Jesus told his friends about a sheep that ran away. It could not find its way home - it was lost! The shepherd saw that one sheep was gone. He loved that sheep. He left the other sheep and set out to find it. He looked and looked for his sheep. When he found it, the shepherd took the sheep into his arms. He took the sheep home. Jesus said that we are like this sheep. When we are far away from God, Jesus looks and looks and until he finds and brings us home.



Palm Sunday

Matthew 21:1-11: Jesus sent his disciples to find a donkey. He rode on the donkey into Jerusalem. People came to see him. They waved palm branches and called, 'Hosannah to the King'. They lay branches and cloths on the road.



Jesus Dies on the Cross

Matthew 27: Some people didn't like Jesus. They didn't like his message. They didn't like that he said he was God's son. So they had Jesus arrested. He was whipped and a crown of thorns was put on his head. He carried his cross to the hill and the Roman soldiers nailed him to it. Jesus asked his father to forgive the men who were hurting him. Then Jesus died.

