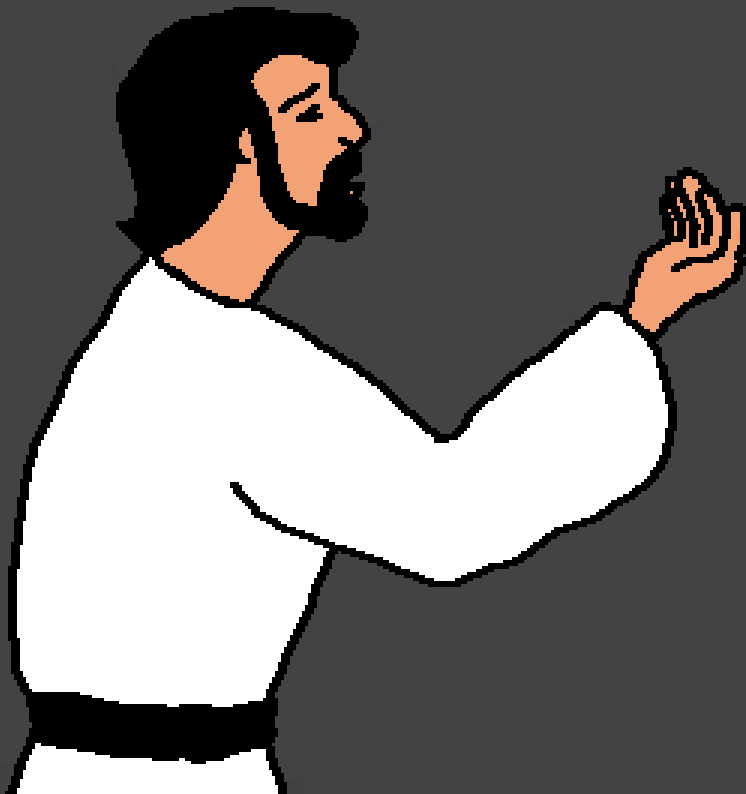


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JESUS  
CHOOSES  
12  
HELPERS



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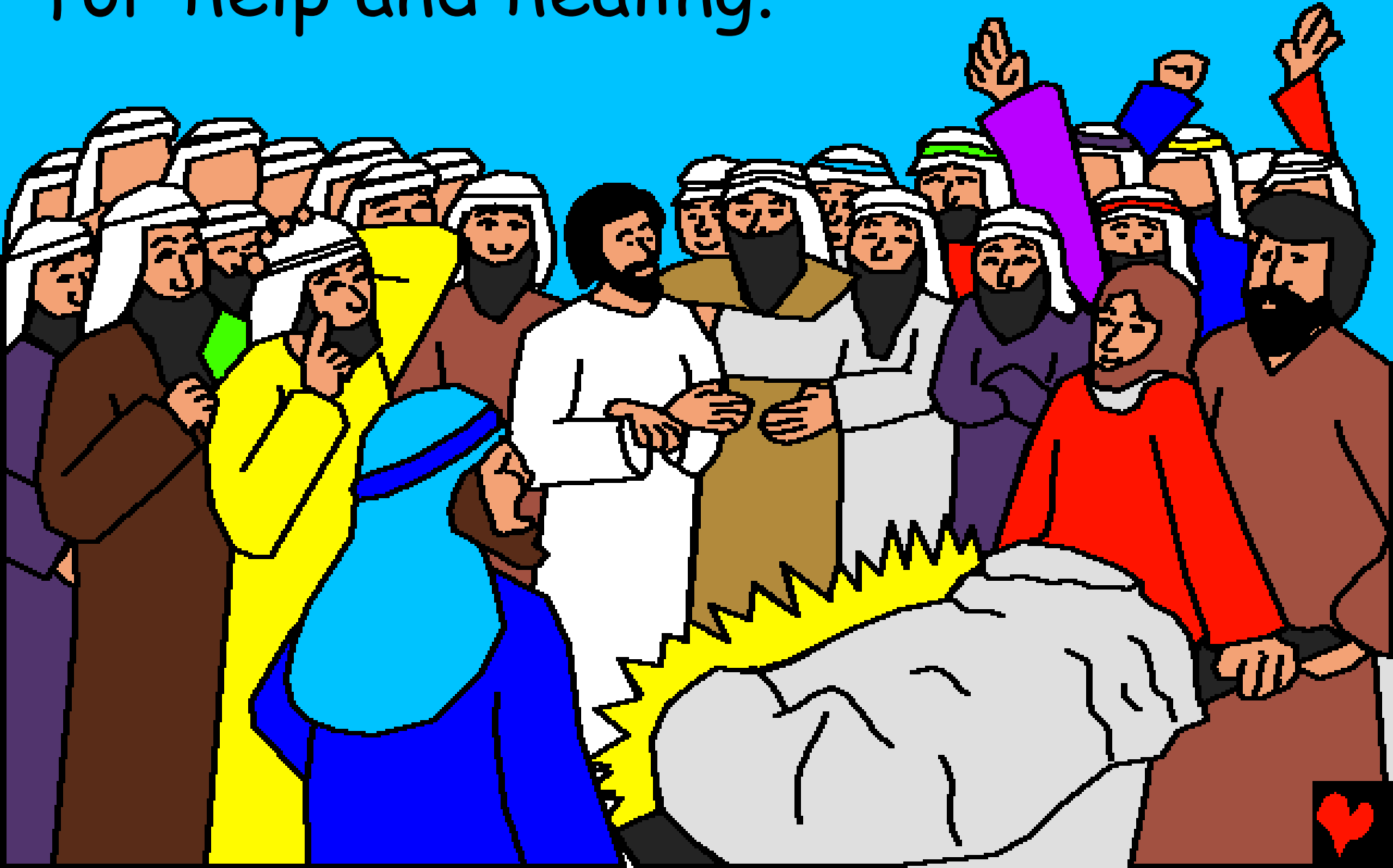
Jesus did wonderful things.



He healed diseases, gave troubled people peace in their hearts and minds, and taught God's Word.



Crowds came to Jesus  
for help and healing.



He decided to choose twelve men from His many followers to help Him in His work for God.



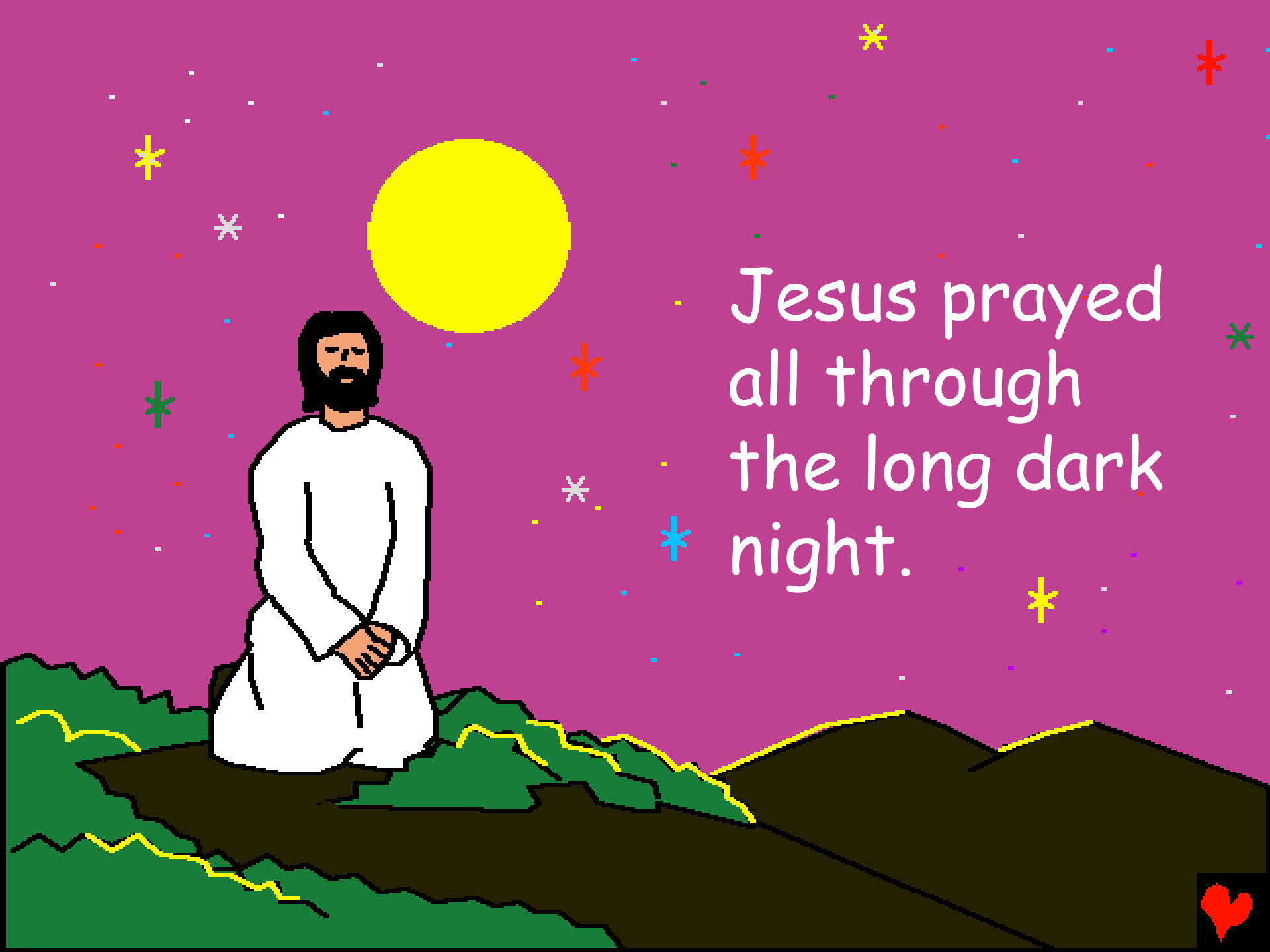
If you have  
important  
choices to  
make, do  
you pray to  
God? Jesus  
did!



In a quiet mountain  
place He spoke to His  
Heavenly Father.  
Jesus prayed  
until the sun  
went down.







Jesus prayed  
all through  
the long dark  
night.

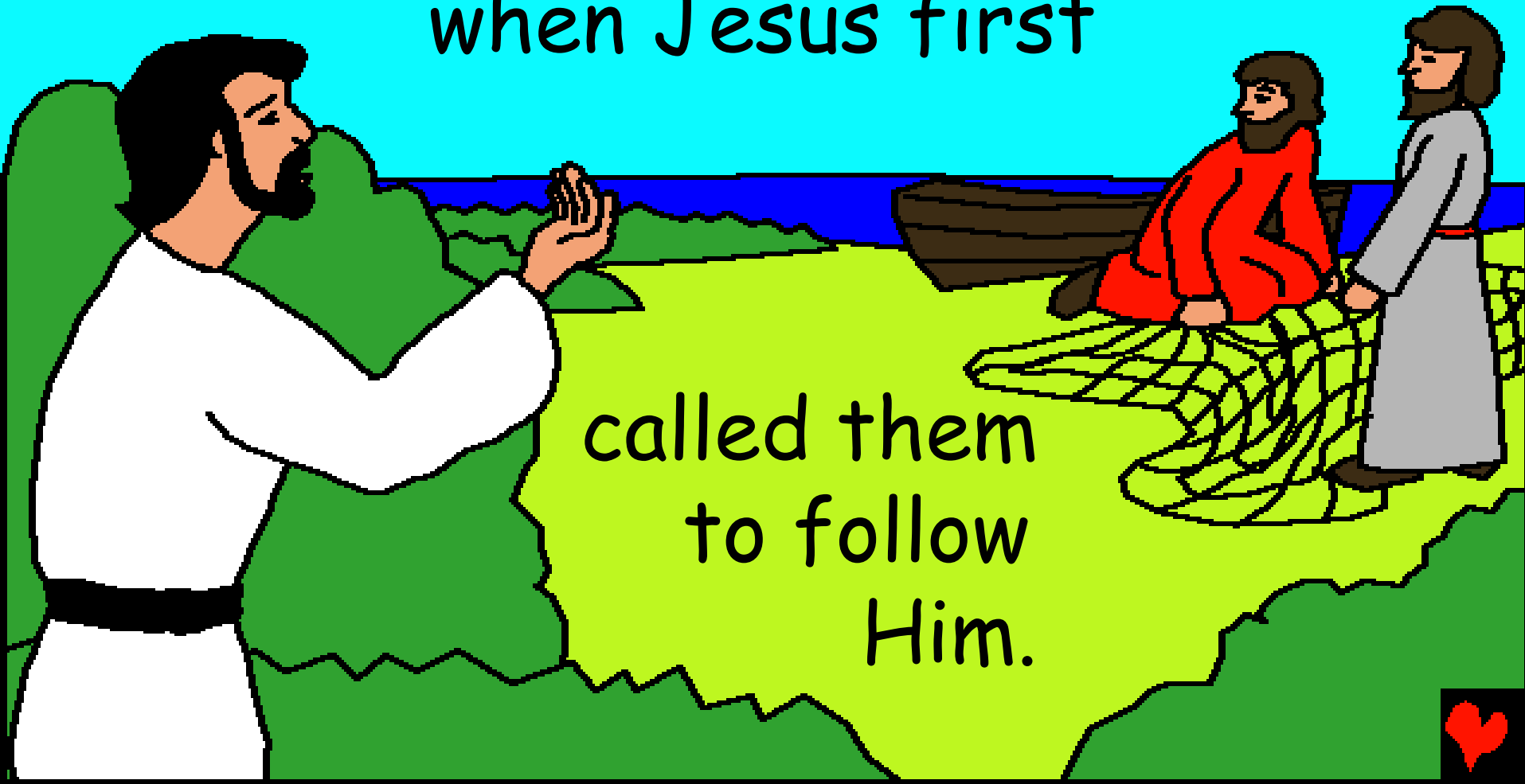
In the morning, Jesus called His followers - all the friends who served and obeyed Him.



From them He chose twelve  
to be special helpers, or  
apostles.



The first two Jesus chose were brothers, Simon Peter and Andrew. They had left their fishing business when Jesus first



called them  
to follow  
Him.



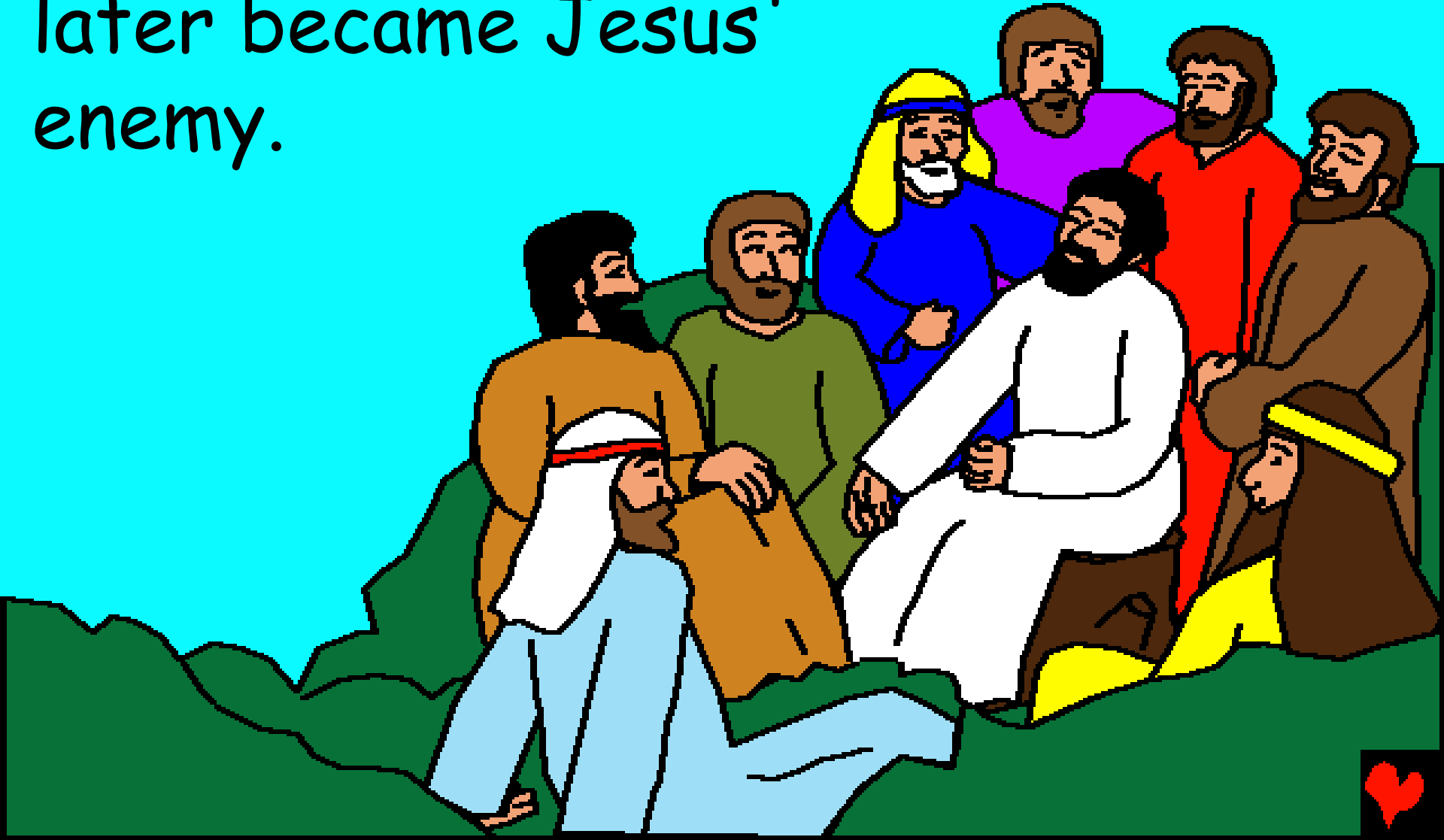
James and John,  
sons of Zebedee,  
had also left their  
fishing nets.



Jesus also chose Philip,  
Bartholomew, Matthew,  
Thomas, Simon the  
Zealot, James  
the son of  
Alphaeus, ...



... Judas a brother of James,  
and Judas Iscariot who  
later became Jesus'  
enemy.



Jesus taught that doing what  
He says is like  
building a house  
on a solid  
foundation.

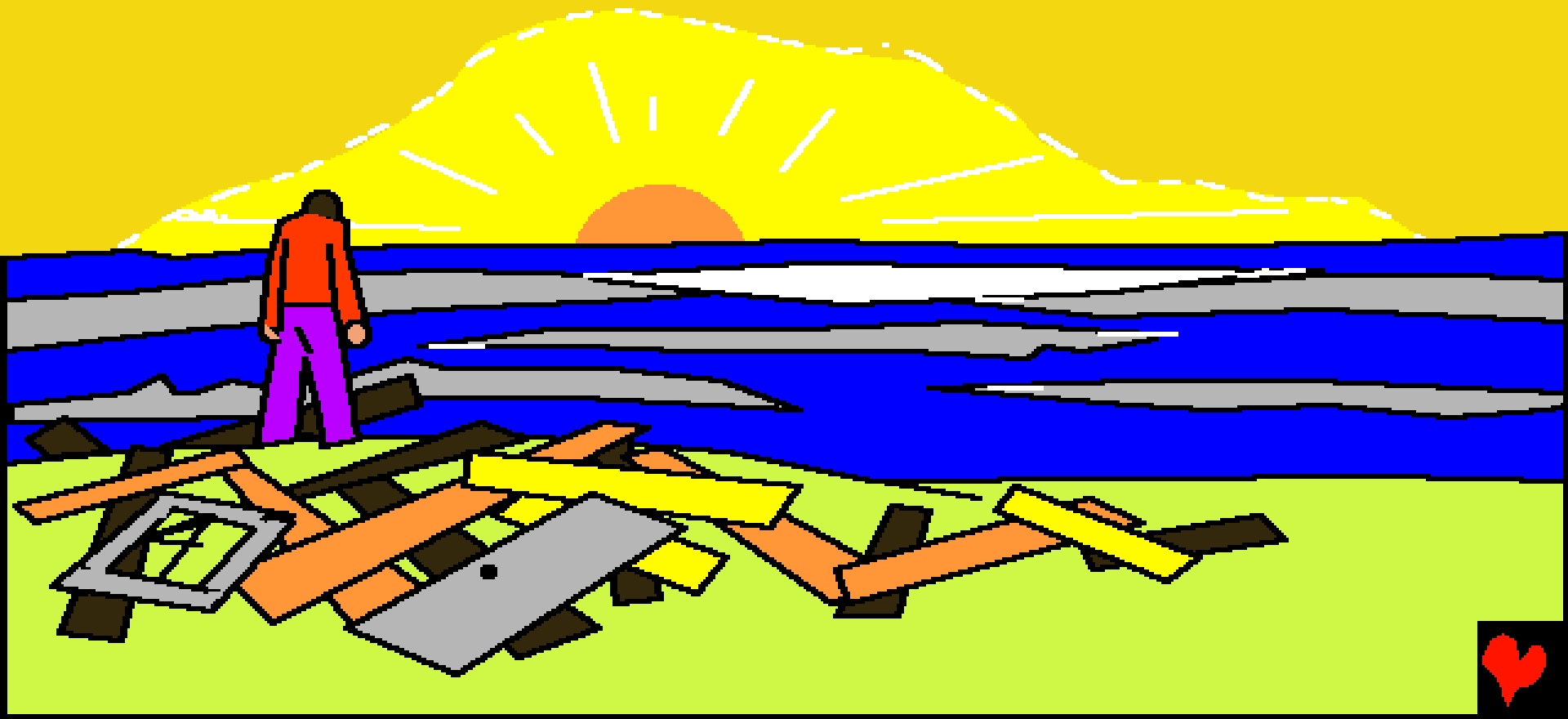




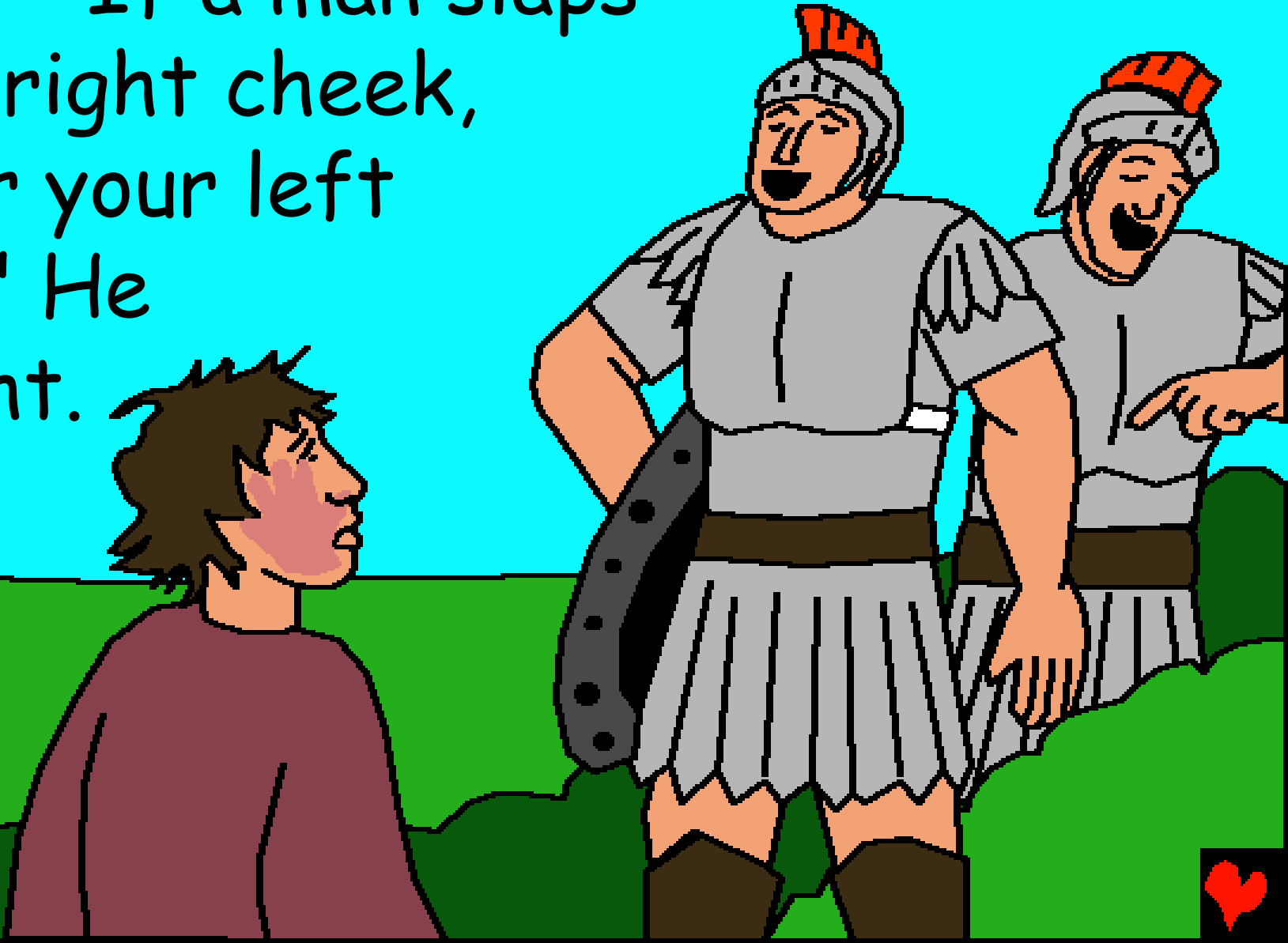
Fierce  
storms will  
not destroy  
that house.



But not obeying Jesus' Word is like building a house on a sandy foundation. When a storm comes, the house will fall.



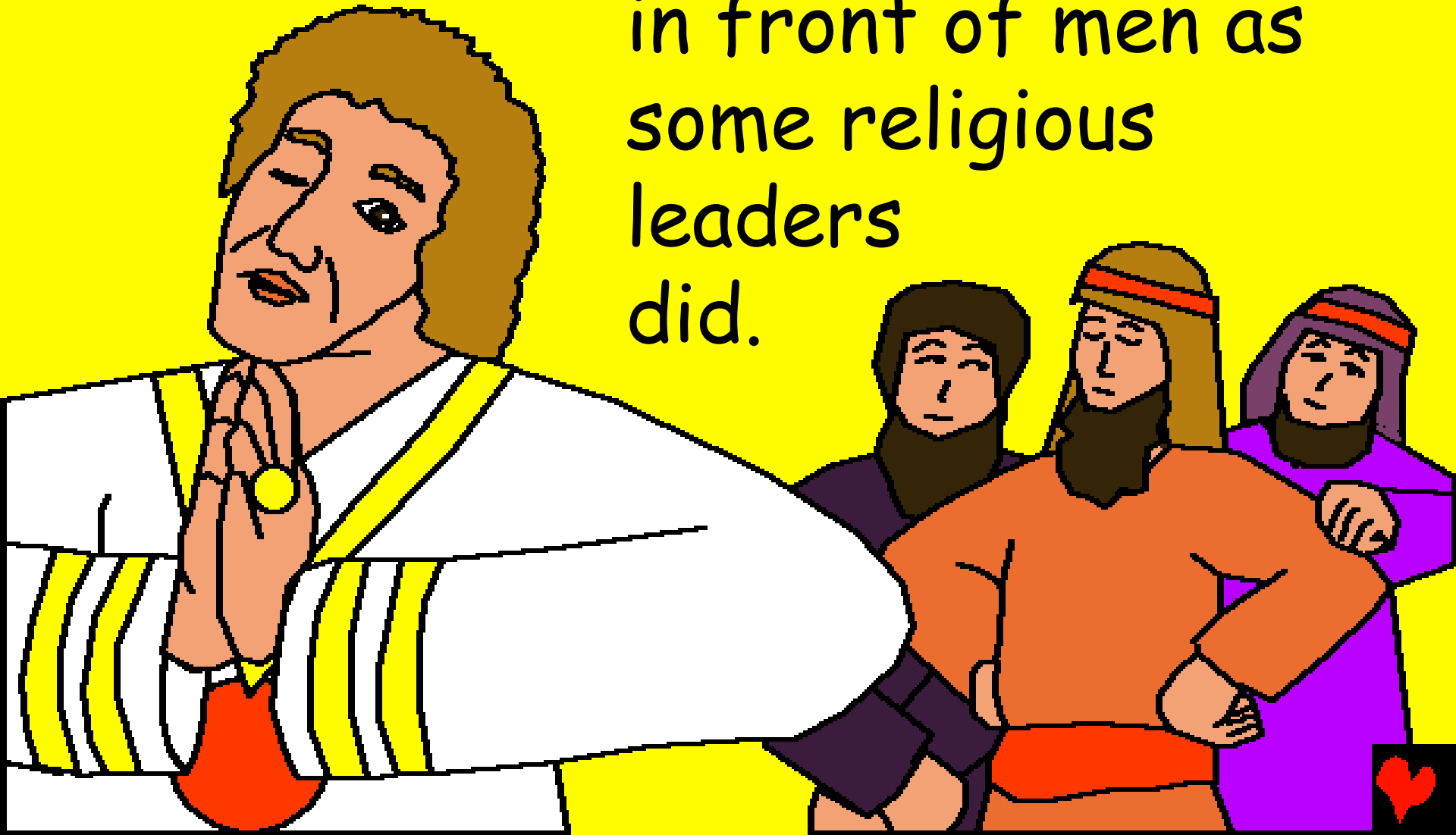
Some of Jesus' commands were not easy. "If a man slaps your right cheek, offer your left also," He taught.



"Love your enemies."  
People need God's  
help to live like  
Jesus.



Jesus also told the people to pray secretly - not to show off prayers in front of men as some religious leaders did.



Jesus said God  
would feed and  
clothe people who  
trust Him.



Since God gives  
food to birds and  
beautiful colors to  
flowers and shrubs, ...



... His people can  
trust Him for all  
their needs.

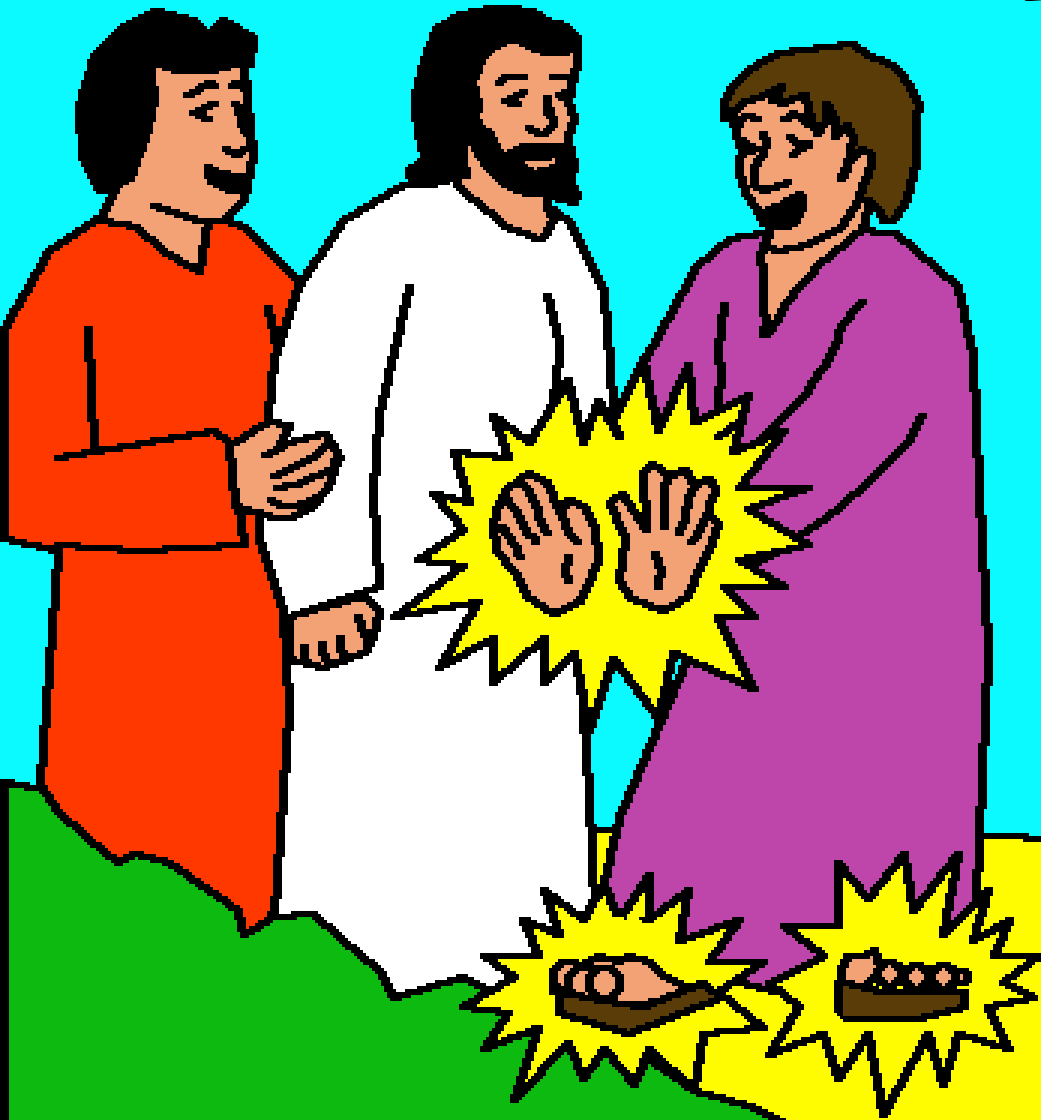




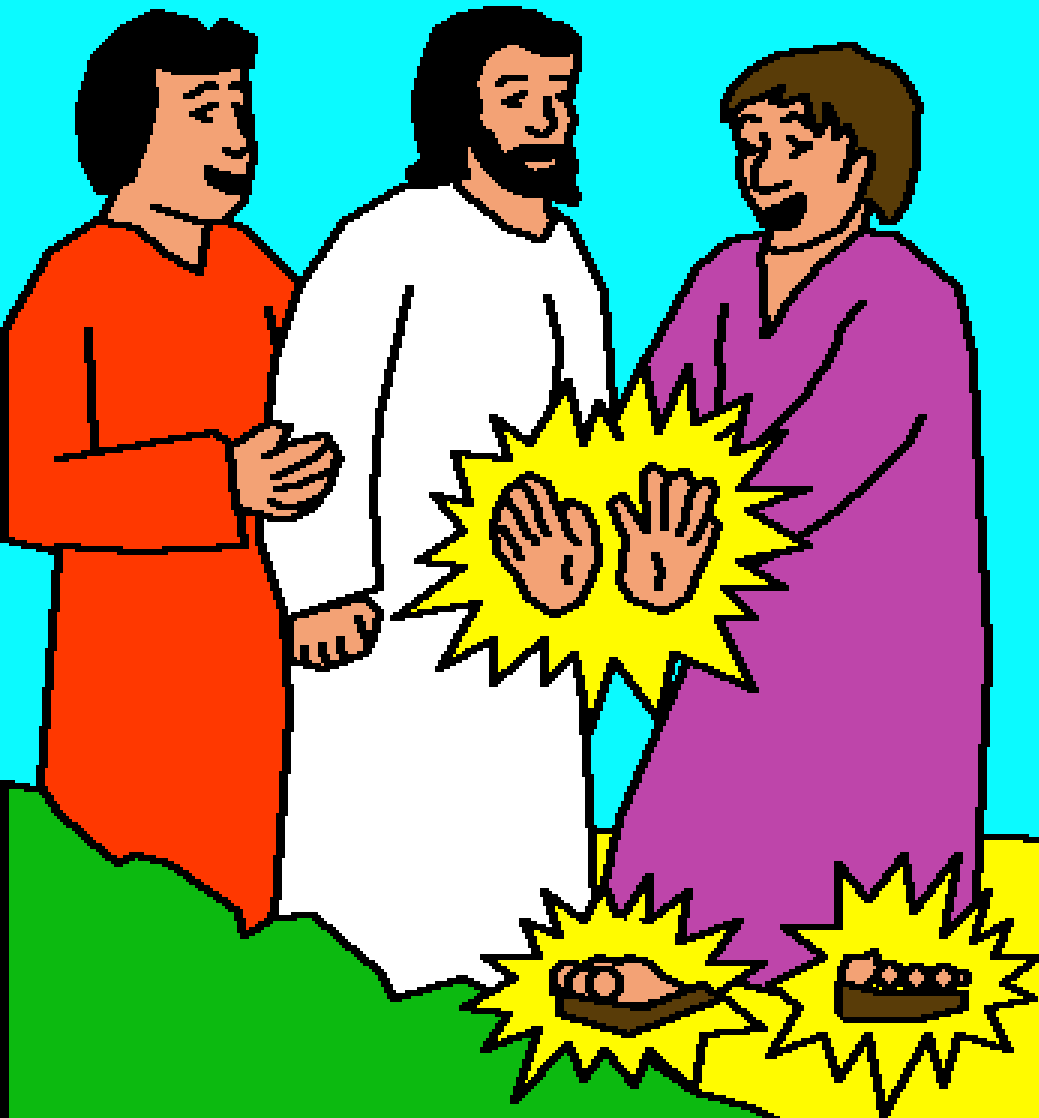
Jesus taught His newly-chosen helpers many things that day. When He finished, a leper came, begging Jesus to heal him.



Jesus answered the leper, "I will. Be clean." While the helpers watched, the leper became whole. He was healed!



Only God's Son  
could do that.  
The helpers  
knew that  
they had a  
wonderful  
Master.



# Jesus Chooses 12 Helpers

A story from God's Word, the Bible,

is found in

Matthew 4-7, Mark 1, Luke 6

"The entrance of Your Words gives light."

Psalm 119:130



The End



This Bible story tells us about our wonderful God who made us and who wants us to know Him.

God knows we have done bad things, which He calls sin. The punishment for sin is death, but God loves us so much He sent His Son, Jesus, to die on a Cross and be punished for our sins. Then Jesus came back to life and went home to Heaven! If you believe in Jesus and ask Him to forgive your sins, He will do it! He will come and live in you now, and you will live with Him forever.



If you want to turn from your sins,  
say this to God:

Dear God, I believe that Jesus died for me  
and now lives again. Please come into my  
life and forgive my sins, so that I can have  
new life now, and one day go to be with You  
forever. Help me to live for You as Your  
child. Amen.

Read the Bible and talk with God every  
day! John 3:16

