

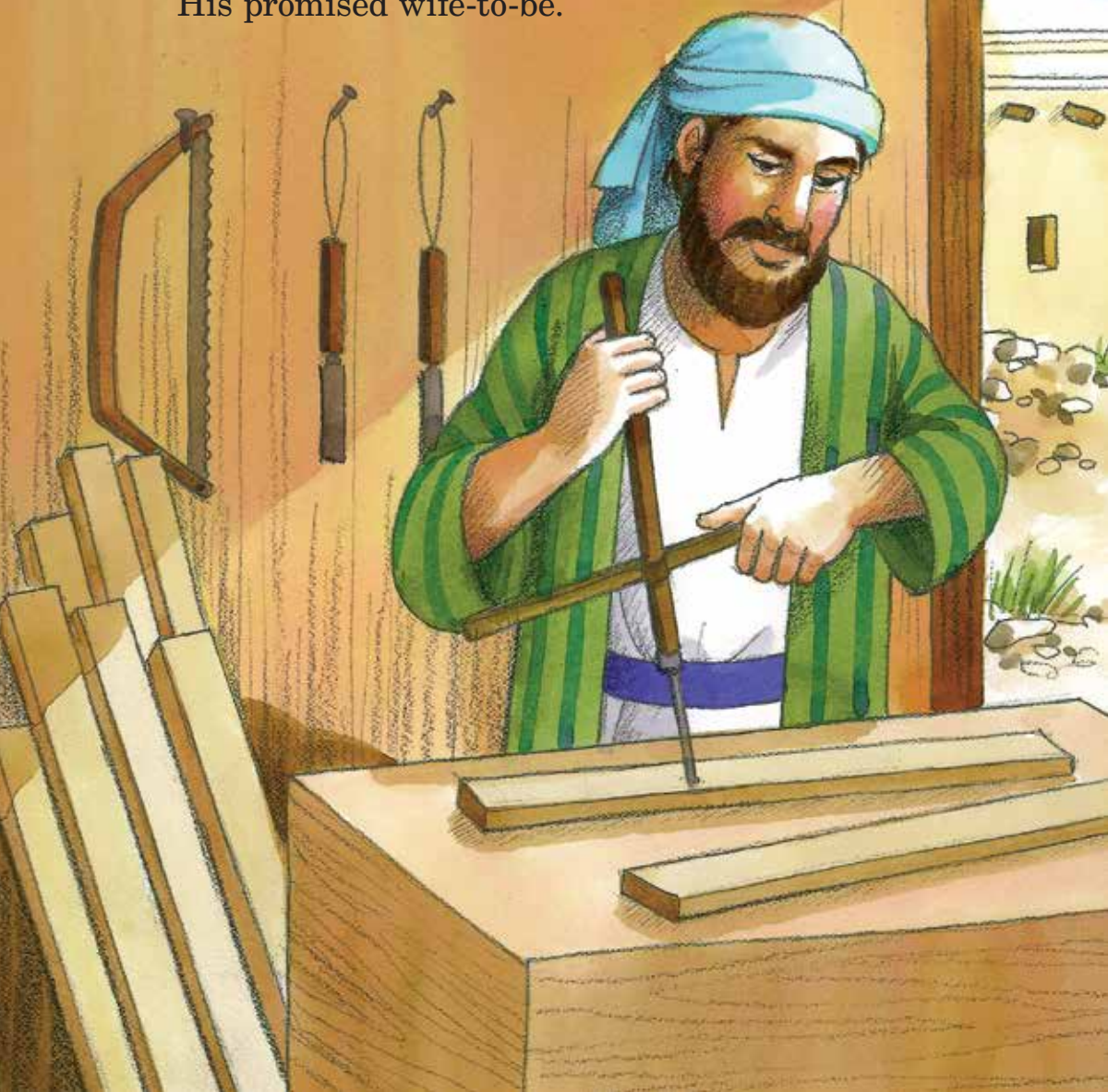
Baby Jesus is Born

Luke 2:1–20 for children

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Now in the town of Nazareth—
In the land of Galilee—
There lived a man named Joseph and
His promised wife-to-be.



Mary was the woman's name.
She was God's *favored one*,
For God had chosen her to be
The mother of His Son.

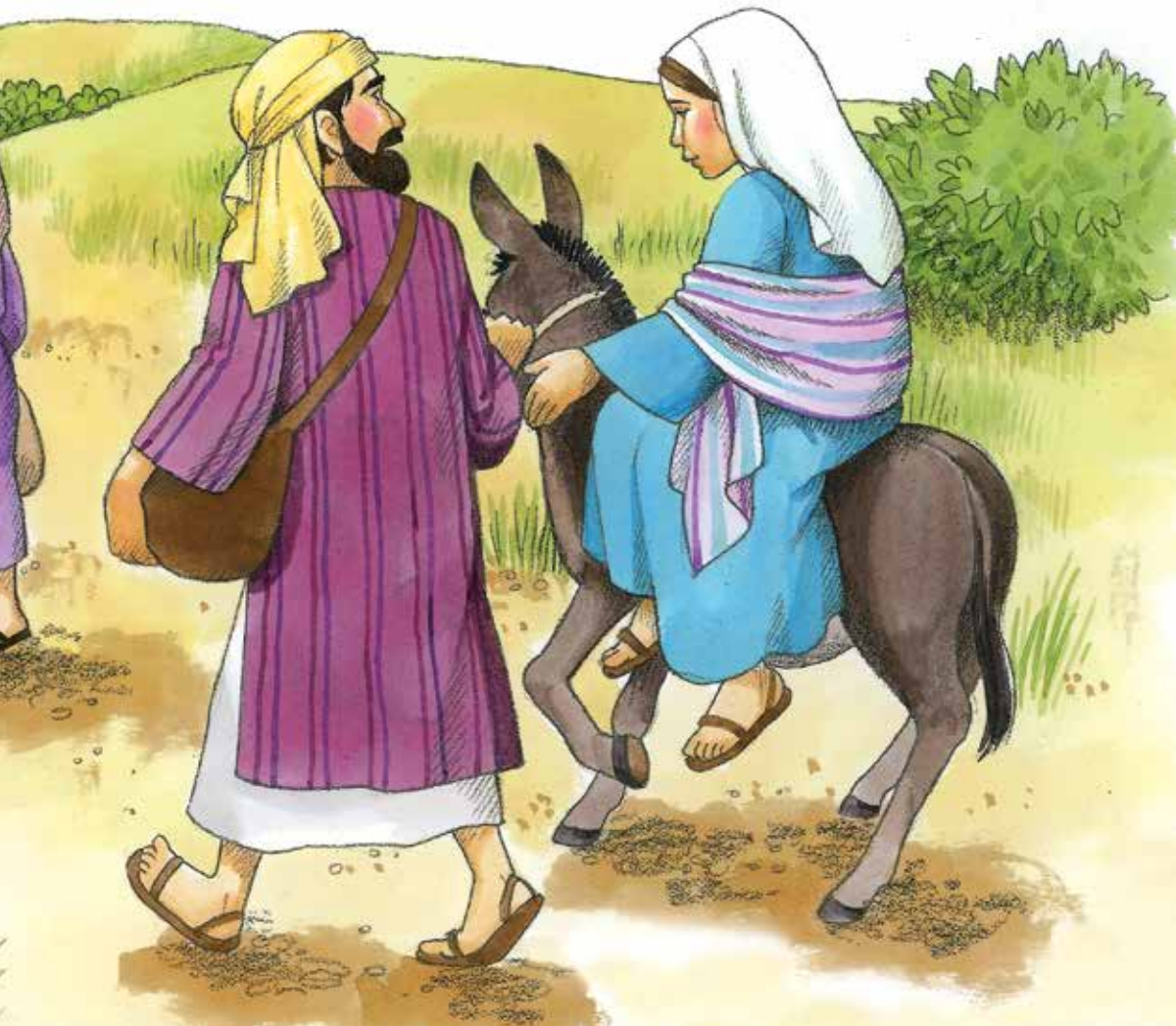


Caesar was the emperor
Two thousand years ago.
He told the folks he ruled to make
A trip quite hard and slow.



Joseph knew he had to heed
The emperor's decree,
So he and Mary set out from
The land of Galilee.

At last they came to Bethlehem,
A town of little size.
Now the streets were crowded, which
Was not a great surprise!



Joseph asked an innkeeper,
“Do you have room for two?”
“No,” he said to Joseph, who
Then sighed, “What should I do?”

“I’m sorry,” said the innkeeper,
“I really am unable
To provide a room for you ...
But wait! I have a stable!”

