I Will Obey When I Am Tired!

From Great Race Jr. Lesson 2

LEADERSHIP TRAIT- OBEDIENCE
Great leaders understand that obedience to God is vital, whether they like it or not.

LEADERSHIP LESSON
Your children will learn that they should keep obeying even when they are tired.

LEADERSHIP STORY
Joshua and the battle of Jericho. *(Joshua 6:1-20)*

MEMORY VERSE
Help your children memorize this verse.
"So let's not get tired of doing what is good." Galatians 6:9a (NLT)

Materials Needed:
- A Bible
- The Leadership Video - *I Will Obey When I Am Tired*
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First:
Read the Leadership Story to your children. The Leadership Story for this lesson is about Joshua and the people of Israel marching around the walls of Jericho and is found in Joshua 6:1-20.

Next:
Watch the Leadership Video, *I Will Obey When I Am Tired,* with your family.

Then:
Complete the Child Leadership Questions, and lead your family through the Optional Family Activity.

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Child Leadership Questions:

1. God gave Joshua a plan to conquer the city of Jericho. What was the plan?
   (March around the city.)

2. Marching around the city probably made the people tired. Did the people obey God's plan even when they were tired?
   (Yes.)

3. What happened after the people finished marching around the city on the seventh day?
   (The people shouted and the walls of Jericho fell down.)

4. Because the people obeyed God even when they were tired, God gave them the city of Jericho! Tell me about a time when you might get tired of obeying?
   (Cleaning my room. Picking up my toys. Being nice to someone.)

You should always obey even when you are tired in each of those situations!

OPTIONAL FAMILY ACTIVITY: JERICHO MARCH

Gather the family together and read the Leadership Story of Joshua and the battle of Jericho in Joshua 6:1-20. Tell your family that you are going to act out the seventh day of the Leadership Story together by marching around your house or apartment building seven times. As you march, talk about how the people might have felt as they were marching around Jericho. Remind your family that your house or apartment building is much smaller than a whole city. If you feel tired from marching around the house or apartment building, think how tired you would be marching around an entire city.

After you have walked around the house or apartment building seven times, talk about how the Israelites kept obeying even when they were tired. Then, talk about some times when each person in the family might get tired of obeying and how they can remember to keep obeying. Wrap up by praying and asking God to help everyone remember to obey even when they get tired of obeying!

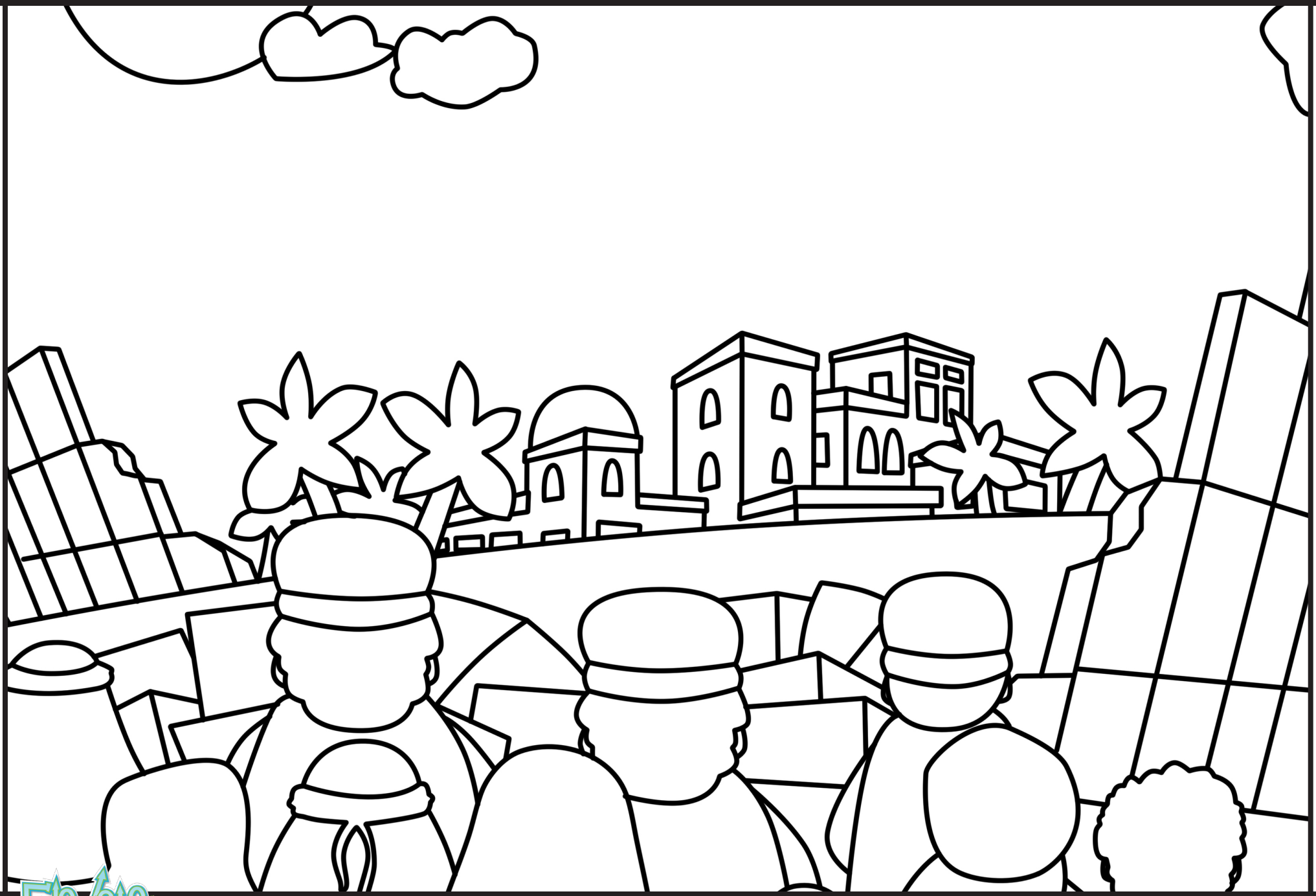
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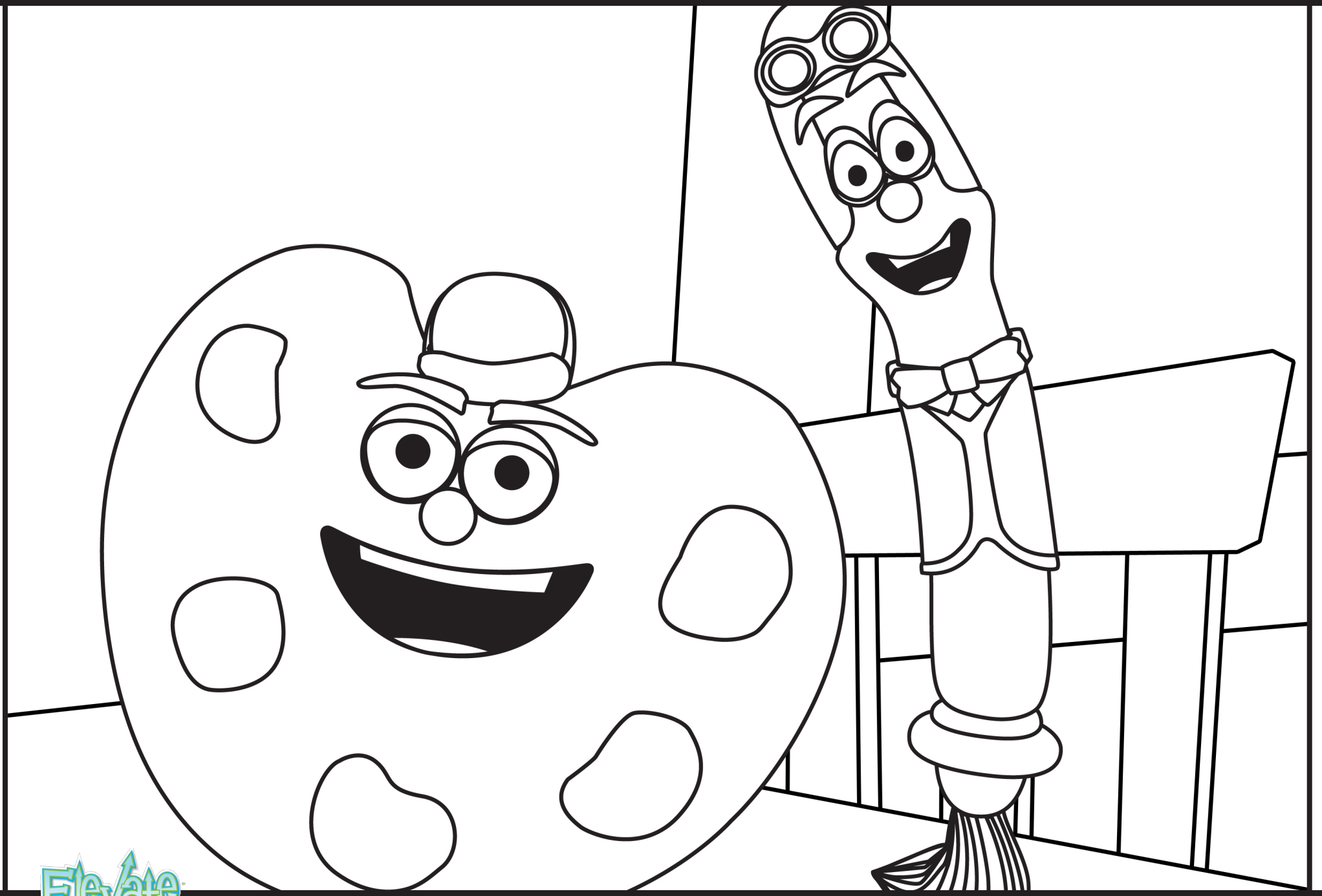
The Israelites obeyed when they were tired. (Joshua 6:1-20)

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The walls of Jericho came down. (Joshua 6:1-20)

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