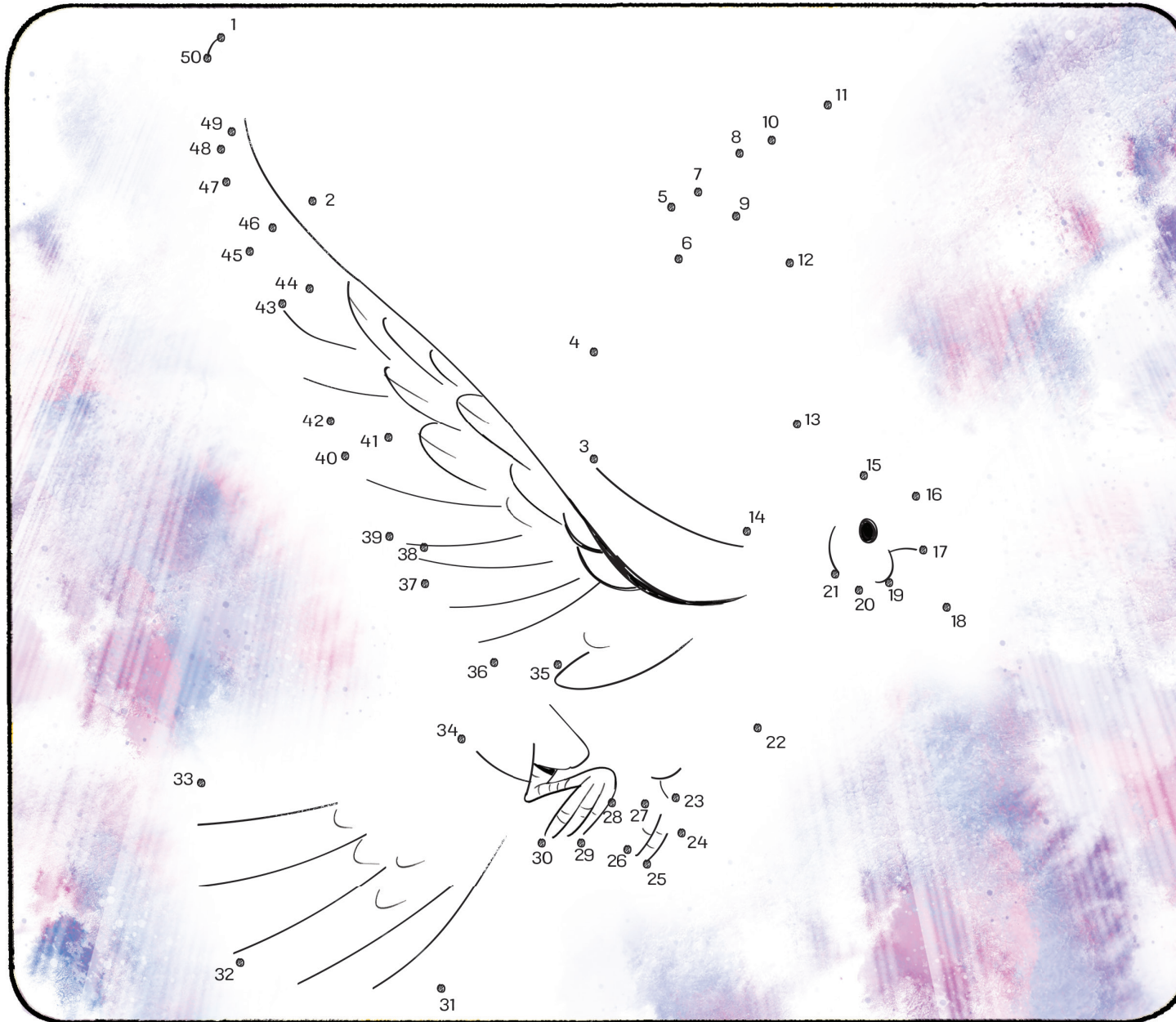


Descend Like a ...

INSTRUCTIONS: Draw lines to connect the dots in numerical order.



BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:

- John the Baptist told people to repent and be ready for the kingdom of God.
- Jesus asked John to baptize Him.
- At first, John did not think it was right for him to baptize Jesus.
- Jesus obeyed God by being baptized.

KEY PASSAGE: John 3:30

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

- Why did Jesus become human?
 Jesus became human to obey His Father's plan and rescue sinners.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- Why did John think it was odd for him to baptize Jesus?
- Why is baptism important and what does it mean?
- Who should be baptized?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Look up instructions for how to make tie-dye clothing at home. Work with your kids to make fun and colorful shirts or other garment items. Discuss the term *baptism*, and explain how your church handles baptism. Remind kids what baptism symbolizes.



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Bleak and Beautiful

INSTRUCTIONS: Color the picture using the number key below.



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Easter • Session 2 Jesus' Crucifixion and Resurrection

BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:

- The religious leaders in Jesus' day refused to believe that He is the Messiah.
- The religious leaders hated Jesus and had Him arrested.
- Jesus died on the cross even though He never sinned.
- Jesus' resurrection gives us hope for eternal life.

KEY PASSAGE: John 3:30

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

- Why did Jesus become human?
Jesus became human to obey His Father's plan and rescue sinners.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

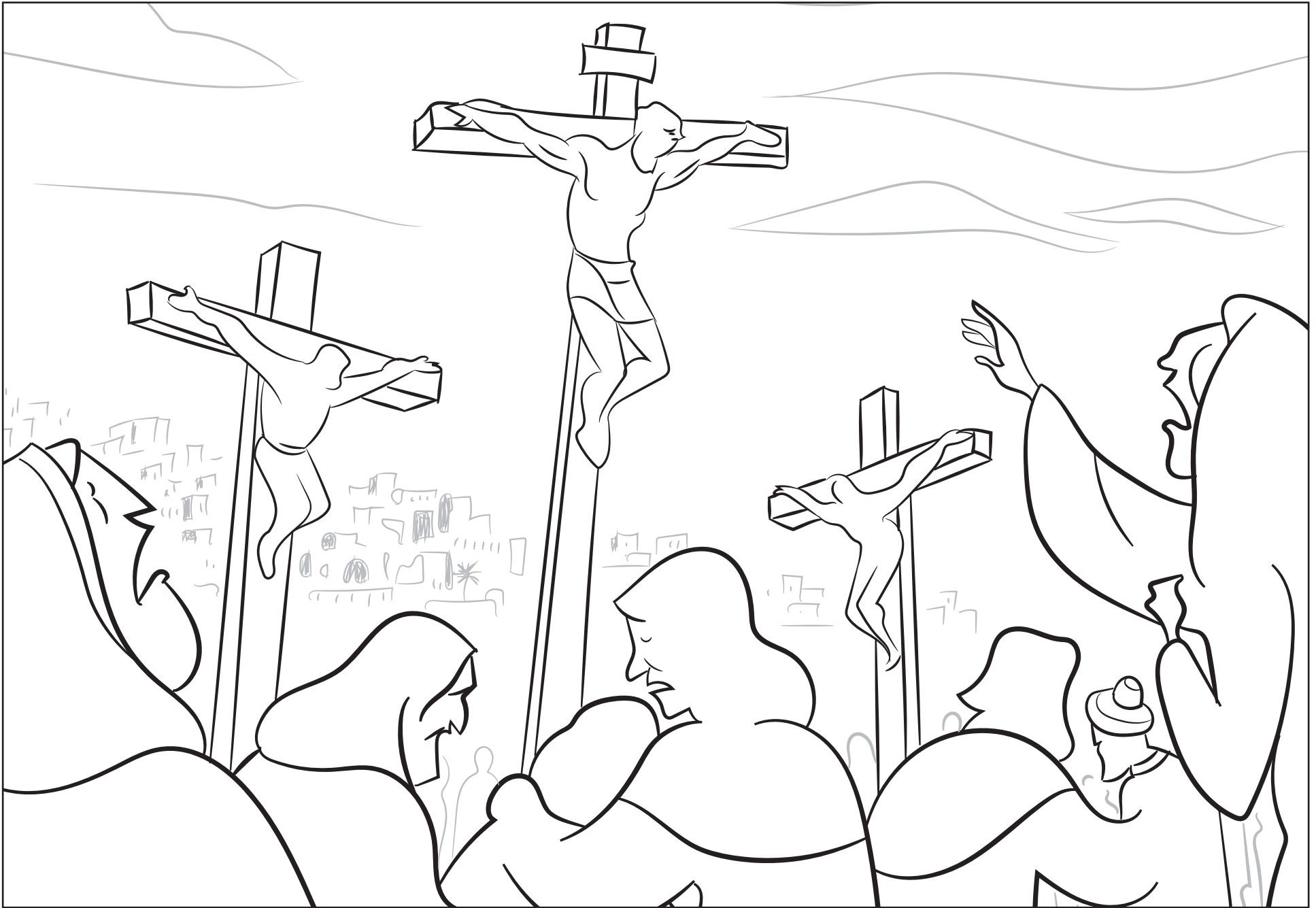
- Why did Jesus have to die?
- What did Jesus defeat when He rose from the dead?
- Who can we tell about Jesus' death and resurrection?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Use craft sticks and glue to make wooden crosses with your kids. Talk about how the cross was a symbol of death, but through Jesus it is now a symbol of hope for eternity.



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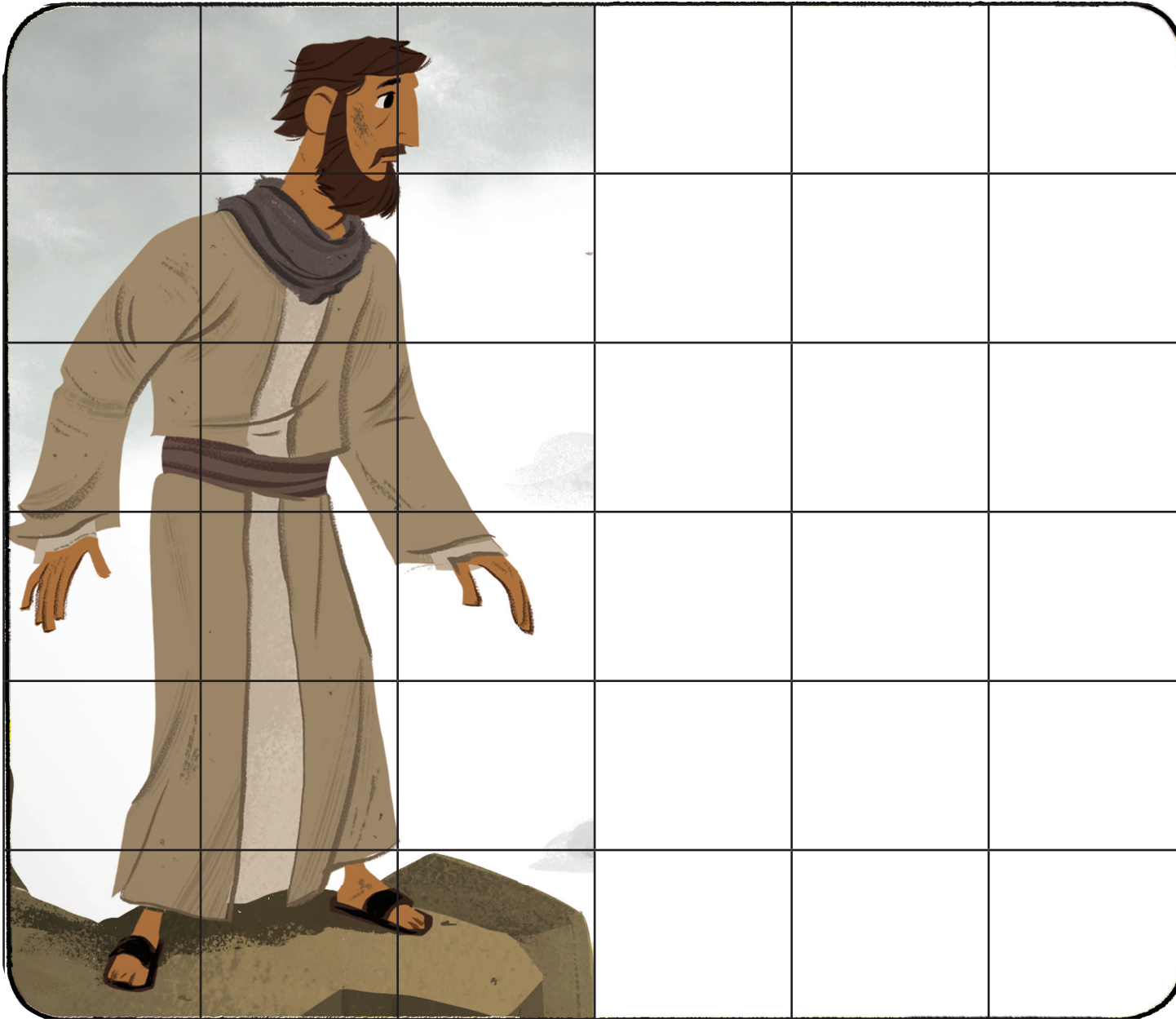


**STORY POINT: JESUS' RESURRECTION GIVES
US HOPE FOR ETERNAL LIFE.**

Jesus' Crucifixion and Resurrection
Matthew 26–28; 1 Corinthians 15

Just Like Jesus

INSTRUCTIONS: Use the grid to help you draw a picture of Jesus.



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Unit 20 • Session 2
Jesus' Temptation

BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:

- After being baptized, the Holy Spirit led Jesus into the wilderness.
- While there, Jesus did not eat for 40 days, and He spent time praying.
- Satan came and tried to get Jesus to sin.
- Jesus was tempted and never sinned.

KEY PASSAGE: John 3:30

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

- Why did Jesus become human?
Jesus became human to obey His Father's plan and rescue sinners.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- What is temptation?
- How can we fight temptation?
- Why is it important to fight temptation and obey God?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Play a game like hide-and-seek with your kids. Talk about what would happen if you peeked while they were hiding. Ask them about situations where they might feel tempted to disobey or dishonor God. Encourage them to memorize 1 Corinthians 10:13.

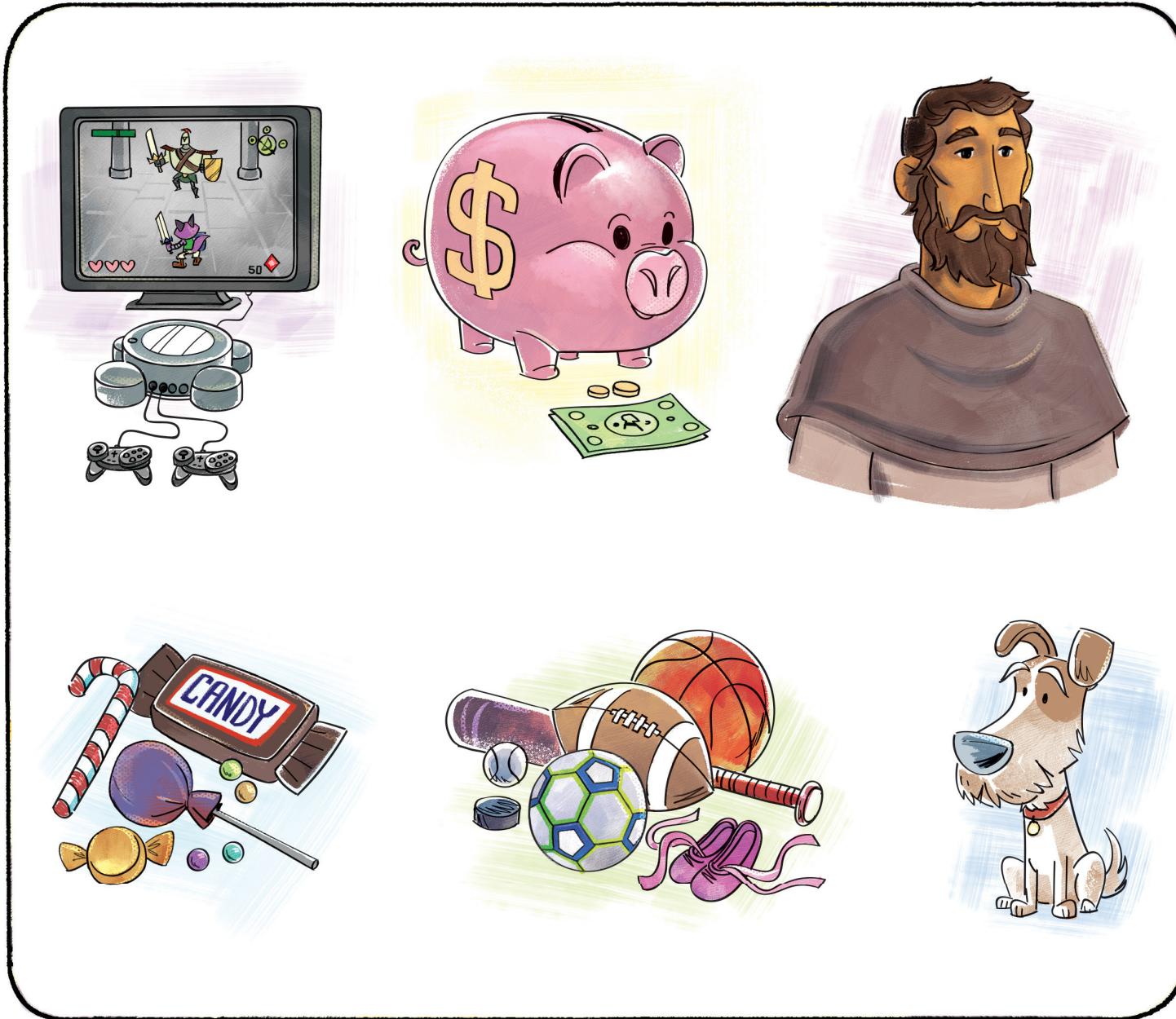


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Greatest to Least

INSTRUCTIONS: Number each picture below to show what you value from most (1) to least (6).



BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:

- John's disciples were concerned about people following Jesus instead of John
- John said that Jesus is more important than anyone, including John himself.
- John the Baptist told people to follow Jesus.

KEY PASSAGE: John 3:30

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

- Why did Jesus become human?
Jesus became human to obey His Father's plan and rescue sinners.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

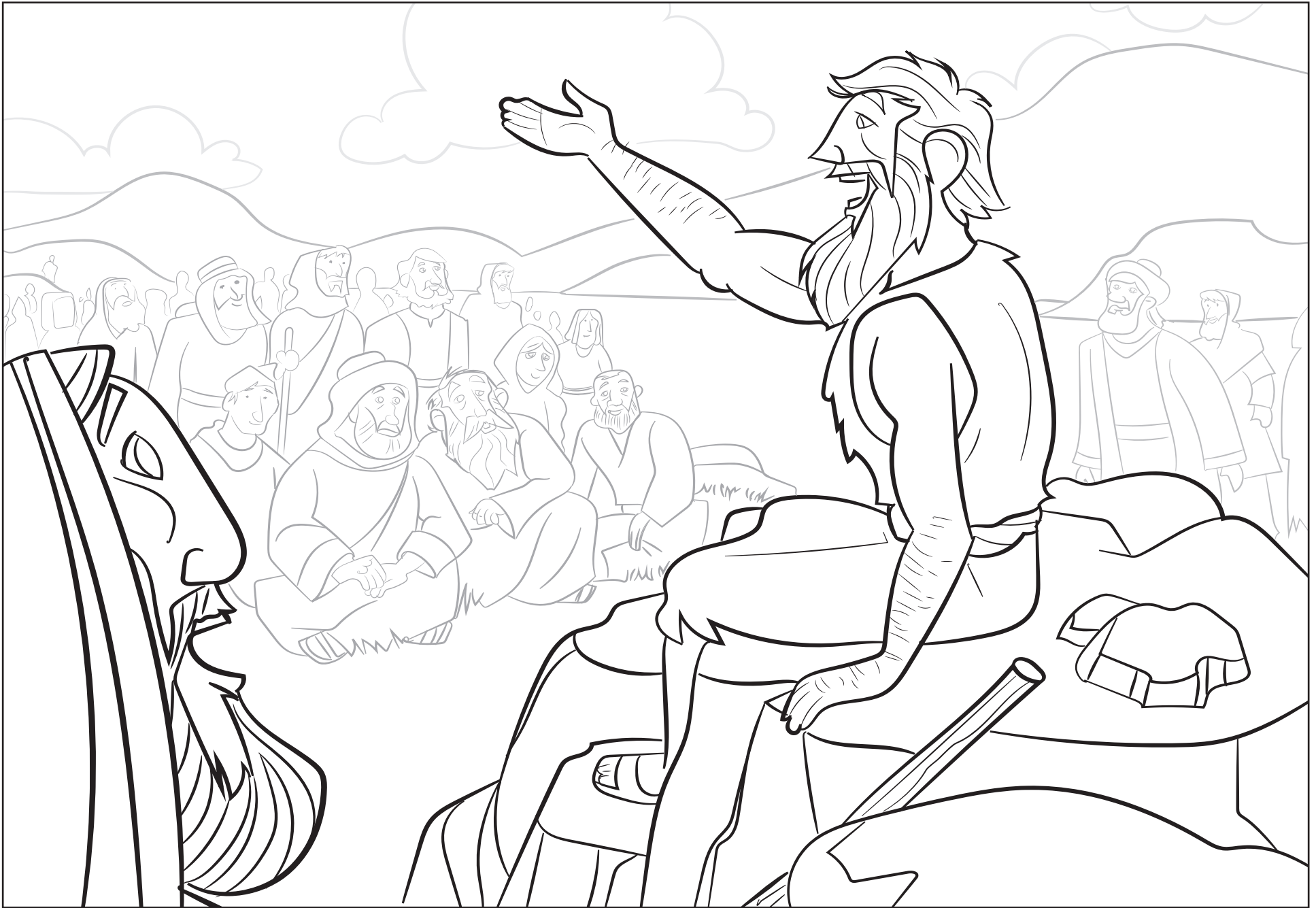
- Why is Jesus the most important person?
- How can we point other people to Jesus?
- What does it mean to follow Jesus?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Play a following or instruction game with your family—like follow the leader or Simon says. Discuss what it means to follow Jesus. Ask your kids to offer examples of how they can put Jesus first in their lives.



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A Change of Pace

INSTRUCTIONS: Circle the seven differences between the two versions of the Bible story art.



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Unit 20 • Session 4 Jesus Called Disciples

BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:

- Jesus called disciples to follow Him.
- Jesus told Peter and Andrew that He would teach them to fish for people.
- James and John left their father to follow Jesus.
- Jesus called a tax collector named Matthew to follow Him.

KEY PASSAGE: John 3:30

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

- Why did Jesus become human?
Jesus became human to obey His Father's plan and rescue sinners.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- Why do you think Jesus' disciples left everything to follow Jesus?
- What might we need to leave behind to follow Jesus?
- What do we gain when we follow Jesus?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

- Take your family fishing. Discuss the need to use special tools, like fishing poles and nets, to catch fish. Discuss what special tools a Christian might use to help people follow Jesus.



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