



A long time ago, God’s special people—the Israelites—were held captive in the land of Egypt. God sent Moses to lead them out of Egypt. They looked for a new place to live. But they got tired and hungry and thirsty.



They camped in the wilderness, but there was no water to drink. The Israelites complained to Moses asking why he brought them there.



Moses could not believe what he was hearing! God had saved His people from being held captive in Egypt. But they were still unhappy! Moses asked God what to do. Did God get angry and tell the people to go back to Egypt? No!



God cared for them even though they grumbled. God could see they needed water. He helped the Israelites even though they were not thankful for what He had already done for them. God told the Israelites He would take care of them, and He did! God always does what He says.



God told Moses to stand in front of a rock with his walking stick. Then God told Moses to hit the rock with his stick and water would come out of the rock for the people to drink (Exodus 17:5–6). Does that sound impossible? Water from a rock? Would you hit the rock with a big stick?

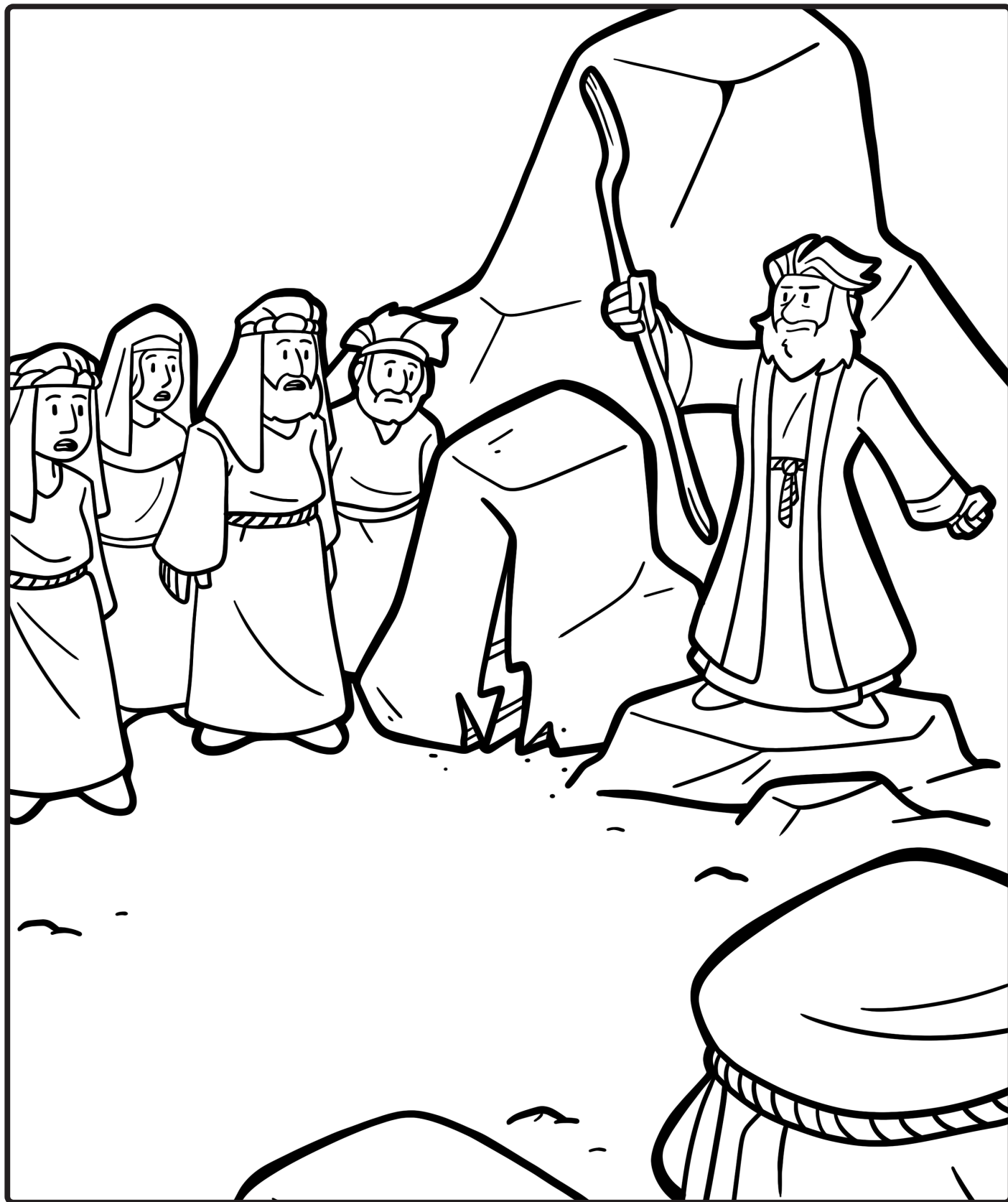


Moses obeyed God. He hit the rock with his walking stick. Hit the ground with your hand. And guess what? Water gushed from the rock—enough water for everyone to drink! Have kids clap. God loved the Israelites and took care of them in ways they thought were impossible. Even when things seem impossible, God shows up in unexpected ways. God loves us and always keeps His promises. Just like God cared about the Israelites and their needs, God also cares about our needs.

WONDER TRUTH: God Cares about Our Needs; Exodus 17

GOD'S BIG STORY: God has faithfully rescued His people, but they're now thirsty and complaining in they desert. God responds with kindness, providing water for them from a rock because He cares about our needs.

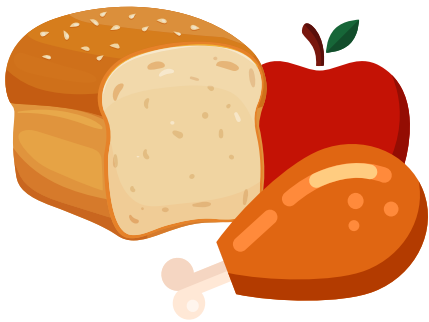
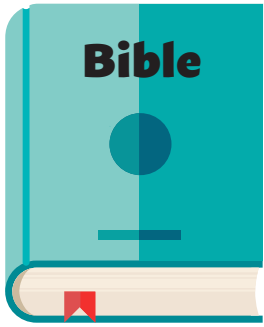
WORD OF WONDER: God can do more than we could ever imagine. —from Ephesians 3:20



God Cares

GOD TAKES CARE OF MY NEEDS

My needs



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