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Hello boys and girls

Have you ever been afraid of something? Lyric is afraid of big scary spiders and slithering snakes. I often tease her about it, but she knows that I also have fears. I'm afraid of high heights and scared of the dark. I know it sounds funny, but we all have things we are afraid of. These things are called phobias.

The fear of washing or bathing is called ablutophobia. The fear of noise is called acousticophobia. The fear of pain is called agliophobia. The fear of cats is called ailurophobia.

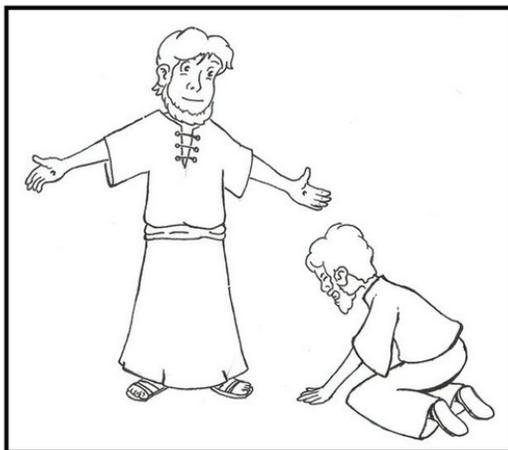
Some of these fears can be quite funny to others, but God doesn't want us to have fears.

Have you ever read the story in the Bible where Jesus calmed the sea in a thunderstorm? He was traveling with His disciples when a great storm came up. While Jesus was asleep on the boat, the disciples started to panic and thought they were going to die. When they went to wake Him, he simply said, "Peace, be still" and the waves and the winds stopped. Sometimes in life we forget that Jesus is with us wherever we go and in everything we do. When we find ourselves in situations and we have to face our fears He is there with us too. So we no longer have to be afraid of snakes or spiders or heights or the dark. Jesus is always there to protect us and help us overcome all obstacles. In Luke 10:19 Jesus said, "I have given you power to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome the power of the enemy. Nothing will harm you." This is a promise from God and we need to always remember it. **✠**

Dear Father,
Thank You for always being with us and protecting us. We Thank You for giving us courage and strength to overcome all our fears.
In Jesus name, Amen.

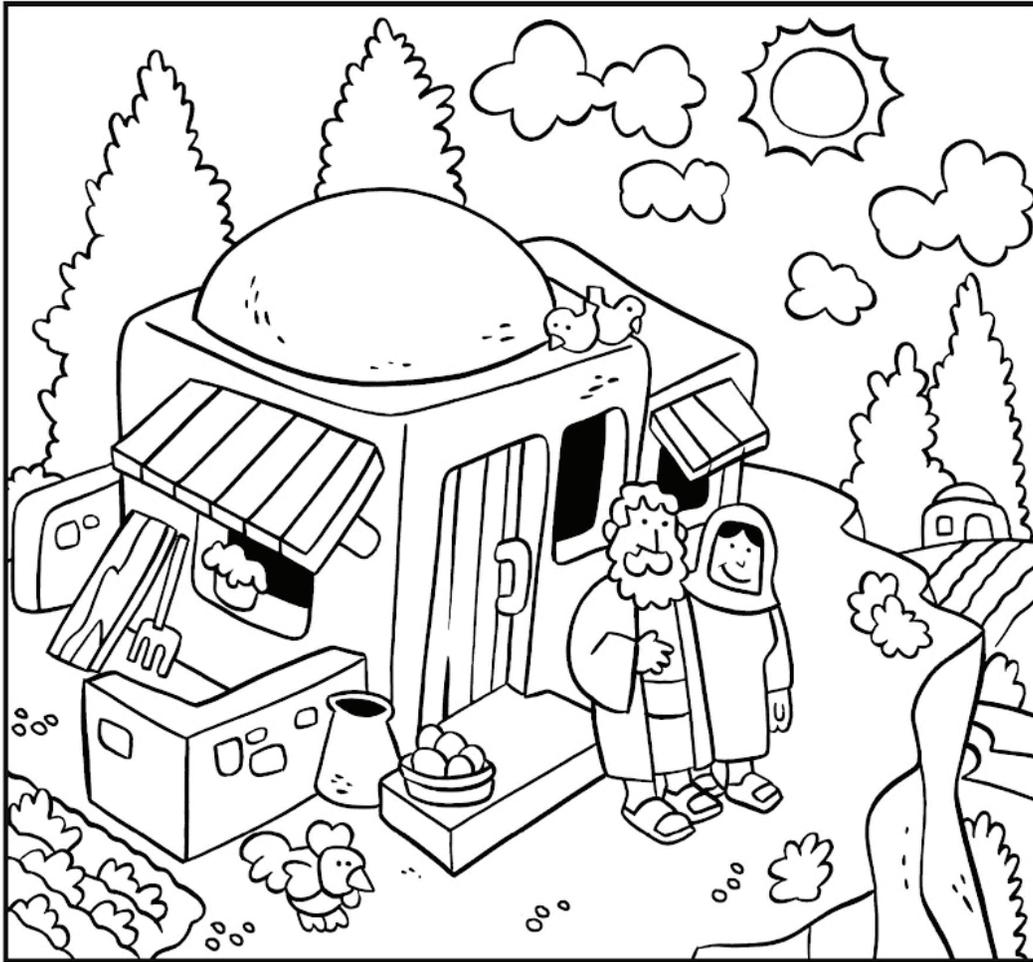


CAN YOU SPOT THE DIFFERENCE?



Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"
Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." John 20:28-29 NIV

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Parables of the Two Houses - Luke 6:46-49

“And why call you me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say? Whoever comes to me, and hears my sayings, and does them, I will show you to whom he is like:

He is like a man which built an house, and dig deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently on that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded on a rock.

But he that hears, and does not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house on the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.” (AKJV)