

Bible Stories for Young Children

part of a curriculum prepared for young children

‘WHEN WILL THESE THINGS HAPPEN?’

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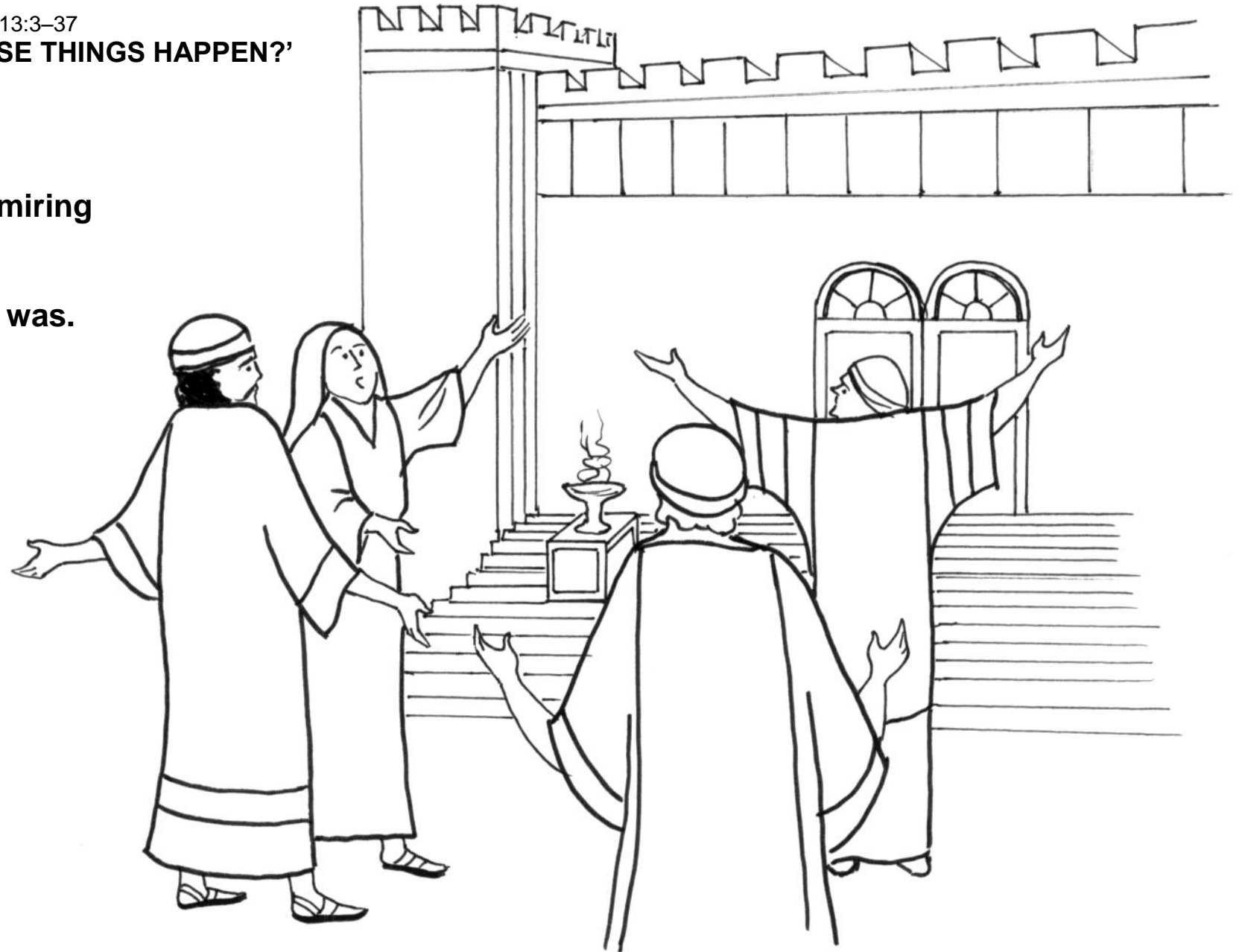
LUKE 21:5–38

Matthew 24:1–51; Mark 13:3–37

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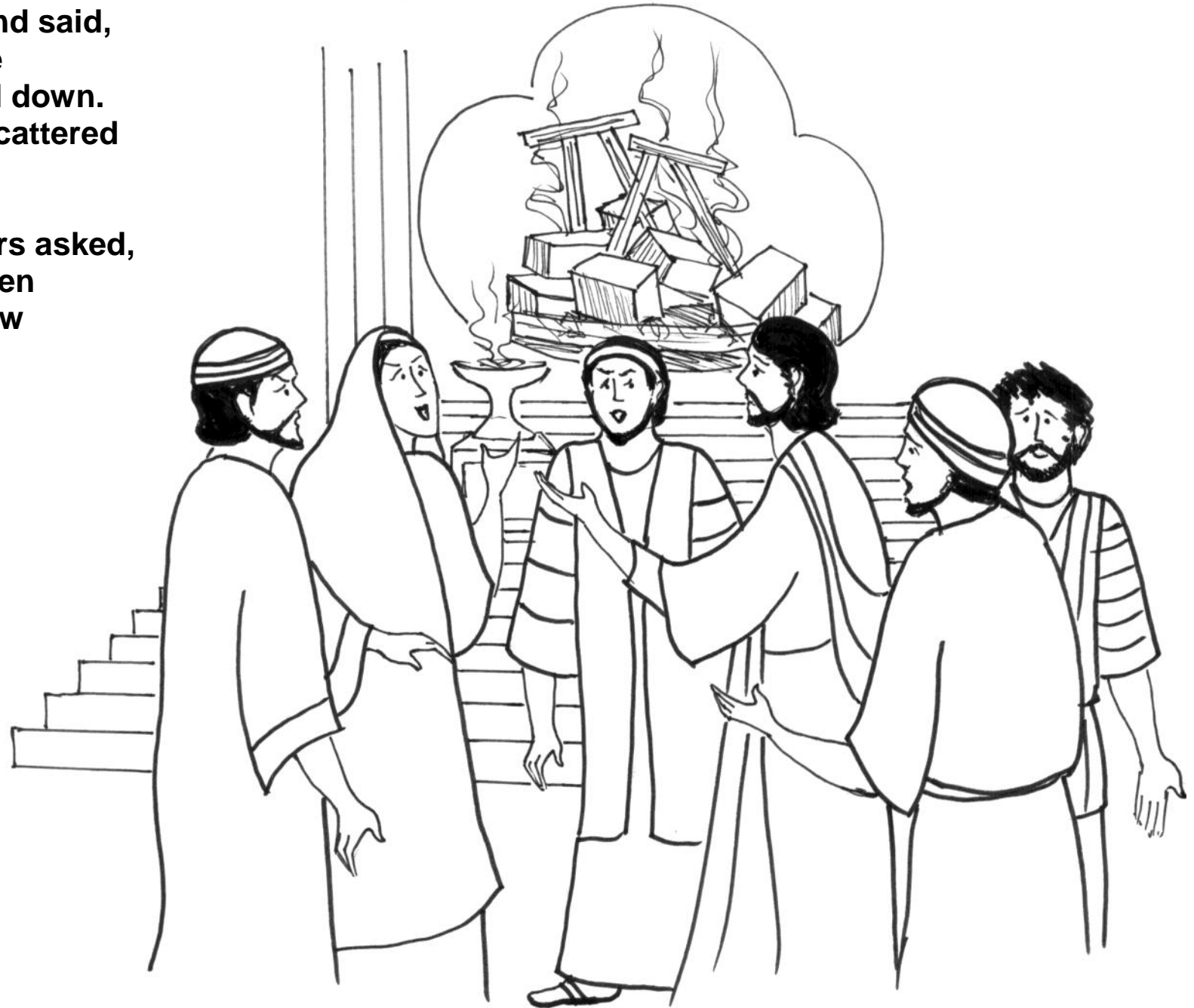
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**People were admiring
the temple
and saying
how beautiful it was.**



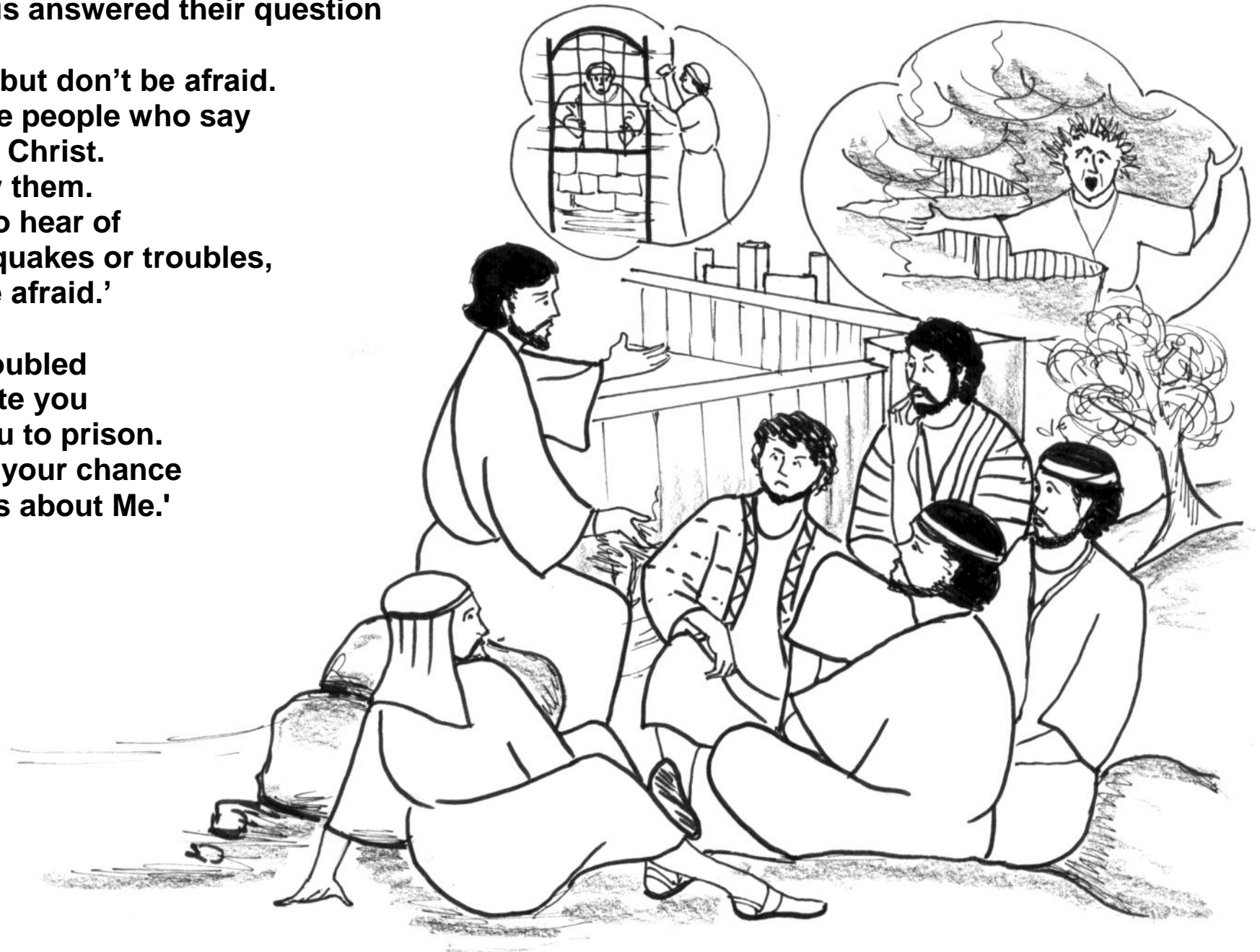
**Jesus heard them and said,
'One day this temple
is going to be pulled down.
The stones will be scattered
all over the ground.'**

**Some of His followers asked,
'When will this happen
and how will we know
when it is coming?'**



**Before Jesus answered their question
He said,
'Be careful, but don't be afraid.
There will be people who say
they are the Christ.
Don't follow them.
You will also hear of
wars, earthquakes or troubles,
but don't be afraid.'**

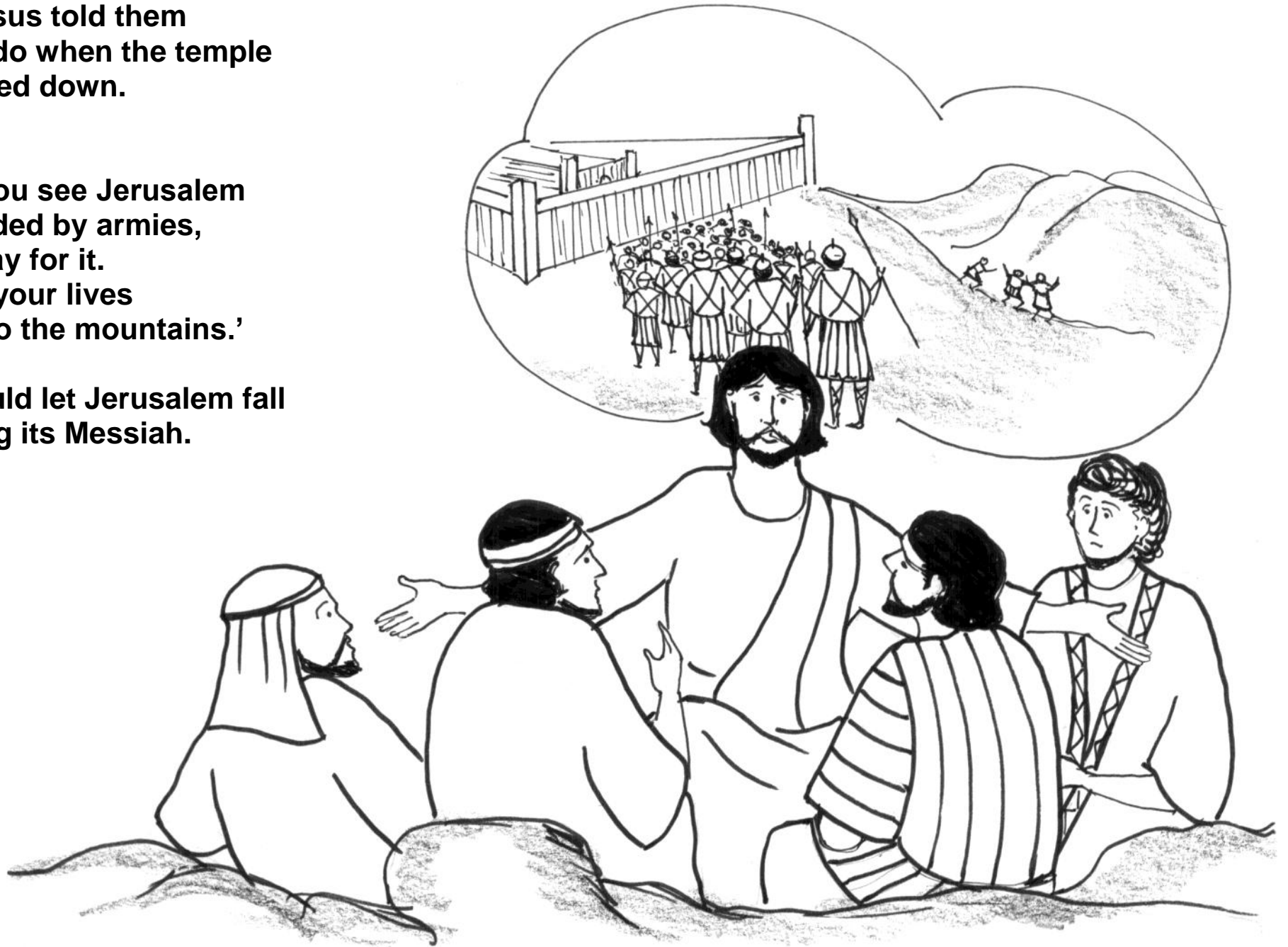
**'Don't be troubled
if people hate you
and take you to prison.
This will be your chance
to tell others about Me.'**



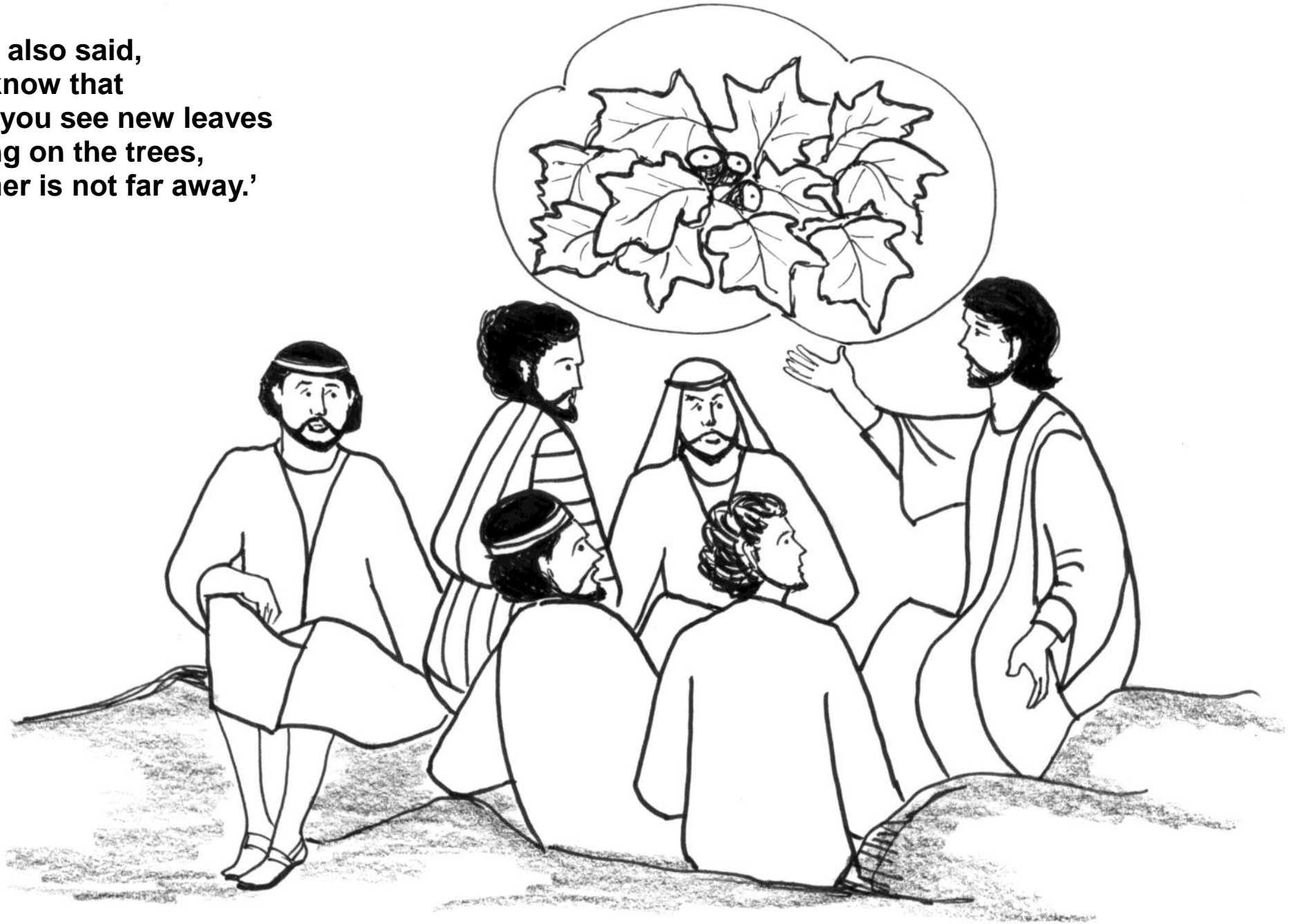
**Then Jesus told them
what to do when the temple
was pulled down.**

**He said,
'When you see Jerusalem
surrounded by armies,
don't pray for it.
Run for your lives
and go to the mountains.'**

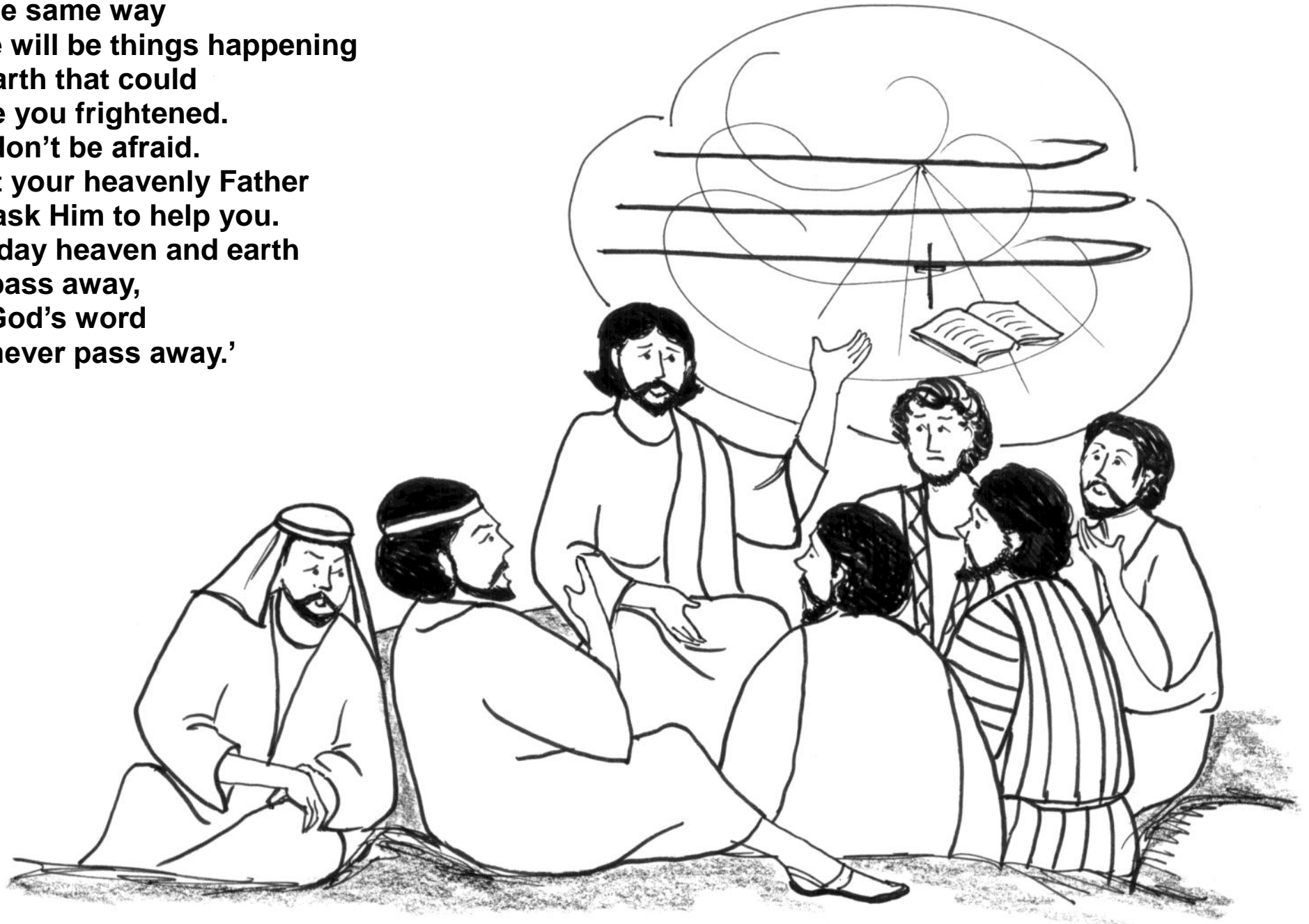
**God would let Jerusalem fall
for killing its Messiah.**



**Jesus also said,
'You know that
when you see new leaves
coming on the trees,
summer is not far away.'**



**'In the same way
there will be things happening
on earth that could
make you frightened.
But don't be afraid.
Trust your heavenly Father
and ask Him to help you.
One day heaven and earth
will pass away,
but God's word
will never pass away.'**



***Some time later
enemies surrounded Jerusalem.
The believers did what Jesus said;
ran to the mountains
and were saved.***

***Jesus said to His followers,
'Terrible times will come
on all the world,
but don't love this world.
Love God
and look forward
to the Lord's coming.'***