

Bible Stories for Young Children

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JESUS, THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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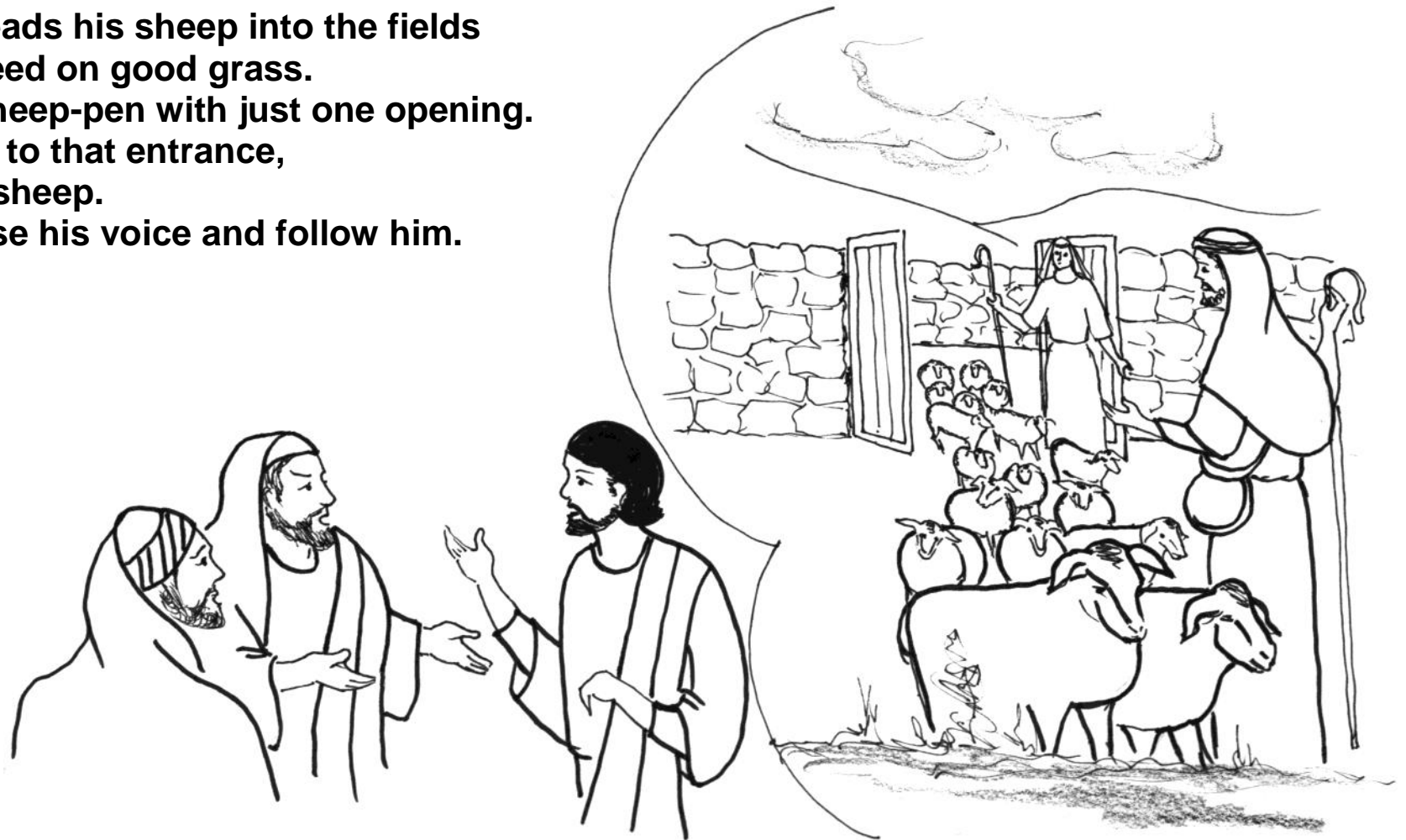
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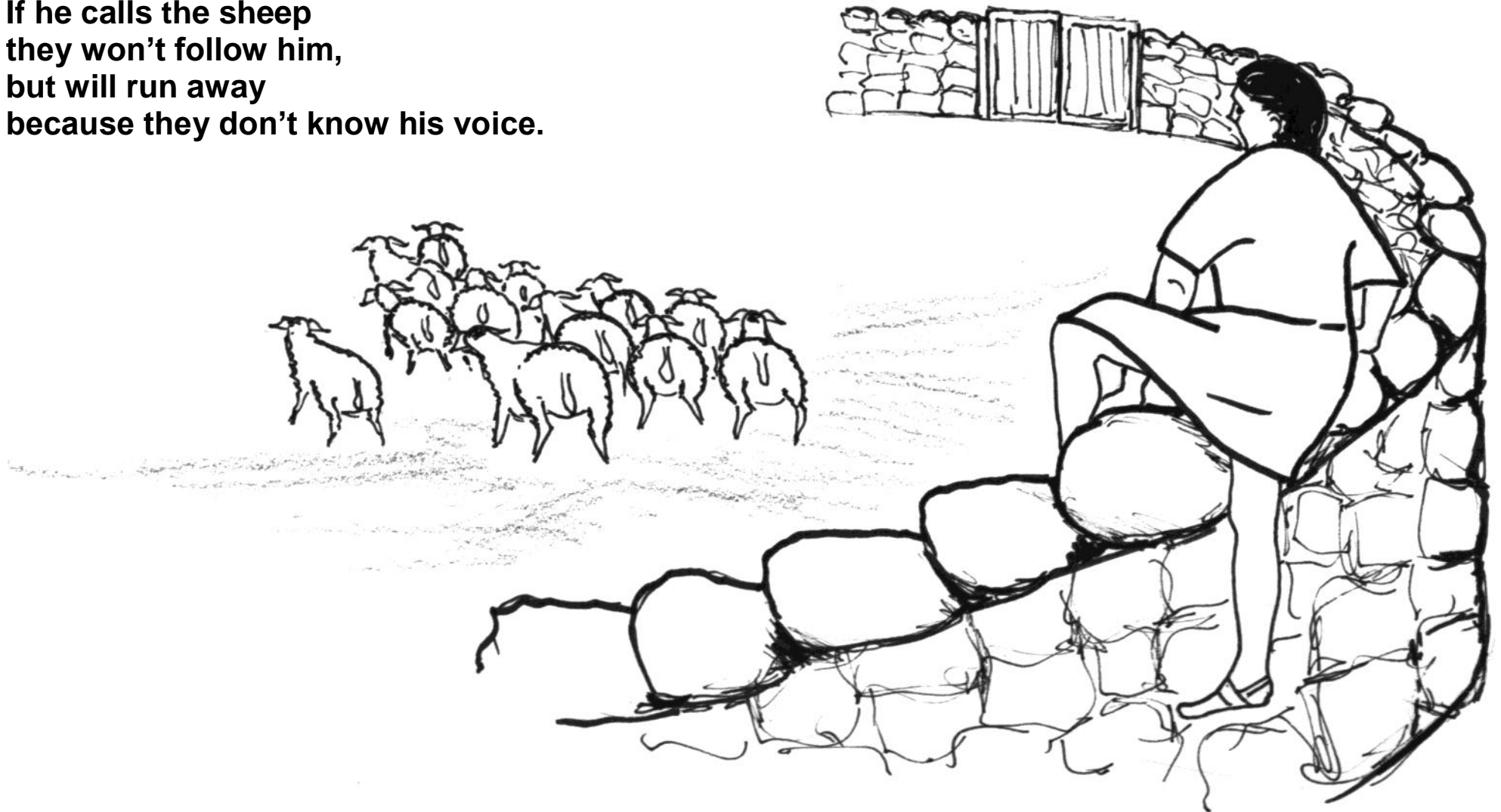
**When Jesus was talking to some Pharisees
He told them this story:**

**A shepherd leads his sheep into the fields
so they can feed on good grass.
He builds a sheep-pen with just one opening.
Then he goes to that entrance,
and calls his sheep.
They recognise his voice and follow him.**



**If someone comes to the sheep pen
and doesn't go in by the gate,
but climbs the wall,
he would be a thief.**

**If he calls the sheep
they won't follow him,
but will run away
because they don't know his voice.**

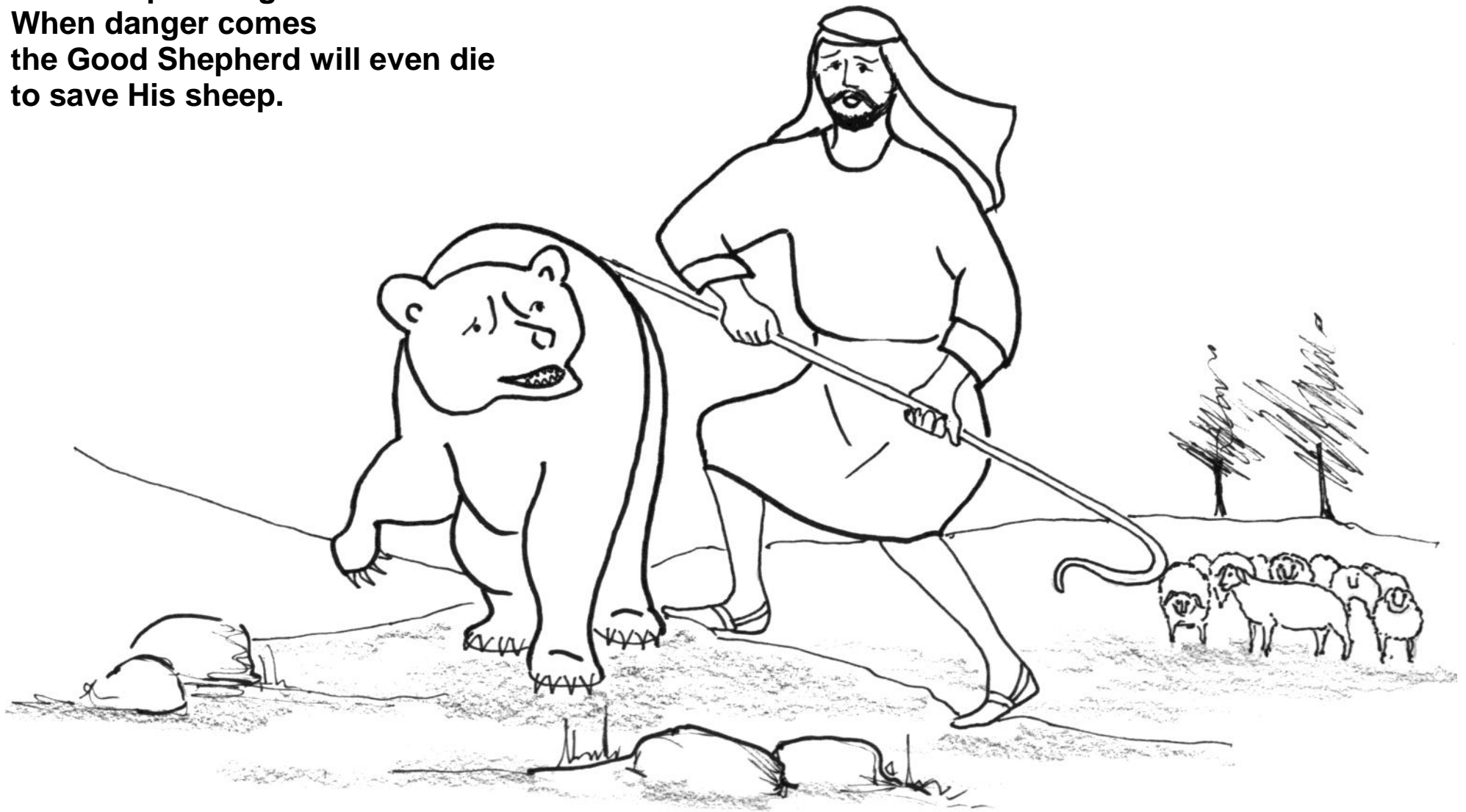


**The Pharisees wondered,
'What is Jesus trying to tell us?'**

**Jesus said,
'I am the Gate for the sheep.
Anyone who comes in through Me
will be saved.
When a thief comes,
he steals, kills and ruins things.
I have come to give My sheep, life.'**



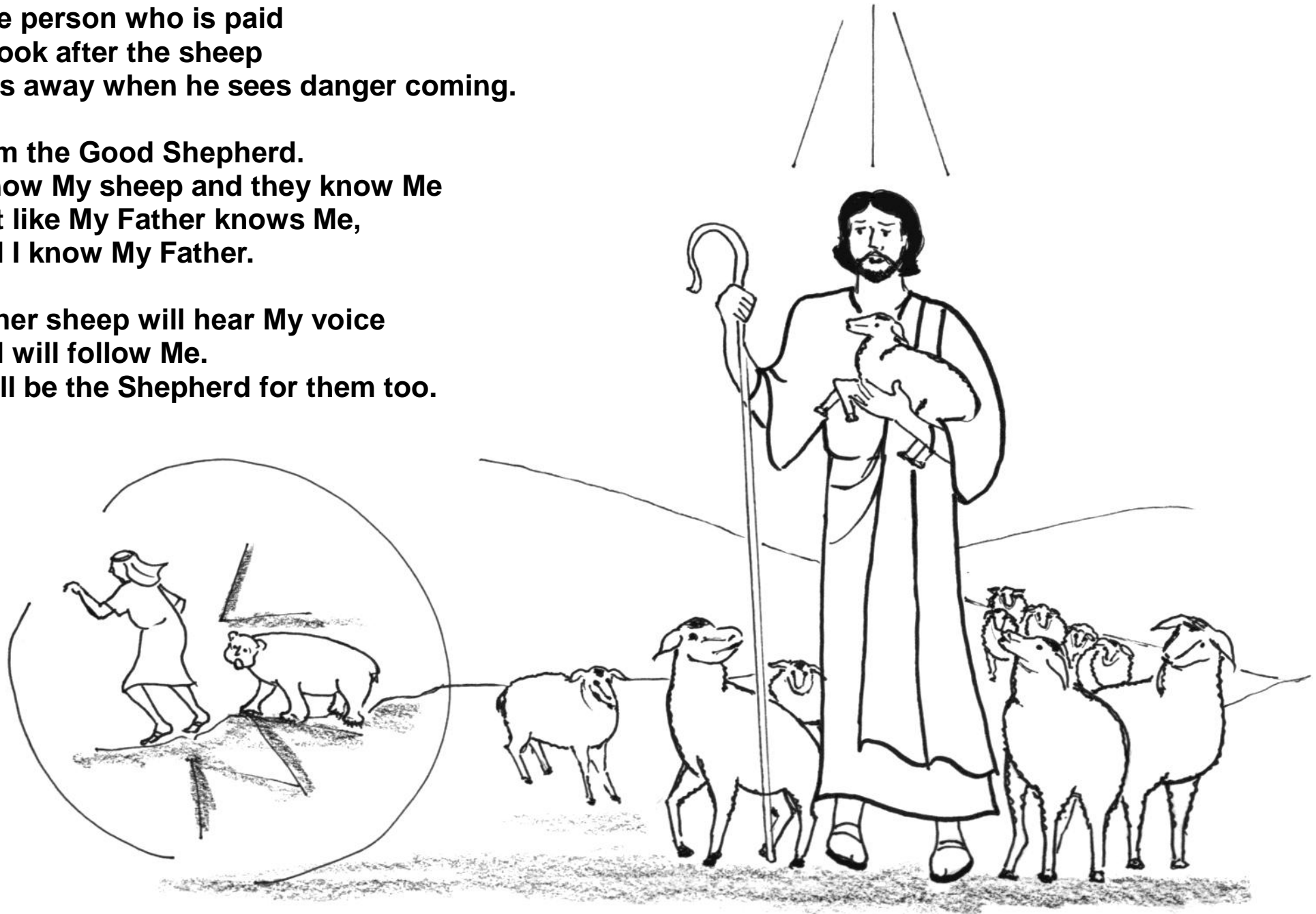
**'I am the Good Shepherd.
The sheep belong to Me.
When danger comes
the Good Shepherd will even die
to save His sheep.**



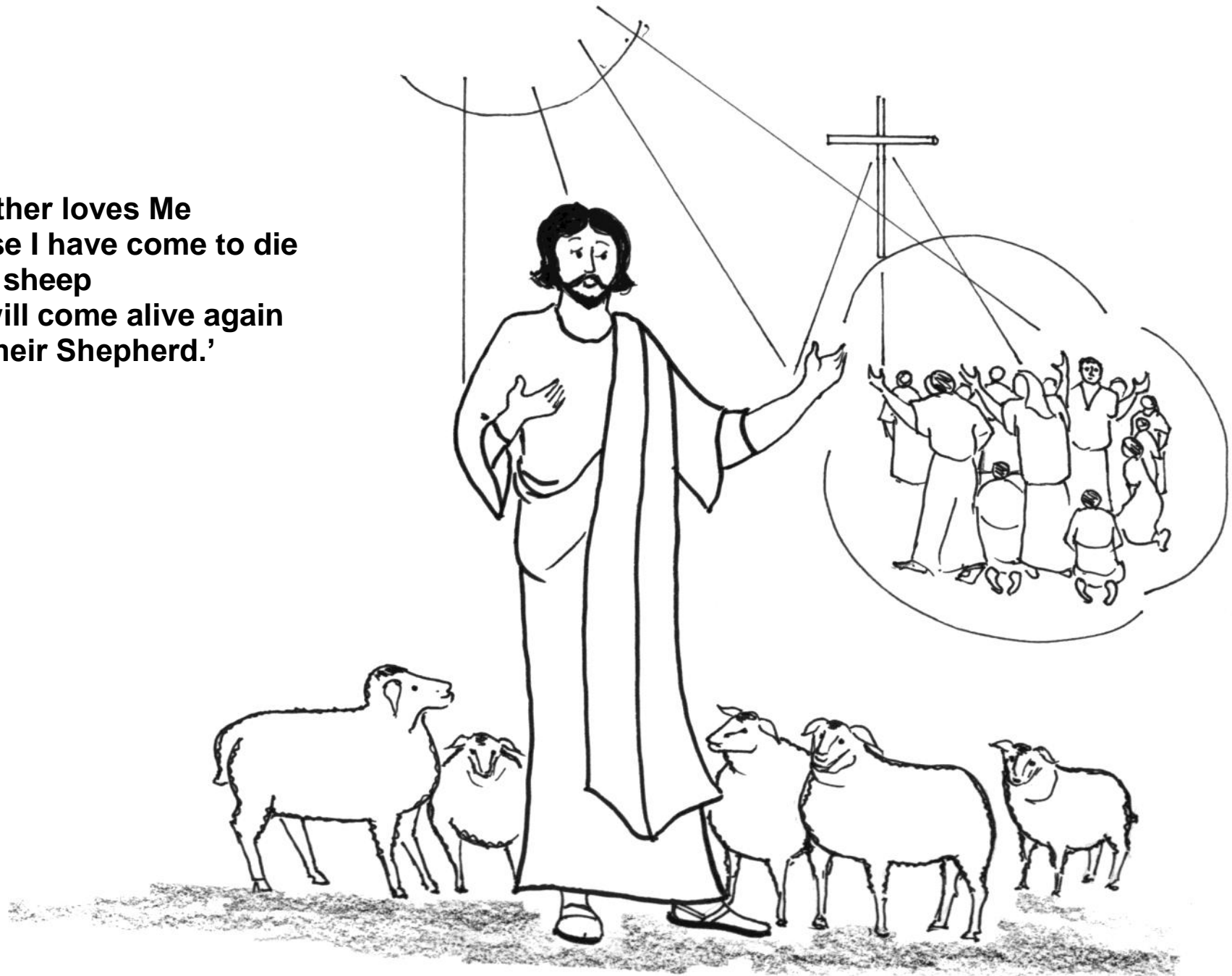
**‘The person who is paid
to look after the sheep
runs away when he sees danger coming.**

**‘I am the Good Shepherd.
I know My sheep and they know Me
just like My Father knows Me,
and I know My Father.**

**‘Other sheep will hear My voice
and will follow Me.
I will be the Shepherd for them too.**



**'My Father loves Me
because I have come to die
for the sheep
and I will come alive again
to be their Shepherd.'**

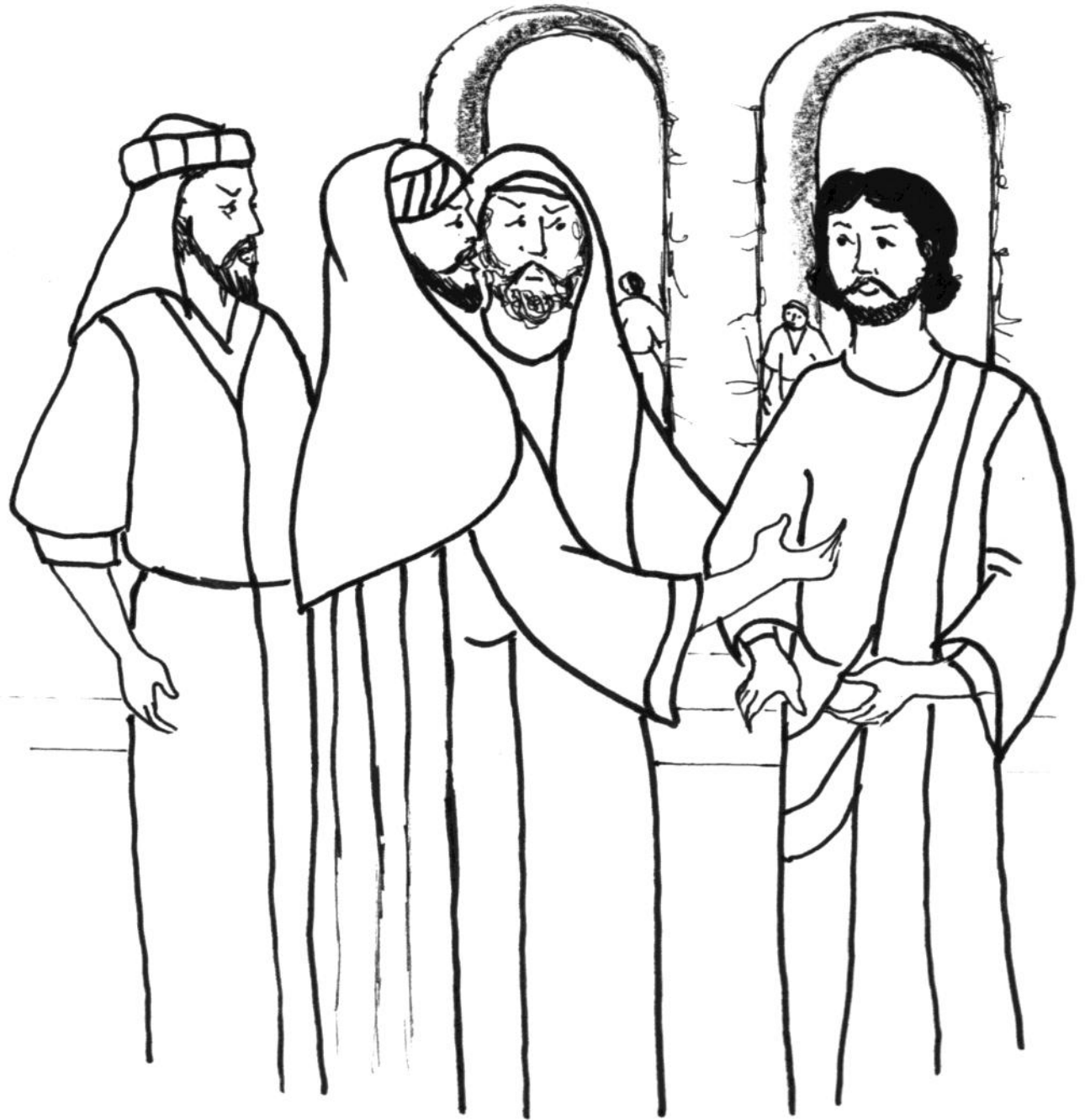


**The Pharisees went away
and thought about what
Jesus said.**

**Sometime later
they asked Jesus,
'Who are You really?
Are You the Messiah?'**

**Jesus answered,
'I told you who I am
and you don't believe Me.**

**'The miracles I do
in My Father's name
show you who I am.**



**'You don't believe Me
because you are not My sheep.
My sheep hear My voice
and follow Me and I know them.**

**'I give them life forever
and no one can take them
away from Me.
My Father has given them to Me.'**

