

***Bible Stories for Young Children***

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***GOD TAKES MOSES 'HOME' /  
GOD CHOOSES A NEW LEADER***

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**NUMBERS 27:12–23; JOSHUA 1:1–18**

Deuteronomy 31:1 – 34:12

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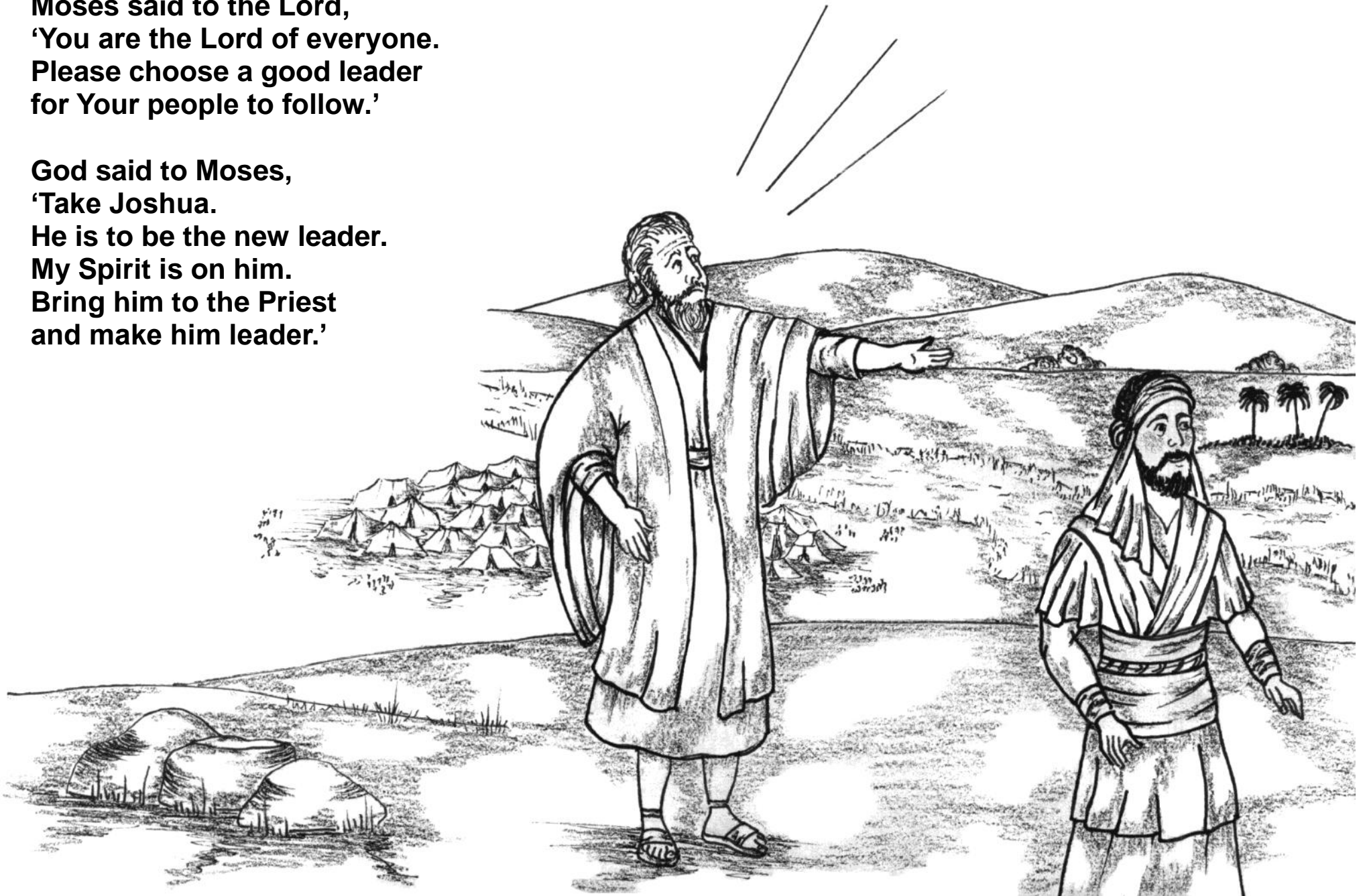
**After leaving Egypt,  
God's people wandered in the  
wilderness for forty years.  
Now they were camped by  
the River Jordan  
and could see the land  
God had promised them  
across the river.**

**God said to Moses,  
'You will not go into the land,  
because you and Aaron  
did not honour Me at Meribah.  
Go up the mountain  
and I will show you the land  
I am giving to My people.  
When you have seen it,  
you will die.'**



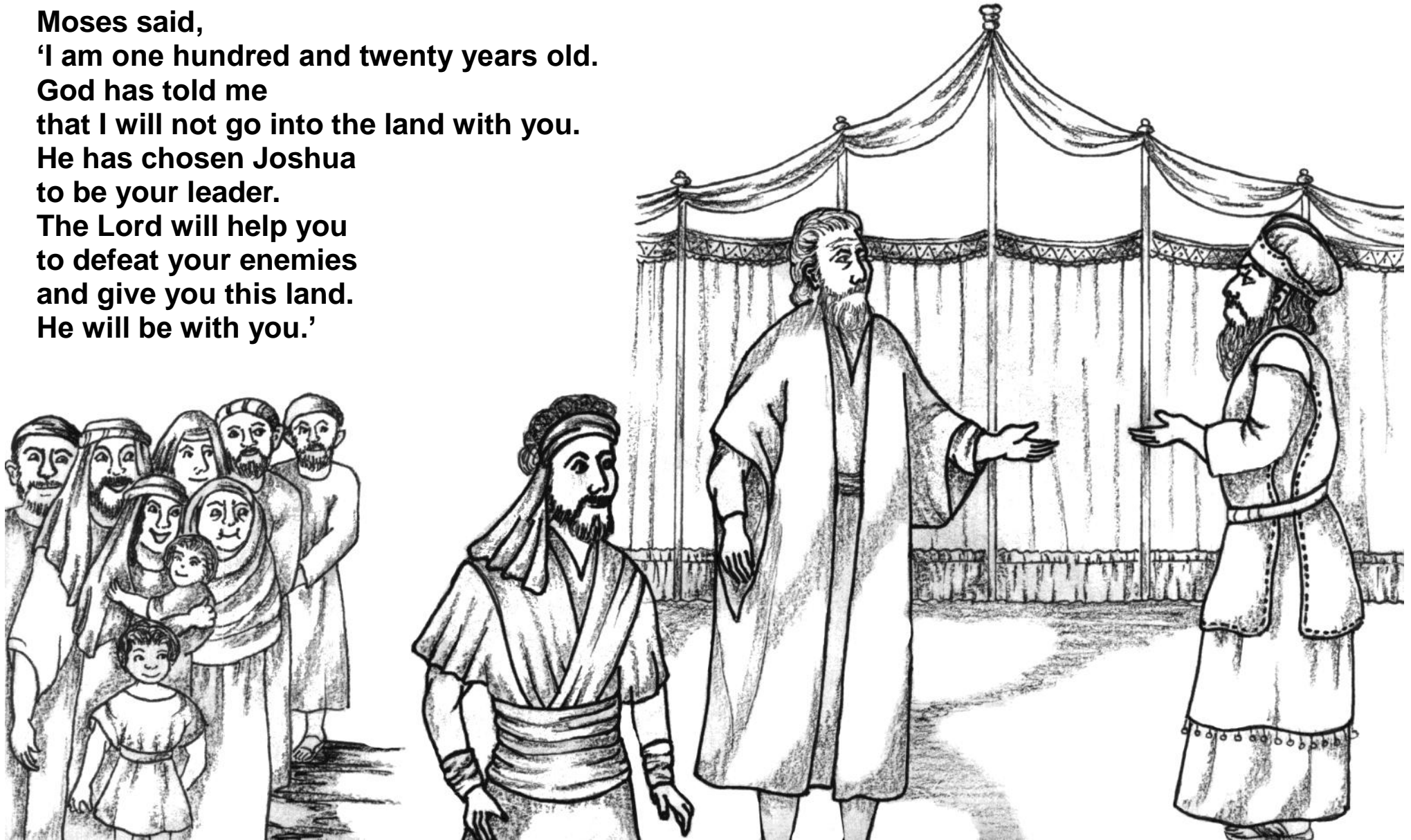
**Moses said to the Lord,  
'You are the Lord of everyone.  
Please choose a good leader  
for Your people to follow.'**

**God said to Moses,  
'Take Joshua.  
He is to be the new leader.  
My Spirit is on him.  
Bring him to the Priest  
and make him leader.'**

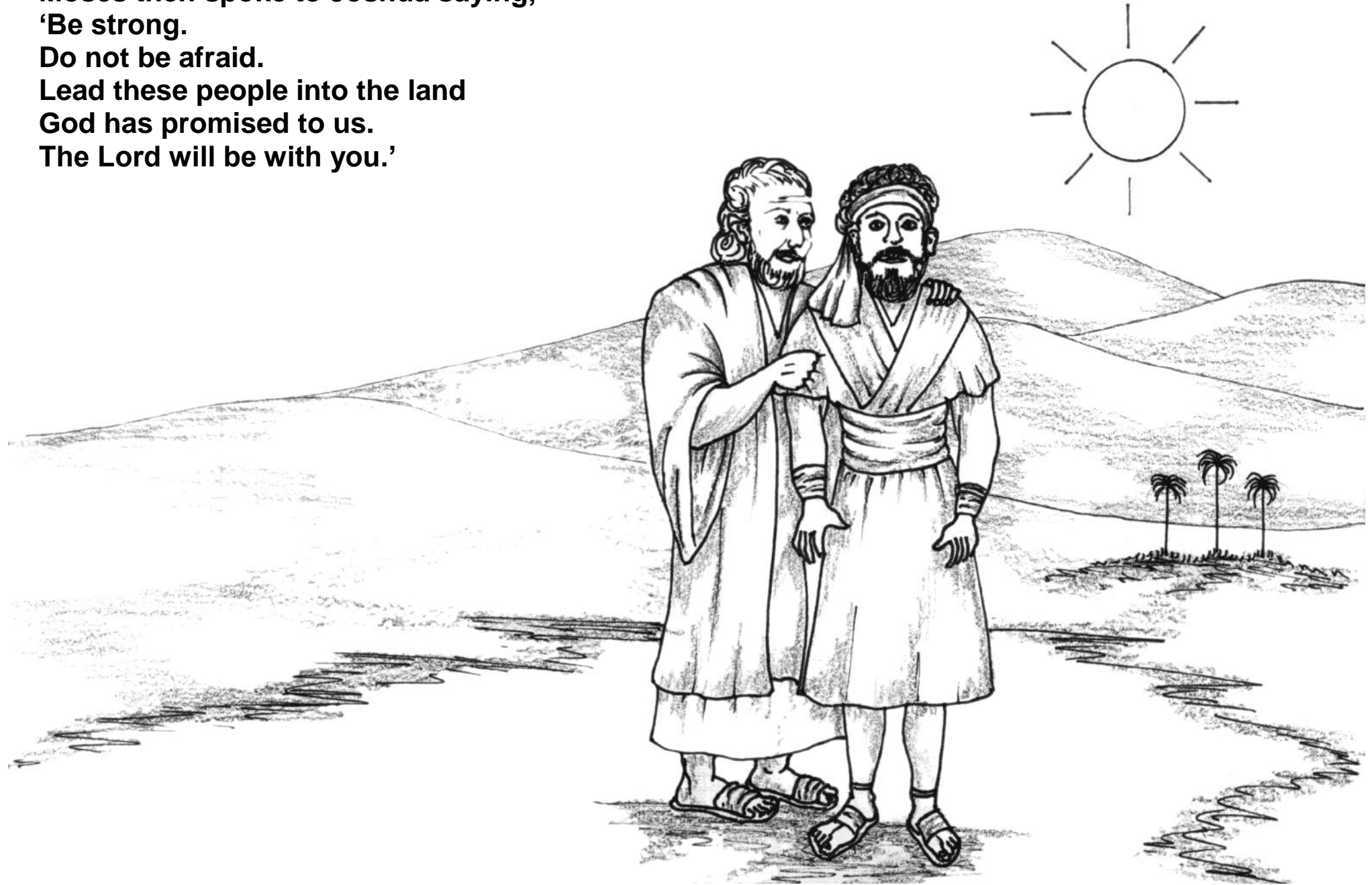


**Moses, the people and Joshua came before Eleazar the Priest.**

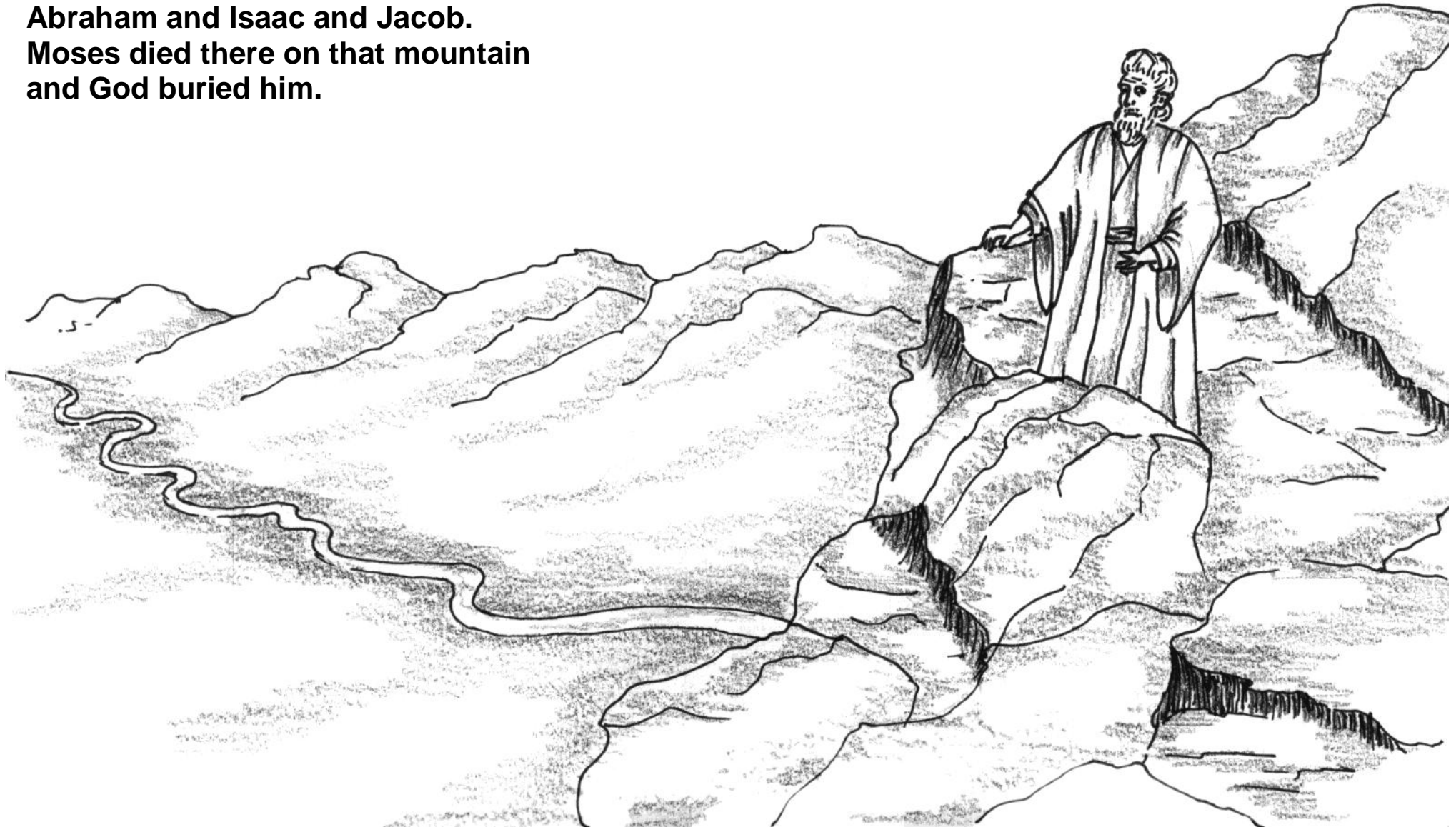
**Moses said,  
'I am one hundred and twenty years old.  
God has told me  
that I will not go into the land with you.  
He has chosen Joshua  
to be your leader.  
The Lord will help you  
to defeat your enemies  
and give you this land.  
He will be with you.'**



**Moses then spoke to Joshua saying,  
'Be strong.  
Do not be afraid.  
Lead these people into the land  
God has promised to us.  
The Lord will be with you.'**

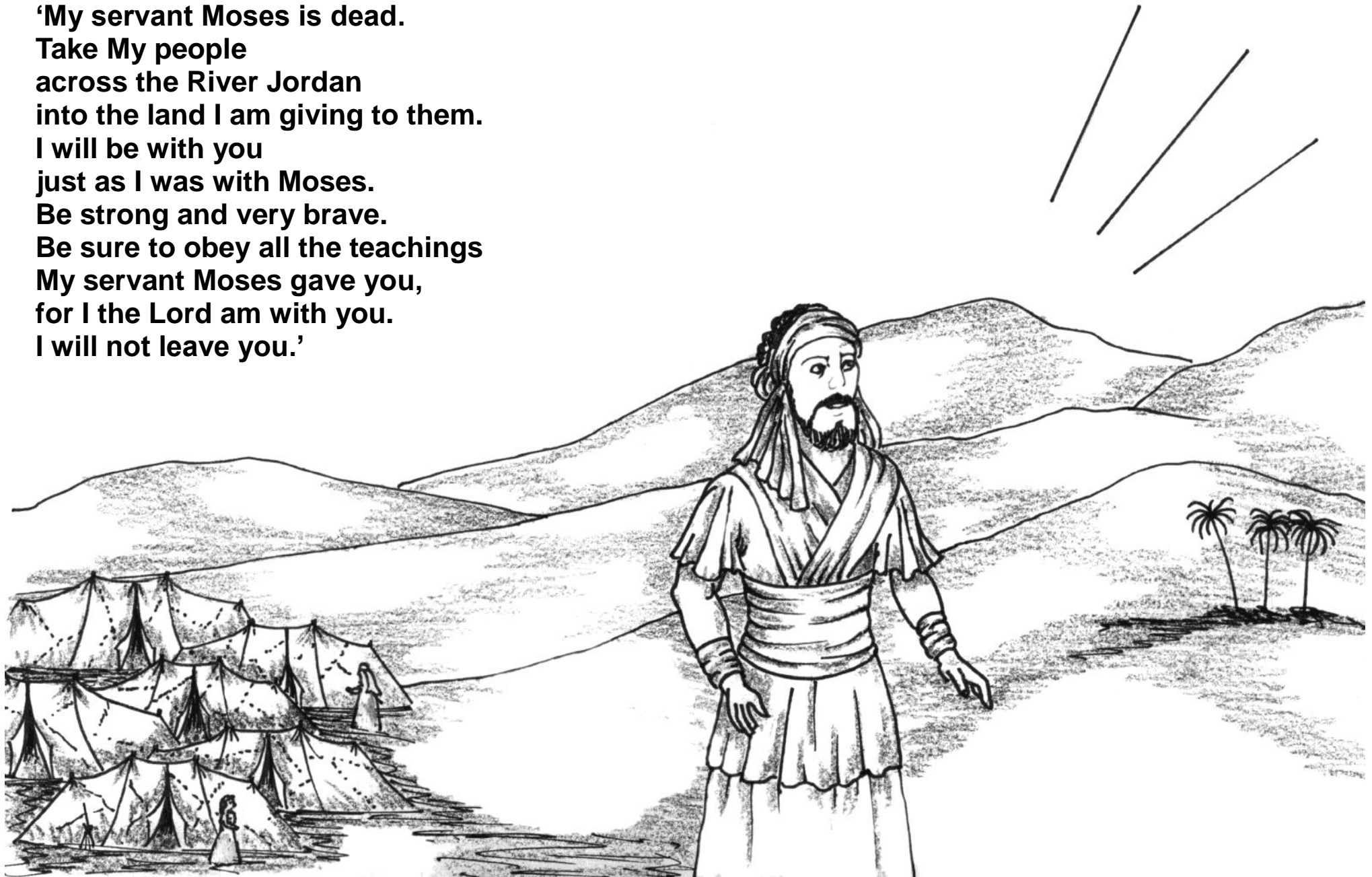


**Then Moses climbed to the top  
of the mountain and  
God showed him the land  
He had promised to  
Abraham and Isaac and Jacob.  
Moses died there on that mountain  
and God buried him.**





**After this God said to Joshua,  
'My servant Moses is dead.  
Take My people  
across the River Jordan  
into the land I am giving to them.  
I will be with you  
just as I was with Moses.  
Be strong and very brave.  
Be sure to obey all the teachings  
My servant Moses gave you,  
for I the Lord am with you.  
I will not leave you.'**





**Joshua spoke to the people saying,  
'Get ready, pack up some food and  
all your belongings.  
In three days we will be  
crossing the river into the land  
God is giving to you.'**

**The people answered,  
'We will follow you and obey you  
as we obeyed Moses.  
May God be with you.'**

