

***Bible Stories for Young Children***

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***THE DREAM THAT FRIGHTENED THE KING /  
DANIEL EXPLAINS THE DREAM***

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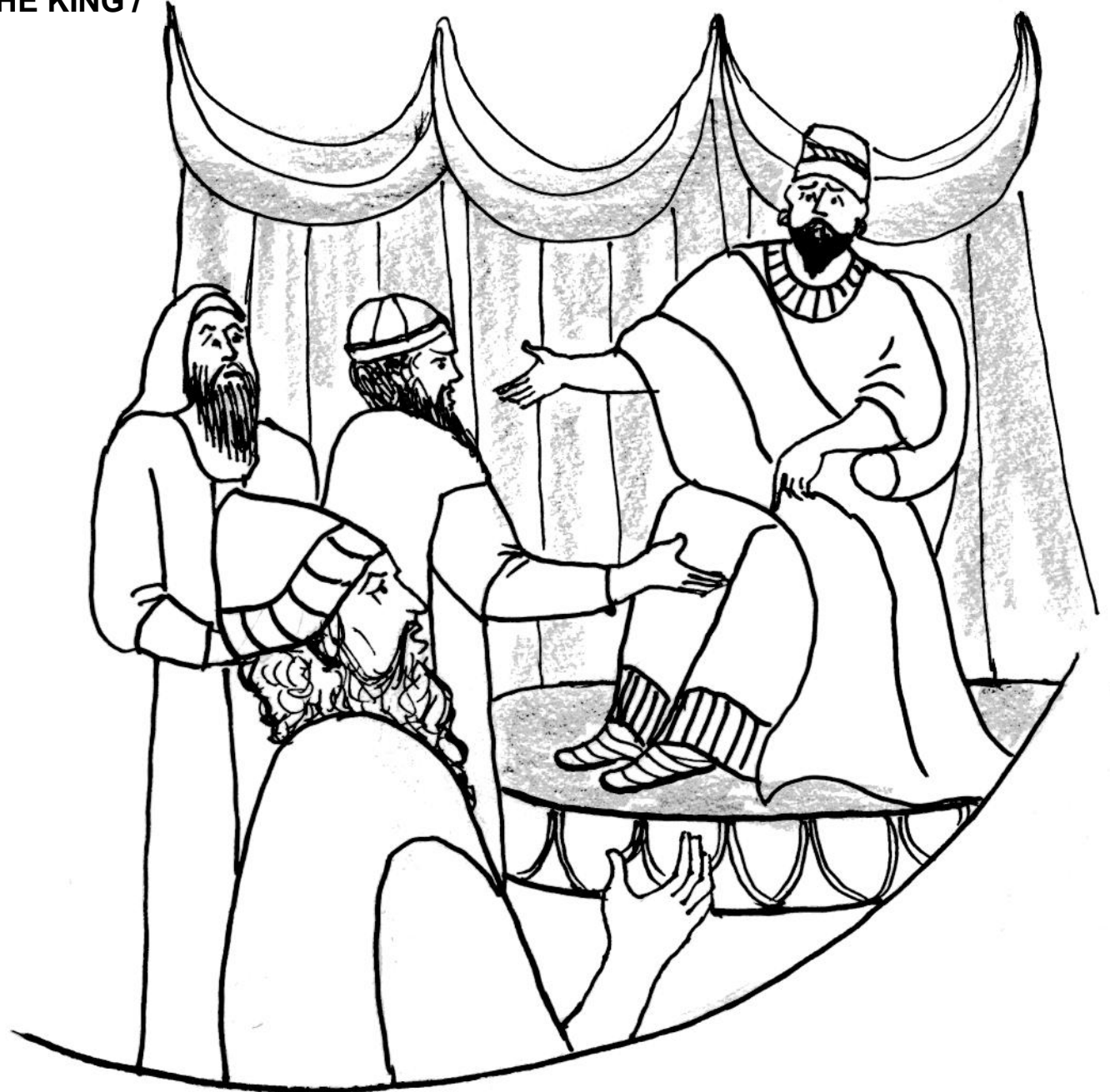
**DANIEL 2:1–49**  
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**King Nebuchadnezzar  
said to his wise men,  
'I had a dream that  
frightened me.  
Tell me what it means.'**

**The wise men said,  
'O king, tell us your dream.  
Then we will tell you  
what it means.'**

**The king replied,  
'Tell me the dream  
and I will know that you can  
tell me what it means.  
If not I will get rid of you.'**

**The wise men said,  
'Only the gods  
can tell you the dream.'**



The king became angry  
and ordered the guards  
to get rid of all the wise men.

They came to get Daniel  
and he asked,  
'Why is the king in such a  
hurry?'

Arioch said,  
'The king had a dream,  
but no one can tell him  
what it means.'



Daniel went to the king  
and said,  
'Please wait and  
I will tell you your dream  
and its meaning.'

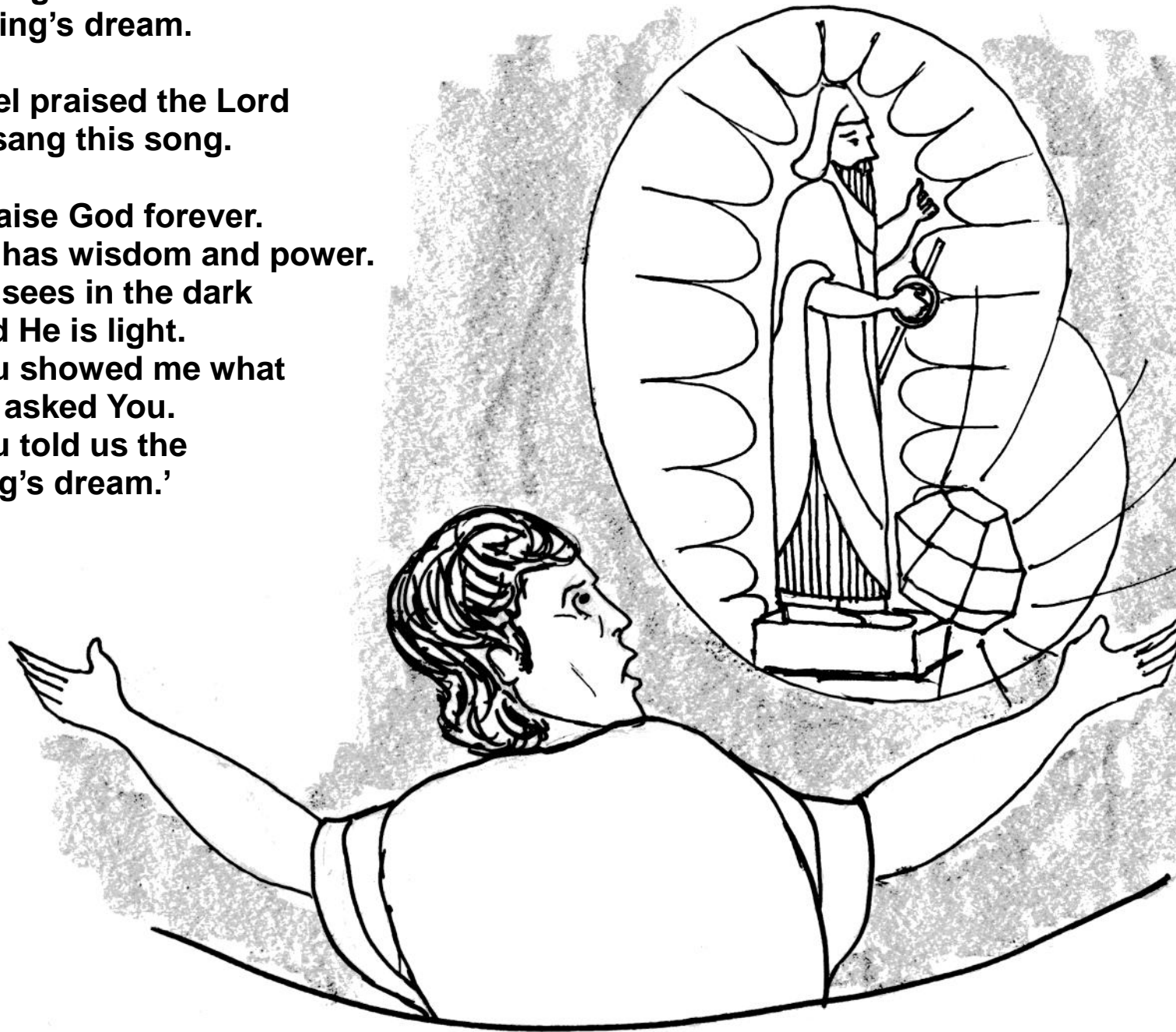
Then Daniel asked  
his friends,  
Shadrach, Meshach and  
Abednego,  
'Pray to God and ask Him  
to show us the king's dream  
to save us.'



**That night God showed Daniel  
the king's dream.**

**Daniel praised the Lord  
and sang this song.**

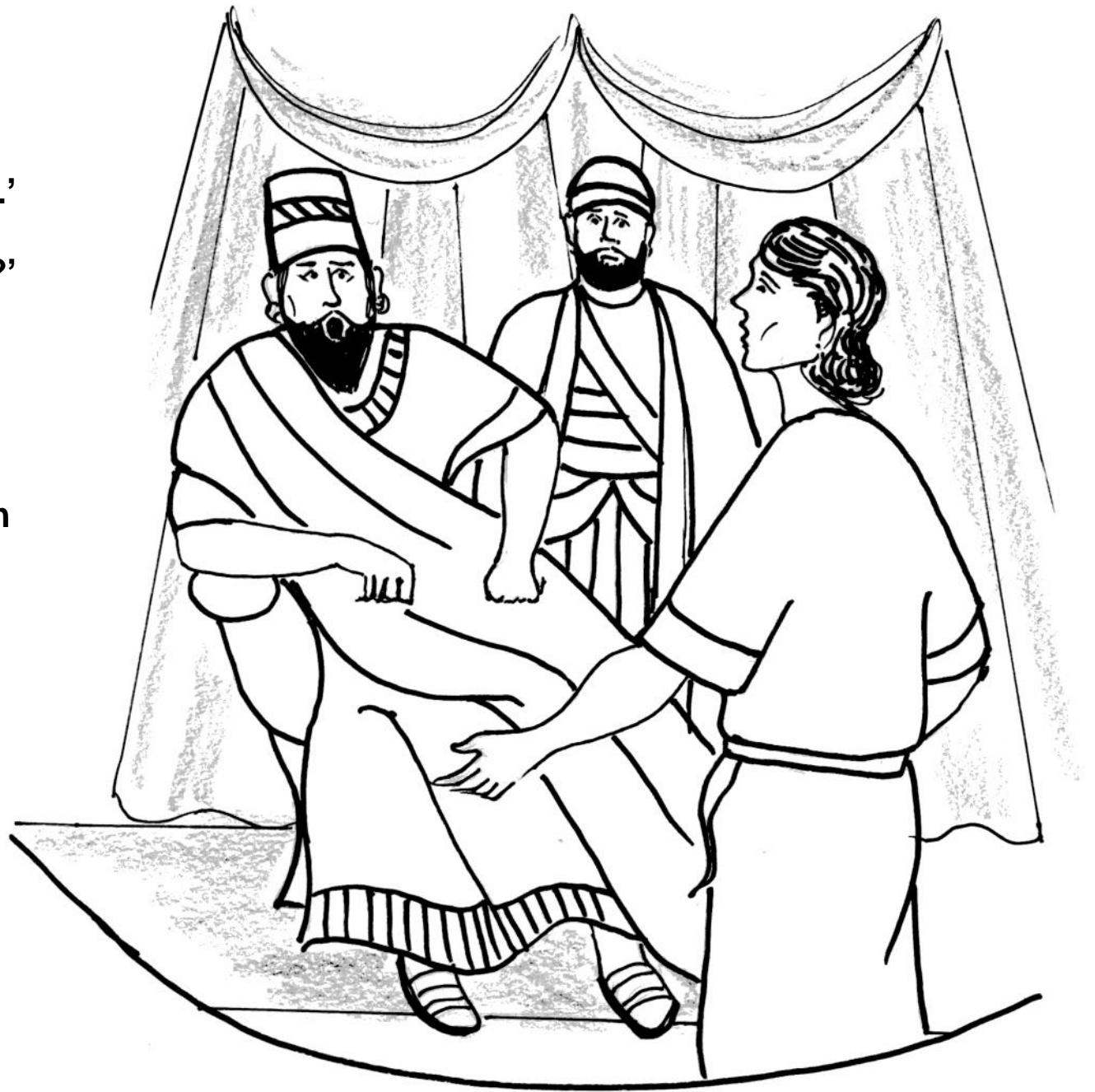
**'Praise God forever.  
He has wisdom and power.  
He sees in the dark  
and He is light.  
You showed me what  
we asked You.  
You told us the  
king's dream.'**



**In the morning  
Daniel said to Arioch,  
'Take me to the king  
and I will tell him his dream.'**

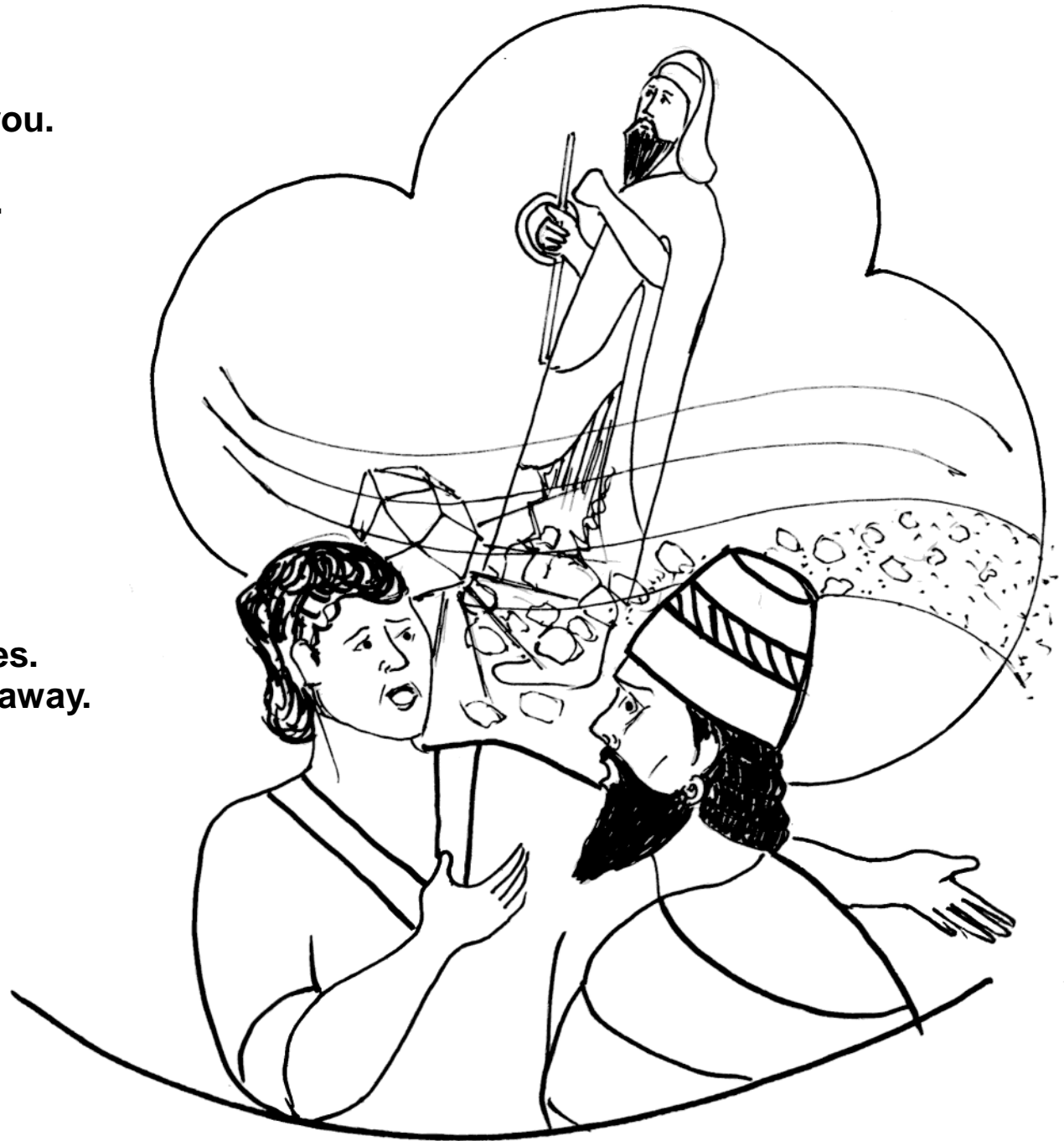
**'Can you tell me my dream?'  
asked the king.**

**Daniel said,  
'No one could tell you  
your dream,  
but there is a God in heaven  
who knows all things.'**



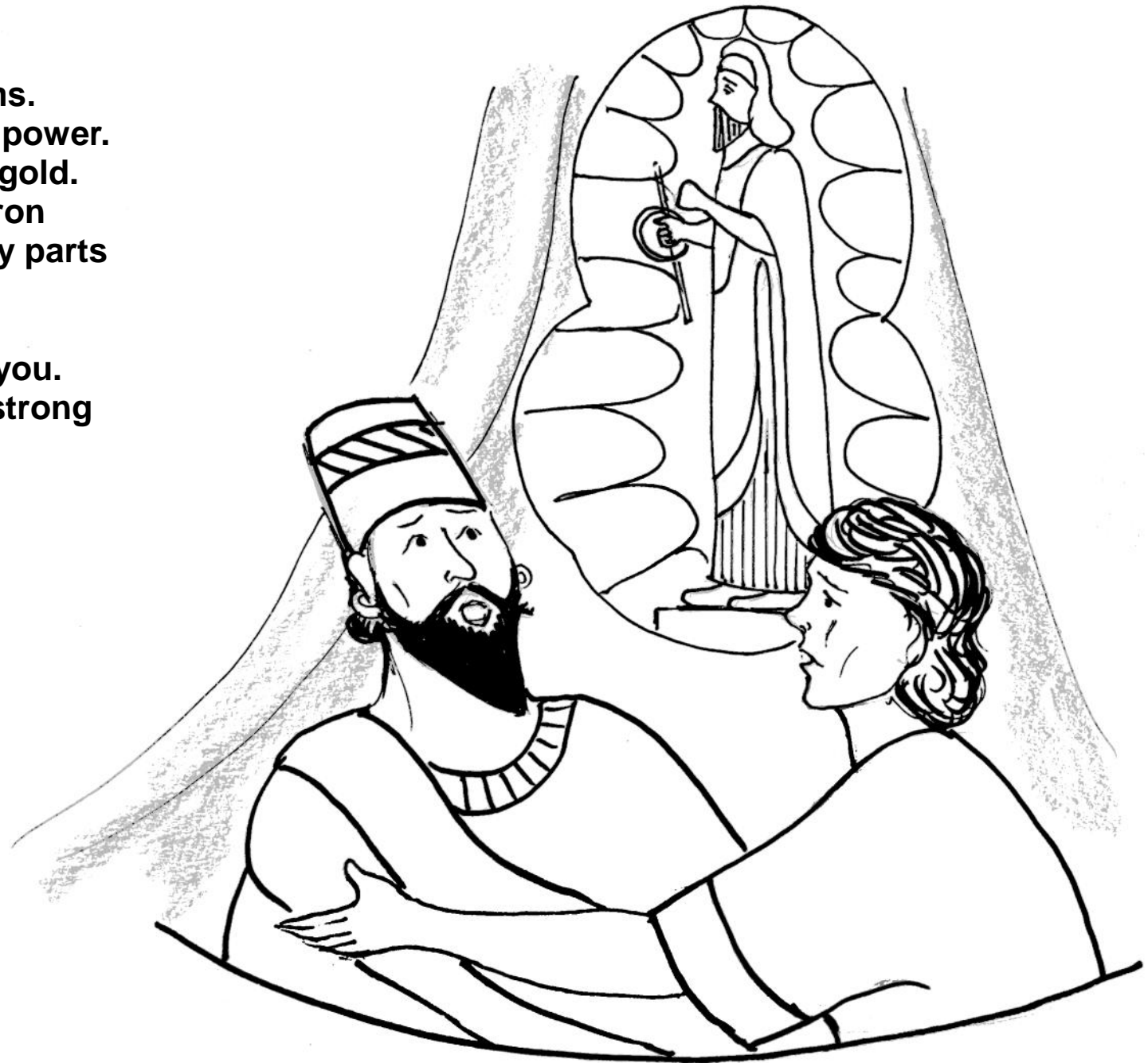
**'My king, in your dream  
you saw a big statue.  
It was huge and it frightened you.  
The head was made of gold.  
Its chest and arms were silver.  
Its middle and thighs were  
bronze.  
Its legs were of iron  
and its feet were  
a mixture of iron and clay.'**

**'As you were looking  
at the statue,  
a stone from the mountain  
came and hit its feet,  
smashing the statue into pieces.  
The wind came and blew it all away.  
The stone that hit the statue  
became a mountain  
and filled the earth.  
That was your dream.'**





**'This is what it means.  
God gave you great power.  
You are the head of gold.  
The silver, bronze, iron  
and the iron and clay parts  
of the statue  
are other kingdoms  
that will come after you.  
They will not be as strong  
as your kingdom.'**





**'The stone you saw  
hitting the feet of the statue  
is the kingdom  
which God is setting up.  
This kingdom will last forever  
and it will fill the whole world.'**

**'That is the meaning  
of your dream,  
and it will come true.'**

**Nebuchadnezzar bowed down  
before Daniel and said,  
'Your God is over everything.  
I know this is true.'**

