

Jesus Is My Home



I am His Home



Sharing Christ With Kids

Introduction For Big People

There was a time when the disciples of Jesus wanted to keep back the little children from drawing near to Him. Jesus told them to let the little children come unto Him. Now, in our generation, we can let the little lambs in the flock draw near to Jesus also! In simplicity and by the Holy Spirit they too can come to know Christ in resurrection reality. We should encourage their hearts to know and embrace their place in Jesus and His place in them! They may not be able to grasp these things doctrinally, but if they are born again, the Holy Spirit can communicate to their spirit and heart the reality of God's heart and the nature of His love to bring us into Himself. We all must learn to come as children without the veil of doctrines and mental interpretation. We can allow the very heart of God to be communicated to us by the Holy Spirit.



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Everybody Needs A Place to Live! But not just that...
everybody needs a place to call HOME!!!

Home is a place where you are loved.



Home is a place where you are accepted.



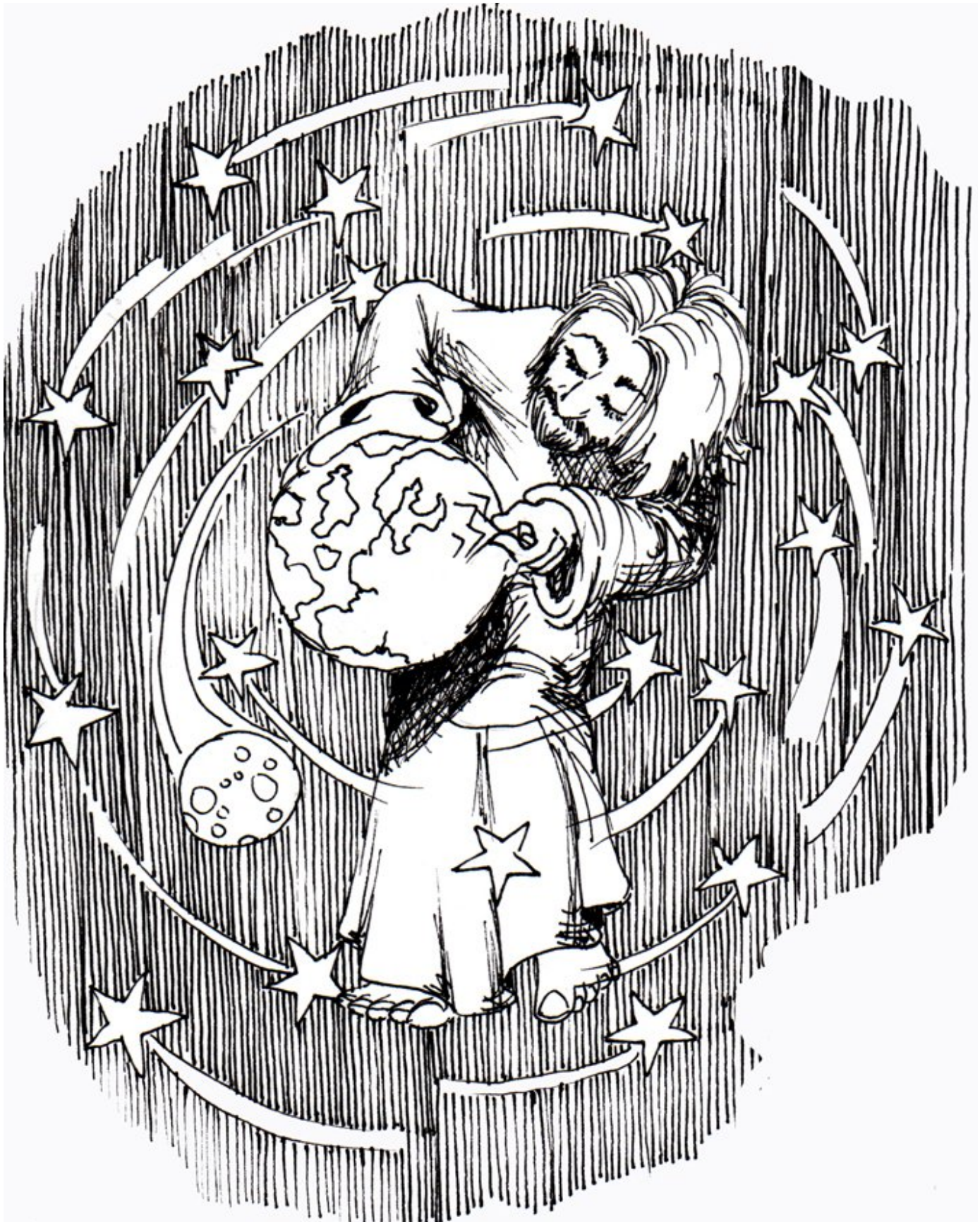
What is a Home?

Home is a place where you can
take your shoes off and rest!

Home is the place where you are safe.

Wouldn't it be awful to not have anywhere to call home?
It would be lonely and sad. Home is more than just any
old place, it is the place we are loved.

God made the heavens and the earth.
He made everything and everyone!
God loved all the people He created.
He loved them so much!!!



But God had a really big problem...
even though He made everybody
and everything, there was no place
in all of His creation that God
could call home.

Just think how sad you would feel
if you had no where to call home?





From the very beginning of the earth, God would talk to people and make friends. God and Adam would hang out a lot and just enjoy each other's company. God spoke to Noah and told him to build an ark! Sometimes God would send an angel to tell someone something.

God would even give people dreams.

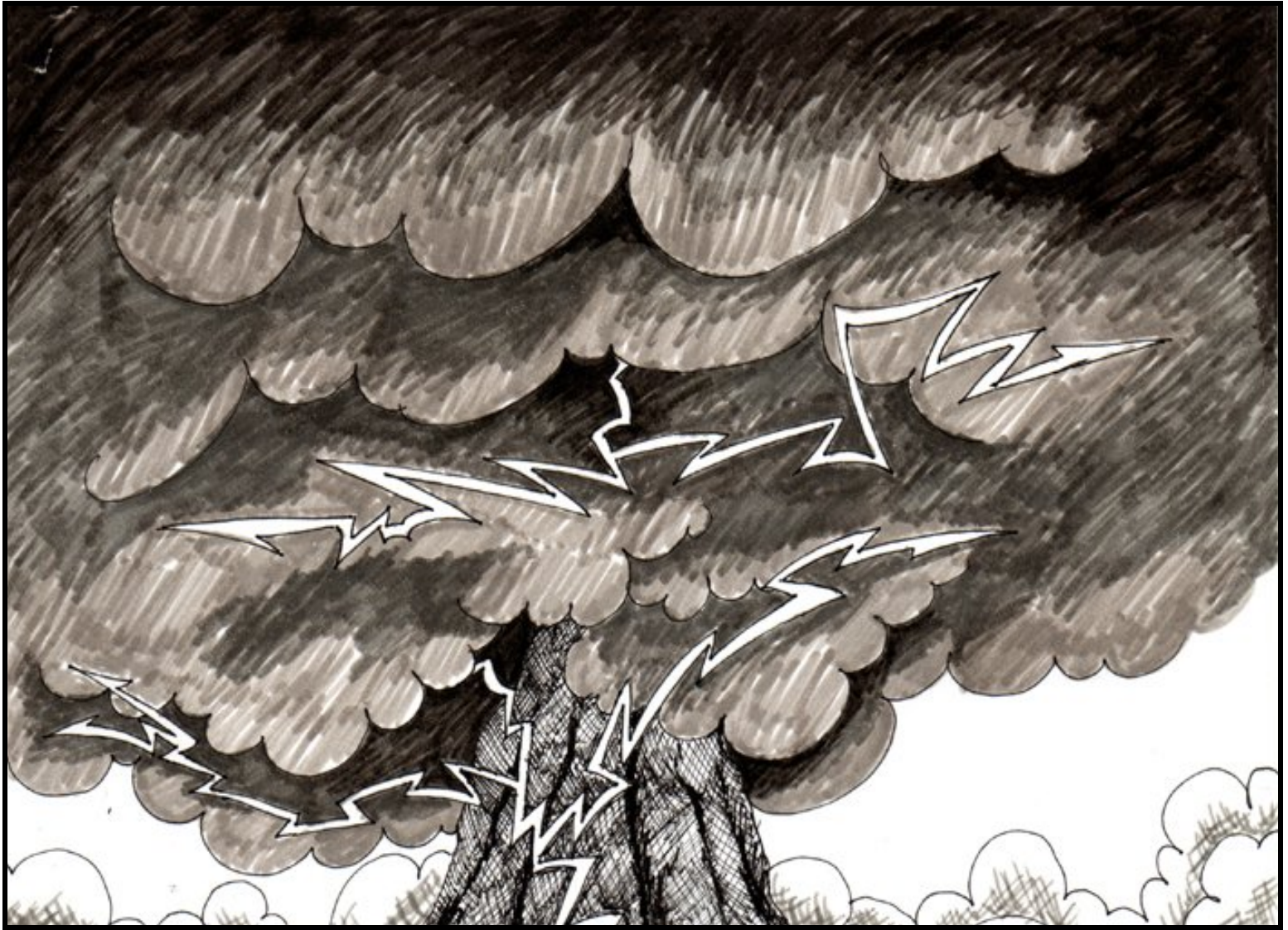
But even though God had talked to people, He had never actually come down to earth and tried to live here. Maybe He felt lonely and sad because He wanted to be with us in a very special way.

So one day God decided to actually
come down to the earth and
land for a little while on a mountain.

His close friend on earth at that time was Moses.
Moses and God had really wonderful times
together. They would talk face to face and
God would share His heart with Moses.

God asked Moses to help His people know Him
better, and so Moses led a whole bunch of people
everyday to a place where they could really get to
know God.

One day God told Moses that He was going to land on a nearby mountain named "Sinai". He said His Presence would come in a big Cloud. God had never landed on earth before, and He told Moses it would be a hard landing. It was probably such a bumpy landing because there was no place for God to call home down here yet.



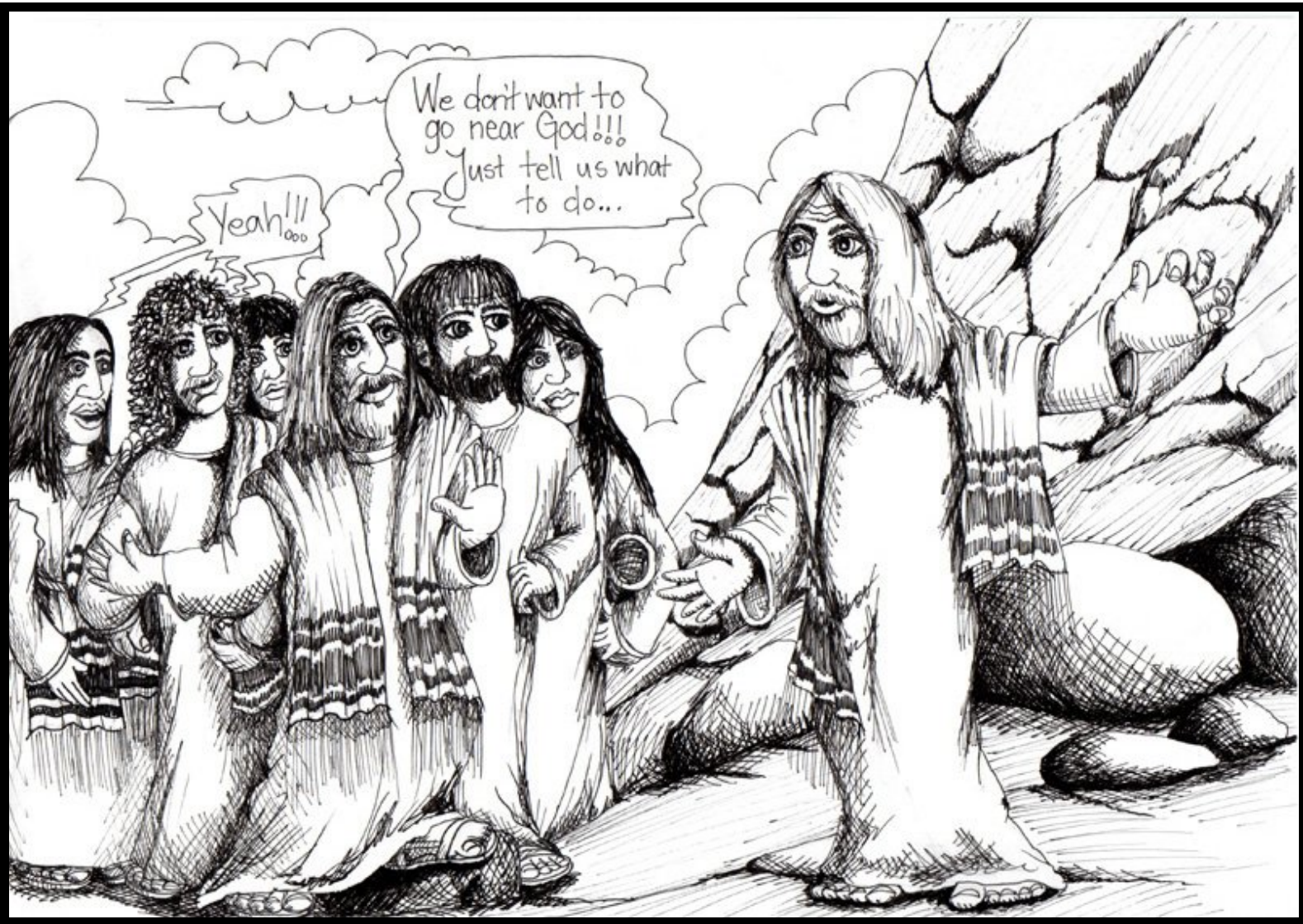


God said that when He landed there would be thunder and lightning and lots of noise and stuff. It would be hard for Him to arrive here without any home to come to.

Really, there was no place for Him yet in the earth. This was the first time the God of heaven had touched the earth in His Presence and stayed for a while.

Because God had such a hard landing,
the people became afraid of Him
and did not want to become friends with Him.

They just wanted to do their chores
and let Moses talk to Him.





God stayed on top of Mount Sinai in His Cloud for a long time. Moses would go up and visit Him. Moses felt comfortable and at home on top of the mountain with God. In fact, the only place Moses wanted to be was where the Presence of God was. But God still did not have a home on earth with man yet. He just stayed on that cold and dark mountaintop. God really wanted to make His home with the people.



One time Moses went up to the mountain for a very long time just to be with God, his best friend. God shared so much with Moses during this time. He even shared His plan about someday making His home in man. And Moses wanted to make his home in God! They loved each other. Moses had such a wonderful time with God that his face was glowing!

Moses wanted to share with everyone the wonderful things that God had told him.

But when Moses went back down the mountain to the rest of the people, they were dancing around a golden calf and calling it a god. Moses' heart broke. How could God make His home with these people when they were treating Him like this?

Moses was so mad that he broke the present God had sent for the people.



Later on when God was talking to Moses He told Moses that He was not going to come and be at home with the people because of how they were acting. (*Exodus 33:3*)

Moses was so sad because his house was with all the rest of the people, and now God said He would not come and be at home there.

This made Moses sad because the place Moses felt loved, happy, accepted and at home was when he was with God, hidden in the Cloud of His Presence. Moses loved to go to the top of the mountain and into the Cloud where God was, and just be with Him. There he felt the most wonderful joy and Moses never wanted to leave. God was the only place Moses really wanted to be and now God did not want to stay in the middle of the camp with the all the people.



And so Moses decided that he would have to take his tent and put it outside the camp so that God would be able to come and visit him. God saw that Moses loved Him and wanted to be with Him.

Moses was the first person to open up his tent for God to come and live in. God must have been so happy. Somebody wanted to live with Him.

Just like God wanted to have a home with the people, Moses wanted God to be his home.

And so the big Cloud of God's Presence came down from the top of Mount Sinai and filled Moses' tent! How wonderful! Now God could dwell inside of Moses' tent and when Moses went into his tent he was living inside of God's Presence. Both God and Moses were happy to be together in this special way.

Well, all the people inside of the camp would look over at Moses' tent and watch as the Cloud of God's Presence would fill it. It was so amazing to watch that all the people would all start worshiping God from their own little tents, even though their own tents were empty. And whenever someone wanted to be close with God, they would come to Moses' tent outside the camp and spend time with God. In fact, there was a guy named Joshua who stayed in Moses' tent with the presence of God all the time!



Moses and all the people he was leading were traveling to a new land, but Moses would not leave unless God would come with them. Moses wanted to live only where God was. Moses wanted to make his home inside of God, for only there did he feel so loved and accepted. Moses did not want to live some place if God was not there, or do something without His presence with him.

Eventually the people built a very special tent that God had showed to Moses one time while they were talking on the mountain. This tent was called "the tabernacle" and it was a picture of God making His home in man.

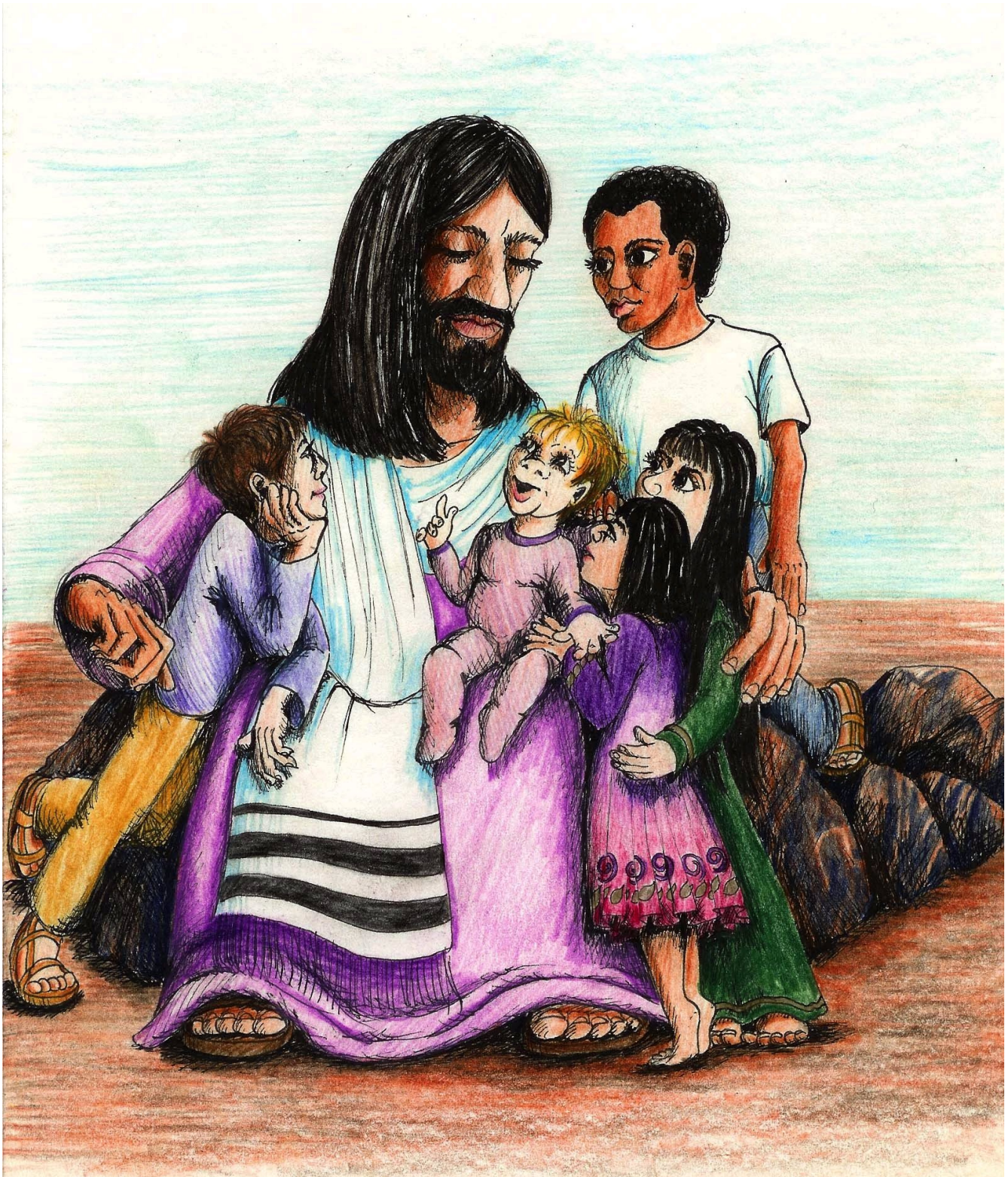
When the tabernacle was set up, God moved back into the camp to be with people because He really does want to live in us! The Cloud of God's Presence would rest in one special place in the tabernacle.

But God was really waiting for the day when He would be able to rest and make His home in our hearts.

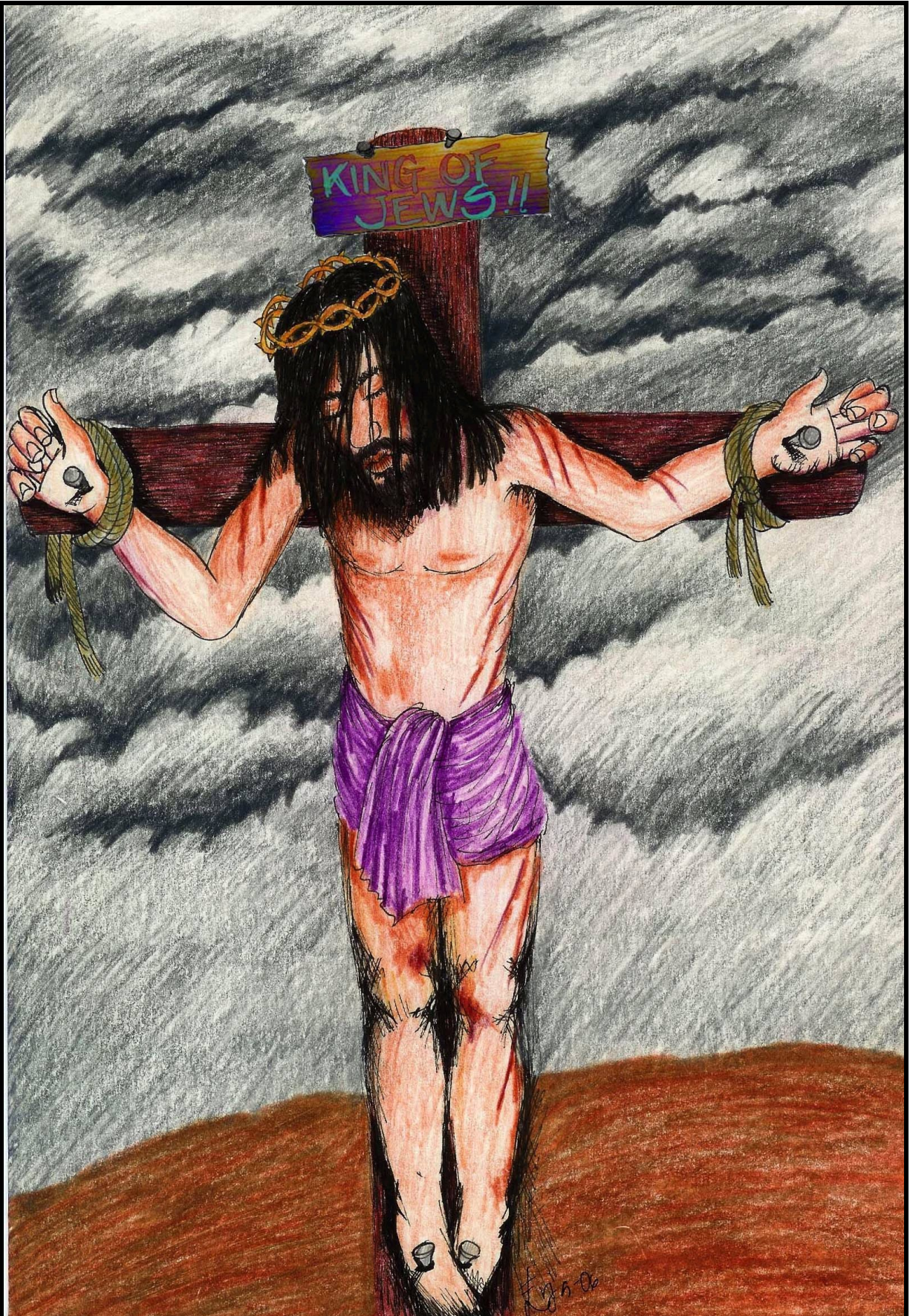
And everyone who loved God was waiting for the day we could rest and make our permanent home in God.

Well, many things have happened since
Moses and the tabernacle.

Jesus came, and God was able to make His home inside
of Jesus and there was no lightning or anything.
God was safe in Jesus because He was His Son.



But God wanted to be at home in everyone and so Jesus died so that we could be at home in God and God could be at home in us.



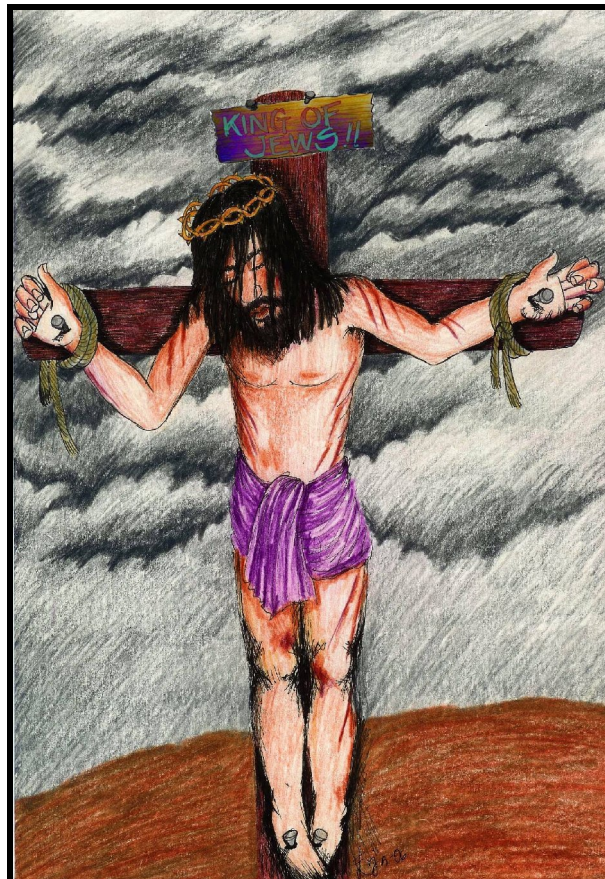
God does not want to live far away from us on a mountain top.

God does not want to be far away from us in heaven.

Just like Moses, we don't want to live far away from God
or even have to go to a church building to find Him.

We want to be with God all the time,
and to make our home in Him.

When Jesus died, God opened the door so
that all men could come inside and live in Him
and be loved and accepted forever.



God wants us to make our home in Him.
No one loves us more than God.
We are safe and accepted in Him forever.
And God wants to make His happy home in you!
What a wonderful relationship.
He is even more than our best friend...
He is our place to live... our home!
And we are even more than friends with God,
we are His place to live... His home!



