

DECEMBER 1
The Place Where Love Grows

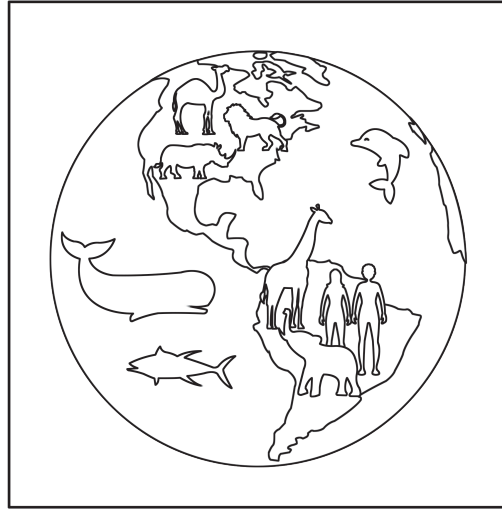


Out of the stump of David's family will grow a shoot.
ISAIAH 11:1

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DECEMBER 2
Created by Love

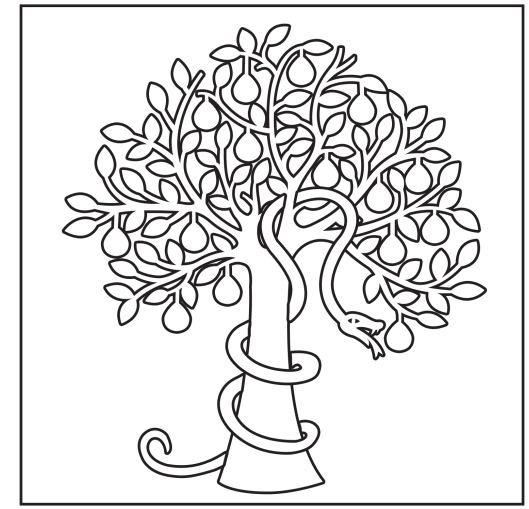


God created human beings in his own image.
GENESIS 1:27

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DECEMBER 3
God Is Looking for You

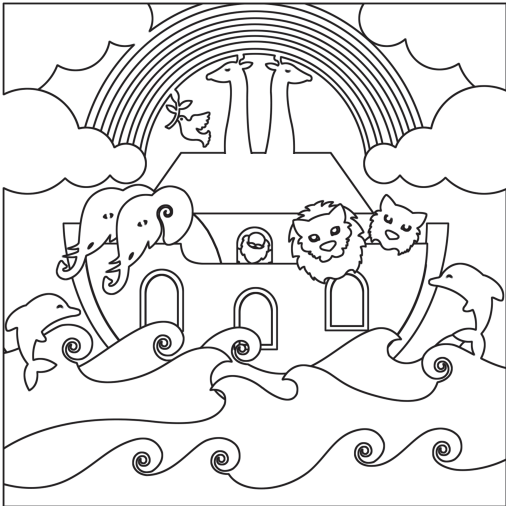


They hid from the LORD God among the trees.
GENESIS 3:8

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DECEMBER 4
God's Tears



Noah found favor with the LORD.
GENESIS 6:8

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DECEMBER 5
Count the Stars

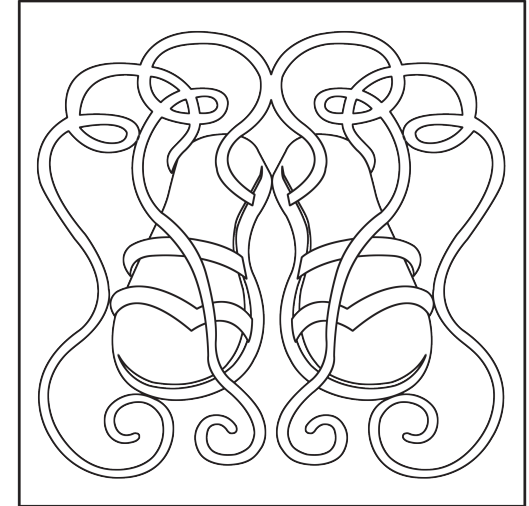


I will bless you . . . and you will be a blessing to others.
GENESIS 12:2

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DECEMBER 6
The Gift of Laughter



God has brought me laughter.
GENESIS 21:6

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DECEMBER 7
Here I Am

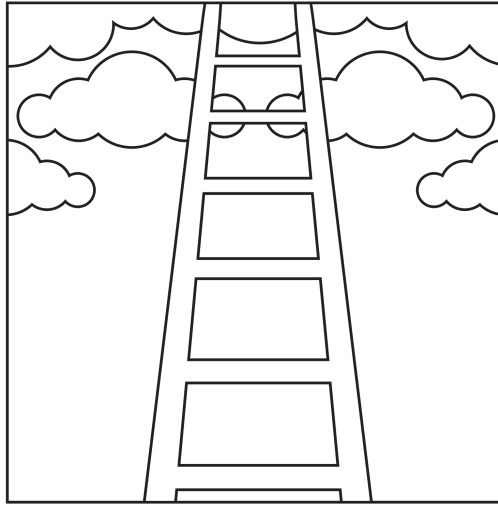


Abraham named that place The LORD Provides.
GENESIS 22:14 (NIV)

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DECEMBER 8
Climbing Up

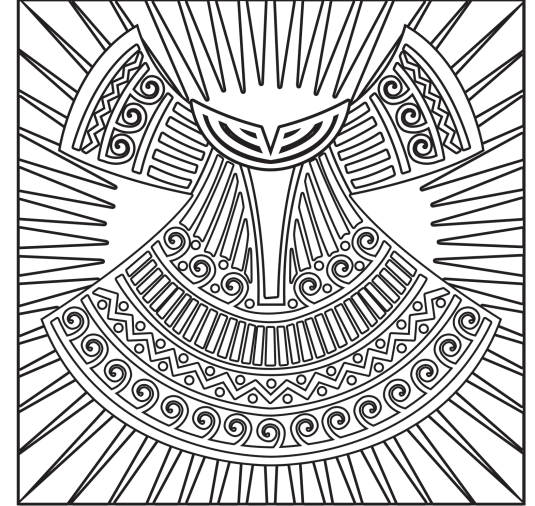


Surely the LORD is in this place, and I wasn't even aware of it!
GENESIS 28:16

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Surprise Gifts

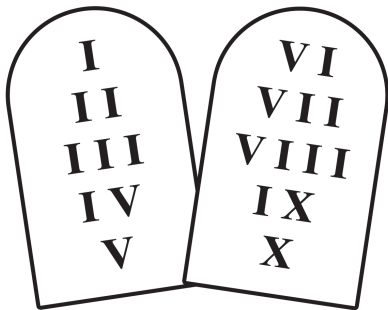


You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good.
GENESIS 50:20

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DECEMBER 10
Ten Love Rules

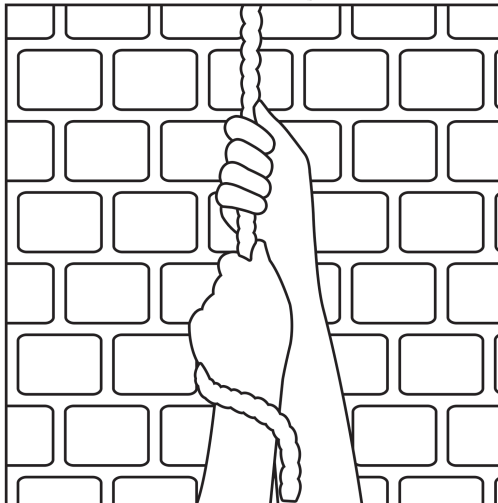


The LORD said to me, . . . "Oh, that their hearts would be inclined to fear me and keep all my commands always, so that it might go well with them and their children forever!"
DEUTERONOMY 5:28-29 (NIV)

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DECEMBER 11
The Red Rope

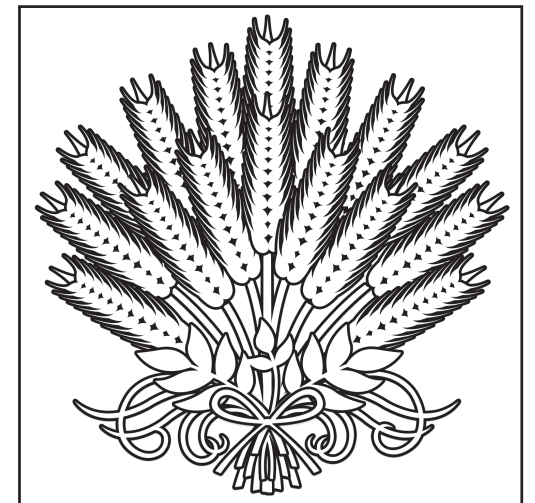


You must leave this scarlet rope hanging from the window.
JOSHUA 2:18

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DECEMBER 12
The Little Things



Your people will be my people, and your God will be my God.
RUTH 1:16

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DECEMBER 13

Looking at Things Inside Out



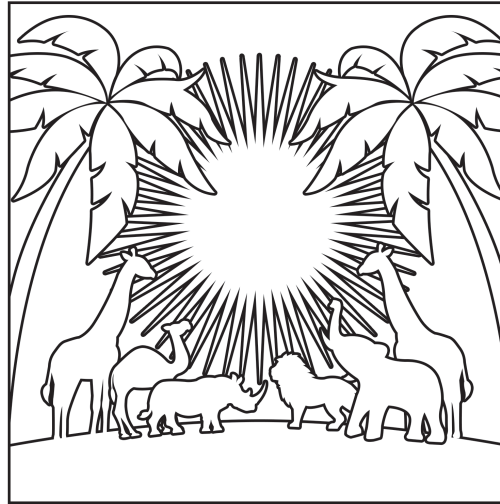
People judge by outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart.
1 SAMUEL 16:7

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A Candle in the Darkness



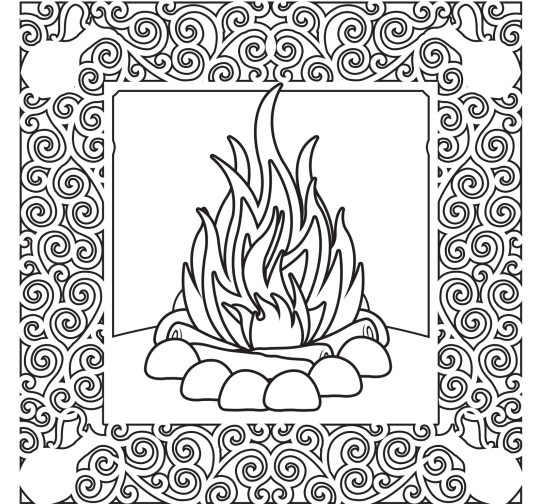
The people who walk in darkness will see a great light.
ISAIAH 9:2

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DECEMBER 15

Bowing Down



*How much longer will you waver, hobbling between two opinions?
If the LORD is God, follow him!*
1 KINGS 18:21

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DECEMBER 16

Turning Around



Go . . . and deliver the message I have given you.
JONAH 3:2

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DECEMBER 17

A True Fairy Tale



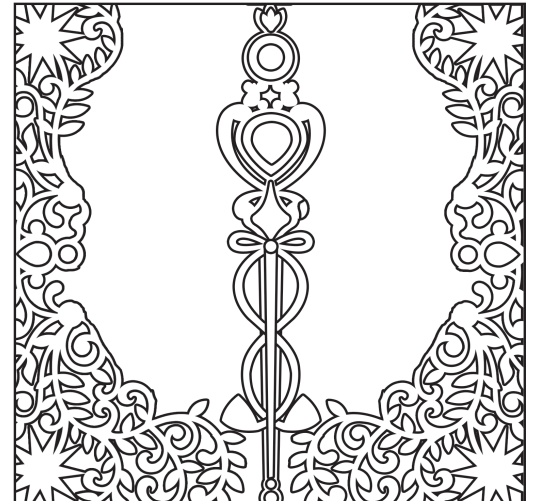
Now, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, are only a small village.
MICAH 5:2

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A Bridge to the King

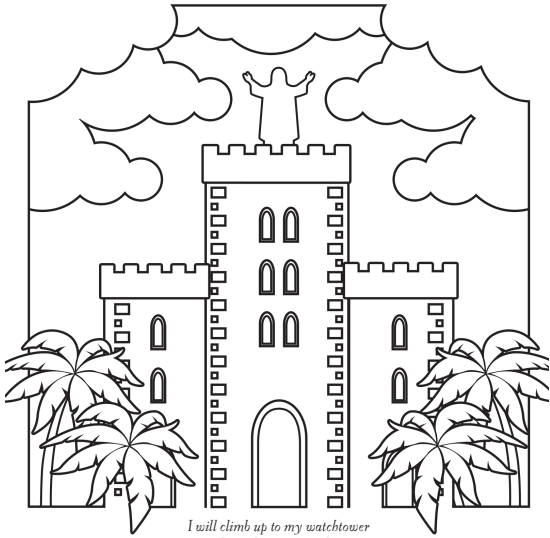


I will go in to see the king.
ESTHER 4:16

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DECEMBER 19
Watch and Wait



*I will climb up to my watchtower
and stand at my guardpost.
There I will wait to see what the LORD says.*

HABAKKUK 2:1



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DECEMBER 20
God Remembers

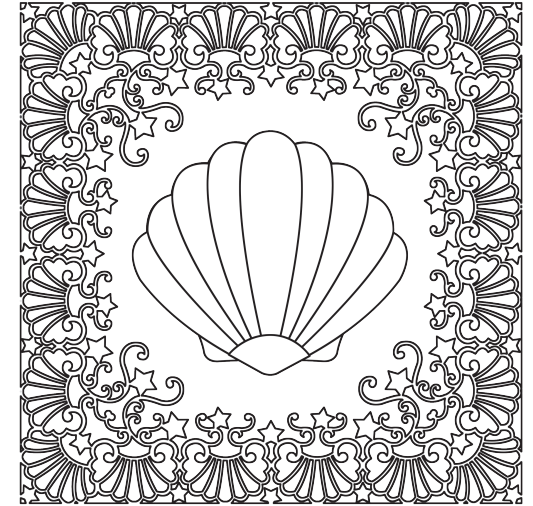


He will prepare the people for the coming of the Lord.
LUKE 1:17



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DECEMBER 21
Thunder in the Desert



Prepare the way for the LORD's coming!
MATTHEW 3:3



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DECEMBER 22
Wide-Awake Dreams



Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you!
LUKE 1:28



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DECEMBER 23
He Can't Stay Away

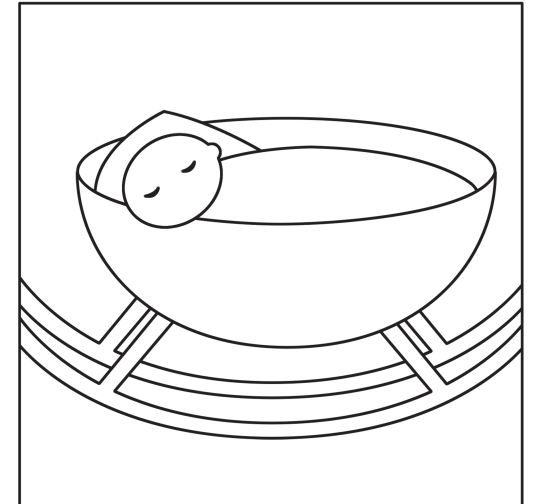


*She will give birth to a son,
and they will call him Immanuel,
which means "God is with us."*
MATTHEW 1:23



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DECEMBER 24
Kneel at the Manger

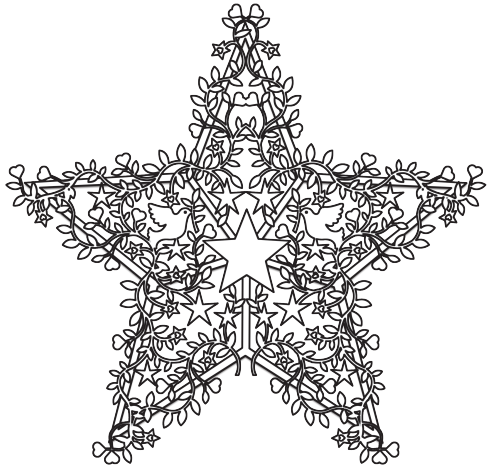


She . . . laid him in a manger, because there was no lodging available for them.
LUKE 2:7



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DECEMBER 25
Never-Ending Christmas



The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today!
LUKE 2:11

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*Unwrapping
the Greatest Gift*
ANN VOSKAMP