

# The Story of Zacchaeus



Jesus entered the city of Jericho and there were people all over the place, just waiting to get a good look at this man who had done such amazing miracles throughout their region. One of the people in the crowd was a chief tax collector, who was named Zacchaeus.



Zacchaeus tried so hard to get a good look at Jesus, but because he was so short, he couldn't see him at all. Zacchaeus decided that the only way he was going to see the Lord was if he were to climb up in a tree and wait for Jesus to pass him by. So, that's exactly what he did.

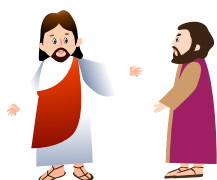
Zacchaeus ran ahead of Jesus and the crowd. He picked out a sycamore-fig tree that was along the road where Jesus would be passing by. He climbed high up in the tree, and he waited for Jesus to come down the walkway.



When Jesus came to the place where Zacchaeus sat, high up in the tree, he looked up and saw him. Jesus said, **“Zacchaeus, what are you doing up in that tree? Come down here right now. I must stay at your house today.”**



Immediately, Zacchaeus came down from the tree and he welcomed Jesus into his house. The people were amazed that Jesus would associate himself with such a sinful man. They whispered to each other, saying, **“Jesus is going to stay in the home of a sinner.”**

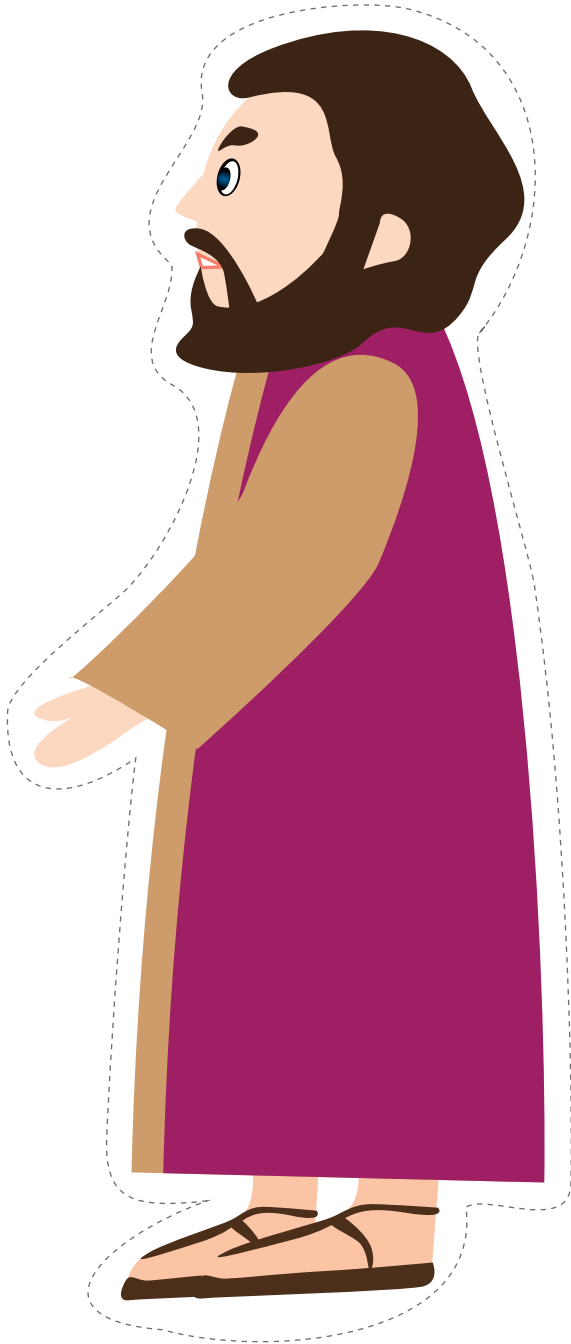


Zacchaeus heard the people whispering and he said, **“Lord, today, I am a new man. Right now, I give half of all of my possessions to the poor, and if I have stolen anything, I will pay it back at four times the amount.”**

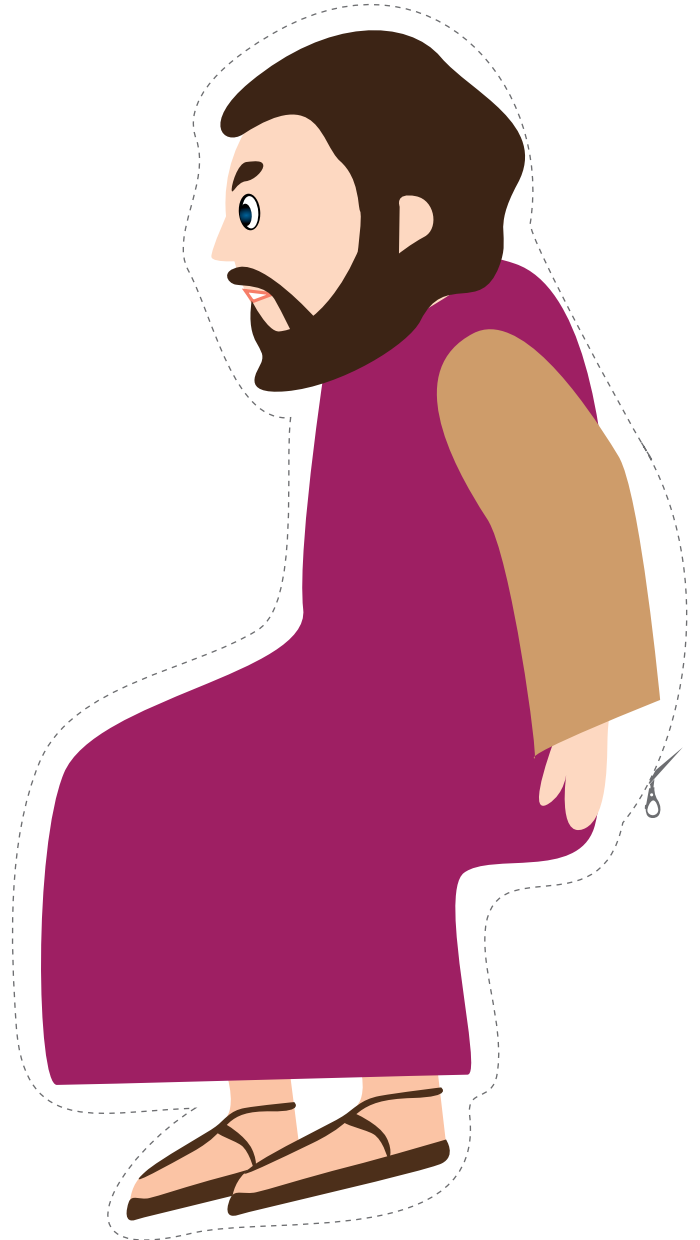
Jesus said, **“Today salvation has come to the house of Zacchaeus. The Son of Man has come to save the lost.”**



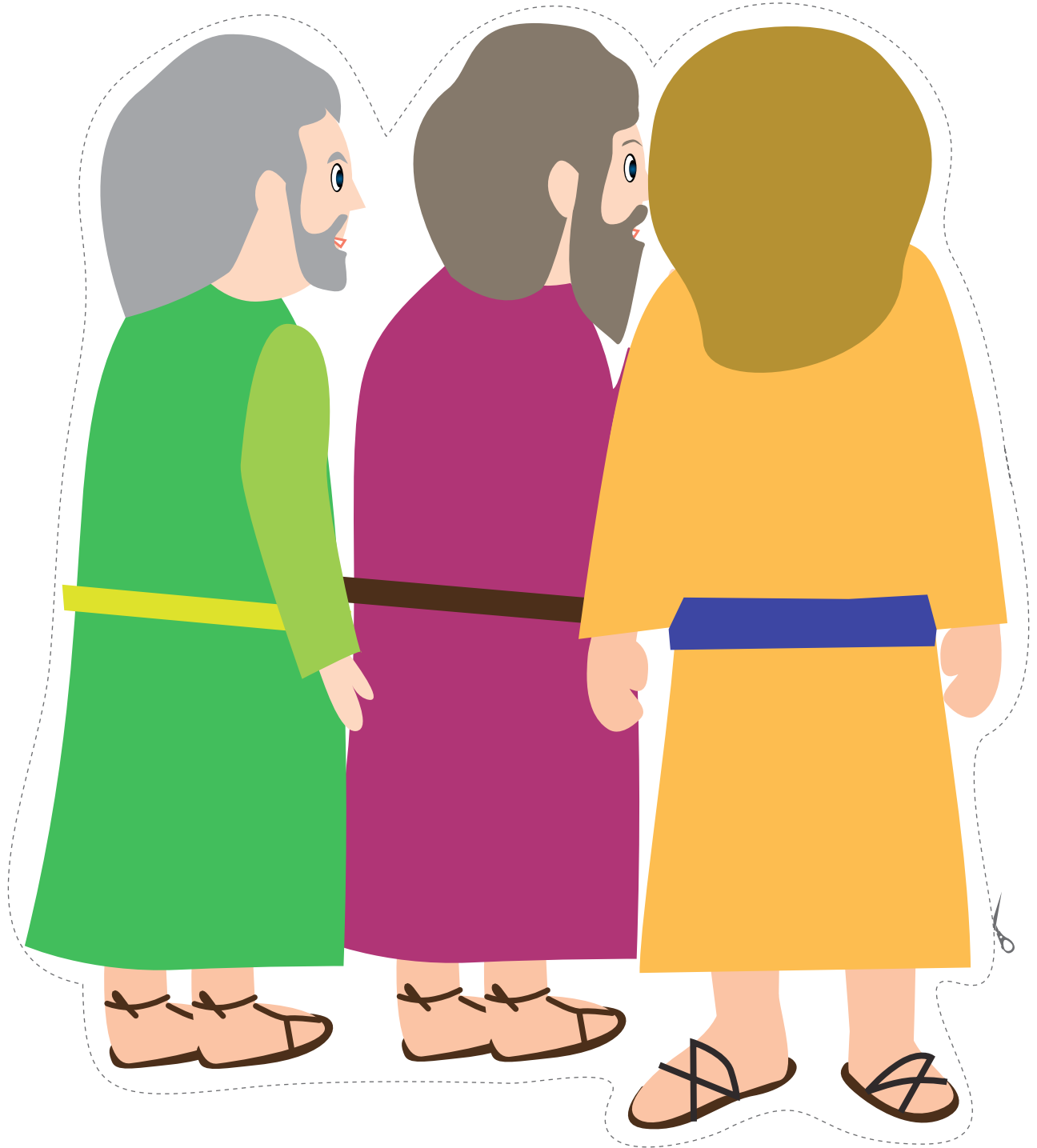
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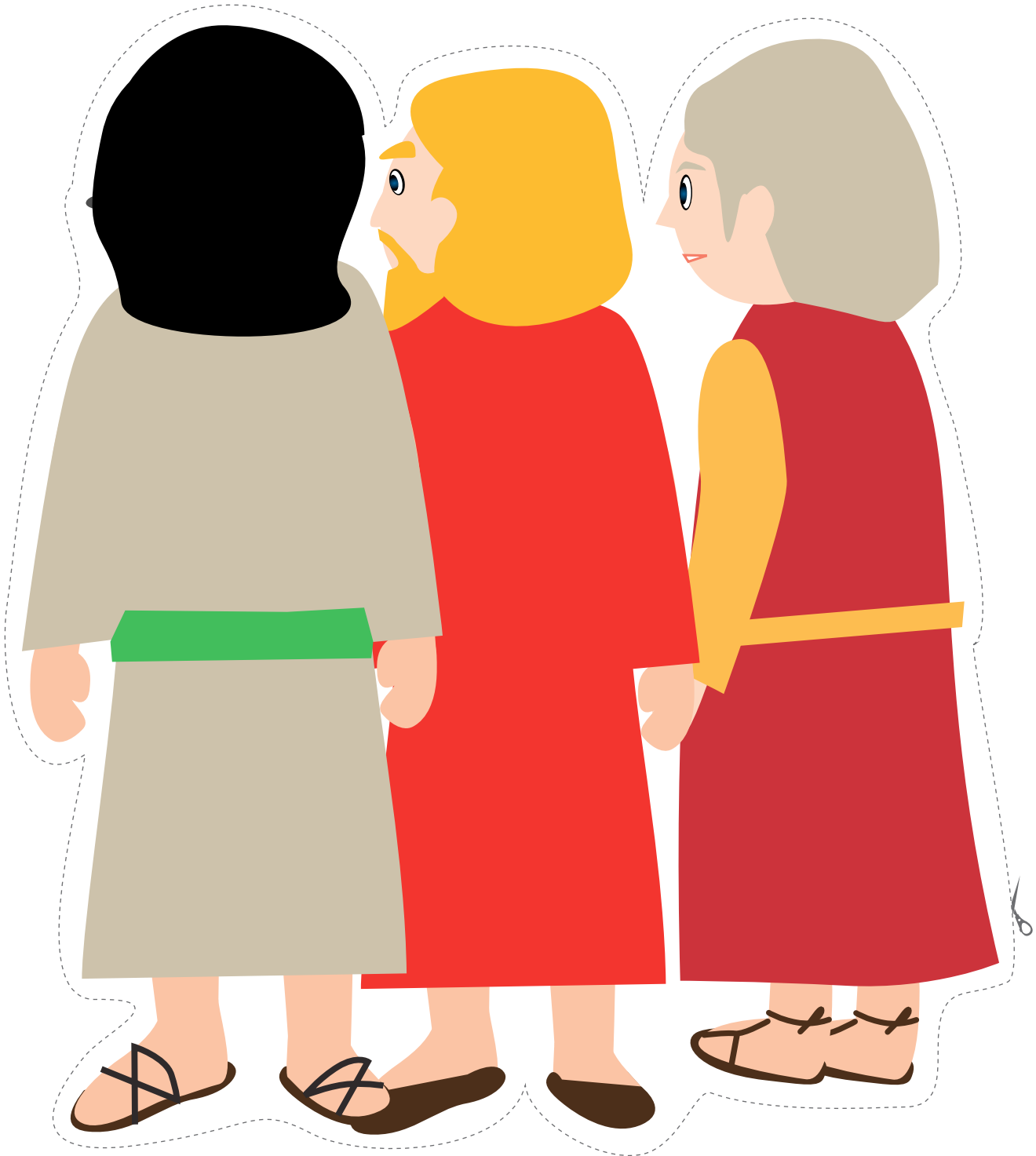
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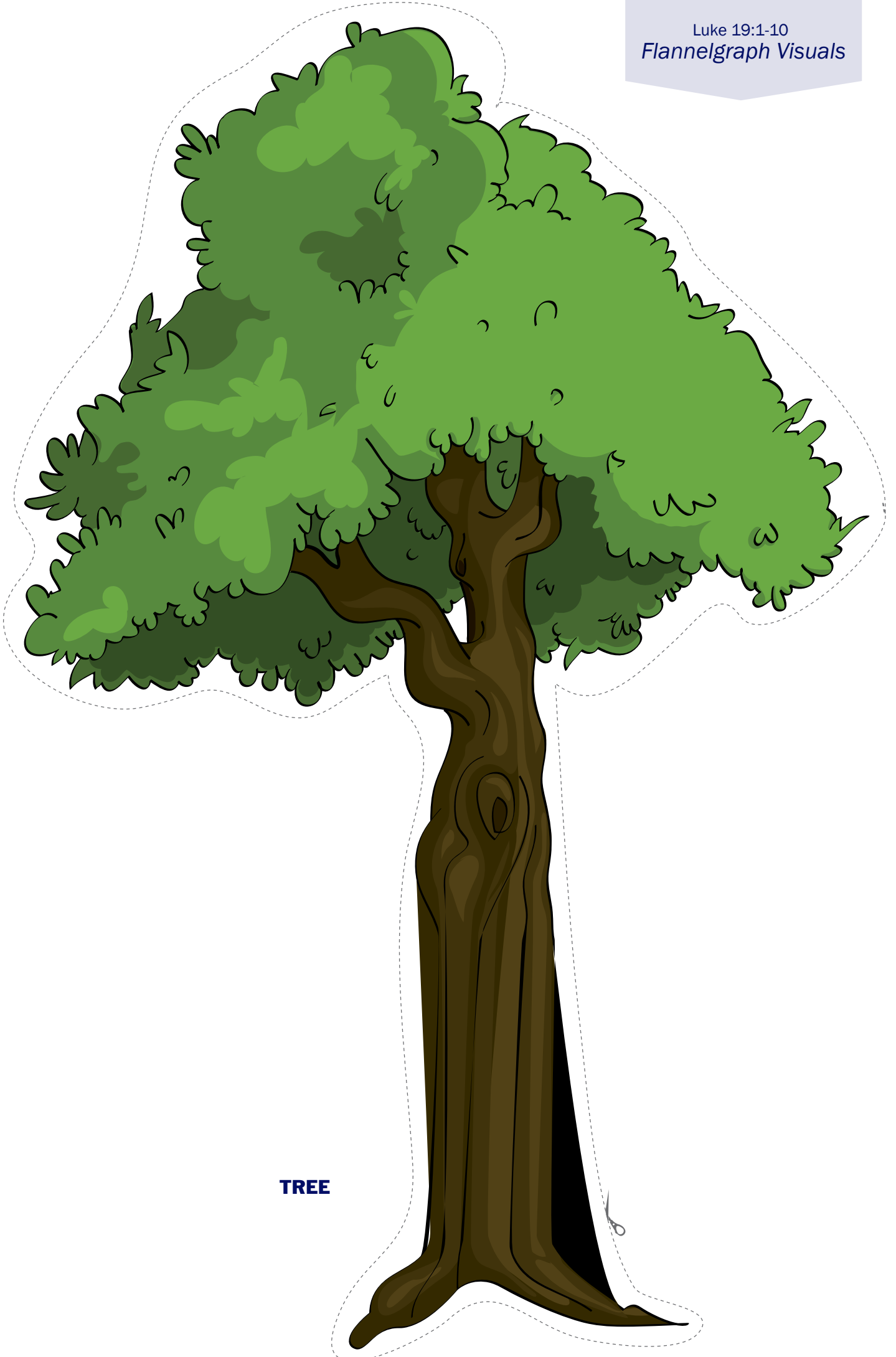
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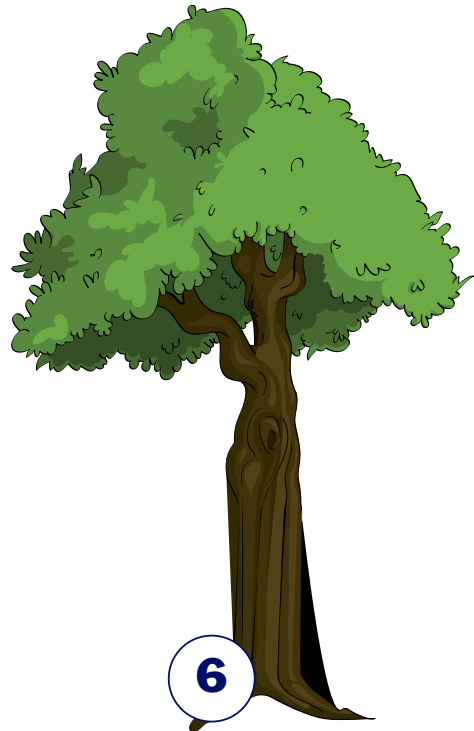
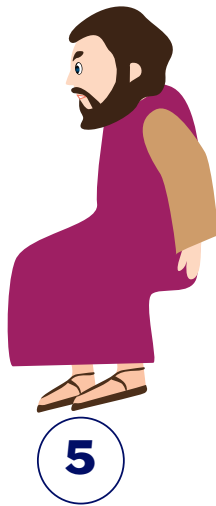
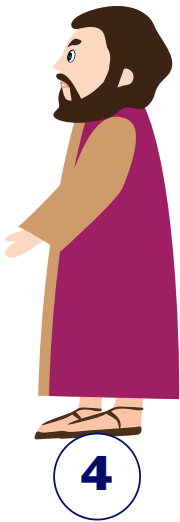
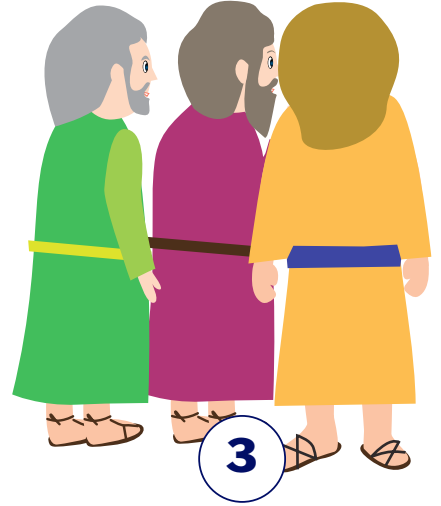
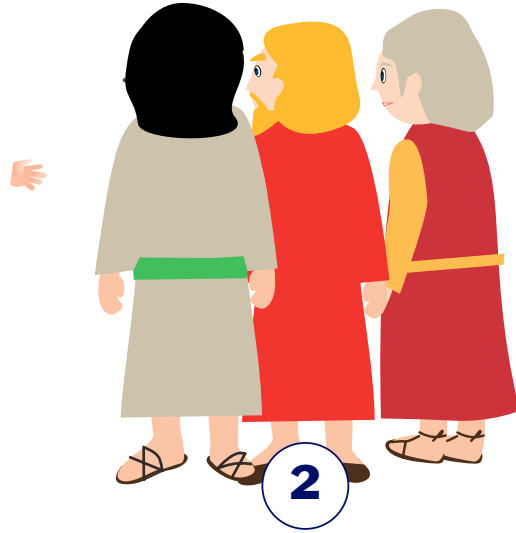


**PEOPLE**



**TREE**

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