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Philippians 2:3 (NIV)

God **helps** us do good behind the scenes.

God gives us **SUPPORT** behind the scenes

God gives us **peace** behind the scenes

Behind the Scenes

4-WEEK SERIES ON THE LIFE OF ESTHER



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BIBLE
BOOKLET
WEEK 2

BIG IDEA: God helps us do good behind the scenes.

BIBLE: Scene II. Mordecai and Haman: Esther 3:1-6; 6:1-11; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13



Name: _____

2 Thessalonians 3:6—13

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D E S Q R O M C T O I L I N G L H A
I B H F F V G G M T O C M I X K G B
S E E I F M W D Q V E B O W G T A O
R L A D C V U F O Y U A M M Z B T R
U I F J L D B O E X Q A C E M U T I
P E W D Q A R O G O Q Z Q H G A F N
T V Y P I I L D Z B Q R R C I G N G
I E U G D I S R U P T I V E Q N X D
V R J B U R D E N O A G H Z G D G N
E A X W K S F V V M D M C Z O Q I S
V N B U I M I T A T E Q W M C Z O Z

Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden UP, DOWN, and DIAGONAL.

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we **command** you, brothers and sisters, to keep away from every **believer** who is idle and disruptive and does not live according to the **teaching** you received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our example. We were not idle when we were with you, nor did we eat anyone's **food** without paying for it. On the contrary, we worked night and day, **laboring** and **toiling** so that we would not be a **burden** to any of you. We did this, not because we do not have the right to such help, but in order to offer ourselves as a model for you to **imitate**. For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: "The one who is unwilling to work shall not eat."

We hear that some among you are idle and **disruptive**. They are not busy; they are **busybodies**. Such people we command and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and earn the food they eat. And as for you, brothers and sisters, never tire of doing what is good.

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Read
2 Thessalonians 3:13

Why do we sometimes grow tired of doing good?
What is one way you might remind yourself to keep doing good?

In this four-week series, you will discover the most important character in Esther's story isn't always center-stage, but can often be found behind the scenes working, helping, giving support and giving peace.
(Spoiler alert: It's God!)

"Thank the Lord"
(Ark Kids)

WORSHIP
AT HOME

"This Little Light"
(Ark Kids)



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WRITE THE BIG IDEA...

WRITE THE MEMORY VERSE....

UNSCRAMBLE THE LETTERS (ESTHER 3)

Hamna

coMredai

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S-gnetiring

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MORDECAI AND HAMAN

(ESTHER 2:19-3:15)



"...when Haman saw that Mordecai bowed not, nor did him reverence,
then was Haman full of wrath."

ESTHER 3:4-5

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MEMORY VERSE:

"For it is written, 'You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.' " MATTHEW 4:10

FILL IN THE BLANKS:

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2. "In those days, while Mordecai sat within the king's _____, two of the king's eunuchs, Bigthan and Teresh, _____ became furious and sought to lay hands on King Ahasuerus." **ESTHER 2:21**

TRUE OR FALSE: WRITE T FOR TRUE OR F FOR FALSE

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| 3. | "So the matter became known to Mordecai who..." | T or F |
| | 2:22 told no one | _____ |
| | 2:22 told Queen Esther | _____ |
| | 2:22 Esther informed the king in Mordecai's name | _____ |
| | 2:23 when an inquiry was made into the matter, it was confirmed | _____ |
| | 2:23 both were let go | _____ |
| | 2:23 both were hanged on the gallows | _____ |

FILL IN THE BLANKS:

4. "After these things King Ahasuerus _____ Haman, the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, and _____ him and set his seat _____ all the princes who were with him." **ESTHER 3:1**
5. "When Haman saw that Mordecai did not bow or pay him homage, Haman was filled with _____." **ESTHER 3:5**
6. "But he disdained to lay hands on Mordecai alone, for they had told him of the people of Mordecai. Instead, Haman sought to _____ all the Jews who were throughout the whole kingdom of Ahasuerus - the _____ people of Mordecai." **ESTHER 3:6**
7. "_____ were sent by couriers into all the king's provinces, to destroy, to kill, and to annihilate all the Jews, both young and old, little children and women, in one day." **ESTHER 3:13**

MORDECAI AND HAMAN

(ESTHER 2:19-3:15)

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N A O X U K R T E R E S H M L
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H T T E E C I A E D D K C M O
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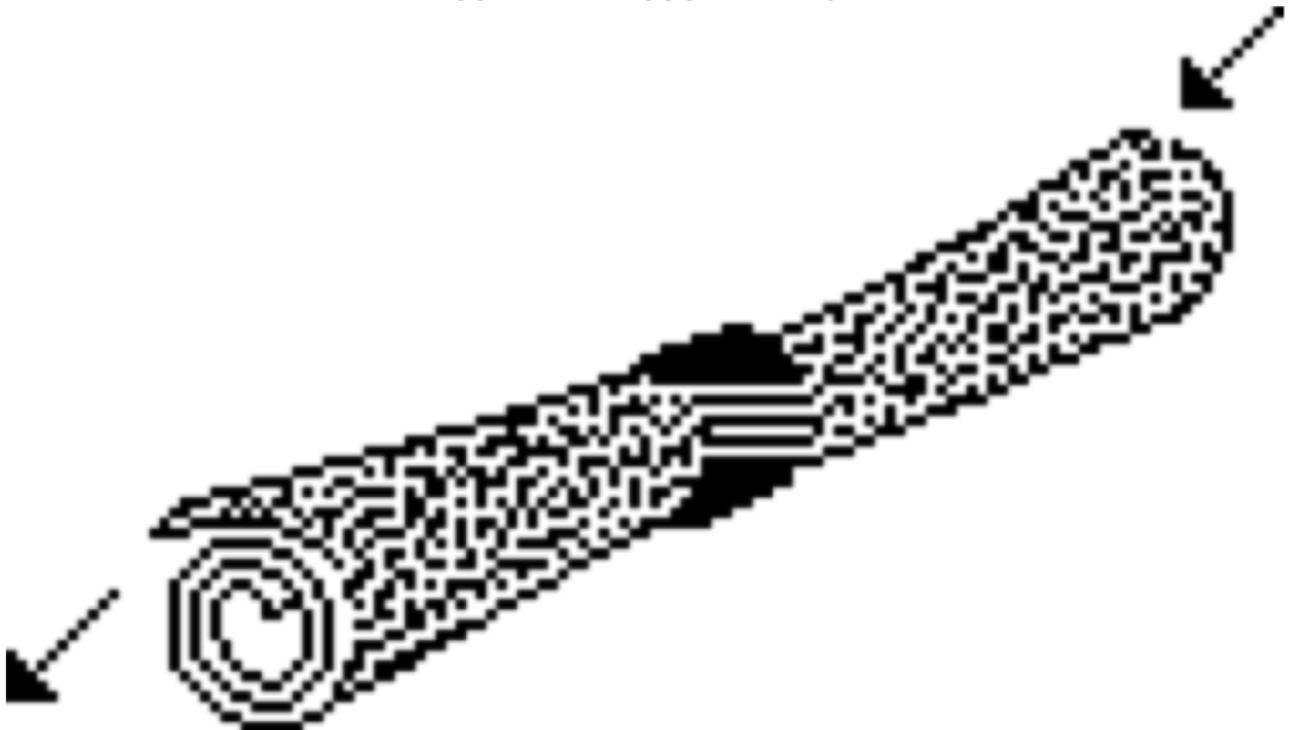
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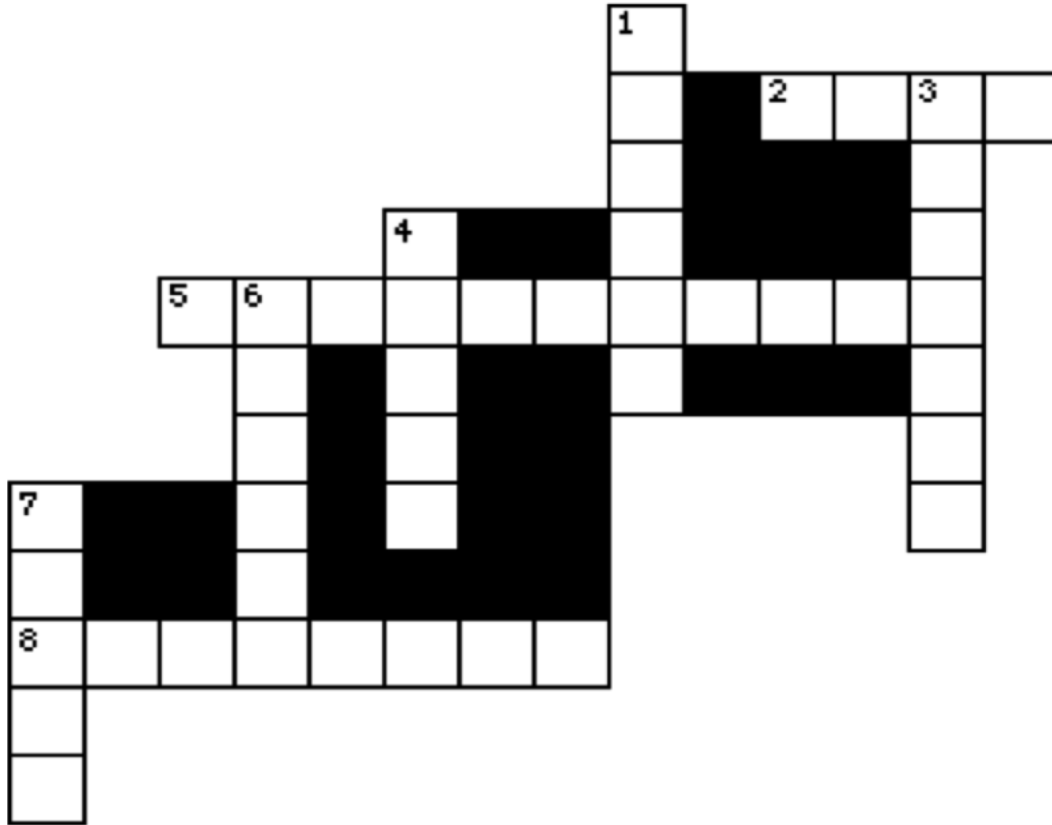
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OBEYED
QUEEN ESTHER
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FIND YOUR WAY THROUGH THE DECREE



MORDECAI AND HAMAN

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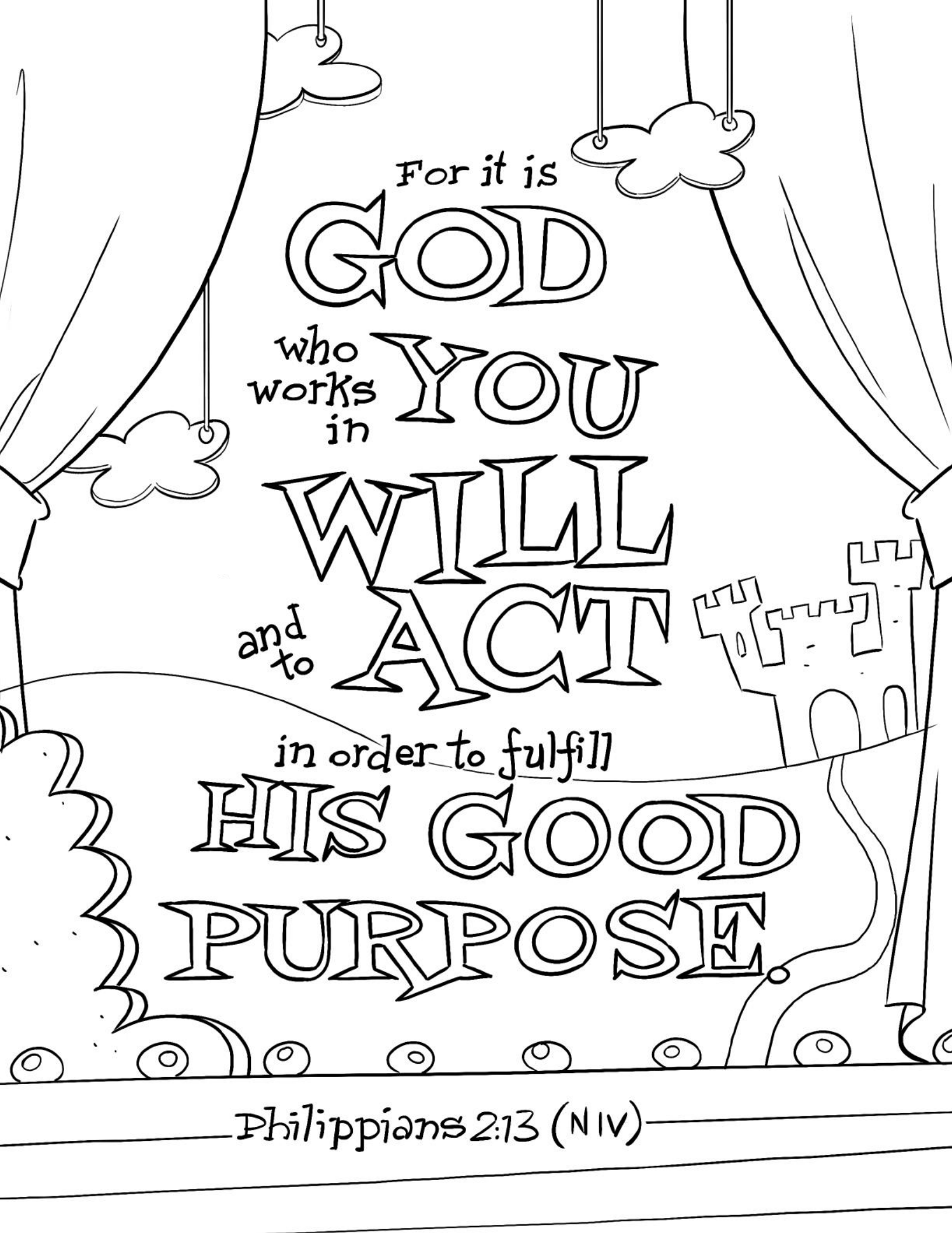
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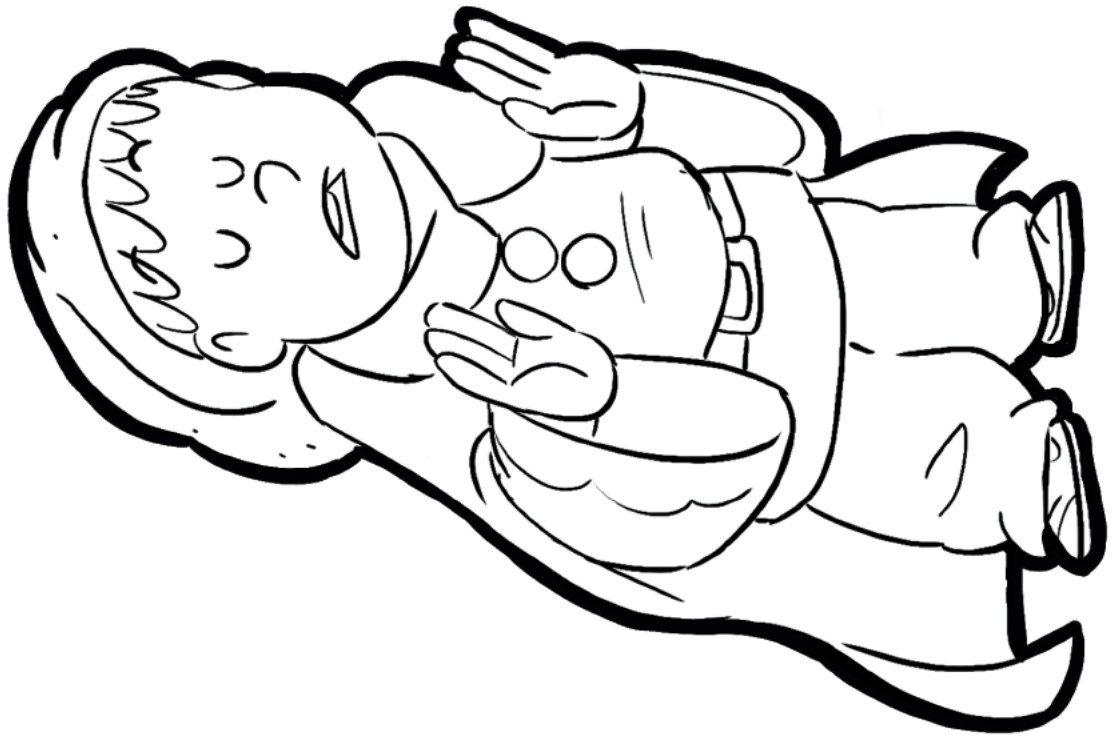
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