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Jesus was there
at Creation.

All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made.

In him was life, and the life was the light of men.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 1:3-5



The angel Gabriel
gave Mary the
amazing news.

And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!"

But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be.

And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.

And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus.

He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David,

and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

Luke 1:28-33



Jesus saw all the
people who needed
him and taught
them about God.

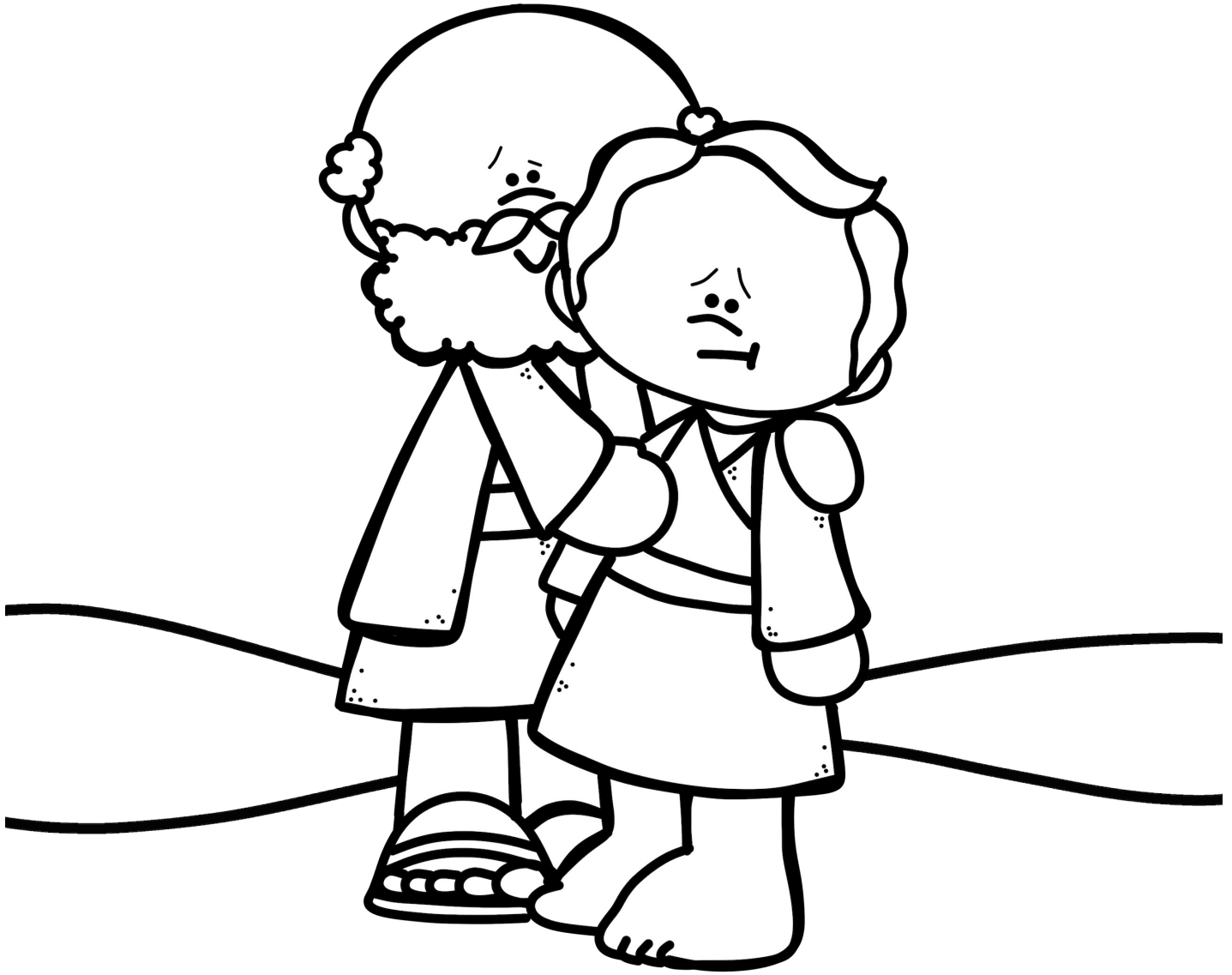
When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. And he began to teach them many things.

And when it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a desolate place, and the hour is now late.

Send them away to go into the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat."

But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give it to them to eat?"

Mark 6:34-37



His father was
so happy to have
his son back! He
loved him and
welcomed him home.

But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him.

And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet.

And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate.

For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate."

Luke 15:20b-24



Martha was sad
that her brother
had died, but she
believed in Jesus.

So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house.

Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.

But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you."

Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."

Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day."

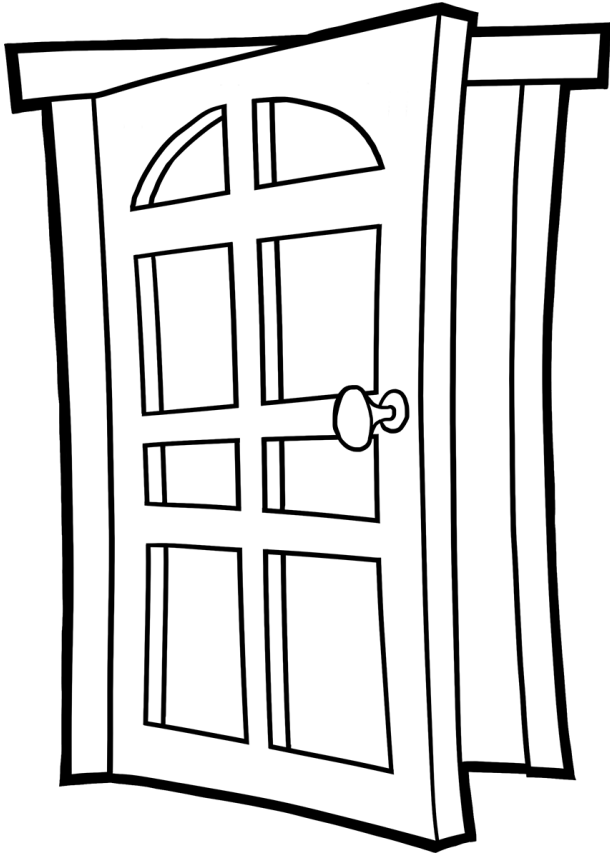
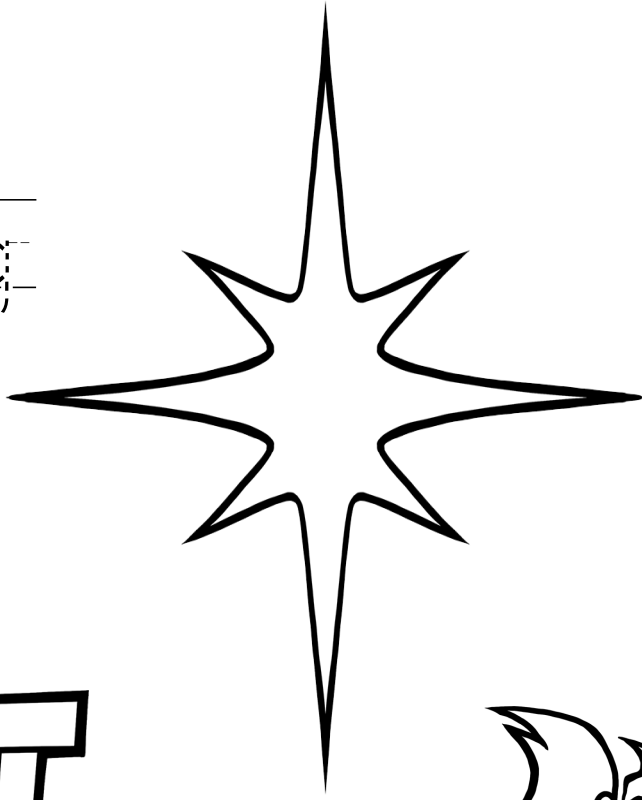
Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live,

and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

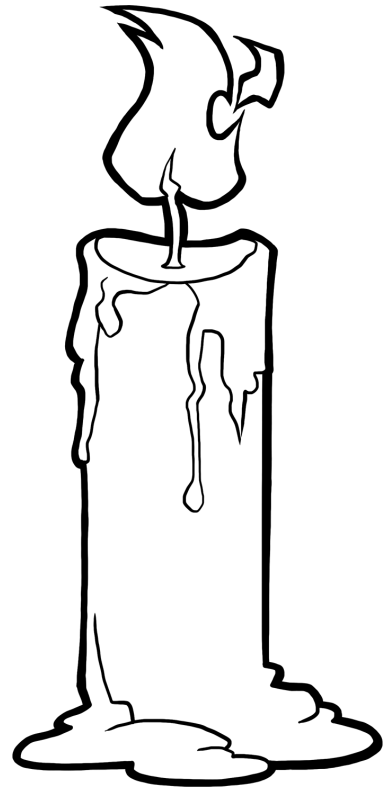
She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."

John 11:20-27

Morning
Star



Door



Light of
the World

"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

Revelation 22:16

"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber.

So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep.

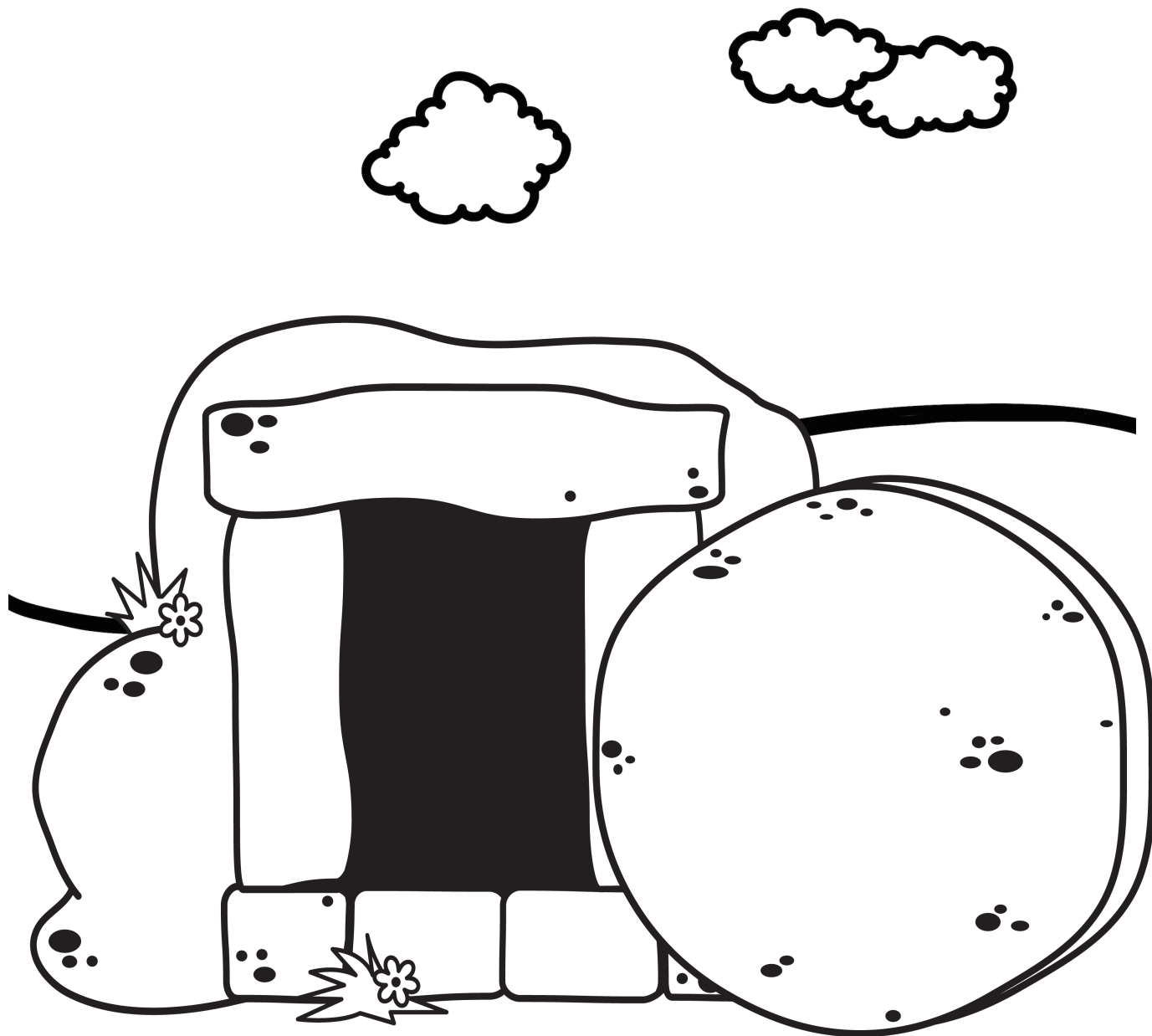
I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

John 10:1, 7, 9-10

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

John 8:12



When the women
came back to the
tomb, it was empty!

The women who had come with him from Galilee followed and saw the tomb and how his body was laid.

Then they returned and prepared spices and ointments. On the Sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared.

And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb,

but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

Luke 23:55-56; 24:1-3

Reading Comprehension

Birth of Jesus

1. John 1 tells us that this was in the beginning. _____
2. What did He make? _____
3. What has the darkness not done? _____
4. What did the Word do? _____
5. Who was the priest who served at the temple? _____
6. What was the angel's name who was sent to Mary? _____
7. The angel told Mary not to be what? _____
8. How long would her Son reign? _____
9. Who did Mary go see? _____
10. Where did Mary and Joseph go to be taxed? _____
11. What did Mary lay Jesus in? _____
12. Who gave the shepherds the news? _____
13. How did the shepherds go to see Jesus? _____

Reading Comprehension

Answer Key

Birth of Jesus

1. the Word
2. all things
3. overcome it
4. became flesh and dwelt among us
5. Zechariah
6. Gabriel
7. afraid
8. forever
9. Zechariah and Elizabeth
10. Bethlehem
11. a manger
12. angels
13. with haste (quickly)
14. Simeon
15. Anna
16. no, he was troubled
17. worship Jesus
18. a star
19. they were warned in a dream
20. Egypt