

Jesus and the children

Colour the picture and write the words. Draw yourself in the picture.

Let the children
come to me



Jesus blessed the children

Read this poem with your family.

This week, we tell a story about a time when Jesus met with and blessed some children and their families. Jesus had a special love for children.

Jesus talked to people
every single day.
They came from near and far
to hear what he had to say.

Some children came to see him,
but Jesus' friends said, 'No'.
'Jesus cannot talk to you,
You'll all just have to go!'

But Jesus said, 'Don't go!
Come stay a while with me'
And they chatted and he
blessed them
underneath an old oak tree.

Chat Together

About what kind of man Jesus was.

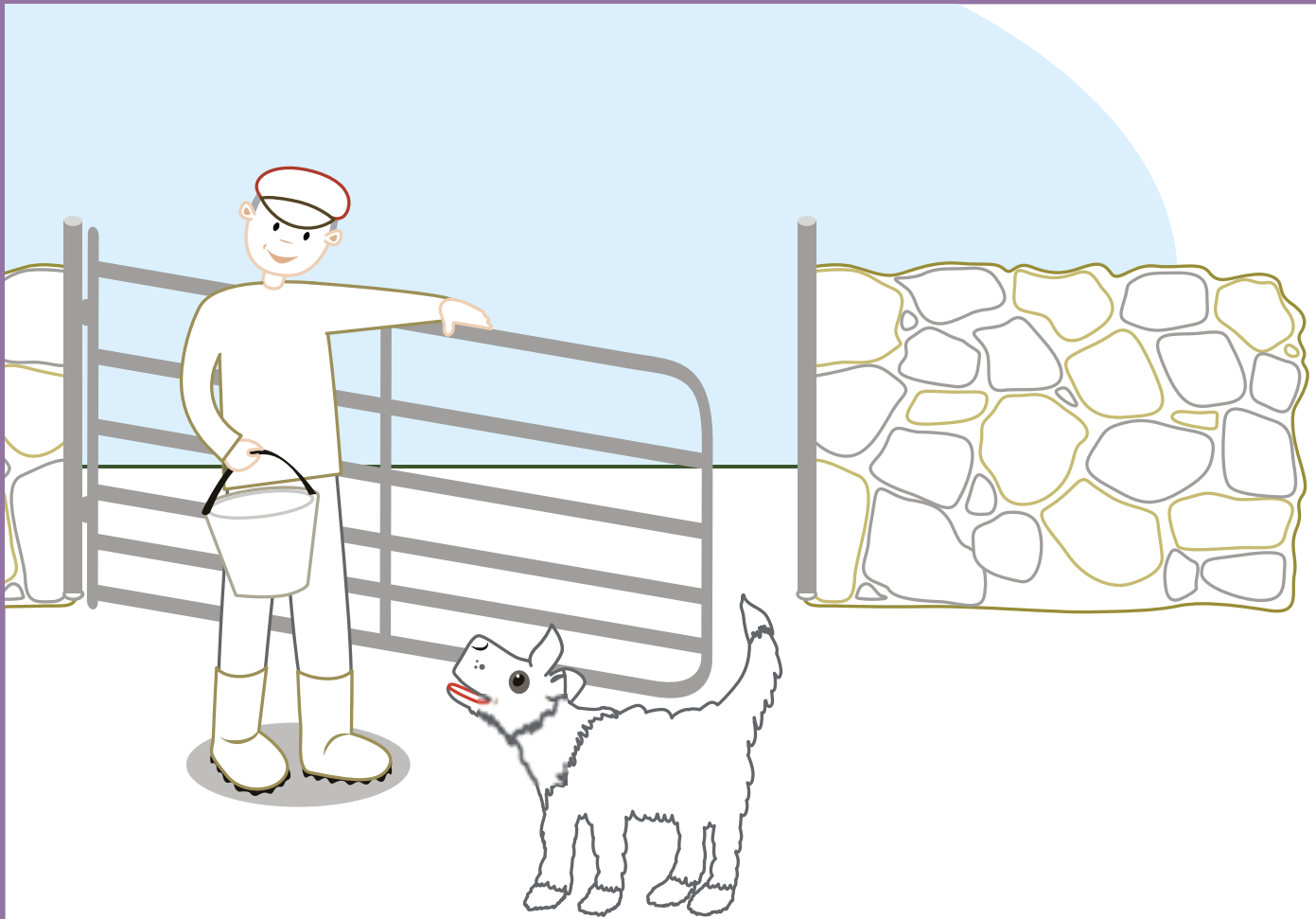
Pray Together

Bless your child, making the *Sign of the Cross* on his/her forehead.



The Good Shepherd

Who is the shepherd looking after? Draw and colour.



Jesus is our Good Shepherd

Jesus cares for you. Write your name.

This week, we help the children to think about how Jesus cares for them like a good shepherd cares for his sheep.

_____,
I am your Good
Shepherd

Chat Together

About the ways in which Jesus cares for us: Jesus teaches us, listens to us and shows us how to be kind. Jesus tries to help us to do the right thing.

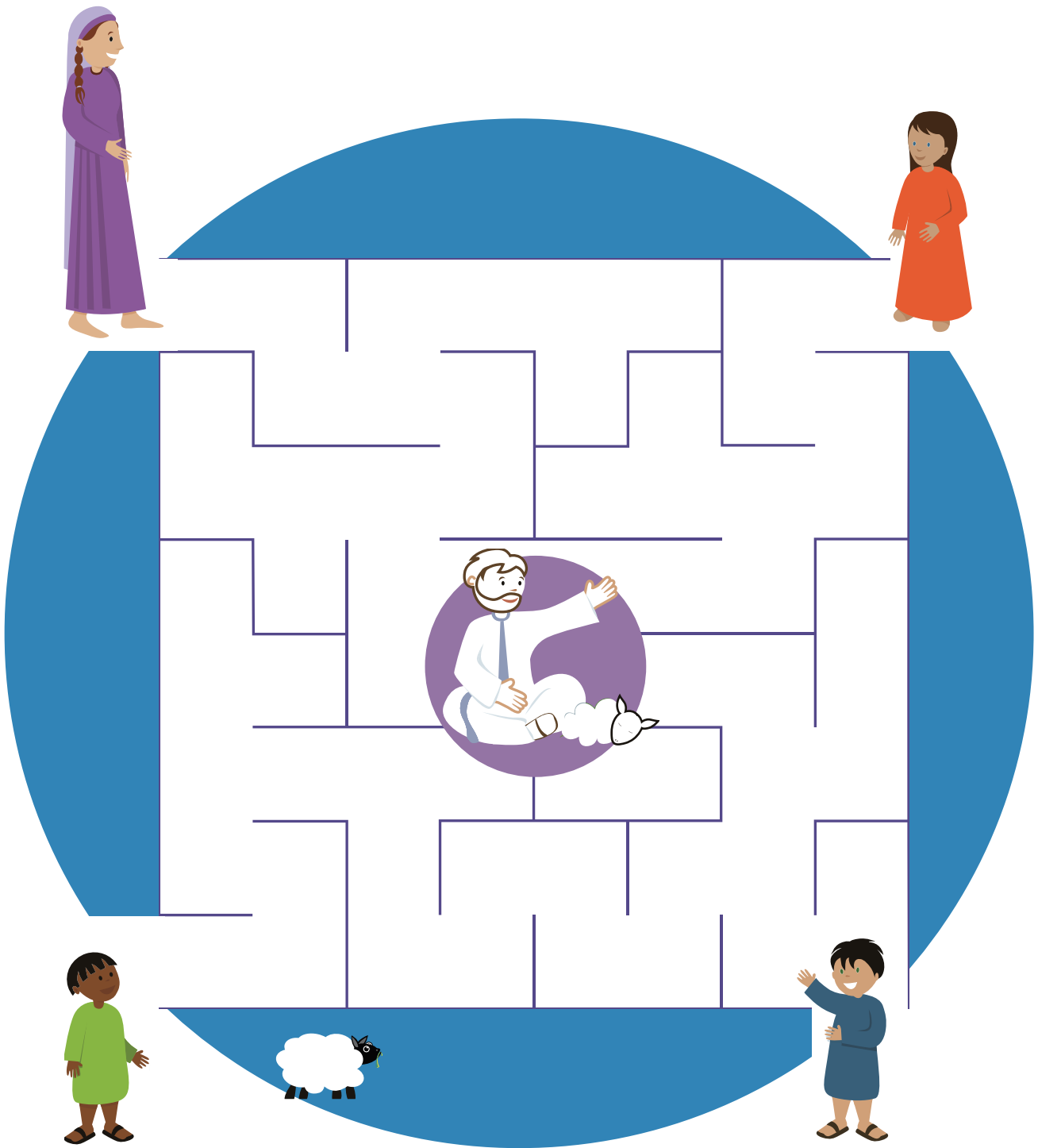
Pray Together

Care for me, Lord, as though you were a shepherd and I, a sheep of your flock.



Jesus taught the people

Help the people find their way to Jesus.



Jesus said ...

Read and write the words.

This week, we teach children the two most important things that Jesus told us God wants us to do: to love God and to love other people.

Jesus said,
Love God with all your heart,
with all your soul,
with all your mind,
and with all your strength.
And love other people as you
love yourself.



Chat Together

About all the ways that your child can show love to the people he/she meets.

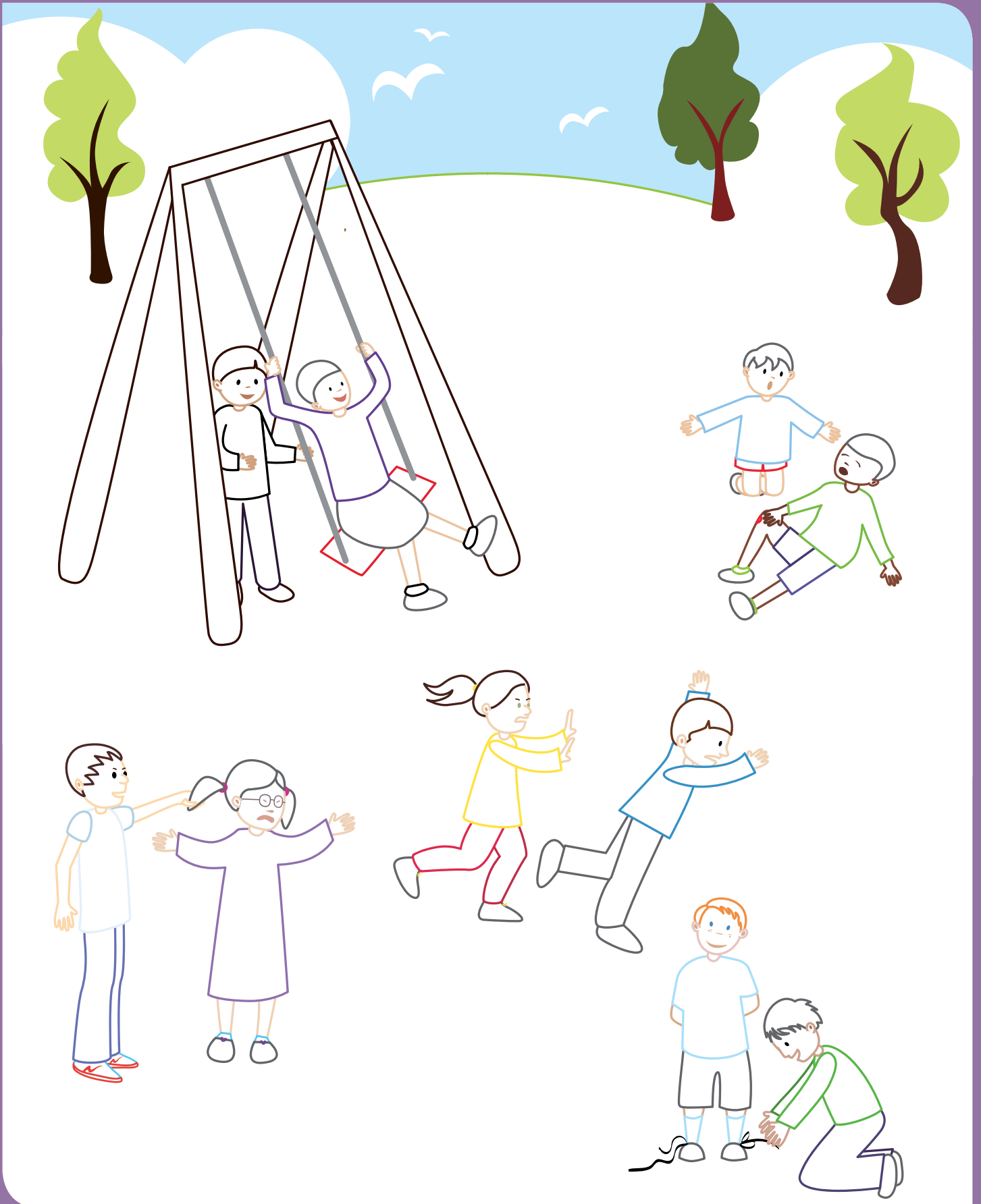
Pray Together

Jesus, our friend,
Help us to love God
and to love others
as you taught us.
Amen.



We can show love

Circle and colour the children who are doing what Jesus teaches.



I can show love

Draw and colour one way that you can do as Jesus teaches.

This week, we help the children to see all the ways that they can live as Jesus taught us to.



Chat Together

About the different ways that the people in your family show love to each other: sharing, being kind, giving hugs, helping to tidy up, helping to set the table ...

Pray Together

Jesus our friend,
Thank you for showing us how to live and how to love.
Bless all those who show love to us.
Help us to show love to others.
Amen.