

July 1, 2001
Early Childhood
Paul's Second Letter Tells of Judgment Day.

2 Thessalonians 1
2TH01EC

Memory Verse:

2 Thessalonians 3:3: But the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect you.

Aim Questions for 2's & 3's:

1. Who wrote a second letter to the Christians in Thessalonica? *(Paul.)*
2. Who is coming on a white horse on Judgment Day to punish those who do not love and obey God? *(Jesus.)*
3. Who is faithful and just and would help the Thessalonians be joyful even when they were being persecuted? *(God, Jesus.)*

Aim Questions for 4's, 5's & K:

1. What is the name of the book of the Bible we learned from today? *(Second Thessalonians. Hold up two fingers.)*
2. What good news did Paul have for the Christians who were being persecuted by people who didn't love and obey Jesus? *(Jesus was coming back to take them to heaven.)*
3. What bad news did Paul have for the people who didn't love Jesus? *(Jesus would punish them for their sins on Judgment Day.)*
4. What did Paul tell the Thessalonians to do while they were waiting for Jesus to return? *(Grow joy, prayer, and thankfulness. Say the memory verse.)*

Key for symbols:


- This box symbol represents ideas that can be used for two-year-olds through kindergarten. Please remember to slow down the pace for two-year-olds and keep the pace moving for five-year-olds.
- ② This symbol represents ideas that are best used for two- and three-year-olds.
- ④ This symbol represents ideas that are best used for four-year-olds through kindergarten.


Hook:


- Letter Writing Center:** Provide envelopes, writing paper, pencils, seals, and stamps. Encourage the children to write a letter, or have the table leader write a letter that is dictated to them by the child. After the letter is written, fold, seal, and stamp it so it can be taken home to be mailed to the person the child had in mind. (Use the large mailbox that was made for the Galatians study.) In today's Bible Adventure, Paul is still concerned about the Christians in Thessalonica and writes them a second letter to comfort them. Paul knew people were being mean and hurtful to the new Christians.
- Good News Letter: (2TH01ECGF1 and 2TH01ECGF3)** Materials needed: GF1 picture of Paul writing the second letter to the Thessalonians, crayons, GF3 smiley face page, envelopes. Today the children will learn about the second letter from Paul to the Thessalonians. Have each child color the picture and write his name on the bottom of the page. Give each child several smiley face stickers to glue on the page, then fold it, and place it inside the envelope to put into the mail box. Request the large mailbox

that was used for the Galatians lessons. We want to listen to the good news from Paul to the Thessalonians in his second letter.

- Teaching the Memory Verse: (2TH01ECGF4)** Show the 2TH01ECGF4 picture of faithfulness that finishes. A person who is faithful finishes what he starts. The child in this picture is faithful to finish the job of feeding the dog every day. If the boy is unfaithful one day and does not feed the dog, what happens? After a few days, a dog will die without food and water. In today's memory verse, we learn that God is faithful to His children every day. He strengthens and protects us. He gives us parents who feed us every day. We can trust God to keep His promise to faithfully take care of us. Give the picture to a child and have him say, "The Lord is faithful." Continue passing the picture to other children and repeat the first part of the verse each time.
- Horse and Army Center:** Bring as many horses and army soldiers as possible for the children to play with, count, and sort. In today's Bible Adventure, Jesus will come on a white horse, and his armies will be on white horses and wearing white robes.
- Many Crowns Center:** Have a child sit very still while another tries to balance as many Burger King crowns as possible on his head. Talk about how hard it is, about the strategy of balancing them, and who would want to wear more than one crown at a time. What is the highest number that can be balanced? In today's Bible Adventure, someone will be coming back to earth wearing many crowns. Who do you think it is?
- "Rapture" Review:** Bring in a small exercise trampoline. Hold both of the child's hands while he takes a turn jumping on the trampoline. "Doesn't it feel good to go up in the air? We can't get very high off the ground, but we can look forward to Jesus taking us up to be in the clouds with Him. Jesus is coming back for those people who love and obey Him. It will feel good to go up in the air to meet him in the clouds. Meeting Jesus in the air is called the 'Rapture.' We don't know when Jesus is coming to get the people who love and obey Him. We are told to wait for Him joyfully and patiently."
- Comfort Corner:** Set up a cozy corner where your children can go to snuggle and play quietly. Put lots of fresh, clean pillows, blankets, and soft stuffed animals in this area. When they are fresh and clean, have the children smell them. Ask questions to help the children tell how the clean, soft things smell and feel. "Soft, fluffy things feel good to us. The clouds look like they would feel good, too. Maybe that is why Jesus says He will return and take us up into the clouds with Him!" Talk about the comfort that soft things bring to us. It comforts us to know that Jesus will take us up to live with Him forever.
- "Getting Ready" White Robes Center:** Bring some old, white pillow cases to make white robes. Cut holes for the head and arms for a child to wear. Tell the children that the Bible tells us that people who live in heaven will be clothed in clean, white robes. The people who will ride on white horses when Jesus comes back on Judgment Day will be wearing white robes. We are pretending to get ready for the rapture by wearing a clean, white "robe," but the way we get ready for the rapture is by asking Jesus to give us clean hearts that are forgiven of dirty sins.
- Paul and Thessalonians Review:** We are going to tell the story of Paul and the Thessalonians together. I will start, and you can fill in as I point to you. Help me remember what Paul has been doing. Paul, Silas, and Timothy visited (Thessalonica) on the second missionary journey. (Hint: It sounds like the name of book of the Bible that we are studying.) Paul preached about believing in (Jesus). Some people were glad to hear about Jesus and some became (angry). Paul had to leave town. He wanted the Thessalonians to stay strong in their faith in Jesus, so later he wrote them a (letter). He wrote that he was happy that they were following (Jesus) because they have a hope of a better life in (heaven). Someday people will hear a shout and the sound of a (trumpet), and those who love Jesus will meet Him in the (air). This is called the (rapture). Then we will live with Jesus in heaven (forever). Until Jesus returns, He wants us to be (joyful), (pray), and (give thanks). Paul said to imitate (Jesus) until he returns. Don't be lazy, but work (hard).
- Rhythm Review:** Simplify the statements above and clap the rhythm of the words with your hands, with rhythm sticks, or by slapping the sides of your thighs.

 **First Thessalonians Coloring Review:** Select pictures from the First Thessalonians lessons for children to color, discuss, and glue on fabric or construction paper. Tape these pictures on the wall. Notice the frog in all pictures. His expression depicts what is going on in the lesson. Ask the children what the frog thinks about what is happening.

 **Missionary Obstacle Game:** Missionaries like Paul run into a lot of obstacles. Some people believe in Jesus, and some don't. Some people hurt Christians who are being faithful to Jesus. Sometimes it is raining and wet, or they have to cross a creek or river. Set up an obstacle course with chairs in two rows to walk between, a rope "creek" to cross over, a pillow mountain to climb over, and a table to go under. Paul took someone with him on his missionary journeys. It was good to work together. Divide the children into pairs, asking them to hold hands while going through the obstacle course. If they drop hands for some reason, they have to return to the beginning. It doesn't matter who finishes first because everyone who finishes is a winning missionary. "In today's lesson, you will learn about another obstacle in Paul's journey. He found out that some of the people in Thessalonica were hurting the people who believed in Jesus. This is what we call persecution. They were being hurt for doing something right."


 **Video or Digital Camera:** Bring a video camera and take a picture of the children playing. Show them in the camera what you have taken, if your camera allows. Discuss with the children that God sees them all the time. He knows everything about each person. He knows if you hit your little brother or sister and then tell your Mom or Dad that you didn't do it. I only know what you are doing while you are with me, but God knows what you did when you went to bed last night, when you got up this morning, and when you were driving to church. This video doesn't see everything about you, but God does. He knows and sees everything. God is always fair and right. God knows if you have asked Jesus into your life. Today we will learn what God is going to do with people who love Him and people who don't.

④ **Picture Match Memory Game: (2TH01ECGF5)** Provide pairs of pictures of children hurting each other. Place them face down on the table and turn one over. Try to find a matching one and be a winner. If you don't match, turn them over and let someone else have a turn. Talk about the fact that hurting people is persecuting them. Encourage children to share about persecuting situations they have seen or experienced. Paul has something to say to the persecutors in Thessalonica today in the Bible Adventure.



Book:

Presentation Ideas -

 Show the **2TH01ECGF1**, **2TH01ECGF2** and other review pictures designated in the Bible Adventure. Keep the pictures for review in future lessons.

Bible Adventure for 2's & 3's-

(Show the 2TH01ECGF1 picture.) Paul had finished his first letter to the Christians in Thessalonica. But Paul was still getting news that his friends in Thessalonica were being treated mean and being hurt. Paul wrote a second letter to the Thessalonians to help comfort them while they were suffering for Christ. Paul's second letter is also in our Bibles and is called Second Thessalonians. *(Point to the number "2" and hold up two fingers.)*

(Show the review 1TH01ECGF5 picture.) The same people who had been trying to hurt Paul when he was in Thessalonica were still trying to hurt the Christians who were being faithful to Jesus. Every day was a struggle. Christians and their families were being hurt by these angry men. Dads and moms were afraid. Life was hard for Christians in Thessalonica. They were being persecuted. Persecution means hurting someone. Angry men were persecuting the Christians in Thessalonica.

(Show the 2TH01ECGF2 picture.) Paul wrote in his second letter that there would be a Judgment Day. When Judgment Day comes, Jesus will come back to punish all of the people who don't want to obey Him and who hurt the Christians who do want to obey Jesus. Jesus will be riding on a white horse, and the armies who are with Him will be riding white horses and wearing white robes.

Paul wrote, "God is just; He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you" (1:6). Those who don't love Jesus will be very sorry when they see Jesus coming back on Judgment Day. They will be sorry because

they will still have all their sins that need punishing. Judgment Day is when Jesus punishes the people who persecute others. People who love Jesus will not be punished.

Paul told the Thessalonians they needed to be ready to suffer persecution. They were not to be discouraged by those hurting them. When Jesus came back, He would punish the persecutors on Judgment Day. God is just and faithful. He would be faithful to take care of the Thessalonians while they were waiting for Jesus' return. God would help them be joyful and thankful even when mean people were persecuting them.

(If you learned the Theme Song for First Thessalonians, sing it; then add the Theme Song for Second Thessalonians--same tune, second verse. Have the children hold up one finger as they sing First Thessalonians and two fingers as they sing Second Thessalonians.)

Prayer: Dear God, thank You for telling us about how You will come back to punish those who hurt Christians. Help us learn to wait joyfully until Jesus returns. In Jesus' name, amen.

Bible Adventure for 4's, 5's & K-

(Show the 2TH01ECGF1 picture.) We have been learning about Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians. Now we will learn about a second letter Paul wrote to the Thessalonians. *(If you learned the Theme Song for First Thessalonians, sing it; then add the Theme Song for Second Thessalonians—same tune, second verse. Have the children hold up one finger as they sing First Thessalonians and two fingers as they sing Second Thessalonians.)*

(Show the review 1TH02ECGF5 picture.) Paul encouraged the Thessalonians when he told them that they would go up to meet Jesus in the air and live in heaven with Him. They were glad to hear the good news about the rapture. Paul told the Thessalonians to be joyful while they waited for Jesus, but life was not easy for the Christians in Thessalonica.

(Show the review 1TH01ECGF5 picture.) The same people who had been trying to hurt Paul when he was in Thessalonica were still trying to hurt the Christians who were being faithful to Jesus there. Every day was a struggle; Christians were getting hurt by these angry men. Dads and moms were afraid that their families would be hurt. Life was hard for Christians in Thessalonica. *(Have the children raise a fist and chant with furrowed brows, "Per-se-cu-tion! Per-se-cu-tion!")* Angry people were persecuting the Christians. Persecution means hurting someone. If you are hurting someone, it means you are persecuting them. Angry men were persecuting Christians in Thessalonica.

The Thessalonian Christians started thinking about their lives. They might have said to each other, "We didn't know it would be this hard to be a Christian. Something is wrong here. There is too much persecution. Maybe we missed the rapture. Maybe Jesus has already come for His people and we missed the trumpet and the loud command. Maybe this is Judgment Day." Judgment Day is when Jesus will punish the people who disobey His Word and the persecutors who hurt Christians.

Paul heard about the Thessalonians' questions and wrote them this second letter that we have in our Bibles. Paul said, "Judgment Day is not here yet. Don't be afraid. This persecution you are having is not because you missed Jesus when He came for His people. The rapture has not yet come. Before Judgment Day comes, the Christians must go up to meet Jesus in the air. The rapture comes before Judgment Day. Since we are all still here, it can't be Judgment Day yet."

(Show the 2TH01ECGF2 picture.) Paul said, "When the rapture comes, we who love Jesus will go up to meet Him in the air. There will be no punishment for our sins because Jesus took our punishment when He died on the cross. But when Judgment Day comes, Jesus will come back to punish all of the people who don't want to obey Him and who hurt the Christians who do want to obey Jesus. When Jesus comes back for judgment, everyone will see Him coming from heaven. Jesus will be riding on a white horse, and the armies who are with Him will be riding white horses and wearing white robes." It will be a beautiful sight, and those who went up in the rapture will come back with Jesus and His angels. We will be glad to be with Jesus.

Those who don't love Jesus will be very sorry when they see Jesus coming back on Judgment Day. They will be sorry because they will still have all their sins that need punishing. Judgment Day is when Jesus punishes the people who persecute others.

Paul wrote, "I know that Jesus has made you ready for heaven, and you are glad that you will not need to be punished on Judgment Day. But, now you need to be ready to suffer persecution for awhile as you wait for the rapture. Don't get discouraged by the persecutors who are hurting you. When Jesus comes back, He will punish them on Judgment Day."

Paul said, "God is faithful to take care of you while you wait. He will help you be joyful and thankful even when people are persecuting you. God is faithful to strengthen and protect you. He will help you be faithful to wait patiently."


Prayer: Dear God, thank You for telling us about how You will come back for those who love Jesus and how You will punish those who don't. Help us learn to wait patiently and joyfully until Jesus returns. In Jesus' name, amen.





Look:

- Aim Questions:** As a child is called up to answer the Aim Question, have him first give an example of how he thought the Thessalonian Christians might have been persecuted (being hurt and treated meanly). He would then answer the Aim Question given by the teacher. Some ideas that might be presented are: hitting someone, not sharing with others, getting angry, saying bad words, not helping. These actions would hurt the Christians in Thessalonica and also hurt people today when we act in the same ways.


- Snack Idea:** Serve only white treats today. What was white in today's Bible Adventure? (Jesus' horse, army's horses, and robes.) White ideas could include: marshmallows, peeled apples, bananas, pears, milk, bread, angel food cake.
- White Rocking Horse: (2TH01ECGF6)** Materials needed: Two GF6 rocking horses per child copied on white card stock, one-third toilet tissue tube, blue crayons to color eyes or wiggle eyes (optional), white yarn for tail and mane, and scotch tape to hold the toilet tube between the two horses. Fold the GF6 horse at the crease on the top. Allow the children to color or glue wiggle eyes on the horse. Glue the white yarn on the horse for the tail. Take the cut tissue roll and tape it in between the rocking horses to make the rocker of the horse. Talk about how Jesus will come back on Judgment Day, riding on a white horse. Sing songs as the children "fly" their horses down from the sky.
- Puzzle Picture: (2TH01ECGF2)** Use picture 2TH01ECGF2 to make a puzzle. Color and cut it apart while discussing Judgment Day. Provide an envelope (or paper folded in half and edges taped) for the children to take their puzzles home. Let them decorate the envelopes with stickers.
- Verse Necklace: (2TH01ECGF7)** Copy the GF7 on card stock paper. Provide for each child a piece of yarn (with ends dipped in melted paraffin or taped) and either macaroni, paper shapes, or pieces of straws for stringing. Each will receive the GF7 verse shield to lace on in the middle of the necklace.
- Game: "A-Tisket, A-Tasket" (or Getting Paul's Mail Out):** Form a circle with the children facing in. One child is chosen to be "Paul" and stands outside the circle holding a letter for the Thessalonians. The class will sing the following chorus while "Paul" skips around the outside of the circle. Sometime during the words "I dropped it," "Paul" drops the letter behind the child at that point in the circle. The new child picks up the letter and runs around the circle behind "Paul" to tag him before he gets to the open spot in the circle. After the race, the new child then becomes "Paul."
Chorus:
A tisket, a tasket, a green and yellow basket,
I wrote a letter to my friends and on the way I dropped it.
I dropped it, I dropped it, and on the way I dropped it.
A little boy (girl) picked it up and put it in his (her) pocket.
- Imitating Paul Game:** To the tune of "The Bear Went Over the Mountain," sing the following:
Paul wa-as a Christian. Paul wa-as a Christian. Paul wa-as a Christian. Let's imitate him like this. (Walk and row as if traveling, write a letter, shake hands and share a hug, sew on a tent, open a Bible and share your faith, dance around happily to receive the Gospel, point finger as if giving instructions, stomp your feet and act angry like the Jews who heard his message about Jesus, point up to God, blow a horn, point up, then to others and up again as if going up to meet Jesus at the rapture, smile and fold hands to pray to show what we are to do until His return, share with someone how we imitate Jesus until His return, point to a Bible and cup your hands behind your ears, pretend to be cleaning up the room and working hard until Jesus comes.) Stop after each action and discuss how you are imitating Paul. Begin again by singing "Paul was a Christian".

 **Rapture, Judgment Peep Box: (review 2TH01ECGF2 and 1TH03ECGF1 pictures)** Use two shoe boxes, making one for the rapture and one for judgment. In each box, cut a peep hole in one end and a small section out of the top to let light in near the other end. At that end on the inside of the box, glue a colored picture of the rapture with Jesus in the air. In the other box, put the picture of Jesus on a white horse. Let children take turns looking into the box; ask them what they see.


 **Judgment Day Ball Toss Game:** Ask children to stand in a circle and pass the ball from one to another until they hear you say, "Judgment Day." At that time, the child is to toss it in the air. The one to catch it starts it moving around the circle again. Jesus in heaven sees all, and one day, He will come down from heaven to judge.


 **Action Marching Song:**
Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children.
Jesus will return (point in air); Jesus will judge (pound fist).
Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children.
Jesus will return as judge (pound fist).

 **Verse Review:** While showing pictures of different places children might be, say the verse together.


 **Singing Circle Game:** To the tune of "Ring Around the Rosie," sing the following:
Persecuting Christians. Hurting Christians.
Judgment Day. Judgment Day.
They all fell down.
(Do we fall down? Do we want to persecute Christians or people who believe in Jesus? No! We don't fall down. We want to be believe in Jesus and live in heaven with Him. We get to jump up and down with joy at Judgment Day! Let's do it again and see if we trick anyone this time?!
Second verse could be as follows:
Go-od is ju-ust. Go-od is ju-ust.
Judgment Day. Judgment Day.
Believers rejoice!

Songs:

 **Second Thessalonians Theme Song** (*tune: "O-B-E-Y"*)
The theme for Second Thess-a-lo-ni-ans
Is cor-rec-tion a-and co-om-fort.
Correction for the things that some were teaching that were wrong
And comfort when the hard times last so long.

 **Second Thessalonians 3:3, Memory Verse Song** (*tune: "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot"*)
But the Lord is fai-aithfu-ul,
Who will strengthen and protect you.
But the Lord is fai-aithfu-ul,
Who will strengthen and protect you.

Second Thes-sa-lo-nians,
Chapter three, ve-erse three.
Second Thes-sa-lo-nians,
Be faithful like our Lord.

 **Do Lord**
I've got a home in glory land that (clap) outshines the sun, (Oh, Lordy,)
I've got a home in glory land that (clap) outshines the sun.
I've got a home in glory land that (clap) outshines the sun,
Look away beyond the blue.
(Chorus)
Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me, (Oh, Lordy,)

Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me.
Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Look away beyond the blue.

I took Jesus as my Savior, (clap), you take Him, too. (Oh Lordy),
I took Jesus as my Savior, (clap), you take Him, too.
I took Jesus as my Savior, (clap) you take Him, too,
Look away beyond the blue.
(Chorus)



Took:

Leaders Skit: Convince four leaders to sit on four chairs--two in front of two as if sitting in a car. The two in the front chairs are the parents. The two in the back chairs are children. The two in the front can be driving and looking at the scenery while the two in the back are bored. One child starts picking on the other who tries to stay peaceful. It gets louder and then involves the parents. End the dialogue with the Dad saying that he would punish the offensive sibling when he got home. (Time of judgment.) How will this make the wronged (persecuted) sibling feel? (Comforted.) What can the offending sibling say about his actions? (Apologize.) This skit demonstrates that God does hear His people who are persecuted. Just as dads have to punish us sometimes, God will punish those who don't love Him and don't obey Him. That day will be called Judgment Day.

Paul's Second Journey to Thessalonica: (2TH01ECGF8 and 2TH01ECGF9) Materials needed: GF8 activity page with footprints to Thessalonica, GF9 figure of Paul, glue sticks or tape, and popsicle sticks. Help the children glue or tape the figure of Paul on to the popsicle stick. While the children remember how Paul traveled to Thessalonica, they can pretend to take him down the footprint trail to the town of Thessalonica.

Memory Verse Review Page: (2TH01ECGF10) Materials needed: one GF10 picture per child. In today's Bible Adventure, the children learned how the church of Thessalonica went through much persecution for their faith in Jesus. Paul told them that God would give them strength, guidance, and protection. We should also pray for these same things in our lives. Sing the memory verse song as the children color their pictures and talk about them.

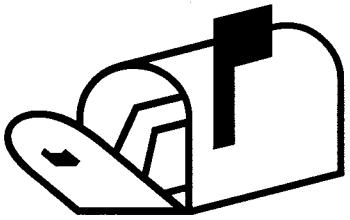
Preschool Page for Parents: (2TH01ECPPP) Send a page home with each child, encouraging parents to reinforce the Bible truths at home. Spend a few minutes before the children go home creatively reviewing the song and memory verse.



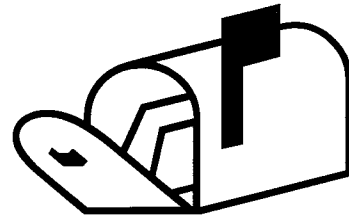
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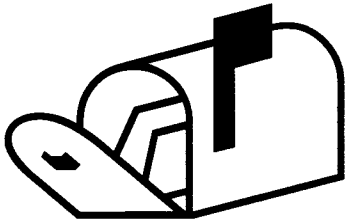
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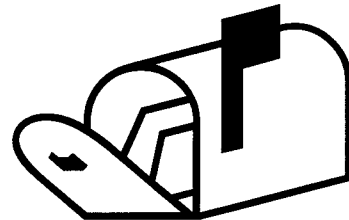
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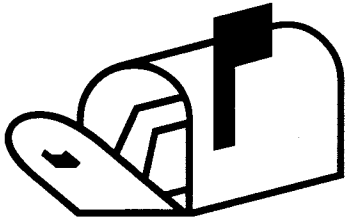
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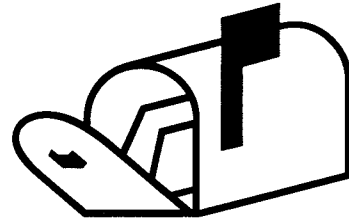
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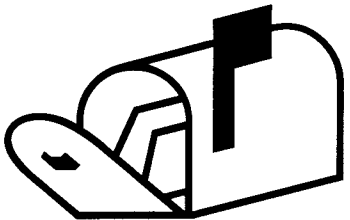
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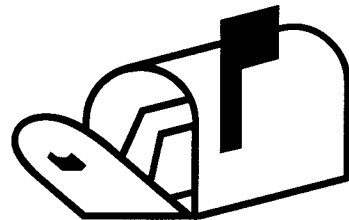
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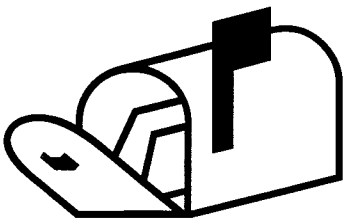
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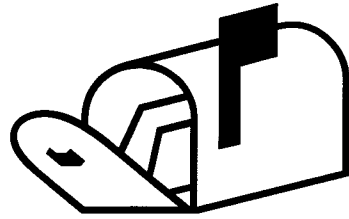
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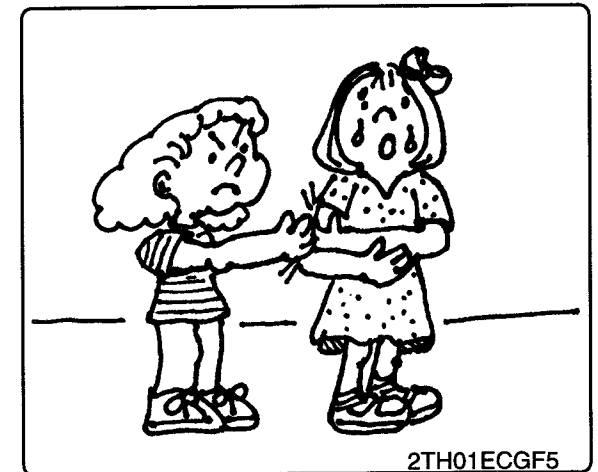
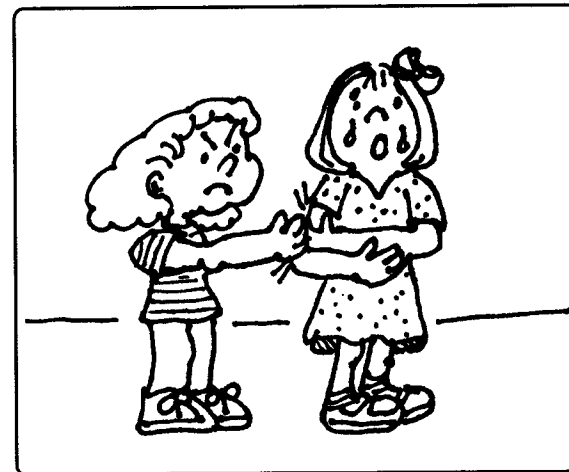
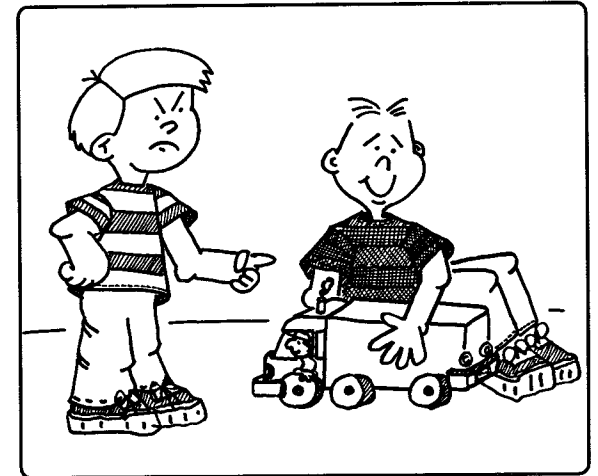
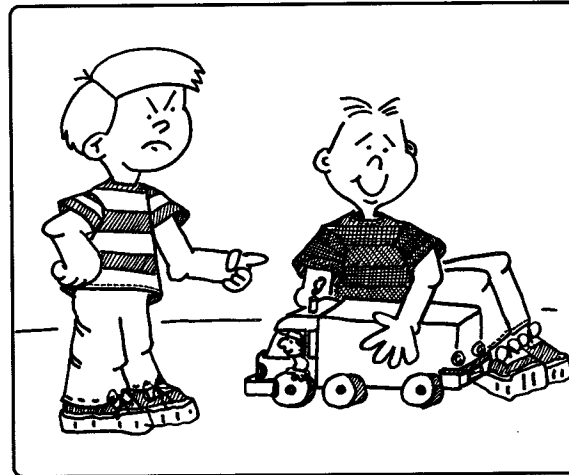
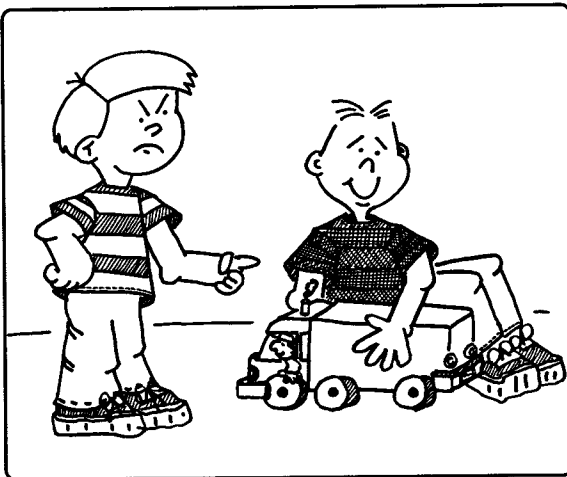
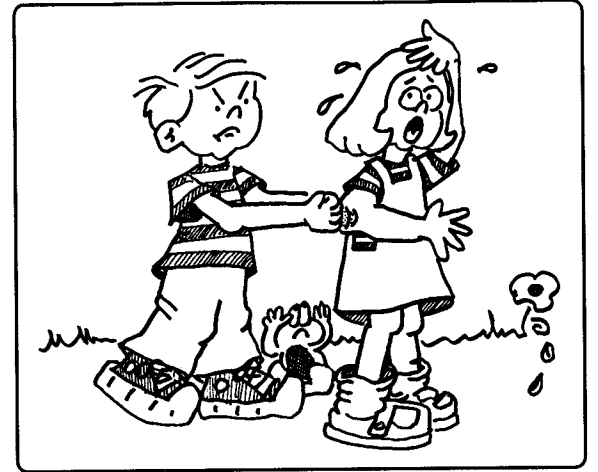
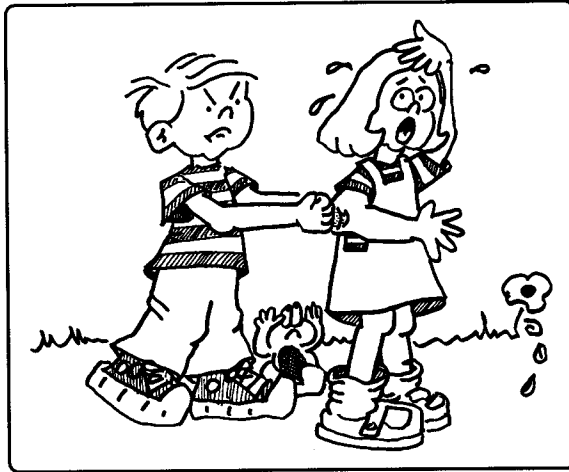
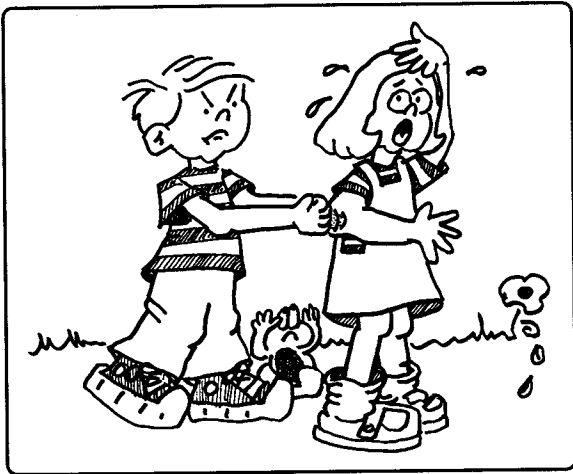


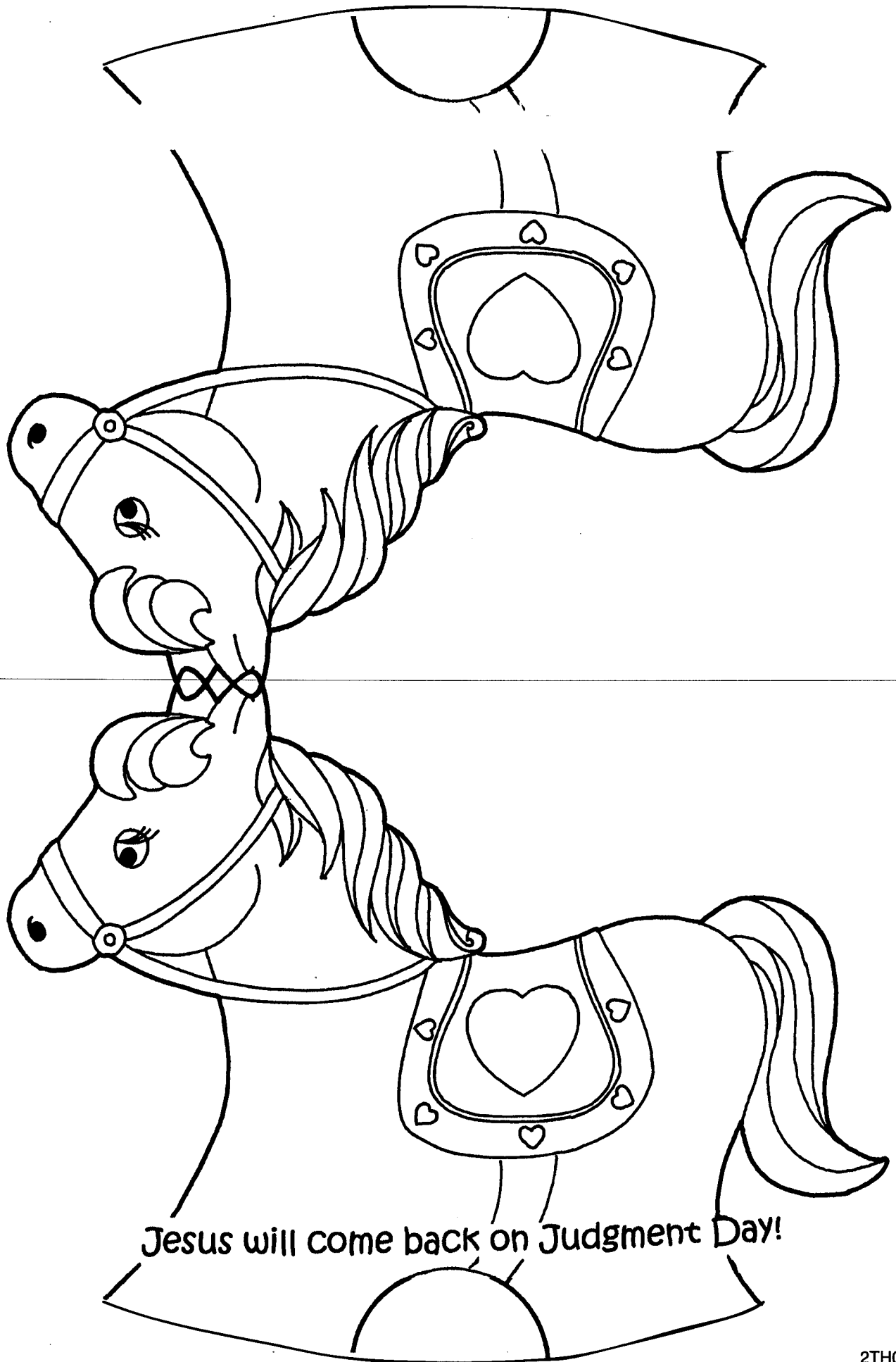
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**Faithfulness
finishes.**



The fruit of the Spirit is faithfulness. Galatians 5:22





Jesus will come back on Judgment Day!

Verse Necklace





God has promised these things in the lives of His children:

Protection



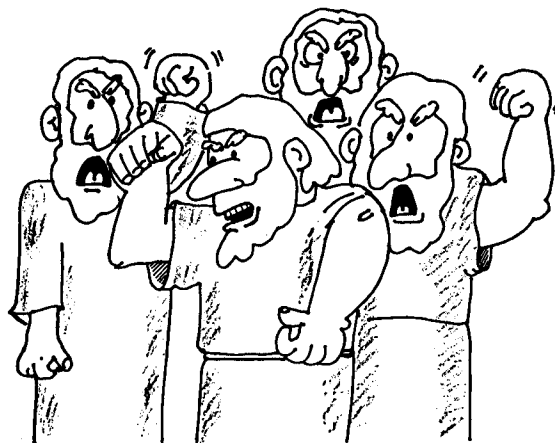
Strength



Guidance



Persecution





This is what I learned today!

Today we learned that Paul wrote a second letter to the Christians in Thessalonica. The Christians were being persecuted or hurt by some angry men. Paul told the Thessalonians that life was not going to be easy for them, but they were to be joyful while they waited for Jesus to return. They were glad to know the good news about the rapture and going to live with Jesus in heaven. Paul also told them Jesus would come back to punish those people who persecuted them. This is called Judgment Day. Jesus will come from heaven riding a white horse with armies riding white horses and wearing white robes. Those who don't want to obey Jesus or who hurt Christians will be punished. Those who love Jesus will not be punished because Jesus took their punishment when He died on the cross.

Today's Memory Verse

**But the Lord is faithful, and He will
strengthen and protect you.
2 Thessalonians 3:3**

Jesus the Judge



It tells us in Revelation 19:11-16 that Jesus will come back to judge the people whose sins have not been forgiven. Let's pretend to ride on white horses like the armies following Jesus as we sing the following words to the tune "She'll Be Comin' Round the Mountain."

He'll be comin' down from heaven, yes, He will. (Repeat.)
He'll be comin' down from heaven;
He'll be comin' down from heaven;
He'll be comin' down from heaven, yes, He will.

(Verse two)

He'll be riding on a white horse, yes, He will.

(Verse three)

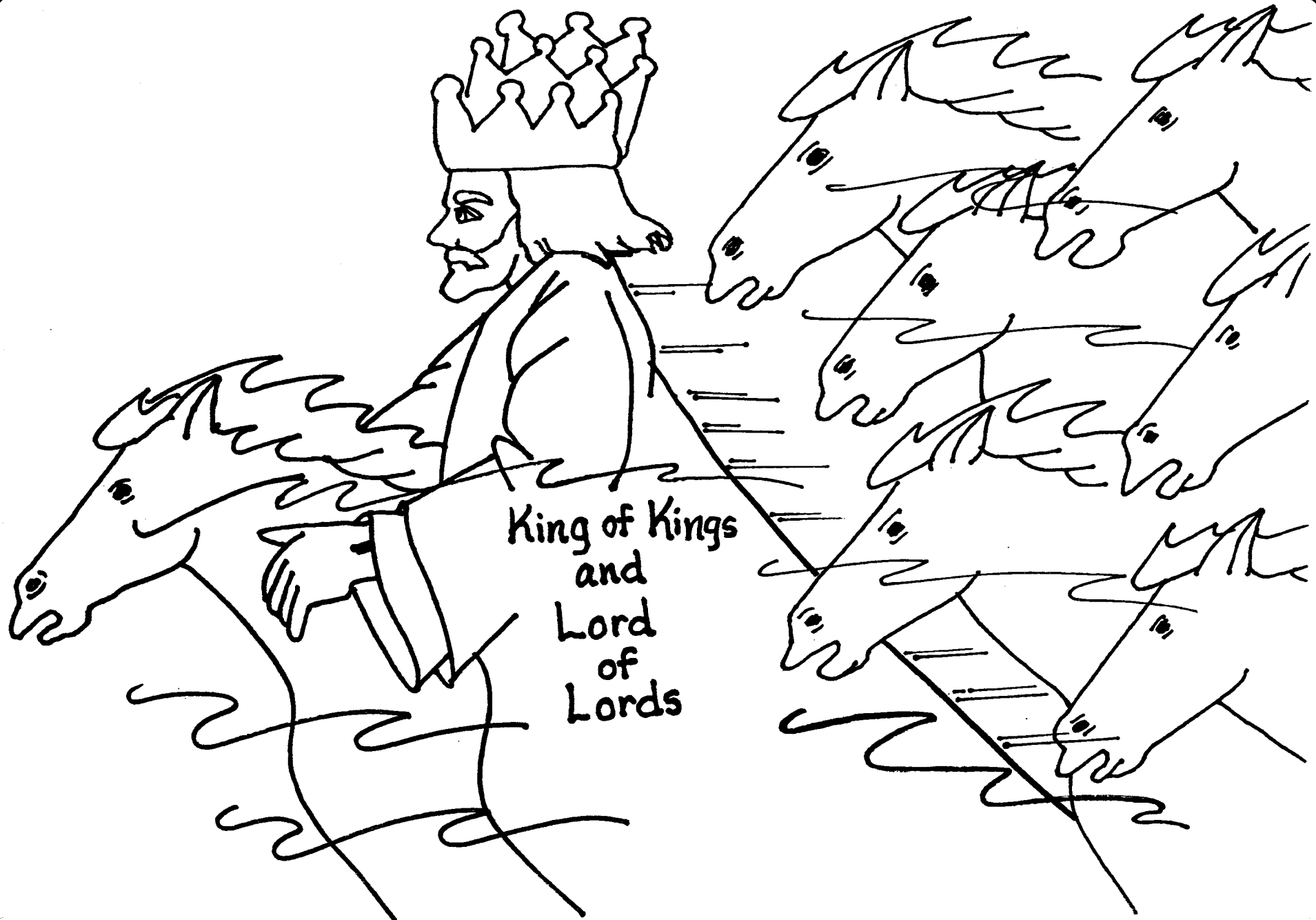
He will come to judge the sinners, yes, He will.

2 Thessalonians 3:3, Memory Verse Song (tune: "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot")

But the Lord is fai-aithfu-ul,
Who will strengthen and protect you.
But the Lord is fai-aithfu-ul,
Who will strengthen and protect you.

Second Thes-sa-lo-nians,
Chapter three, ve-erse three.
Second Thes-sa-lo-nians,
Be faithful like our Lord.

* For tunes to songs, ask about the preschool tape.



Jesus will come back to punish the people who would not love and obey Him.