

ISAIAH

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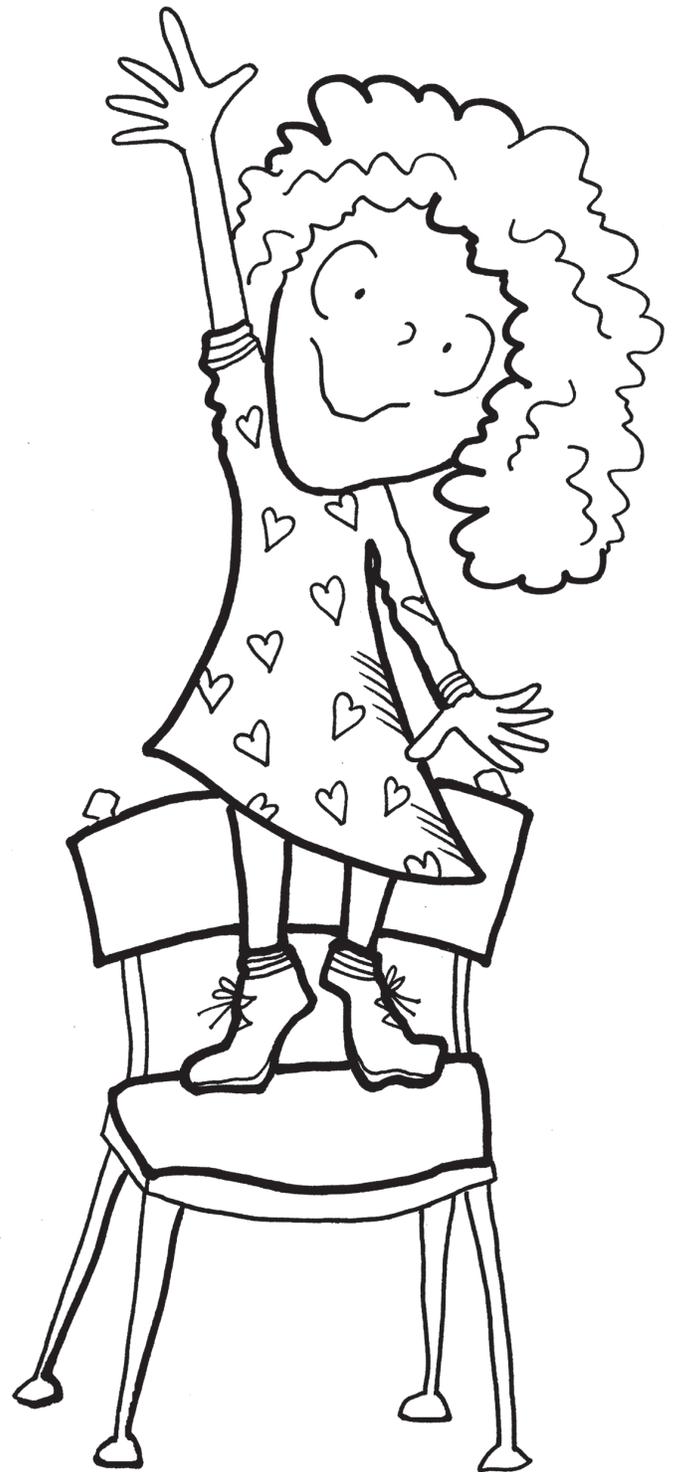
Isaiah has a vision of God on a throne, surrounded by angels with many wings. The angels call out to each other about God's holiness, and the temple shakes. Isaiah immediately feels ashamed, even doomed, because he's contaminated by sin while looking at this majestic God. But one of the angels takes a hot coal from the altar and touches it to Isaiah's mouth, telling Isaiah that his sins are wiped out. Then Isaiah hears the voice of God asking, "Whom shall I send?" Isaiah answers, "Send me."

TALK ABOUT THIS:

Is there anything miraculous, or mystical, happening in the world today? Is God still speaking? Is God still calling us? How? Could the nudges or impulses in our lives that compel us to pick up the phone to call someone out of the blue, or compel us to stop and help someone in need, actually be the voice of God? How can we know?

Why does Isaiah feel unfit to answer God's call in this story? Do you ever feel too unfit, uninformed or unworthy to serve? Why? Or do you ever feel like the need in the world is just too overwhelming, and it's easier to just sit on the sidelines? How does this story speak into those concerns?

Does God really work through you, and through all of us together? What kind of courage would it take to push aside all of your excuses the next time you feel God's nudge, and say, "Send me"?



RELATIONSHIP

Have you ever felt an internal "nudge" or an impulse to call someone, or to reach out to a stranger? What did you do? What happened next?



WONDER

Where do you think nudges or impulses like that come from? How can you be sure?



RESURRECTION

What would change if you said "yes" to every impulse of compassion that crosses your mind? What could change if we all collectively start saying "yes" to every impulse of compassion?

FAITH⁵

A BEDTIME ROUTINE FOR FAMILIES

SHARE your highs and lows from the day.

READ the Bible story.

TALK about how the story relates to your highs and lows.

PRAY for one another's highs and lows.

BLESS one another.

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