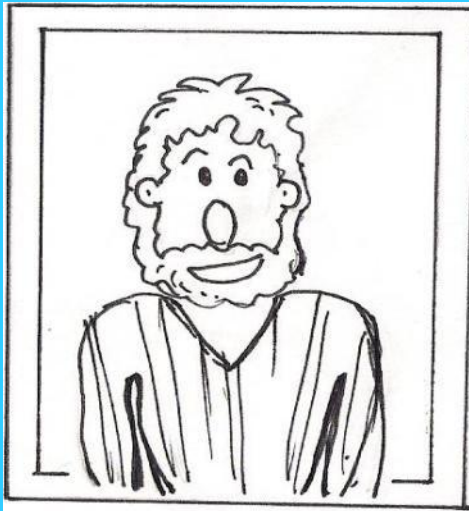


Turning to God

## Jonah Old Testament



**Memory Verse: John 3:16**

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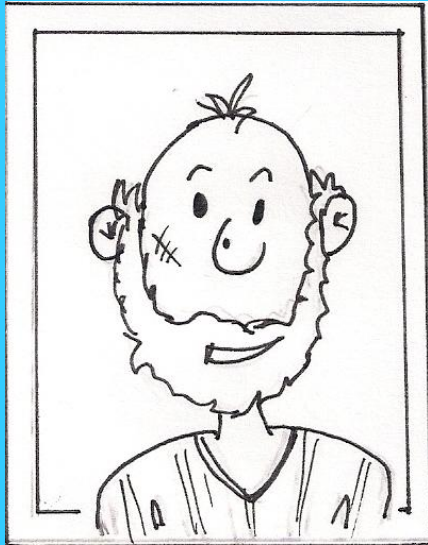
- Ran away from God
- Got into trouble running away!
- Got swallowed by a big fish!
- Prayed and praised God Whilst in the big fish
- Obeyed God once spat out of the big fish

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Turning to God

## Paul New Testament



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Turning to God

## Paul New Testament

- Was born a Jew named Saul
- Persecuted/locked up Christians
- Personally met Jesus on his way to Damascus
- Became a Christian/follower of Jesus
- Renamed Paul
- Was a great preacher
- Shaped the history of Christianity!
- A tentmaker
- Had a strong personality but always did what God wanted

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When We See God!

## Jacob Old Testament



Memory Verse: Hebrews 12:2

We must keep our eyes fixed on Jesus,  
who leads us and makes our faith complete.

When We See God!

## Jacob Old Testament

- "Jacob" = "dishonest"
- Liked to stay at home to cook
- Tricked his father Isaac into giving him his brother's blessing
- Married Leah and Rachel, working 14 years to marry Rachel!
- Had 12 sons
- Wrestled with God, meeting Him face to face and was changed.

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## Zacchaeus New Testament



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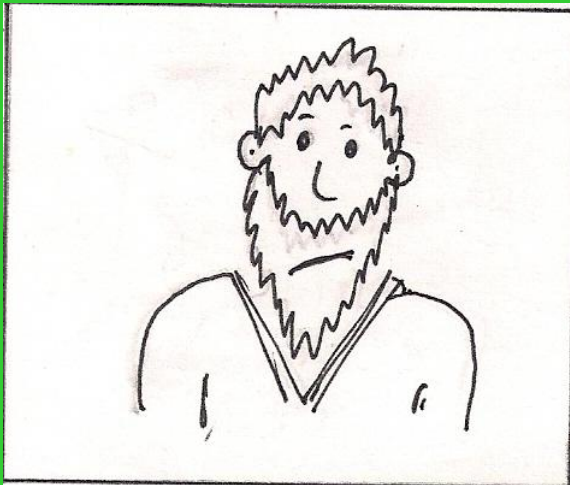
- A cheating tax collector
- Stole money from people
- Very short!
- Climbed a tree, desperate to see Jesus
- Saw Jesus and instantly changed!

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Come, follow me!

## Moses Old Testament



Memory Verse: John 14:6  
"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me."

Come, follow me!

## Moses Old Testament

- Was an Israelite but grew up as an Egyptian because Pharaoh's daughter found him in the bulrushes
- Married Zipporah
- Was a great Jewish leader
- Met God face to face
- Disobeyed God and did not enter the promised land
- Brought the people the 10 commandments from God.
- Had his ups and downs!

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Come, follow me!

## Peter New Testament



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## Peter New Testament

- Called 'Simon' = Reed
- Jesus named him Peter = Rock
- The recognised leader among Jesus' disciples
- Was first to recognise that Jesus was God
- The first to preach the gospel during and after Pentecost
- Enthusiastic, Impulsive, Bold
- Fisherman
- Had his ups and downs!

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Grace Sets Us Free!

### Simeon Old Testament



Memory Verse: John 8:31-32  
We shall know the truth and  
the truth will set us free.

Grace Sets Us Free!

### Simeon Old Testament

- Jacob and Leah's son
- Simeon = one who hears
- Represents the law
- Held prisoner
- Set free by grace

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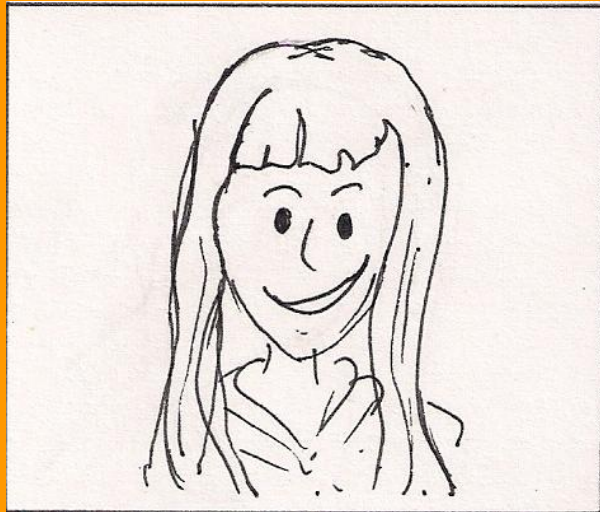
## Simeon New Testament

- Lived in Jerusalem
- Righteous and devout
- Filled with the Holy Spirit
- Eagerly waiting for the promised Messiah
- Promised he would see the Messiah before he dies
- Simeon (law) could die because Jesus (grace) had come

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Secure in Christ!

## Esther Old Testament



Memory Verse: Matthew 28:20  
"Be sure of this: I am with you  
always, even to the end of the age."

Secure in Christ!

## Esther Old Testament

- Very Beautiful
- Chosen to be King Xerxes' Queen
- Patient
- Prayed and fasted before her mission to save God's people
- Risked her life to save God's people
- Brave and courageous!

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"Be sure of this: I am with you  
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Secure in Christ!

## Anna New Testament



Memory Verse: Matthew 28:20  
"Be sure of this: I am with you  
always, even to the end of the age."

Secure in Christ!

## Anna New Testament

- Very old lady
- A prophet (messenger from God)
- Very close to God
- Worshipped and praised God night and day
- Eagerly waiting for the promised Messiah
- Patient
- Prayed and fasted
- Told everyone that Jesus was the promised Messiah!

Memory Verse: Matthew 28:20  
"Be sure of this: I am with you  
always, even to the end of the age."

## God Uses All People

### Gideon Old Testament



Memory Verse: Ephesians 1:11  
For He chose us... and he makes everything work out according to His plan.

## God Uses All People

### Gideon Old Testament

- Farmer, mighty warrior and judge
- Youngest in his family
- His family was the weakest in the tribe
- God called him 'Mighty Warrior'
- Defeated the Midianites
- Was nervous that he would not be able to be used by God
- He was faithful in the jobs he was given

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God Uses All People

## Lydia New Testament



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God Uses All People

## Lydia New Testament

- Dealer in Purple Cloth (Probably very popular and rich)
- From Philippi
- Met with other women by the riverbank
- Listened very carefully to Paul to understand what God was saying to her through Paul
- Baptised after listening to Paul
- Invited Paul and his friends to her home for tea

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