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GOD TESTS  
ABRAHAM'S  
LOVE



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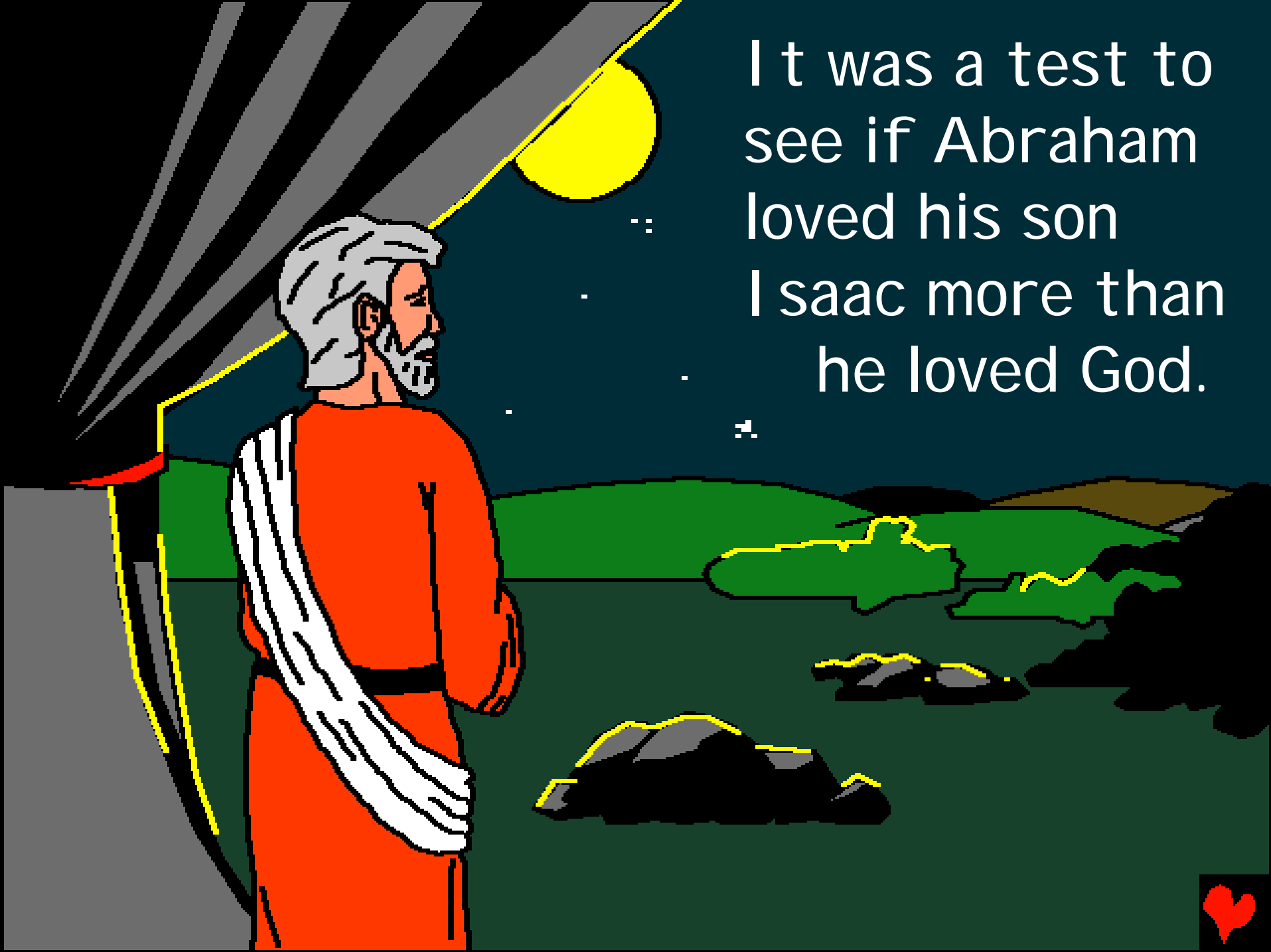
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One night God gave Abraham a strange command.



It was a test to  
see if Abraham  
loved his son  
Isaac more than  
he loved God.



"Take your son Isaac,  
and offer him as a  
burnt offering,"  
God commanded.



Offer Isaac? Sacrifice  
his son? That was hard  
for Abraham.  
He loved his son  
very much.



But Abraham had learned to trust God even when he did not understand.

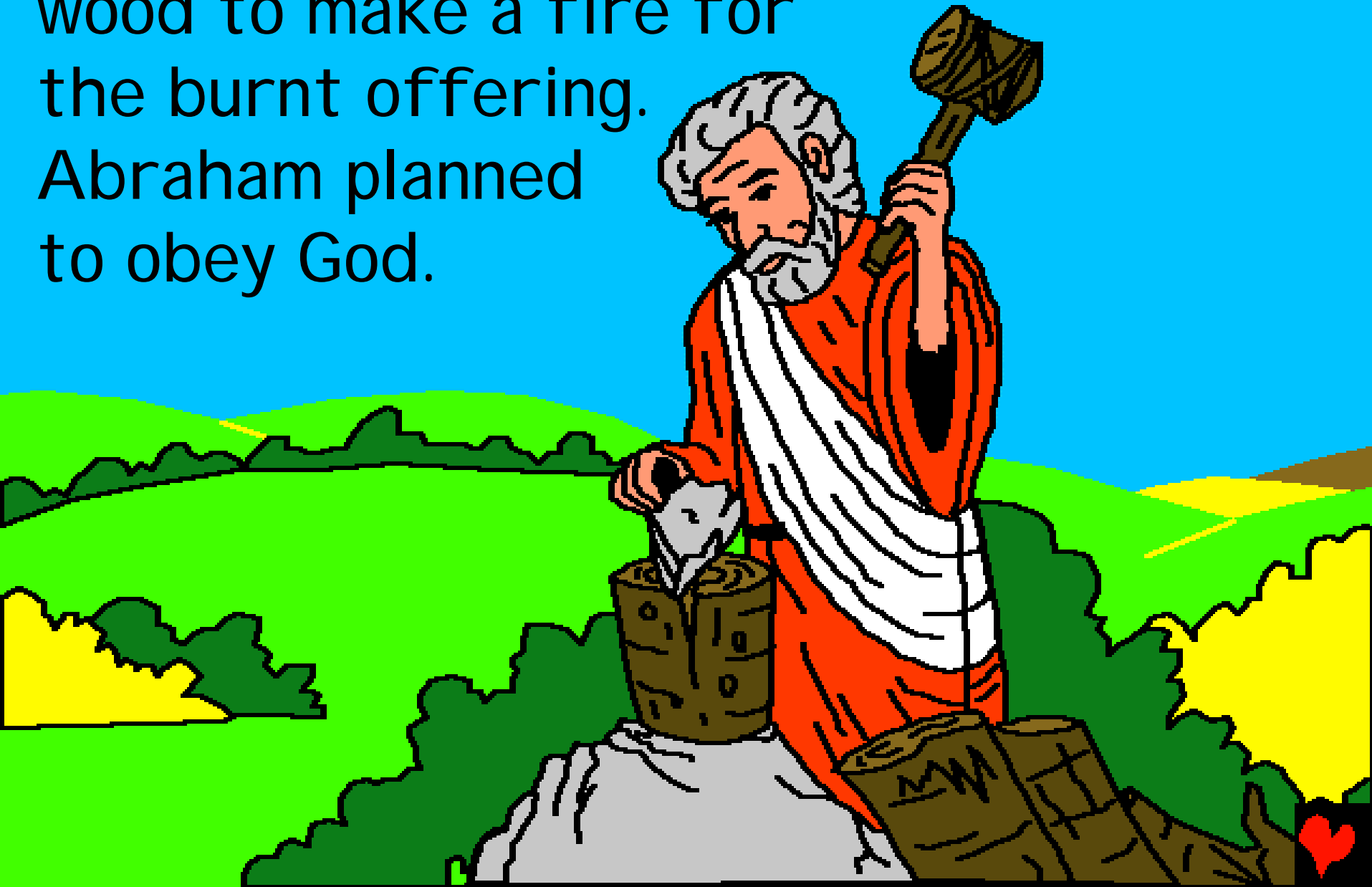


In the morning he set out for the mountain of sacrifice with Isaac and two servants.





Before leaving, Abraham split pieces of wood to make a fire for the burnt offering. Abraham planned to obey God.



Three days later they neared the mountain. "Stay here," Abraham told his servants.



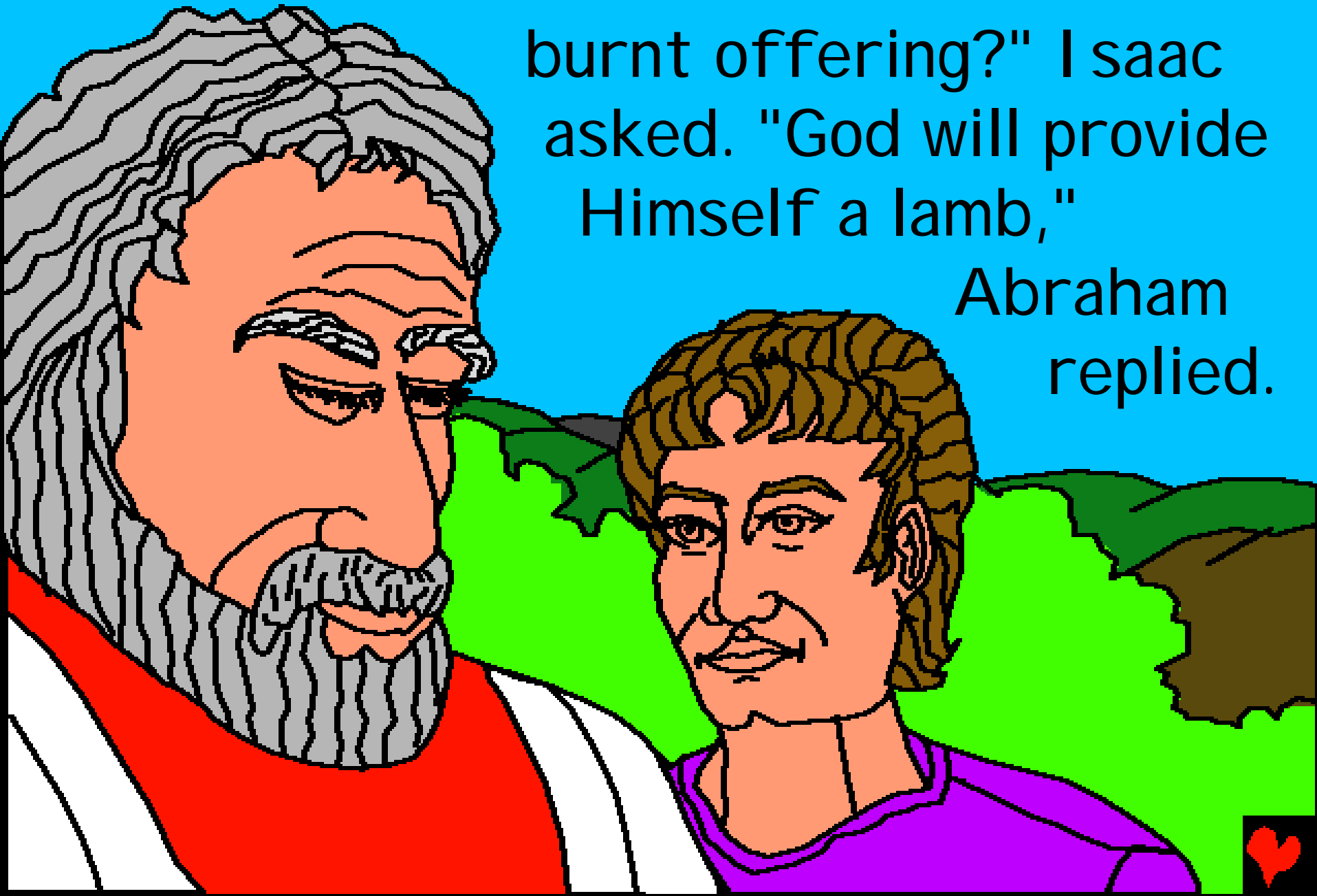
"We will go and  
worship, and we will  
come back to you."  
Isaac carried the  
wood,

Abraham  
carried fire -  
and a knife.

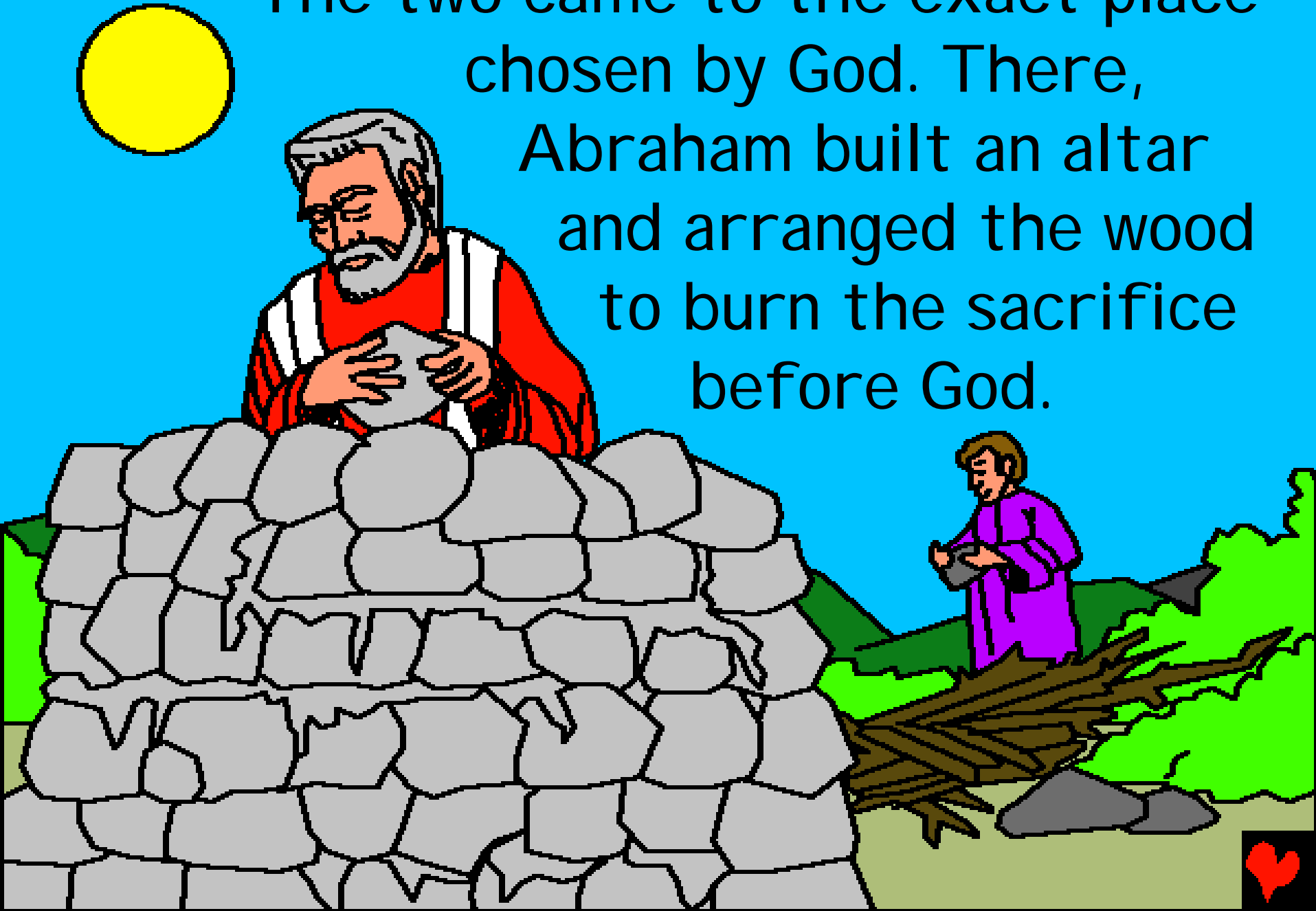


"Where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Isaac asked. "God will provide Himself a lamb,"

Abraham replied.



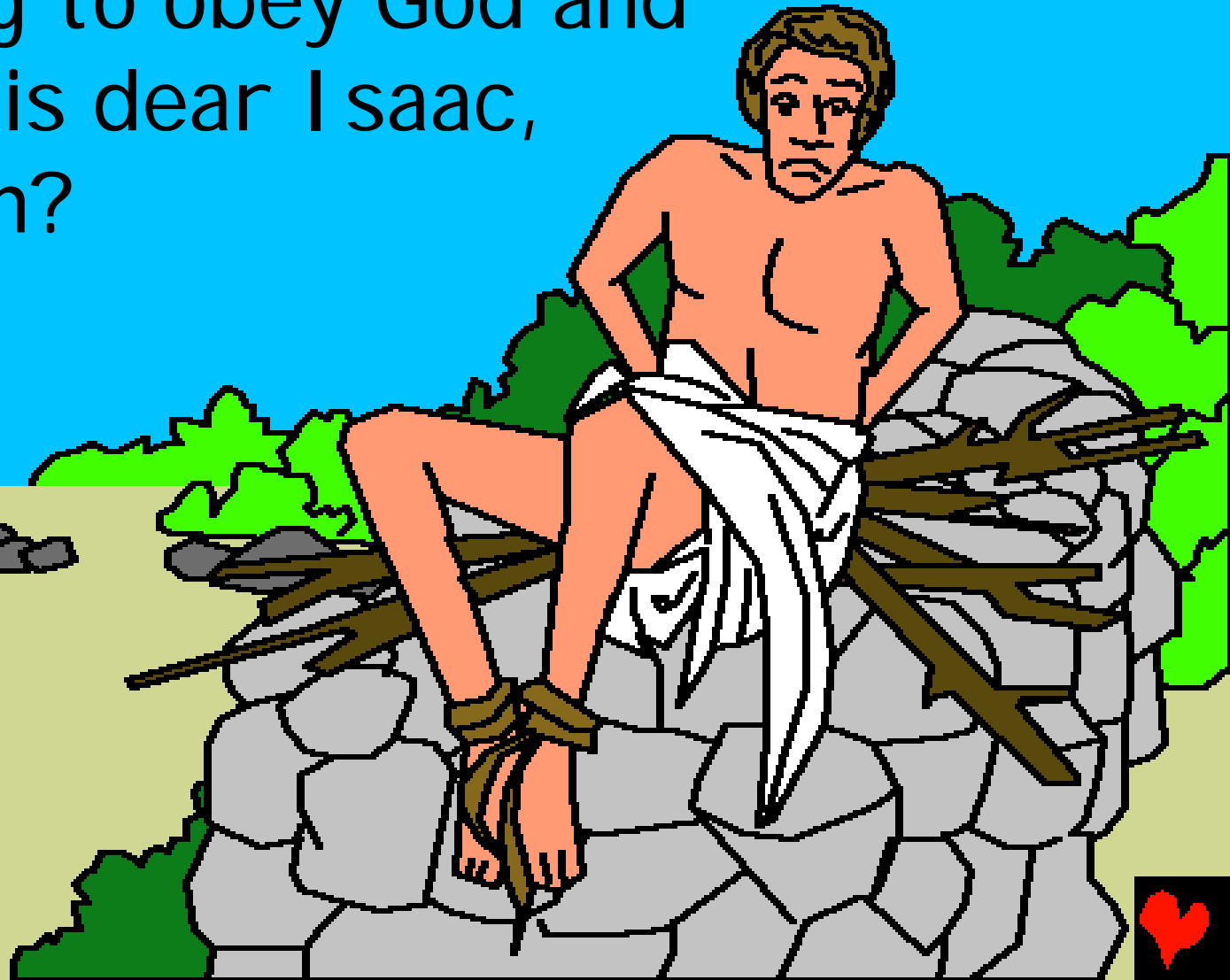
The two came to the exact place chosen by God. There, Abraham built an altar and arranged the wood to burn the sacrifice before God.

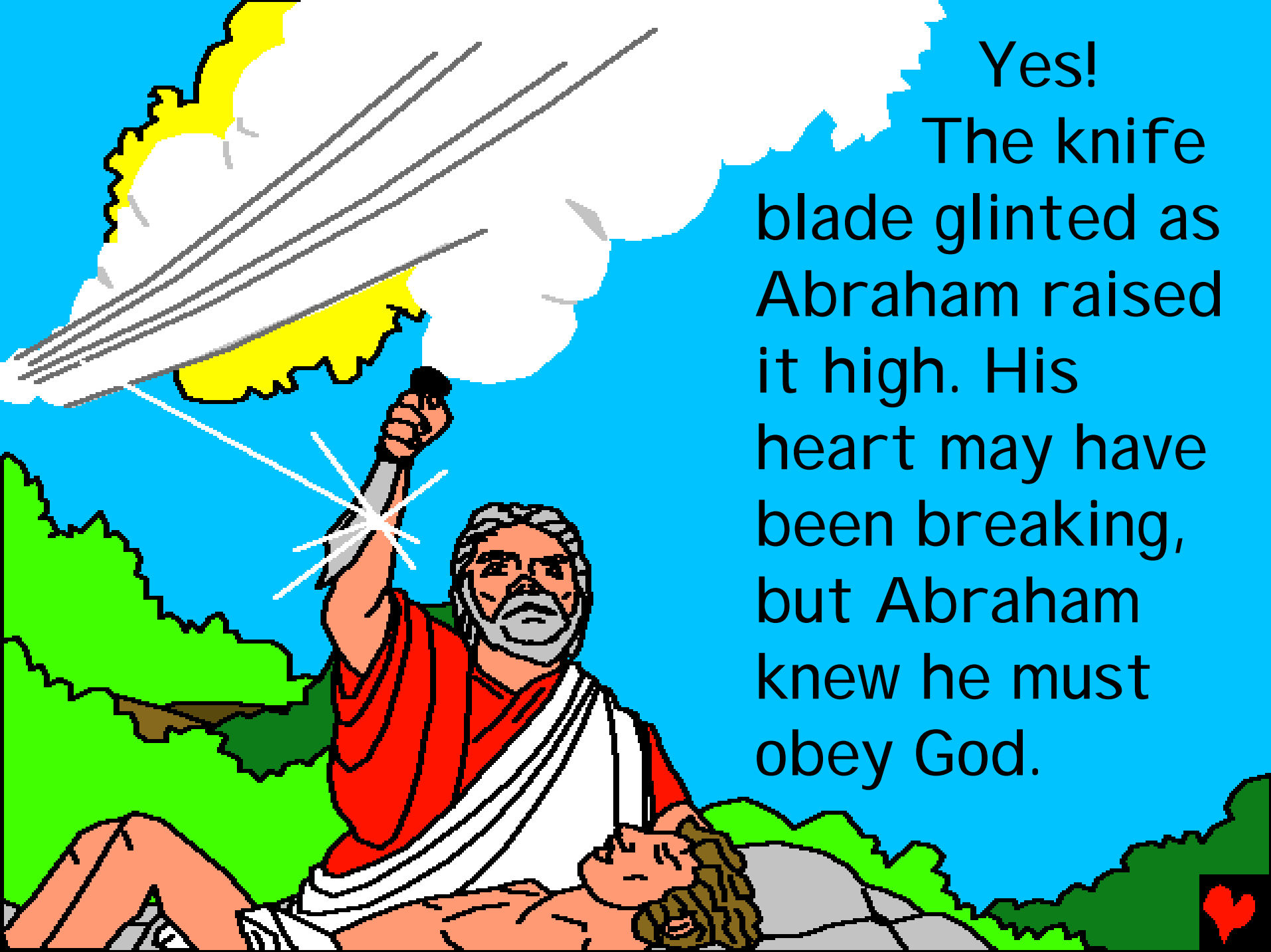


Abraham had built many altars.  
Surely this one was the hardest ever to build.



Abraham tied Isaac up and placed his beloved son on the altar. Was Abraham really going to obey God and sacrifice his dear Isaac, his only son?

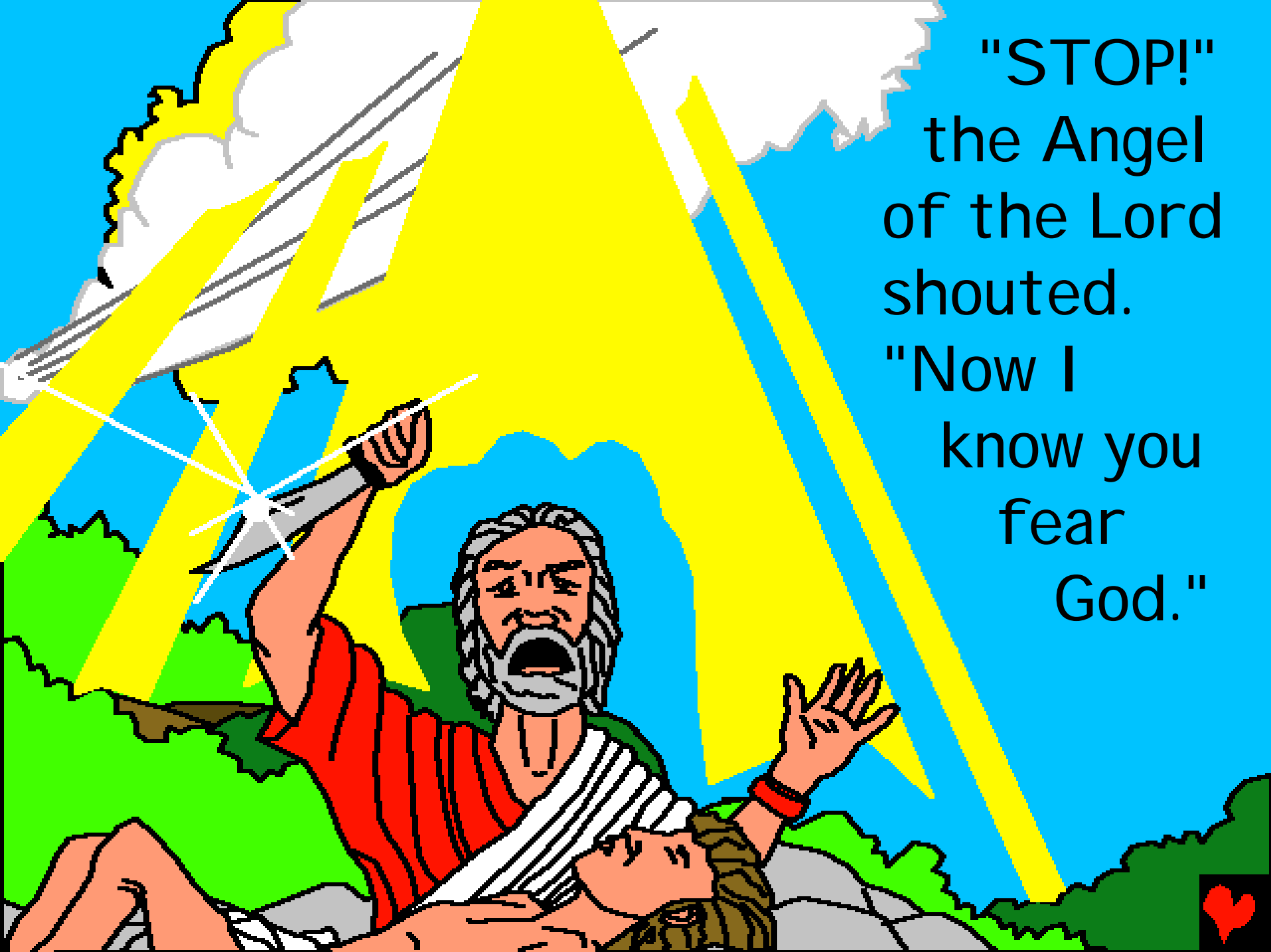




Yes!  
The knife  
blade glinted as  
Abraham raised  
it high. His  
heart may have  
been breaking,  
but Abraham  
knew he must  
obey God.







"STOP!"  
the Angel  
of the Lord  
shouted.  
"Now I  
know you  
fear  
God."



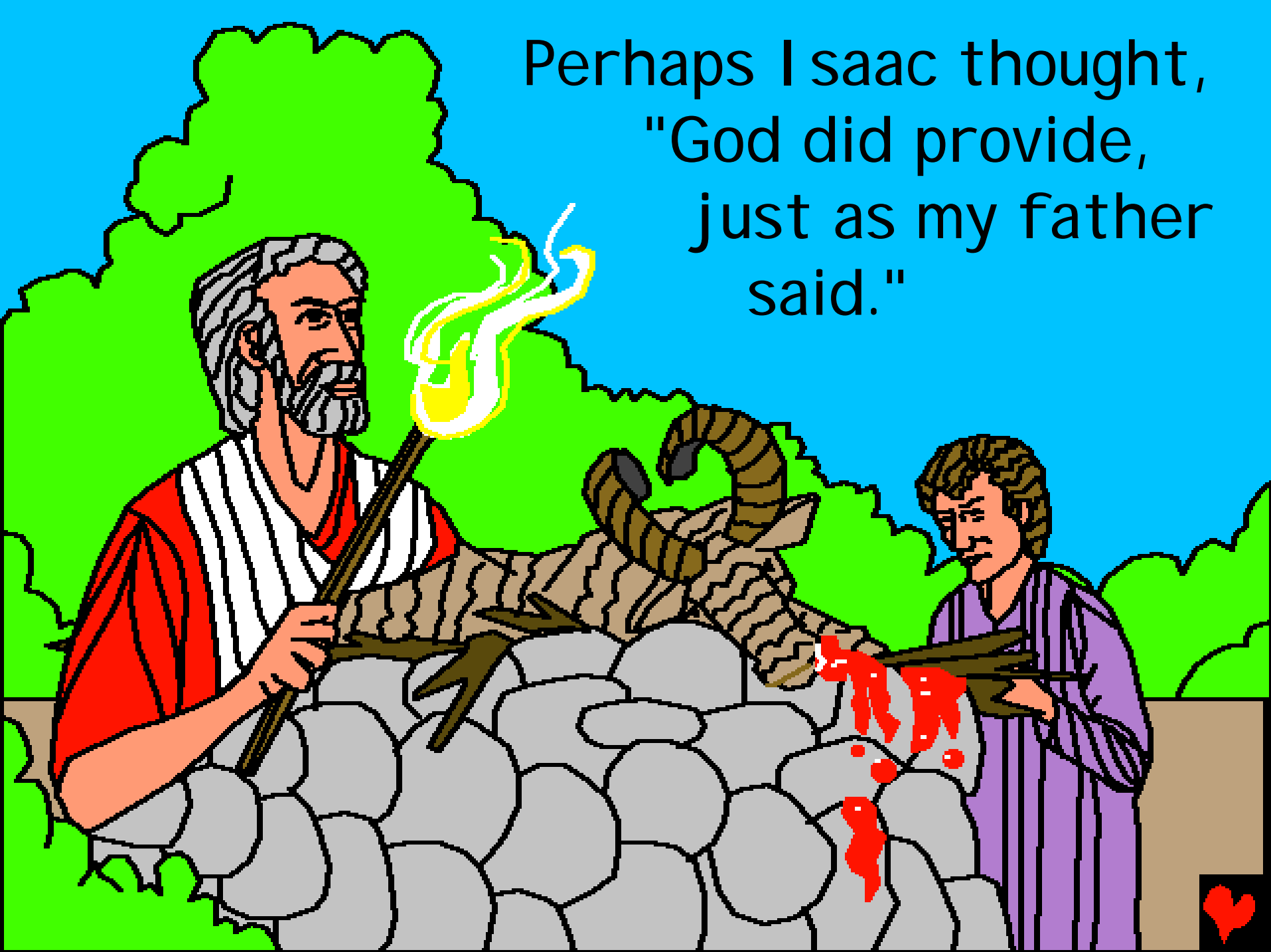
"You  
have not  
held back  
your son,  
your only  
son, from  
Me."



Seeing a ram in the bushes, Abraham untied Isaac and sacrificed the ram instead.

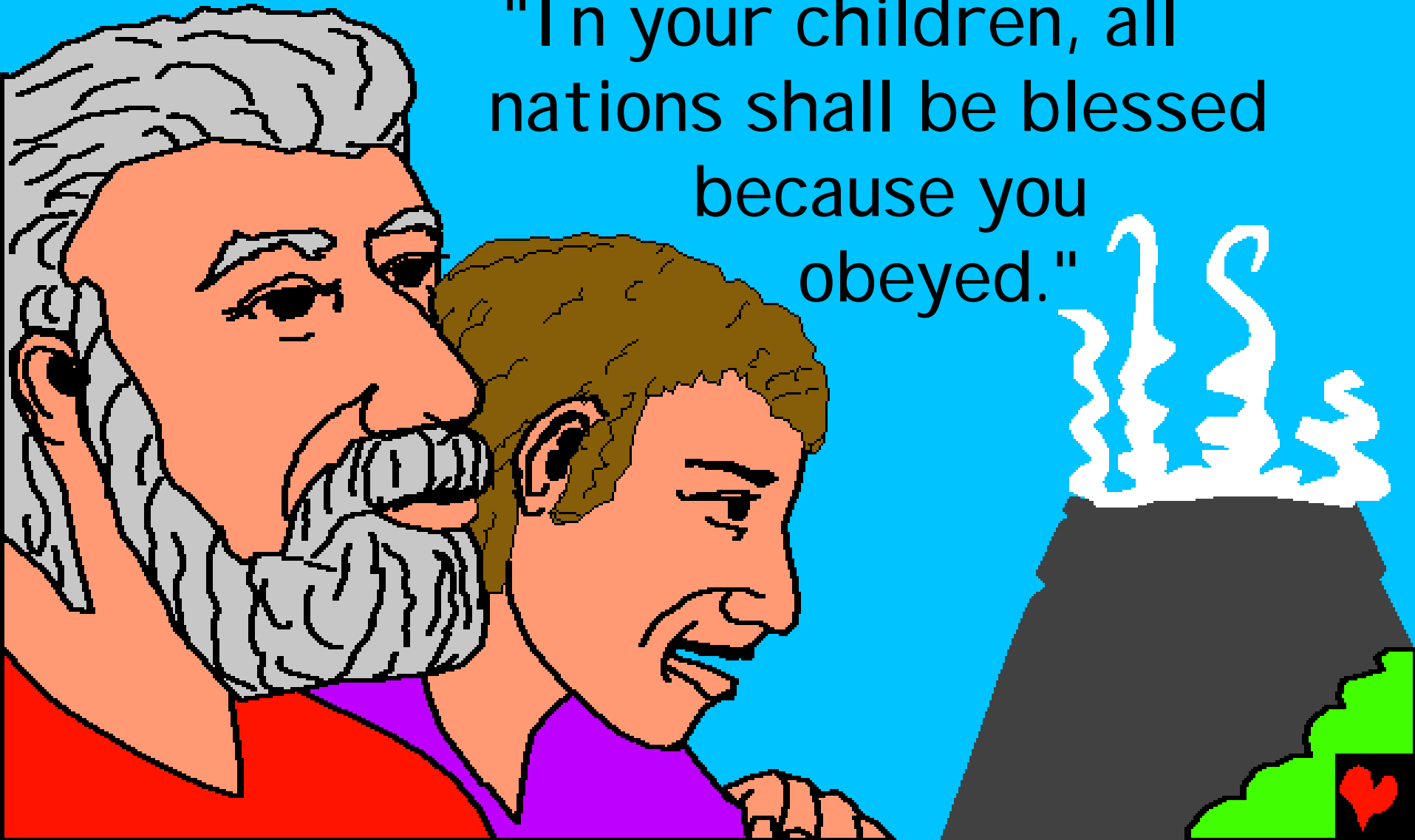


Perhaps Isaac thought,  
"God did provide,  
just as my father  
said."



While father and son worshiped, the  
Angel of the Lord spoke to Abraham.

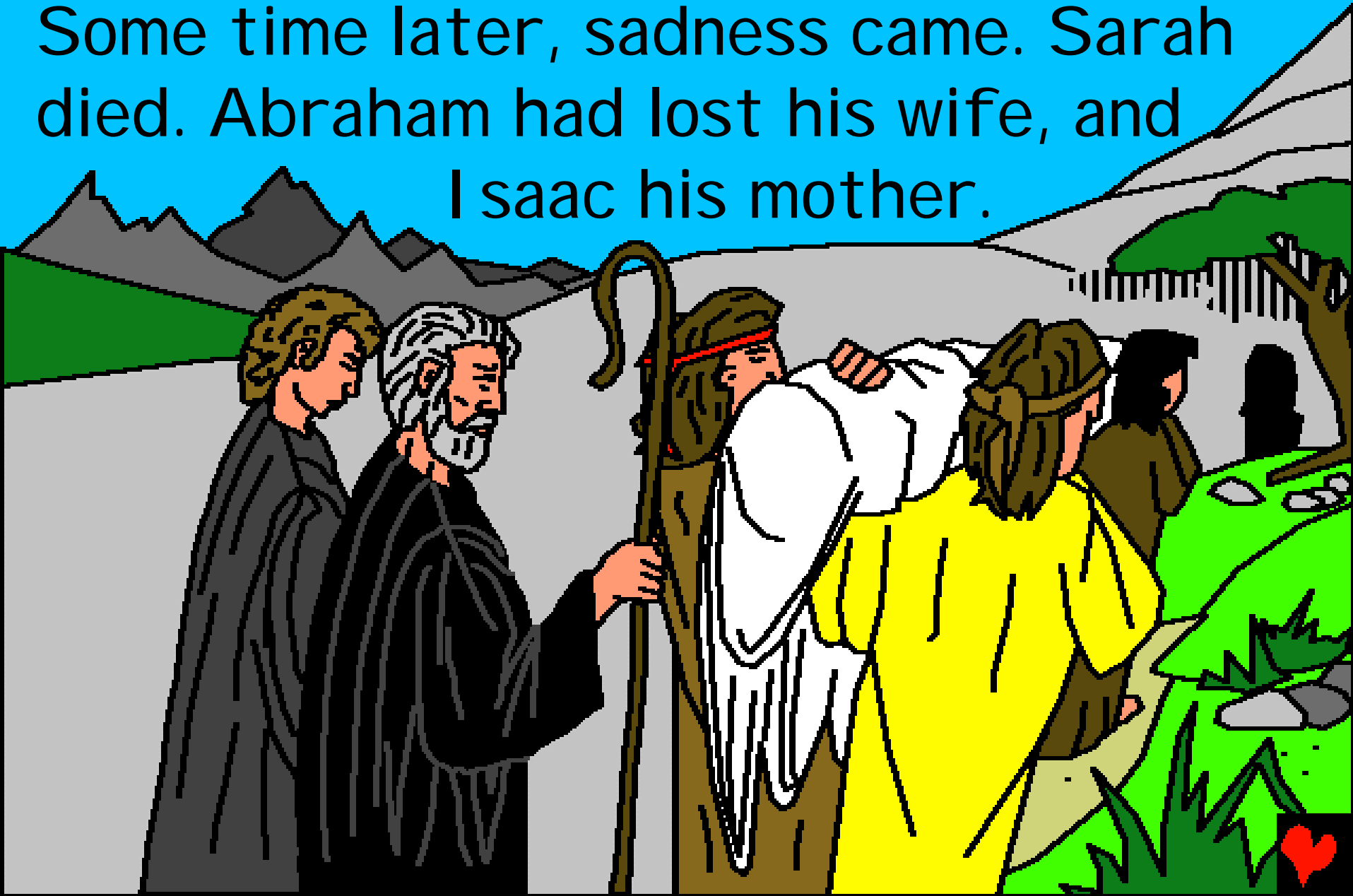
"In your children, all  
nations shall be blessed  
because you  
obeyed."



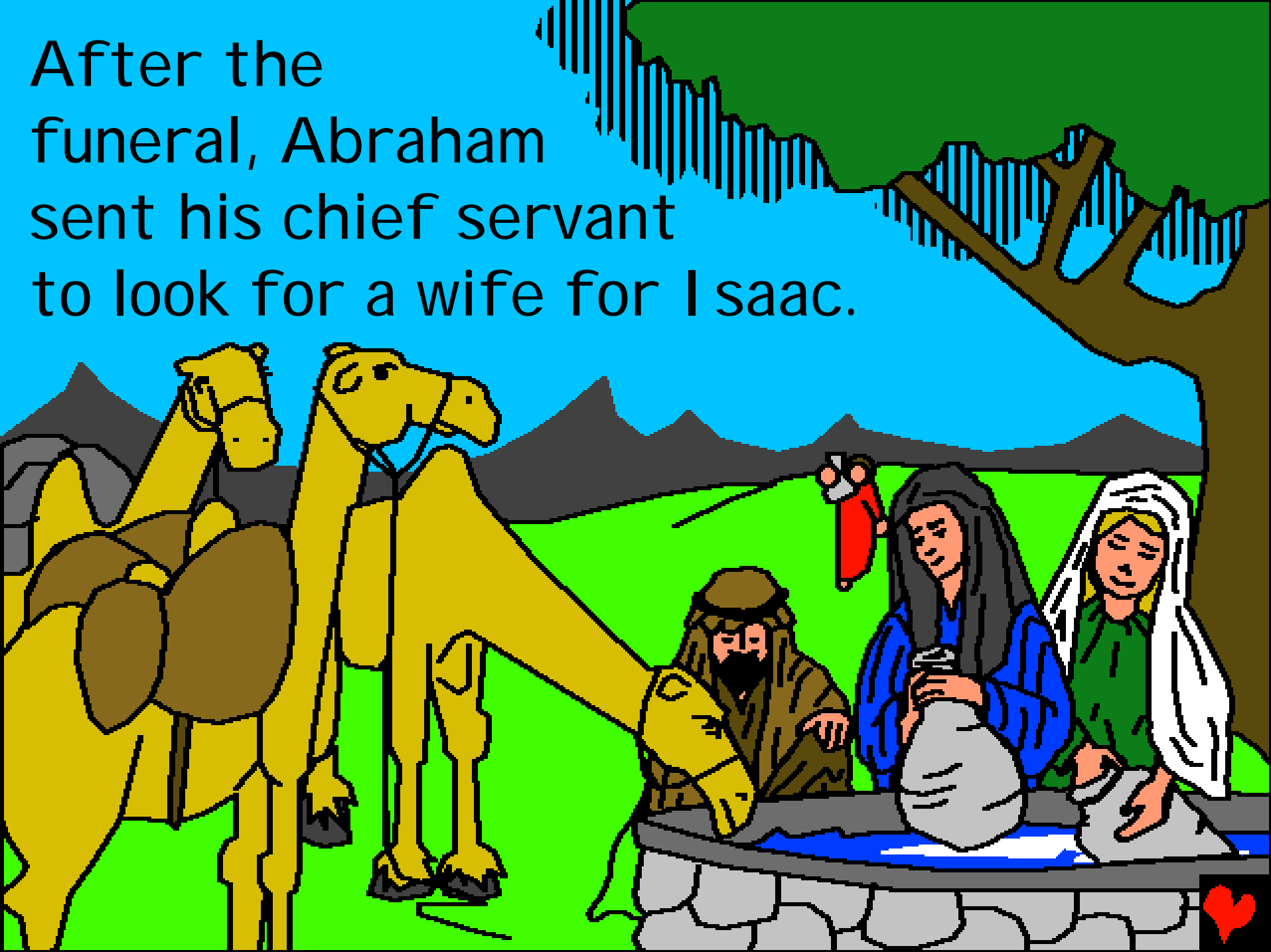
Someday, Jesus would be born through  
Abraham's descendants.



Abraham and Isaac returned home.  
Some time later, sadness came. Sarah  
died. Abraham had lost his wife, and  
Isaac his mother.



After the funeral, Abraham sent his chief servant to look for a wife for Isaac.





The servant  
went to their old  
hometown to find a wife  
among Abraham's relatives.



The servant asked God for a sign. "Let the girl who offers water for my camels be the right one for Isaac."



Immediately Rebekah offered to give them water. She was one of Abraham's relatives. The servant knew God had answered his prayer.



Rebekah left her family to marry Isaac.  
She comforted him after his mother  
died. How Isaac loved her!



# God Tests Abraham's Love

A STORY FROM GOD'S WORD, THE BIBLE,  
IS FOUND IN  
GENESIS CHAPTERS 22 TO 24

"The entrance of Your Word gives light."  
PSALM 119:130



The End

