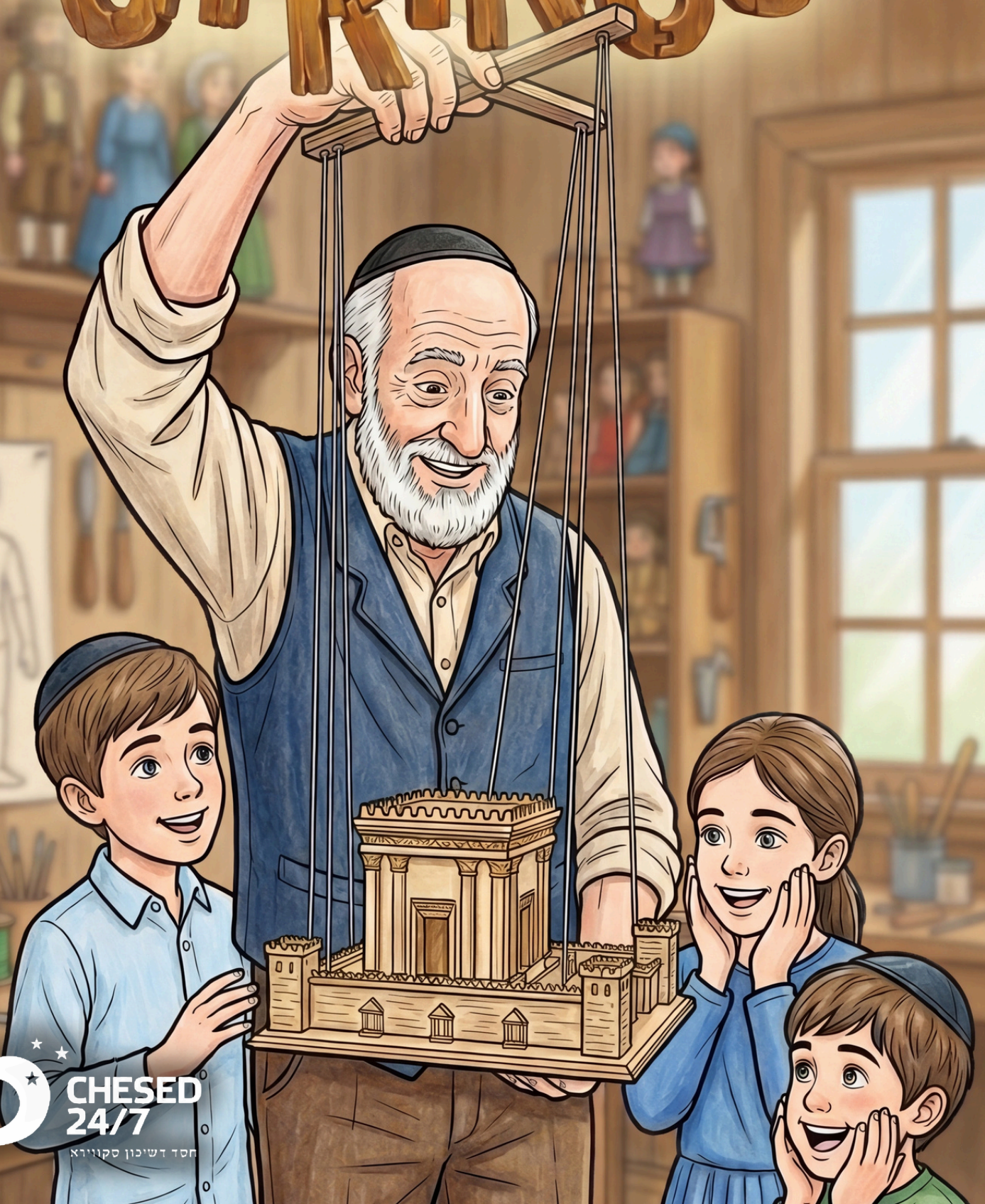
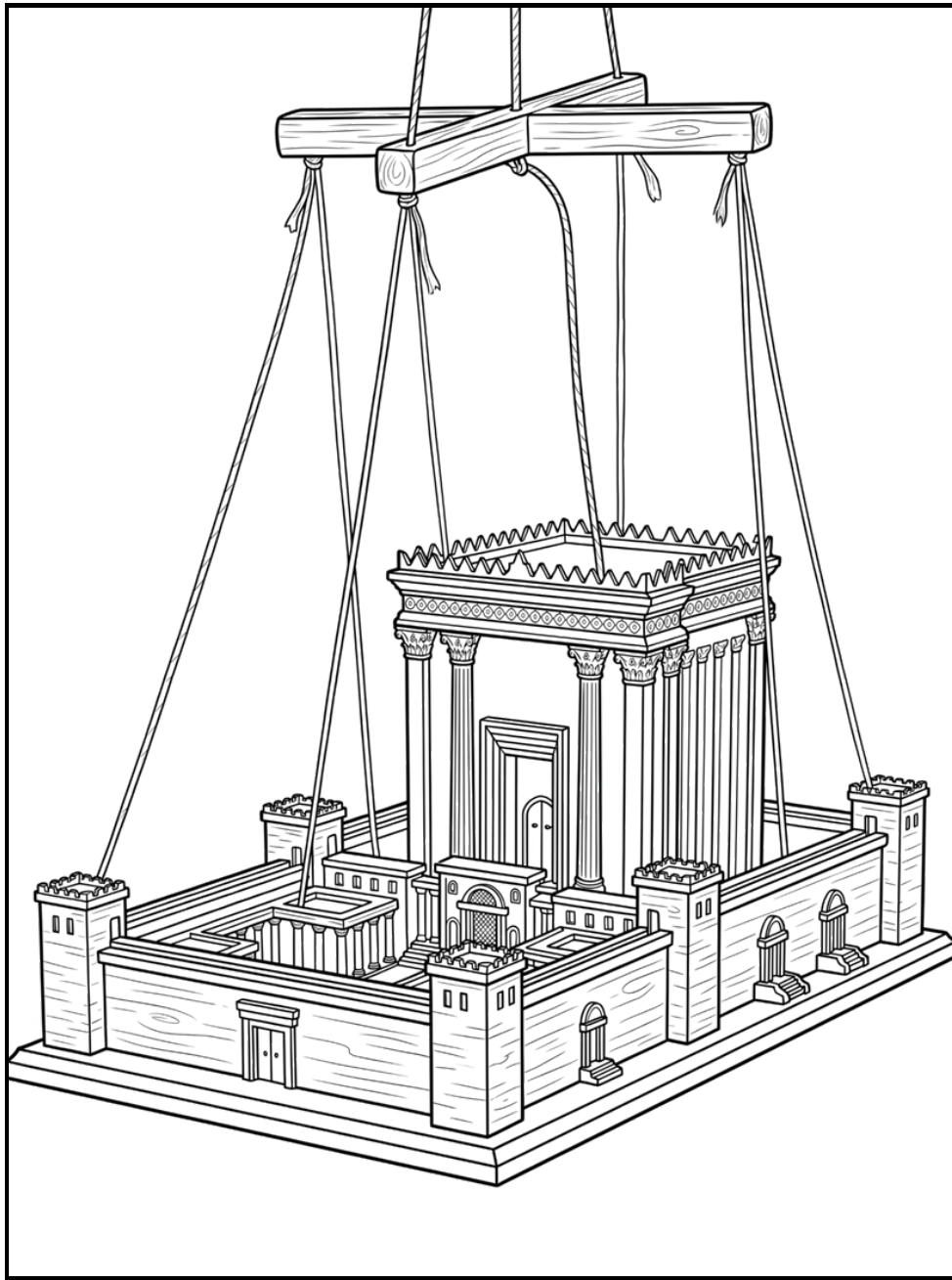


PULLING STRINGS



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This Book Belongs to:

Today's mitzvah is tomorrow's string.

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Strings.

In this coloring and activity book, children follow Mendy, Shira, and Yossi as they learn that mitzvos are not just things we do, they are powerful. **Every kind choice, every honest word, every moment of sharing, and every act of caring helps rebuild something beautiful, the Bais Hamikdash.**

The story begins in Zaidy's workshop, where a special Bais Hamikdash marionette suddenly breaks. The children want to know how to fix it. Zaidy teaches them that the strings holding it up are not ordinary strings at all, they are made from mitzvos.

Chesed 24/7 lives this message every day. Known as "**your home in the hospital**," Chesed 24/7 operates 36 Chesed Rooms and surrounds cholim and their families with comfort, dignity, and care. Through Shabbos boxes, hospital support, family resources, dedicated volunteers, and countless quiet acts of chesed, they help make the hardest moments feel a little less lonely and a lot more held.

As your child reads, colors, searches, traces, and draws, they will watch each character work on a mitzvah of their own. Then your child will choose a mitzvah too.

As you read together, you might talk about:

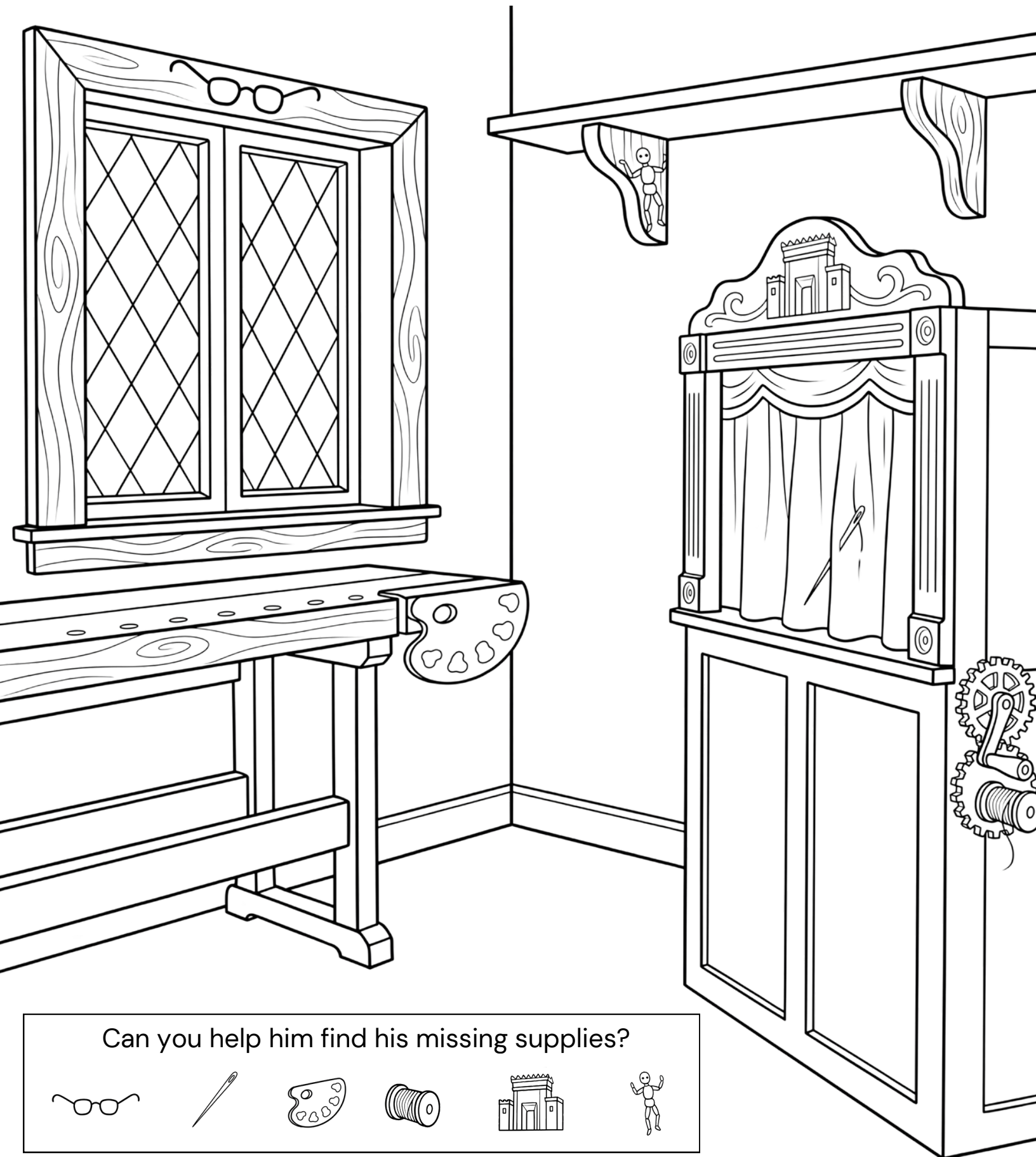
- A mitzvah your child wants to work on
- A time it was hard to share
- What it feels like to include someone
- Why telling the truth can take courage
- How even small mitzvos make a real difference

By the end of the book, children will see that every mitzvah matters, including theirs.

Because today's mitzvah is tomorrow's string.

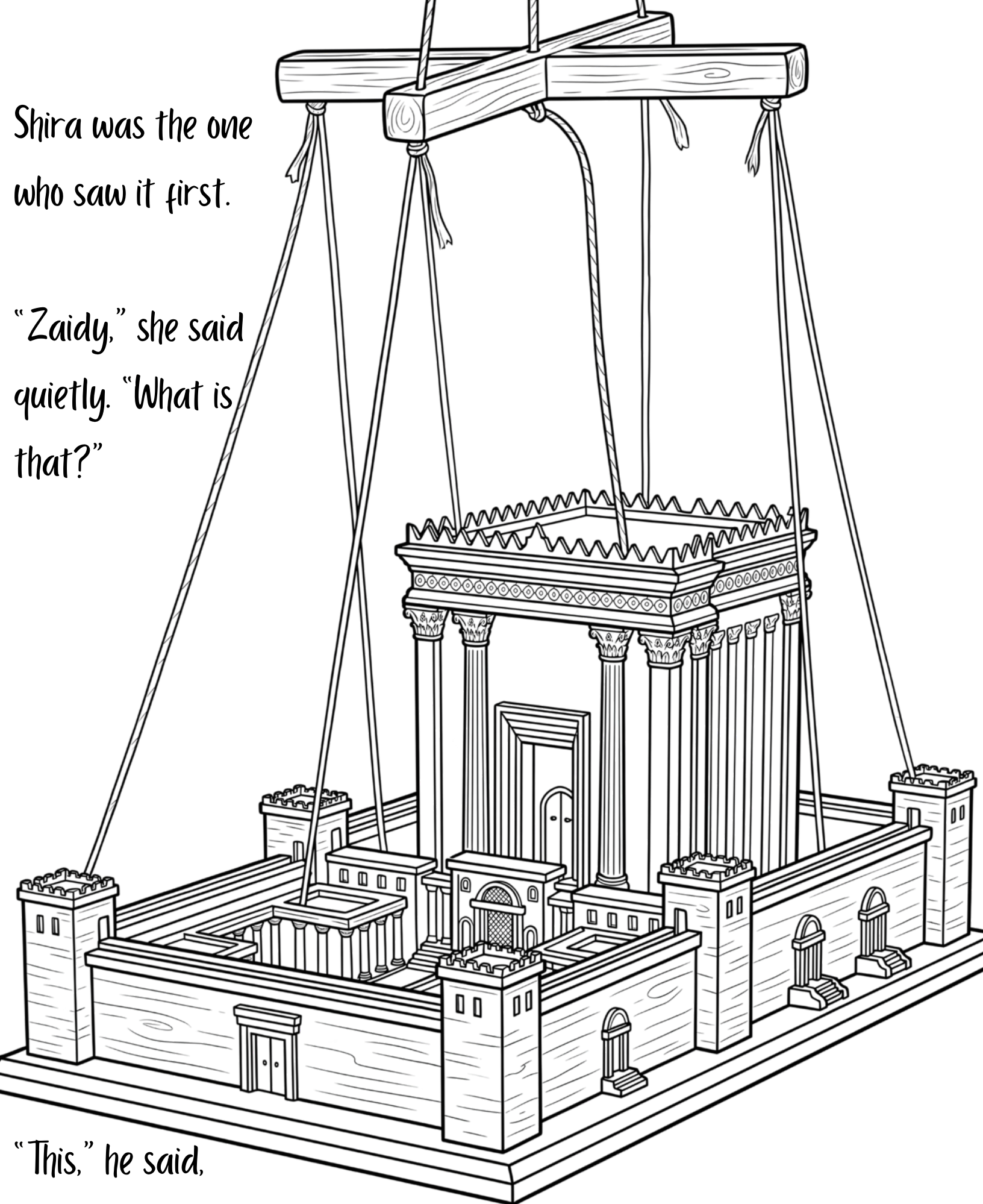
With warmth,
The Chesed 24/7 Team

Welcome to Zaidy's Workshop



Shira was the one
who saw it first.

“Zaidy,” she said
quietly. “What is
that?”



“This,” he said,
“is the Bais Hamikdash. The most beautiful place there ever was.”

Suddenly, the marionette strings snapped in half!

“Can we fix it?” asked Mendy.

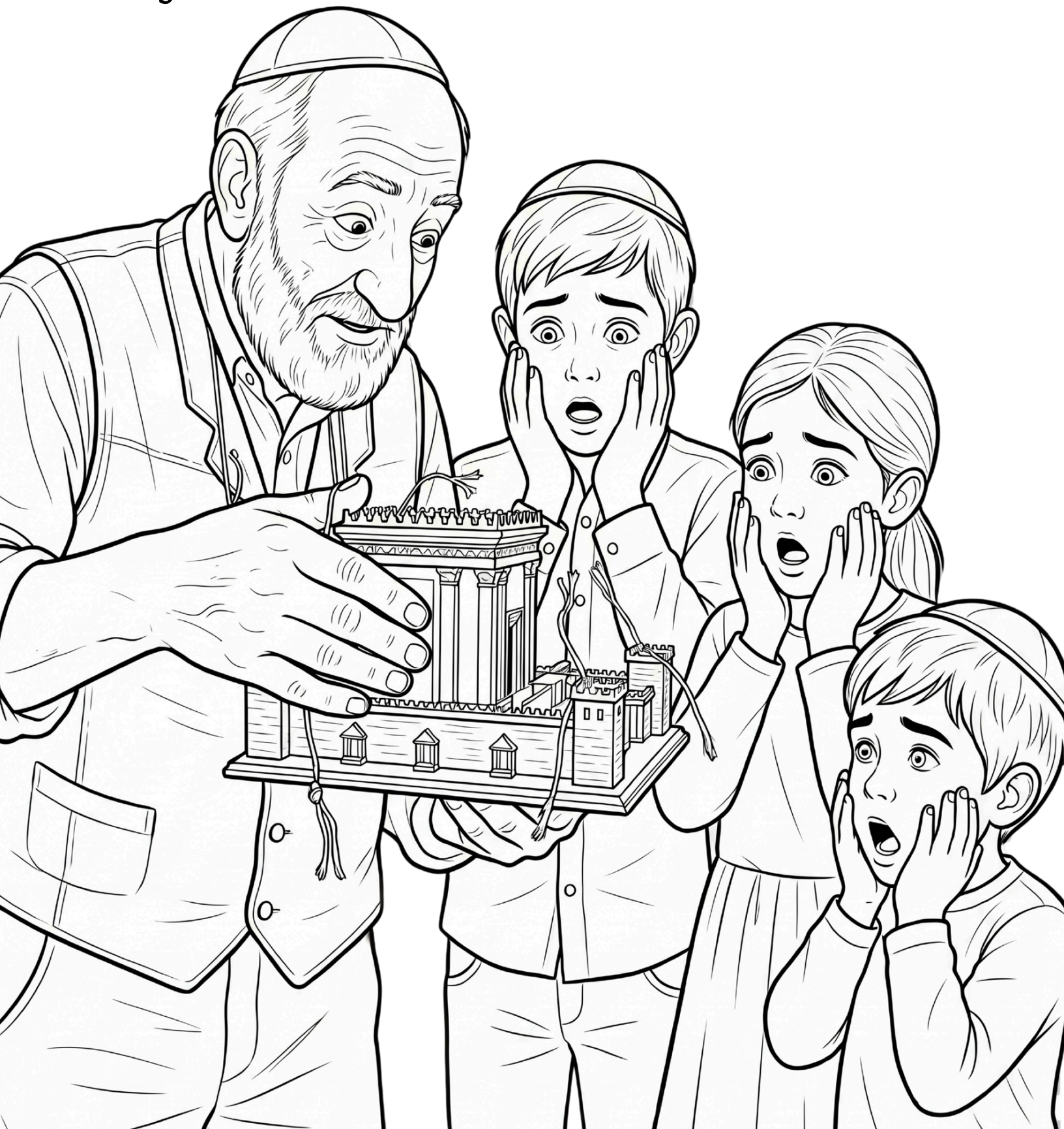
Help Zaidy and his grandchildren match up the broken strings!

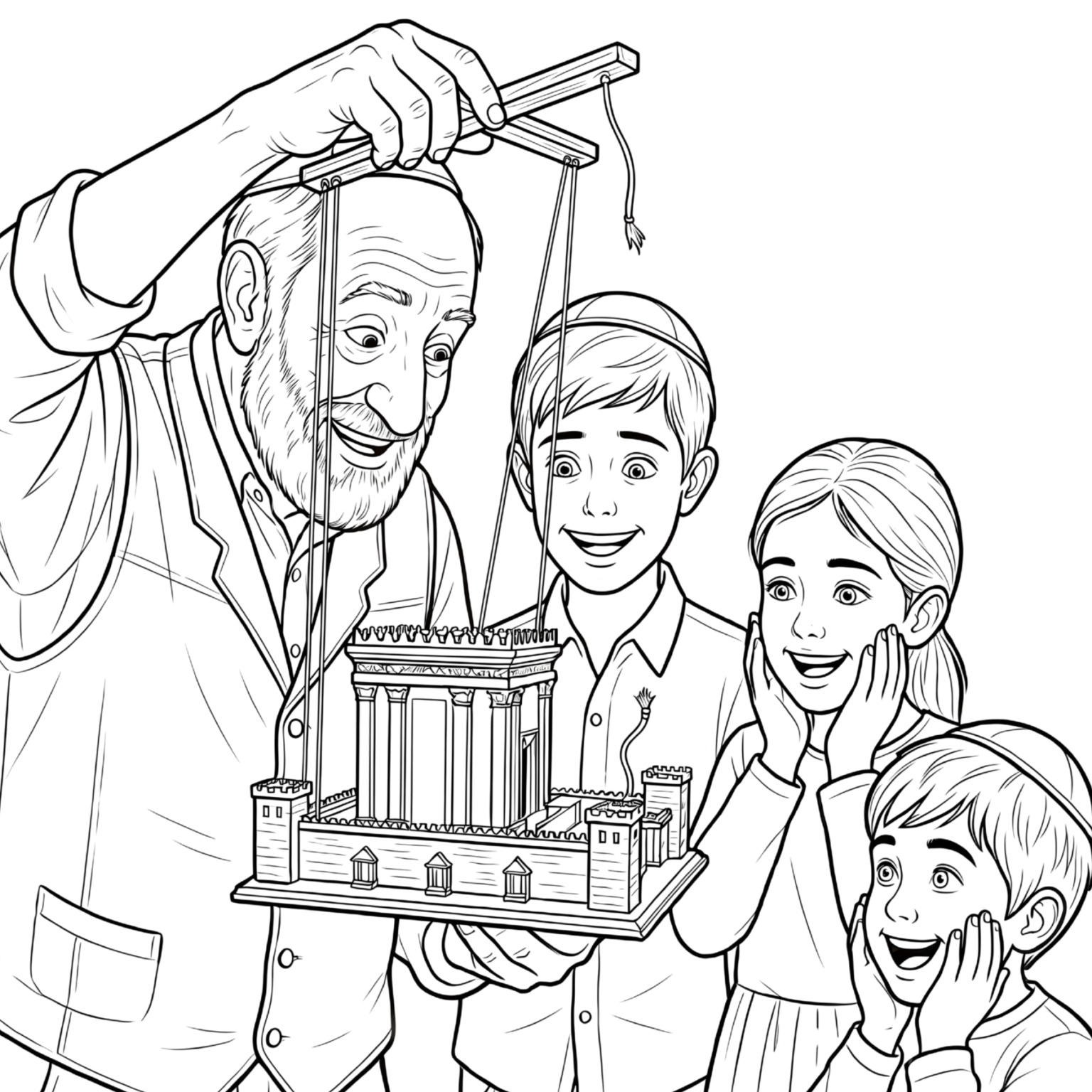


"Yes, but not with new strings," said Zaidy.

"With what?" asked Yossi.

Zaidy looked at all three of them and said "with mitzvos!"





Help Yossi, Shira, and Mendy Learn about different mitzvos
they can do to help rebuild the bais hamikdash!

Z X I B E N C H I N G V M P V C N O H N
B B S O X C M I W K C T T L T A X B K P
D A V E N I N G K Q O Q F C N J H G X D
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Ahavas Yisroel

Chesed

Emunah

Sharing

Tzedaka

Amen

Davening

Hachnasas Orchim

Shmiras Halashon

Benching

Derech Eretz

Hashavas Aveidah

Simcha

Bikur Cholim

Emes

Kavod

Torah

"Let's each choose one mitzvah to work on," said Zaidy.

Mendy thought for a minute, "I want to work on sharing."

Shira looked down at her shoes, "I want to include someone who feels left out."

Yossi pushed up his glasses, "I want to tell the truth, even when it's hard."

Then Zaidy looked at you.

"What mitzvah will you choose?"

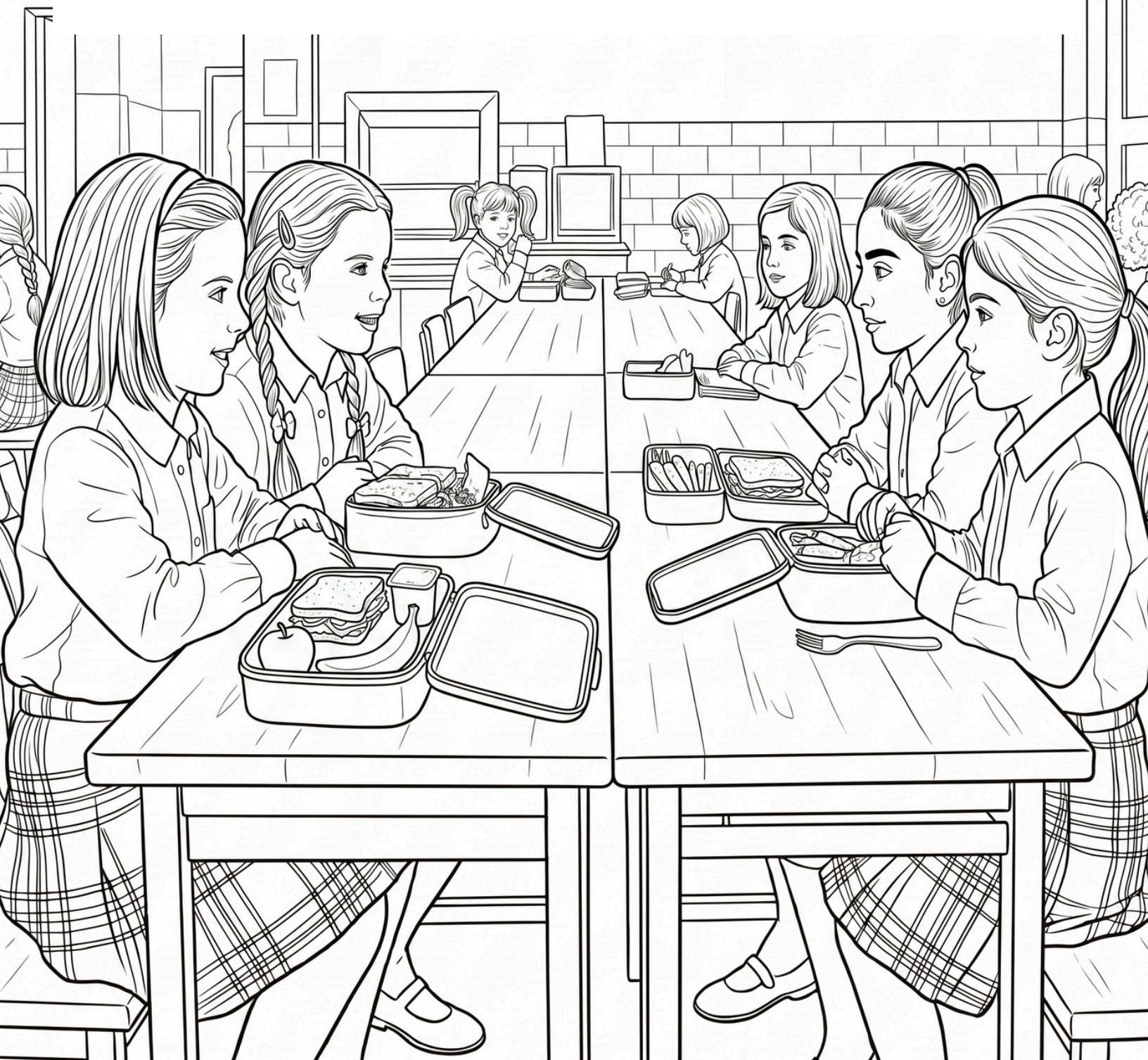


My Mitzvah Is:

At lunch, everyone had someone to sit with.

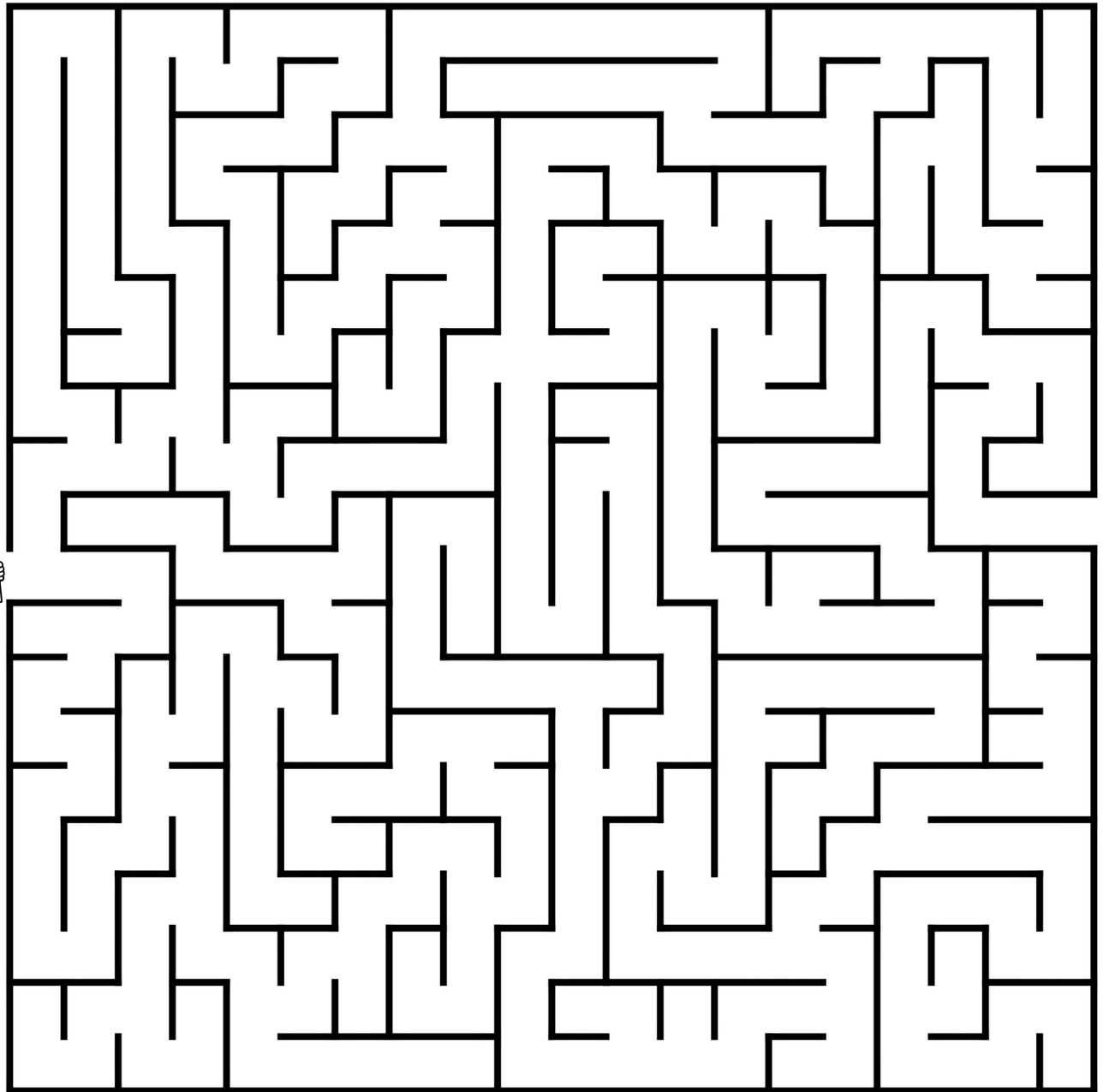
Everyone except Perl who sat alone with her sketchbook.

Shira noticed and tried to look away, but it was too late!



Shira's birthday party was coming up. Should she invite the new girl Perl to her party?

Can you help Shira give Perl the invitation?



Shira walked over to Perl, her heart felt a little jumpy.

"Would you like to come to my party?" she asked.

Perl looked up and her face changed, "I'd love to," she said.



Shira saw someone who felt left out. She could have walked away and stayed with her friends, but she chose to make room for someone new.

That is a very special mitzvah. When we include someone, we help them feel seen, wanted, and like they belong.

Think of someone who might feel left out. It could be someone in your class, on your bus, at shul, in your family, or at the playground.



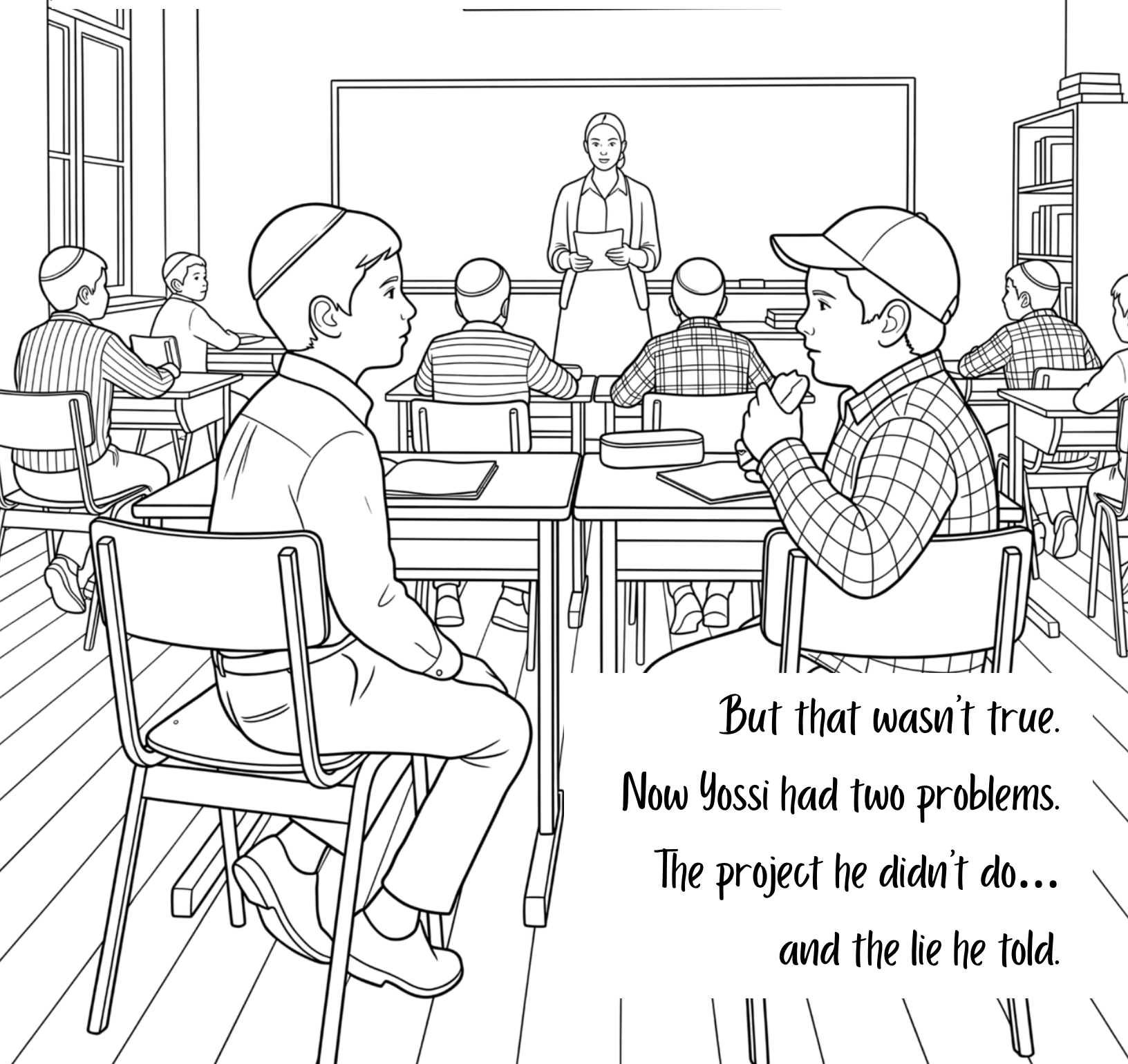
I can include:

One way I can include them is:

Yossi had a project due, but he didn't do it.

When his teacher asked for it, Yossi felt his stomach twist.

"I handed it in already," he said.



But that wasn't true.

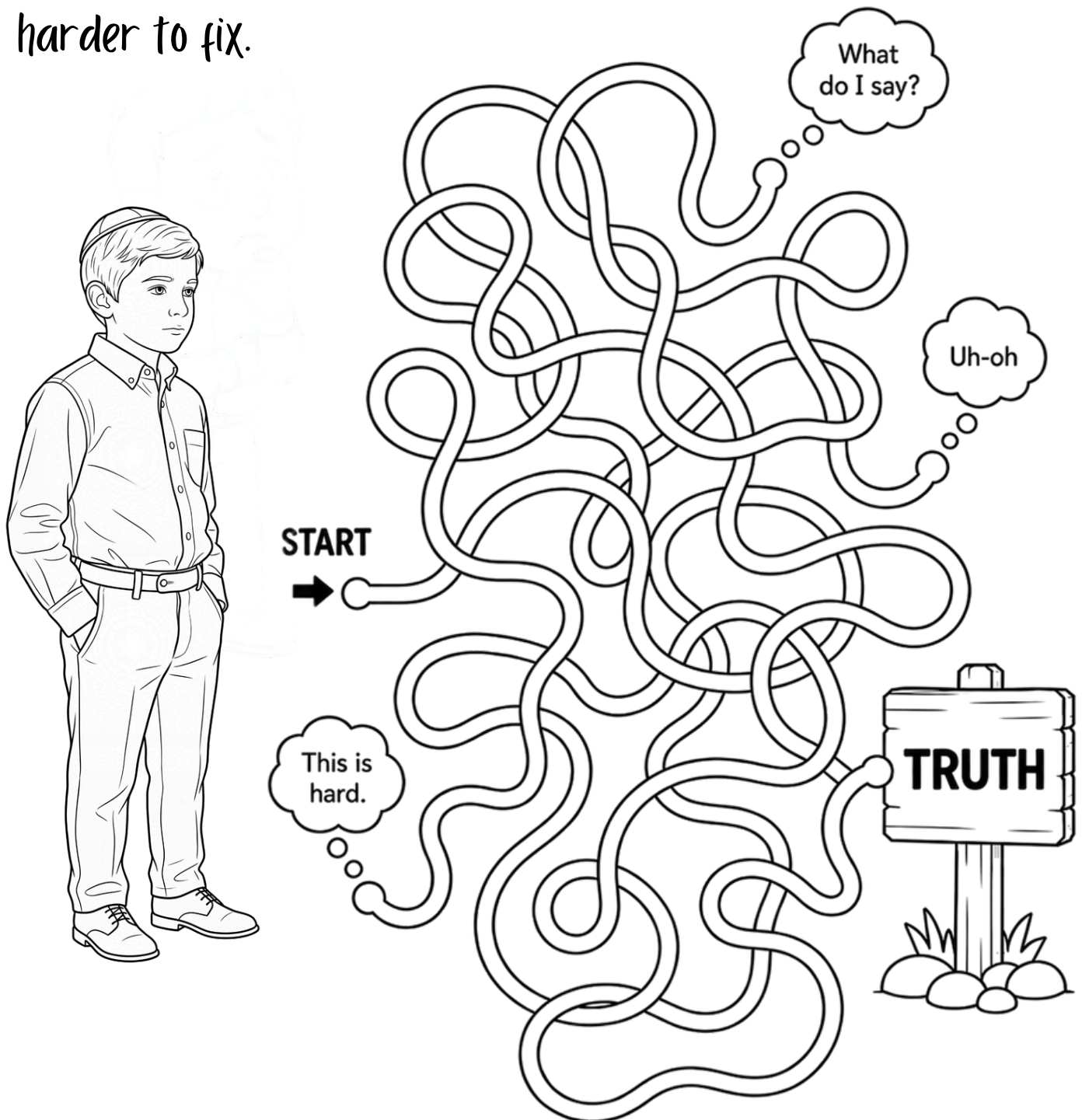
Now Yossi had two problems.

The project he didn't do...

and the lie he told.

At first, Yossi thought it was just one little lie, but then his teacher asked again, his friend questioned him, and at home, his parents asked too.

Every time Yossi repeated the lie, it felt bigger, heavier, and harder to fix.



Finally, Yossi took a deep breath and said, "I didn't do the project, and I lied about it." The room felt quiet.



Then Tatty put a hand on his shoulder.

"That was hard to say," Tatty said.

"But telling the truth is how we start fixing it."

Yossi still had to do the project, but now his heart felt lighter.



Yossi had a choice: he could hide what happened, he could make an excuse, or he could tell the truth.

Telling the truth was hard.

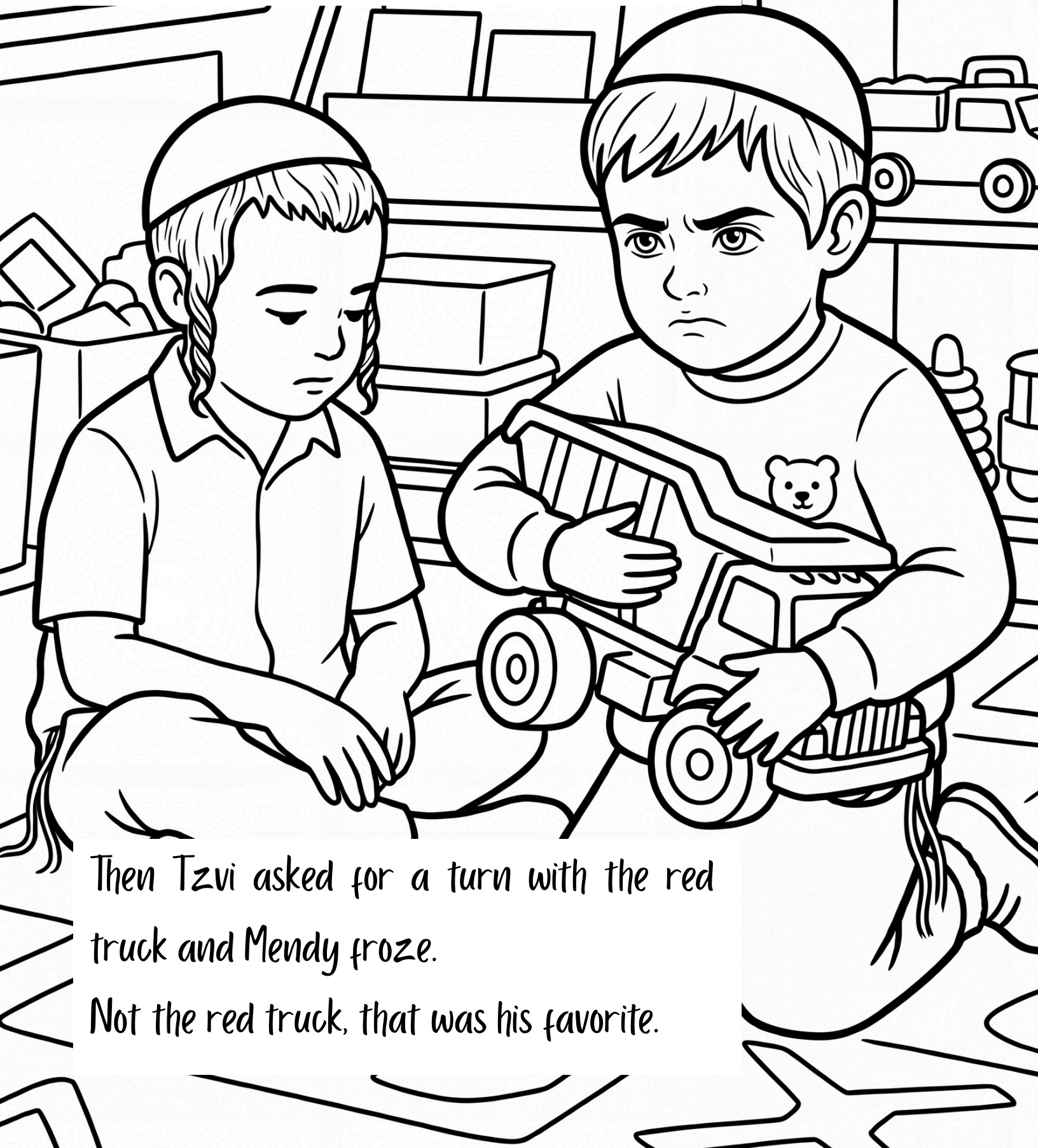
But once Yossi said the real words, his heart felt lighter.
Truth is a mitzvah that makes us brave.

Sometimes the truth feels hard to say.

I can tell the truth when:

If I make a mistake, I can say:

Mendy learned about sharing in circle time
and was so excited to do the mitzvah!



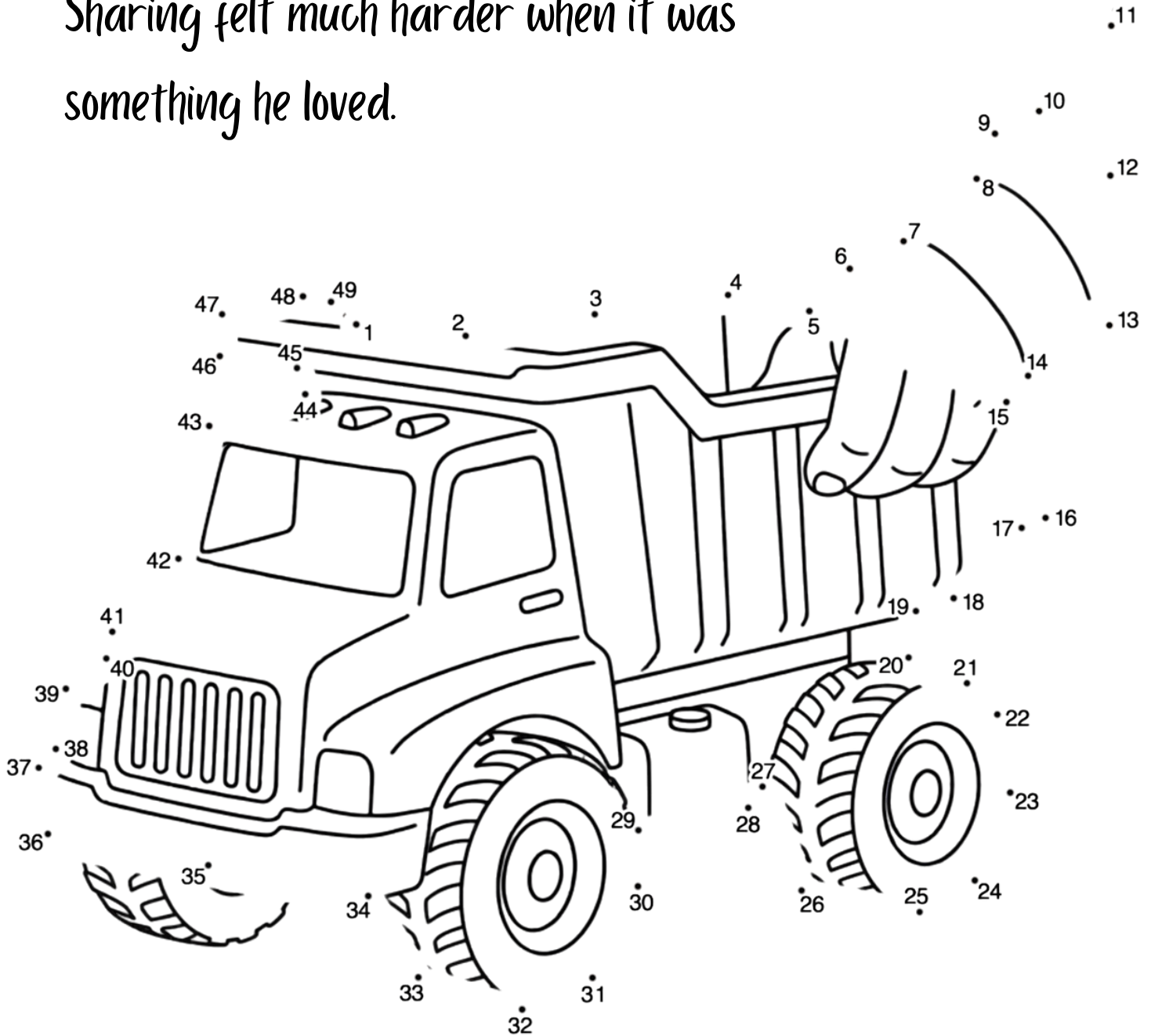
Then Tzvi asked for a turn with the red
truck and Mendy froze.

Not the red truck, that was his favorite.

Mendy wanted to say no, very badly.

He looked at the truck, and then at Tzvi,
and then back at the truck.

Sharing felt much harder when it was
something he loved.



Mendy took a deep breath, and said "You can have a turn."

Tzvi's whole face lit up.



Mendy watched the truck roll across the floor. Then he smiled too. It was still hard, but it also felt good to share!

Mendy loved his truck, that is what made sharing so hard.

It is easy to share something we do not care about. But Mendy shared something special which made his mitzvah even bigger.

When we share, we show someone else: "You matter too."

What is something you can share?

It could be a toy, a snack, a book, a turn, a seat, or your time.

I can share:

I can share it with:



The children ran back to Zaidy's workshop.

"I included Perl!" said Shira.

"I told the truth," said Yossi.

"I shared my truck,"
said Mendy.

Zaidy smiled and said, "look, your mitzvos helped fix the strings!"

But then Yossi looked closely and said, "Zaidy... one string is still missing."

Zaidy nodded and looked at you. "Now it's your turn to do your mitzvah and help us fix the Bais Hamikdash!"

Use this space to draw a picture of yourself doing your mitzvah!

My mitzvah is:

I will do it by:

BONUS: Submit a picture of this page to support@chesed247.org with your Name, Address, School, and Age and be entered to win a special prize.

TWO LUCKY WINNERS WILL BE CHOSEN!

Today's mitzvah is tomorrow's string.

When the Beis Hamikdash marionette breaks, Mendy, Shira, and Yossi learn that it cannot be repaired with ordinary string, because its strings are made from mitzvos.

As each child works on a mitzvah of their own, the marionette slowly begins to stand again.

Through coloring pages, activities, and a story full of heart, children will discover that mitzvos like sharing, honesty, and inclusion are not small things at all. Rather they are part of what we can do to rebuild the Bais Hamikdash!

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