

# THE COLORFUL STORIES OF SADGURU YESHU

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#### God Made a Beautiful World

In the beginning there was nothing in the world, nothing at all. You couldn't hear anything, you couldn't see anything, and you couldn't feel anything. Nothing, and nothing at all.

But God was there and He had a big, beautiful plan. He planned to fill this earth with beauty. He made everything in it - everything. God just spoke and everything happened.

He made the sun to give light in the day and the moon and shining stars to light up the nighttoo. He made the seas and the skies and then made the ground, which came in many different forms. Some was sandy, some became red clay and some was made into mountains or other things.

Then He made birds to fly in the sky, fish for the sea, crocodiles and a whole lot more! And He made many different types of animals to live on the land.

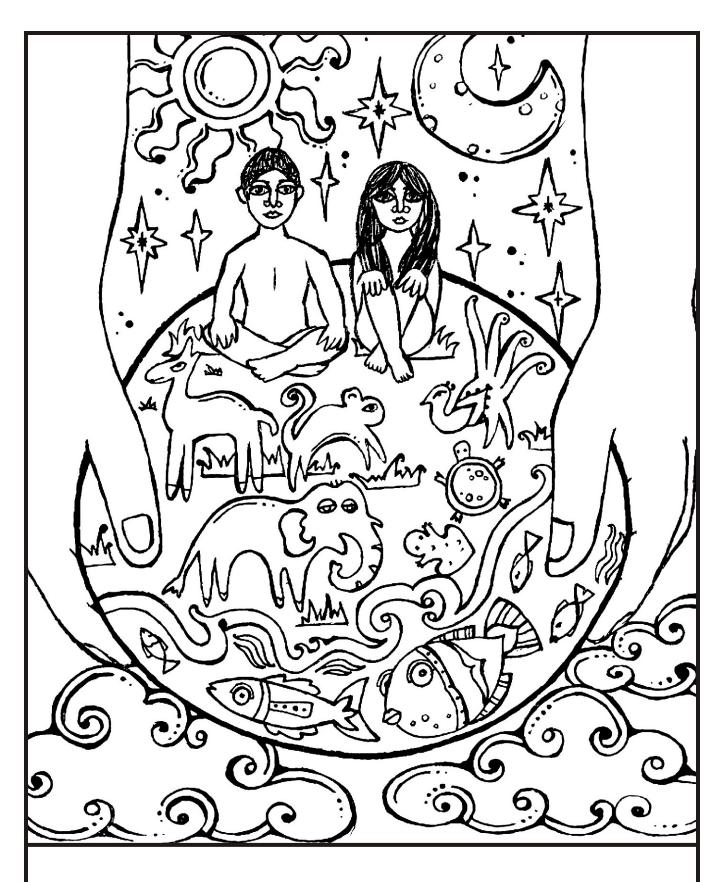
After God made everything He looked at all that He had made and was happy, everything was very beautiful to Him.

But this world was still incomplete without people to enjoy it. Then God made a man and He made a woman as his helper.

God gave them His new world so that they could enjoy it and take care of it. He prepared a place for them to live.

And when both of them opened their eyes they only saw God and they loved Him very much because He loved them first.

There was only happiness there, and love. There was no sickness, pain or sadness.



God made heaven and earth and everything in them.

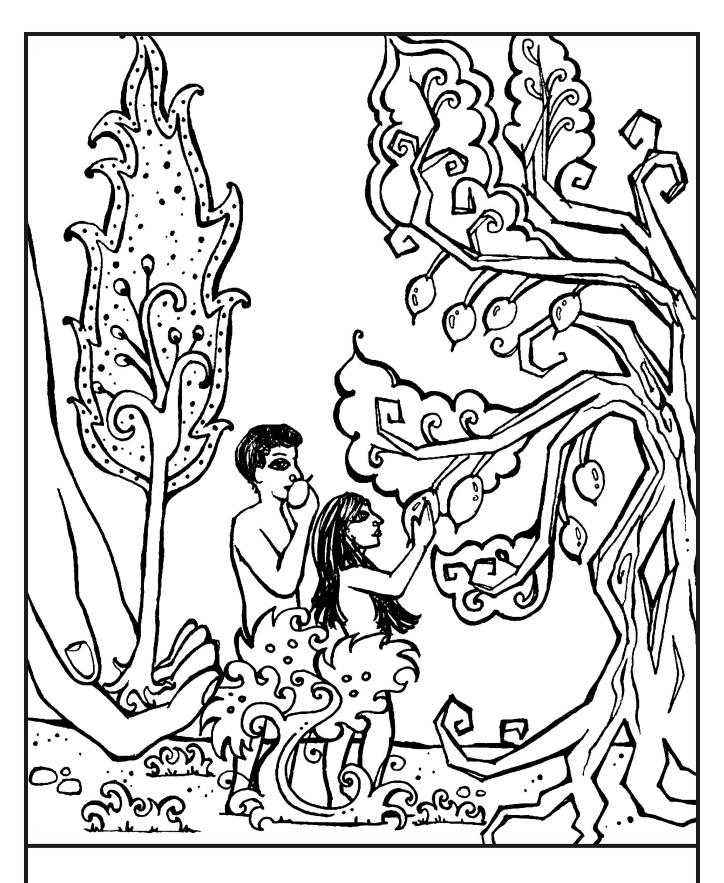
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#### A Lie That Turned Everything Upside Down

The man and the woman enjoyed living in their beautiful garden, and everything was very good, but only for a while, until the day that everything was turned upside down. God had an enemy who was very dangerous. His name was Satan. Satan was the most beautiful of all the angels. But because of his pride he wanted to stop being an angel and become God. So God sent him out of heaven. After that Satan waited for any opportunity to hurt God. He wanted to destroy God's world. Because of this he took the form of a snake and came into the garden.

God gave the man and the woman only one rule, "Don't eat the fruit of that tree." And He said, "If you eat it you will die." When Satan saw an opportunity he went slowly and innocently to the woman. "Does God love you? If He loves you then why doesn't He let you eat the fruit that is so tasty. You would become so happy if you eat it. Poor girl, God doesn't want this." The woman started to think, "Does God love me?" Satan's words started to work on her like poison. "Believe me, eat just a piece of that fruit and it will be enough. You will become happier than ever before. Then you will never need God again." The woman took the fruit and ate it and gave it to the man to eat too. And they were trapped in a terrible lie. And from that time to now this lie has been in the world, and it goes around in the hearts of all people, that God doesn't love me. This was not a dream, it was a reality. Everything fell through the man and the woman's fingertips. They started to feel ashamed of themselves. The whole atmosphere there was changed.

They had always loved to hear that voice. They ran close when they heard that voice. But now they were running far away from it. "Where are you?" God's voice called. "We cannot come near you", the man said, "we are afraid." God asked, "Did you eat that fruit? I told you not to, didn't I?" The man said, "The woman gave it to me to eat." "What is this you have done?" said God. The woman said that the serpent had tricked her. God's heart was full of sadness. His children were not able to obey the one rule that he had given them. They had broken a beautiful relationship and now He knew that nothing could be made right, and that they wouldn't be able to continue living in the garden. He saw how everything had been turned upside down. How God's beautiful world became sinful. Now God had only one last resort. "You must leave the garden." God said this to them full of sadness, and his tears would not stop flowing. "Now this is not your home, you must go." But before they went God made clothes for them and He sent them on a long journey. And they began living a long way off. But God never left them, He always loved them.



The man and woman did wrong and disobeyed God.

# (3) A Basket in the River, Baby Moses in the Basket

This story is of those days when many of God's people were living as slaves to a king. The king appointed masters over them who made them work as laborers building palaces and cities. They made them work day and night. In spite of all this their population continued to grow.

Seeing this, the king became worried and gave this command in the country that all the sons born to laborers must be drowned in the Nile River.

During this time there was a lady who gave birth to a son. Everyone in the family was troubled when they saw that the child was a boy. She watched over him for several months, but then started to become worried that she wouldn't be able to hide this much longer.

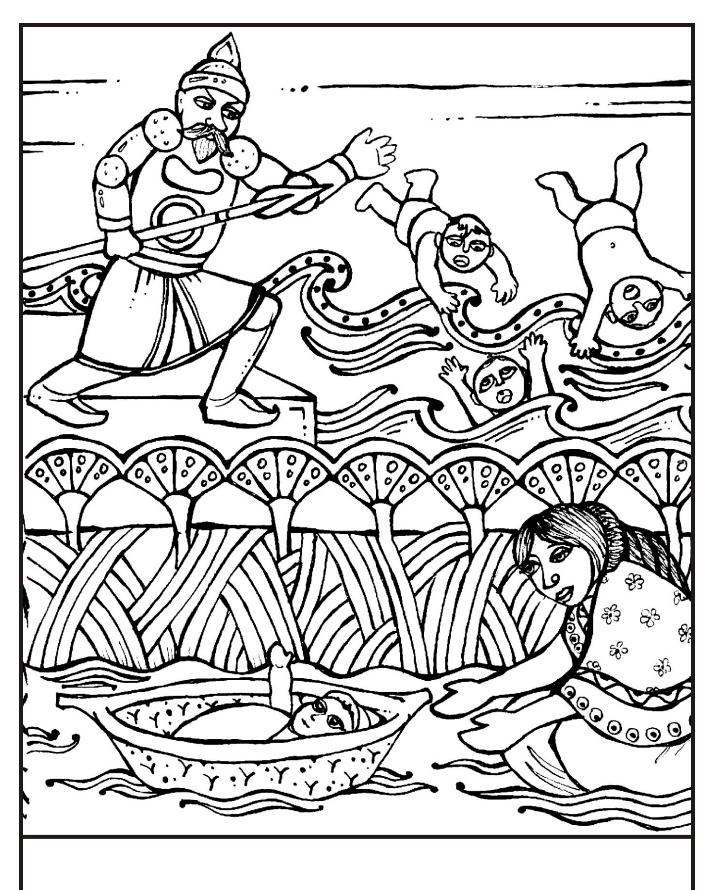
Then she thought of a way to save her child, she told her daughter, who was the older sister of the baby, to bring some reeds. She made the reeds into a basket and covered the inside of it with a layer of clay. Then she laid the child in the basket, put it in the water at the riverbank and told her daughter to keep an eye on it.

The mother knew that the king's daughter came there every day to bathe. And she did - after a little while when the king's daughter came there to bathe her gaze fell upon the basket. She told her servants to bring the basket to her. As soon as she looked inside the basket, she saw a handsome boy. As soon as she saw the child she knew that it belonged to one of the laborers. But when she saw the child she had compassion on him and she decided to raise him. And she called the child 'Moses', which means drawn from the water.

Then the child's sister came before the princess and asked her if she should bring a nanny to take care of the child and nurse it. And the nanny that she called was none other than the child's own mother.

And in this way the child began living in the palace. But the truth of whose child he was wasn't hidden from him. And in this way the child was raised and he grew up in the palace. But when he saw the oppression of his people he was very sad.

In this way the days passed and people started crying out to God. They called on the name of God to come and rescue them. God heard them and made a plan for their rescue.



Baby Moses is saved from death.



#### Moses' Red Sea Road

One day as Moses was tending his animals, he saw something strange happening in a bush. Oh! There were flames coming from it! But still it wasn't burning.

He went closer to look, when a loud voice spoke saying 'Moses'. Moses was afraid and took a step back. The voice was coming from the bush. "I have heard the cries of my people", this was the voice of God, "I have seen their tears and come down to save them. Go and tell the King to set me people free."

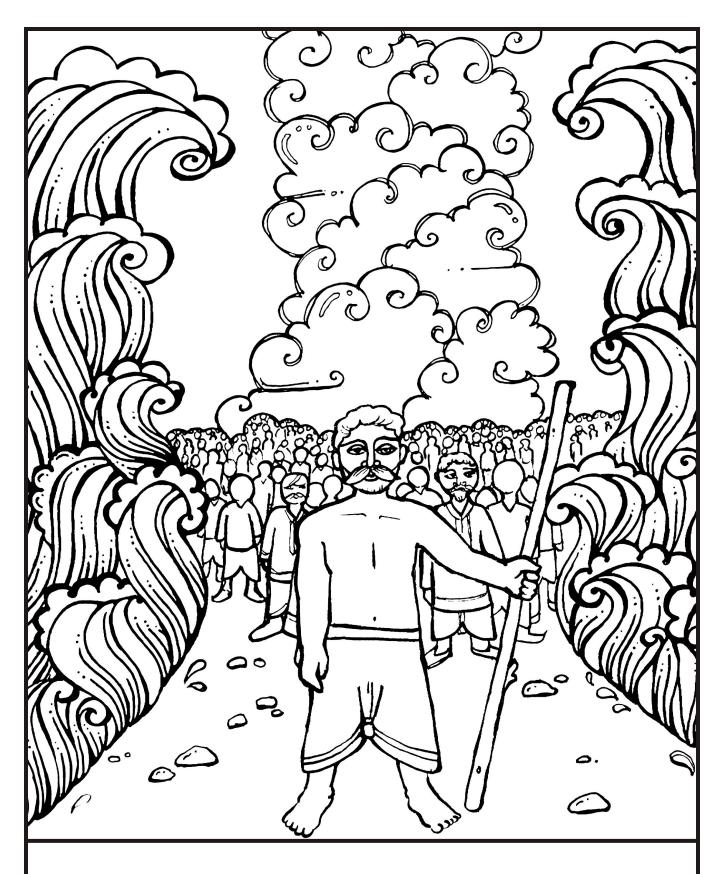
Moses was very afraid but he said to God, "I am with you." Then Moses went and said "King, I bring a message from God." The King didn't listen to what he said but Moses continued saying, "God's message is this: let his people go." The King said, "Why should I let them go? I will not let them go."

In this way God gave warnings to him ten times and every time the King refused to let the people go.

But God rescued his people from every disaster and arranged for them to receive gold, silver and clothing so they would be able to leave that place. But as soon and the King heard that they were leaving he immediately sent his swiftest soldiers after them to bring them back as prisoners. They went on horses and chariots to stop them.

Moses was travelling with all the people and the came to the shore of a sea. As they started to turn back, the King's soldiers were right behind them. Now the sea was in front of them and the King's soldiers were behind them. Everyone was worried. Then Moses raised his hand and such a strong wind blew that it separated the waters of the sea into two parts and everyone crossed over in between.

But as soon as the Kings army started to follow them through the sea, both parts of the water joined together again as one. And all the soldiers started to drown in it. In this way God rescued his people and freed them from the slavery of the King.



Guru Moses takes God's people through the Red Sea.

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#### Jonah's Fish House

God's message came to Jonah telling him to go to the city of Nineveh and tell his enemies that God loves them.

"No, I can't go. They are very bad people," said Jonah. "Yes, that is why I want you to go and give them a message. I want to give them a chance to change their hearts," God answered.

'No Lord, it is impossible to change them,' Jonah said in his heart and he decided to run away. He thought, 'I will go so far away that God won't be able to see me or find me.'

'Yes that will be good'. But this was a useless plan because nobody can hide from God.

So Jonah got on a boat to go far away from God. The boat wasn't going to Nineveh but was going in another direction. Jonah liked this plan and he went to sleep on the boat.

But after some time strong winds started to blow, a storm came and the boat started to rock back and forth. Everyone was very afraid and worried. No one was able to steer the boat. The boat was becoming uncontrollable. People were screaming saying "We're going to drown!" Everyone was calling out to their gods. Slowly people started to throw their things overboard so that the boat would become light, but it didn't help.

When everyone had become troubled Jonah knew that all this was happening because of him. He told the captain of the boat to throw him into the ocean, and all the people on the boat were worried. Jonah said, "This is the only way." After Jonah said this again and again the people threw him into the ocean. Splash! As soon as Jonah fell into the water the storm became completely still and the strong winds stopped.

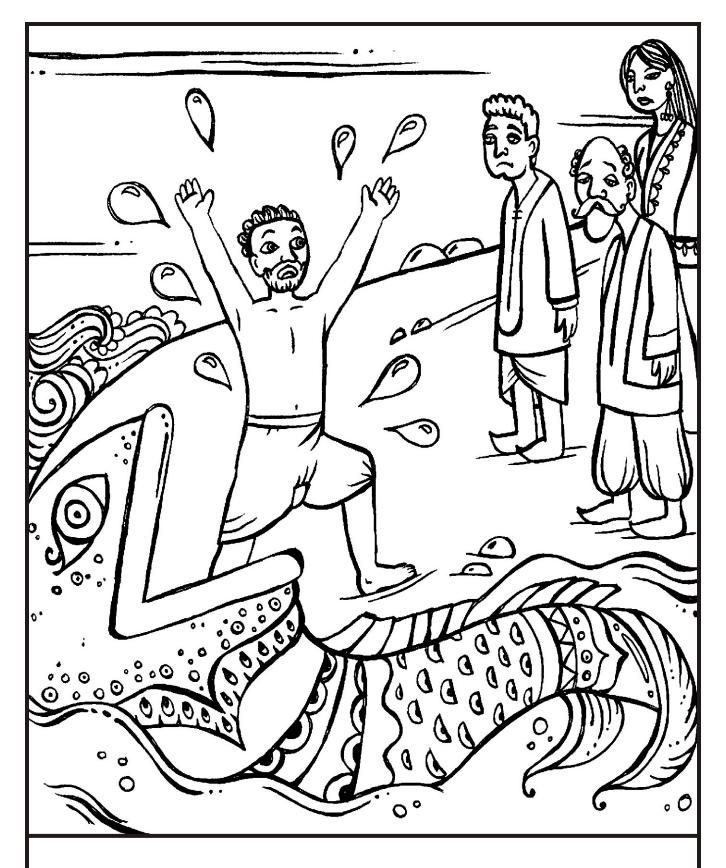
Jonah thought that his life had ended. He knew that he would drown in the oceans water. But God sent a big fish to save Jonah.



Guru Jonah runs away from God and is swallowed by a fish.

The fish immediately swallowed Jonah whole. Jonah must have thought that he was dead. Complete darkness. Like some kind of cave... after some time he understood that he was in the stomach of a fish.

Jonah began to realize that no one can run from God. He asked God to forgive him and decided to obey his command. In this way he was in the stomach of the fish for three whole days and on the third day the fish spit him out onto dry ground. Then God spoke to him again and told him to go to the city of Nineveh and this time he said, "Yes." And he went straight to the city of Nineveh and told everybody what God had said. The people of Nineveh believed the things that he said and everyone turned their faces away from evil and towards good and they started to walk on the path of truth.



The fish puts Guru Jonah on dry land to give God's message.

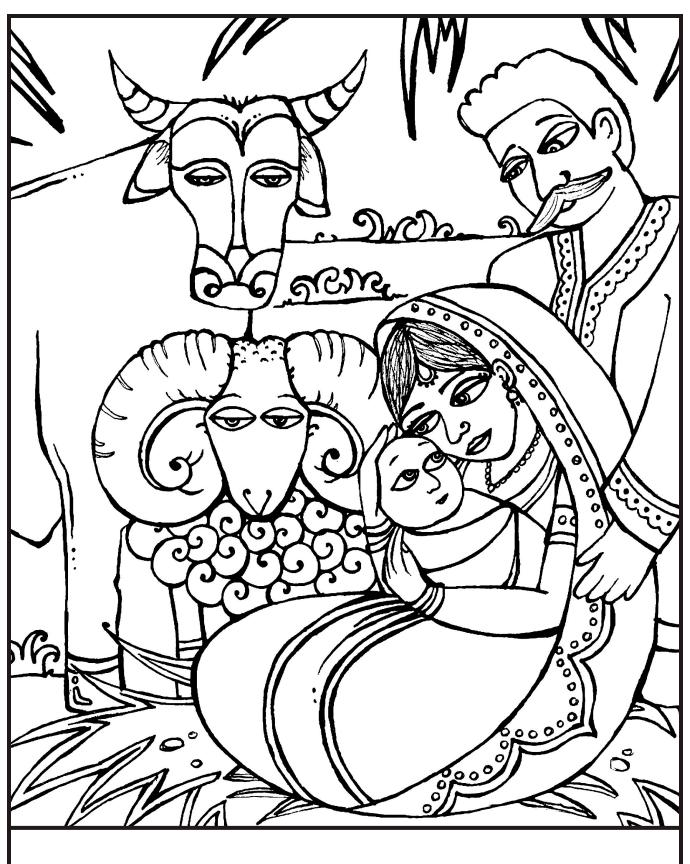
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### This is no Ordinary Boy

God loved the world very much and he still does. But the world did not obey his commands and spent their time doing evil things that saddened God's heart. But he doesn't want us to be punished or remain in sin. That's why he sent his son the Savior, The Eternal True Guru Jesus into this world so that he could bear our sadness for us and we could be forgiven.

When the time had come for the Lord Jesus to be born an order came from the king that all citizens must go back to their home cities for a census. Joseph, the father of the coming child, also had to go back to his town Bethlehem. Joseph also took his pregnant wife Mary with him on that long journey. By the time they reached Bethlehem Mary was very tired. And there was no place for them to stay there. All the guest houses were already full of people. The owner of one guest house saw the pregnant woman and had pity on her but couldn't do anything except give them a place to stay in a cow shed that was full of the smell and filth of animals. But at least they had a place to rest because there was no room anywhere else. And that night in that cow shed baby Jesus was born and he was wrapped in cloth and placed in a manger.

After some time the boy Jesus went with his parents to the temple and there among sages and wise men he spoke of many religious things and the people who heard him were amazed. He was raised like any normal boy. For many years he faithfully served his parents. But he is no ordinary boy, he is the savior sent by God.



God sent his son as a baby named Yeshu.



### The Crazy Man on the Other Side of the River

Once Guru Yeshu and his disciples crossed a river and came to a city. As soon as Guru Yeshu stepped out of the boat he met a man filled with unclean spirits. He looked like he was completely crazy. Many times people had tried to bind him in chains but every time he broke them into pieces and escaped. No one was able to overpower him. He lived in deserted places, screamed day and night from the mountains and even cut himself with stones.

When he saw Guru Yeshu from far off he folded his hands and said in a loud voice, "Oh Guru, Son of the Most High God, what do you want with me? Please don't trouble me." Because the Guru had told the evil spirits to leave that man. The Guru released him from those evil spirits and sent them away.

Now that man is completely still, he is wearing clothes and sitting up straight. The people saw this and they were amazed. When Guru Yeshu started to leave that place the man who was filled with evil spirits came to him and started saying that he wanted to stay with him. But Guru Yeshu refused to take the man with him and told him that he should go home and tell the people there the amazing things that he had done. Then the man went back and everyone who he told what had happened to him was amazed. That is how The Guru made a man who was filled with evil spirits decent and normal.



Sadguru Yeshu frees a man from the power of evil spirits.

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### Who is my neighbor?

One day someone asked Guru Yeshu, "Who is my neighbor?" and The Guru told them this story.

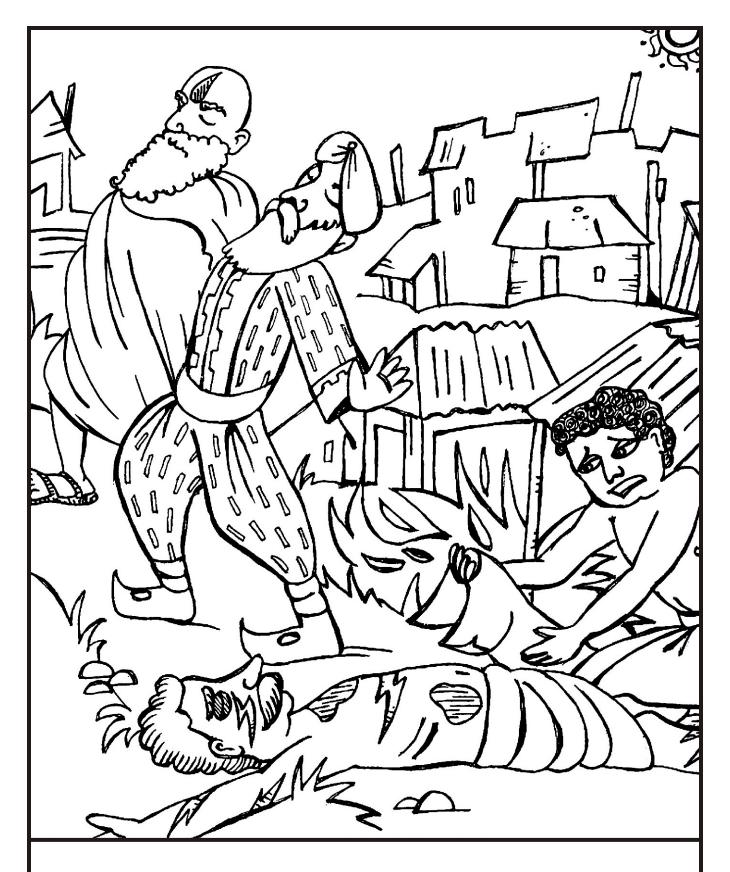
A man was travelling to his village. The journey was very long. He was walking along a deserted road. Then suddenly some robbers attacked him. The robbers took all of his money, all of his valuables and they beat him so badly that the poor man was half dead.

He laid there for a very long time when after some time a priest came along that same road. He saw the wounded man but had no mercy on him and quickly walked away not helping him at all. A short while later a teacher walked by on that road and he also passed quickly by. He saw the wounded man but continued on without stopping.

Just after that a very simple man was walking along that road. He saw the moaning man and stopped. He had great compassion on the wounded man. He cleaned his wounds, and washed him and took him to a nearby inn. He arranged for the man's treatment and took care of him the whole time. The next day before he left he told the innkeeper, "Take care of him well and when I come back again I will pay you whatever it costs."

This man was a complete stranger to the wounded person. He was a very simple man that many people hated.

After telling this story Guru Yeshu turned to the man and asked, "Now you tell me, who was the neighbor of that wounded man?" He answered and said, "The person who helped him."



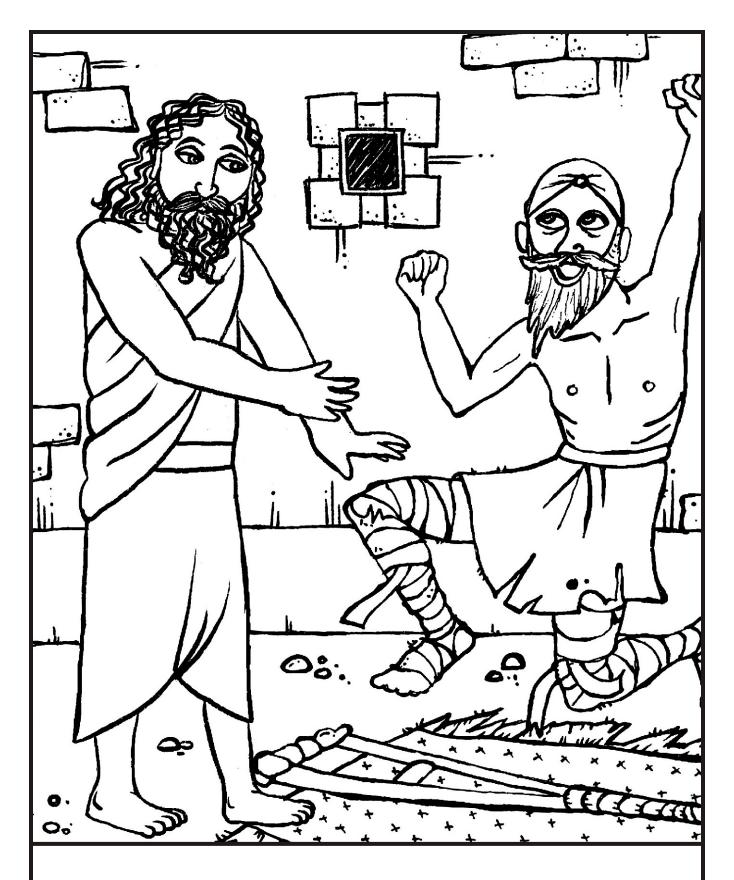
Sadguru Yeshu told us to love everyone as ourselves.

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#### Pick up your mat and walk!

By the gate of the city there was a very big pool and there many sick, blind, crippled and other diseased people lay around waiting for the water to be stirred so they could go into the pool and be healed. Because at special times God's messengers came down to the pool and stirred the water and as soon as the water was stirred the first person to go into the pool became healed no matter what disease or sickness they had. There was a man lying there who had been disabled for 38 years. He couldn't walk or get up from that place.

When Guru Yeshu came there he saw this man and asked him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man replied, "Yes, but there is no one with me to help carry me into the pool when the water is stirred. Every time someone else gets into the water before mejust as I almost reach it." Guru Yeshu said to him, "Get up, pick up your mat and walk." The man was instantly healed, he picked up his mat and started to walk around. People started to ask him, "Who was that who told you, 'Pick up your mat and walk.'?" But the man who was healed didn't know who he was, and because there were large crowds in that place the Guru had left. After some time he met Guru Yeshu in the temple and the Guru told him, "Look, you have become well. Don't sin again. Otherwise you may be caught in worse trouble." After that the man went and started telling everyone that it was Guru Yeshu who had healed him.



Sadguru Yeshu heals a man who could not walk.

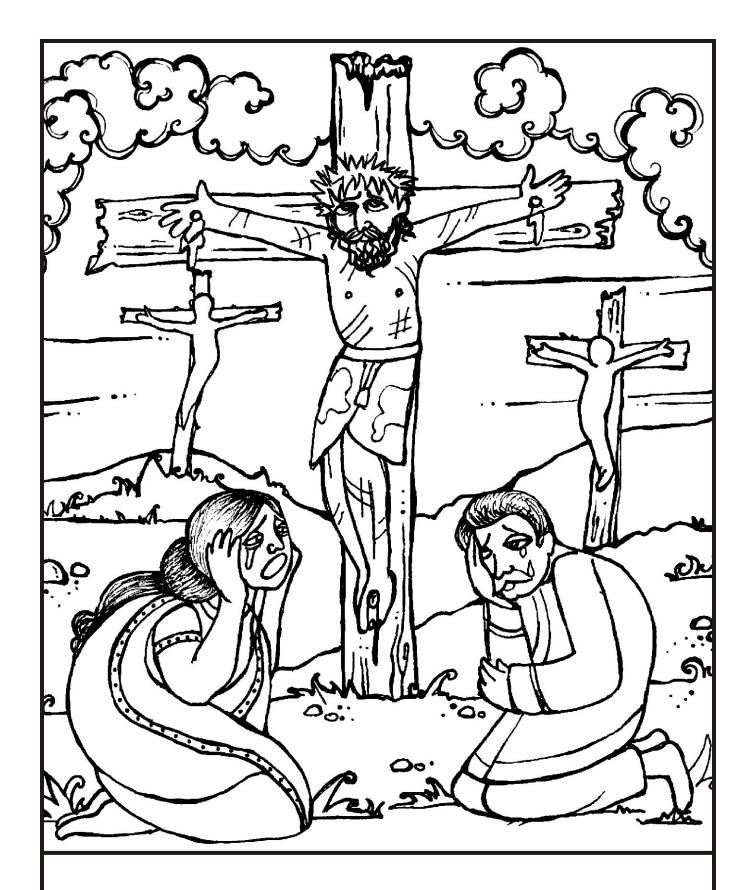


#### **That Terrible Day**

Late one night Guru Yeshu was in meditation to God and his disciples were sleeping a short distance away. Guru Yeshu tried to wake them up when all of a sudden there was the sound of a large crowd and a light coming from far away. The temple priests and the kings soldiers were coming with one of Guru Yeshu's disciples who they had plotted with in their plan to capture the Guru. They captured Prabhu Yeshu and dragged him into the kings court where the presented him and made many false accusations against him, of which not even one was true, because the wise men in the kingdom and those in charge were jealous of the Guru and they wanted to kill him. Because of this reason they called many false witnesses and pressured the king to put Guru Yeshu to death. Then the king asked Guru Yeshu, "Do you want to say anything in your defense?" But Guru Yeshu did not answer or say a single word in his defense and in the end he ordered the death penalty for an innocent Guru. Then Guru Yeshu was taken away to be punished.

High up outside the city the kings soldiers mercilessly nailed SadguruYeshu's hands and feet to a piece of wood, hitting the nails with a hammer who knows how many times, and they stood that piece of wood out in the bright sun. There when Guru Yeshu bears great pain his mother and father suffer as well. They don't know what they should do. But in spite of all this Guru Yeshu forgave everyone, even those who punished him, and he gave up his life. At that very moment the entire sky became dark, the earth shook and everyone was afraid. Then after that some of PrabhuYeshu's followers prepared a tomb for him.

But this is not the end of The Eternal SadguruYeshu'sstory; God has a very big plan for me and for you too.

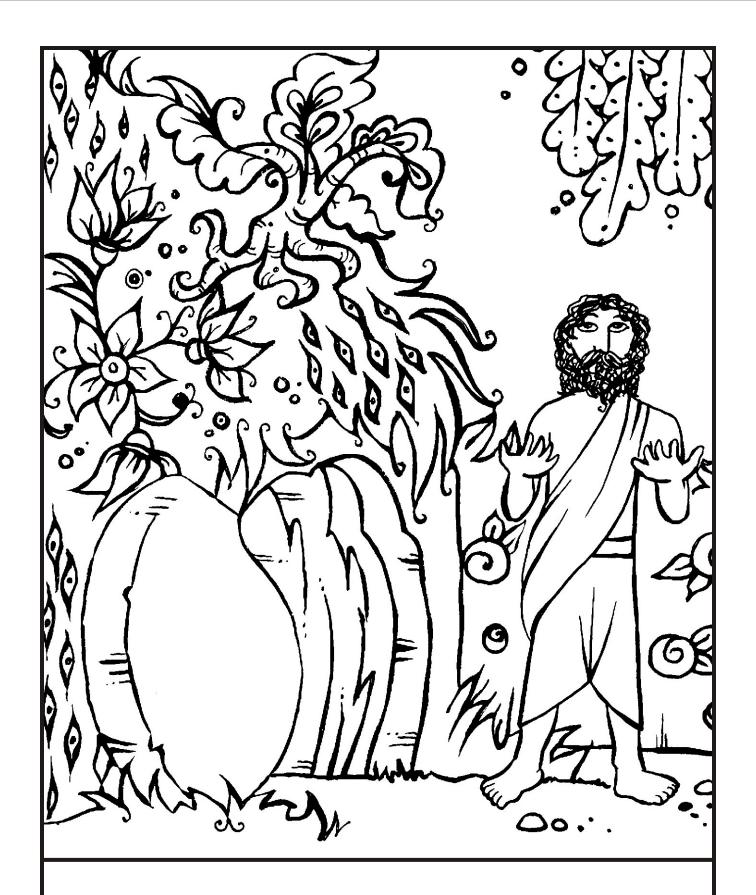


Sadguru Yeshu died on the cross to take away our sins.



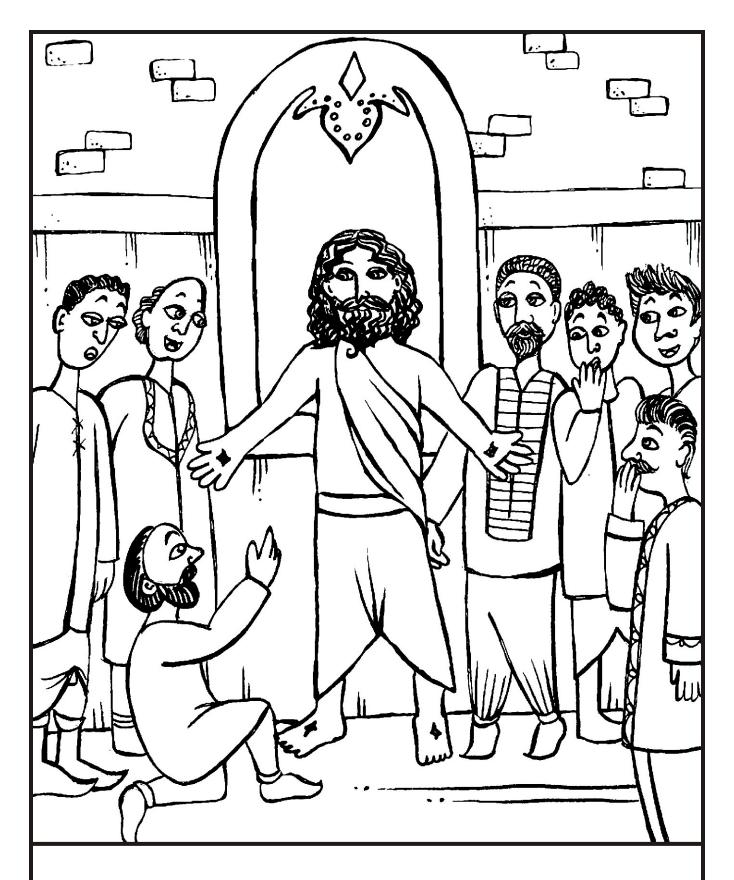
#### There is no Ghost Here!

Two days after SadguruYeshu's death, early on the morning of the third day a woman comes to the tomb of Guru Yeshu. But... what is this? The door to the tomb is open and the Guru's body is gone. Seeing all this she becomes very afraid because the cloth wrappings that were on the Guru are lying there. Seeing this she begins to cry. Then all of a sudden she sees a man that she thought was a gardener and she falls down at his feet and says, "Did you move our Guru away from here? If so, please tell me where he is." Then that man answered saying, "Listen..." When she heard just this she turned around and said, "Oh my Guru!" Then she spent some time with him and she couldn't control her happiness.



Sadguru Yeshu has victory over death and he is alive!

After meeting him she went to the Guru's disciples and told them in detail everything that had happened. All of the Guru's disciples were gathered together in one place in one room. They had closed all the windows and doors because during those days they were very afraid. Then all of a sudden Guru Yeshu appeared there and was seen among them. The Guru said to them, "Be at peace." But all the disciples were very afraid. They all thought that a ghost had come. But the Guru calmed them and showed them the palms of his hands that had been nailed. And they were filled with joy when they realized that this was Guru Yeshu himself and not a ghost. They really enjoyed speaking with him and seeing him again. The Guru said to them, "This was all part of God's plan." And The Guru filled them with the Holy Spirit and talked to them about many different things. And in this way Yeshu defeated death, which means he defeated our sins and gave us a new life, and he came back to life in an amazing way.



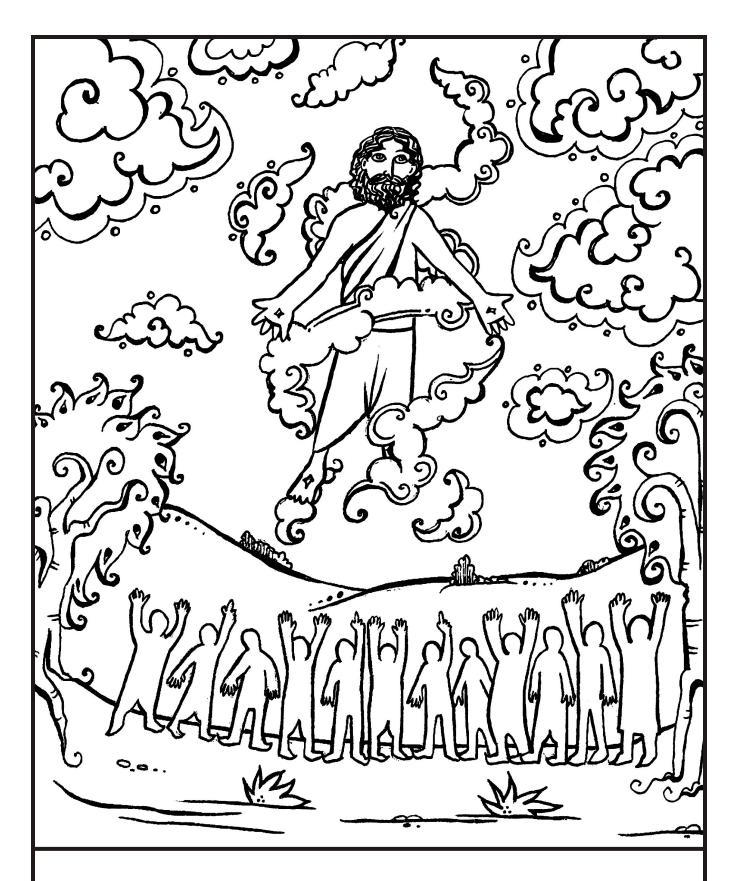
Sadguru Yeshu shows himself to his disciples.



#### A World on the Other Side of the Clouds

Sadguru Yeshu spent several days with his disciples and once while they were walking together he said to them, "Look; now I must go to my Father's house." His disciples were very surprised. But then they remember that before his death Jesus had told them that, "There is a lot of space in my Father's house and I am going to prepare a whole world for you there." And we call that world heaven.

And Guru Yeshu said, "I alone am the way, the truth and the life." And as he was saying these things Guru Yeshu started to rise up from the ground and his disciples were shocked and started to look up into the sky and continued to stare until The Lord Yeshu rose above the clouds. Even after that they continued looking up and staring when two heavenly messengers started to come down from the sky. And they gave this message, "Guru Yeshu is now in heaven, but one day he will surely come back in the same way he went up." The Lords disciples returned with great joy and after that they regularly met in the temple to praise The Lord.



Sadguru Yeshu returns to heaven to prepare a place for us.



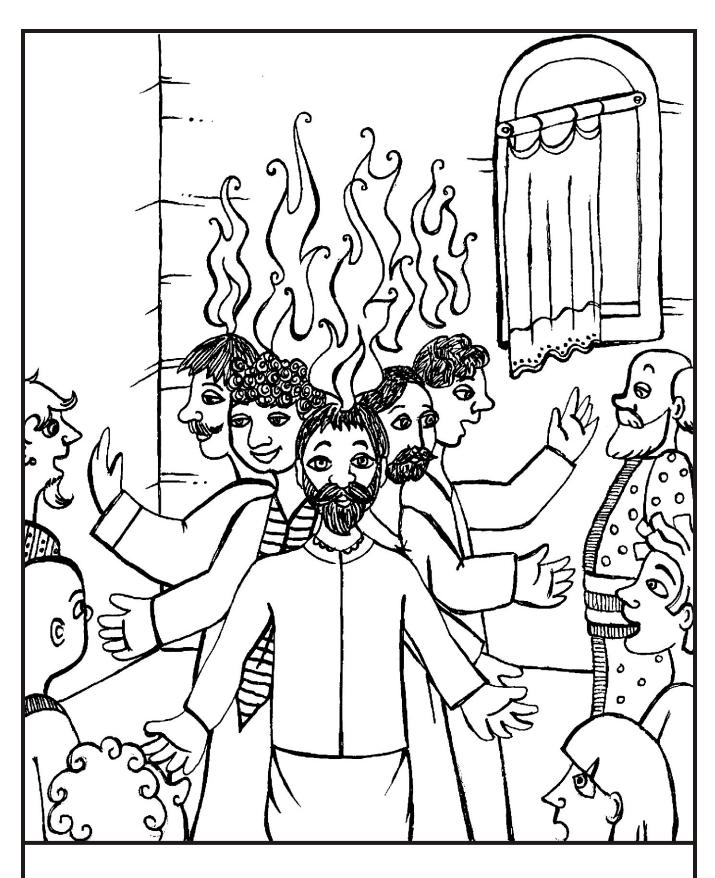
### Wind, Fire and Languages

SadguruYeshu's disciples gathered together in a place in the same way that they met every day. Suddenly from the sky the sound of a strong blowing wind came and the whole room where they were sitting started to echo and flames appeared above their heads that were burning but did not harm them.

And all of them started speaking in other languages that they had never learned before. These languages were given by the Holy Spirit. Other languages, just like the languages that we all speak - maybe Hindi, Marathi, Tamil, Bengali or some other language.

Because there was a temple in that place people of many different languages came and when this happened a large crowd formed. The people were confused because they each felt that, 'They are speaking in my language!' All the people were shocked and amazed and thought, 'How are they worshiping God in our languages? Maybe they have all gone crazy!' Then all of a sudden one of the disciples said, "Listen carefully! We are not crazy. We are giving you God's message!" And they told them everything about Sadguru Yeshu which you have already heard in the previous pages.

And that day a large number of people saw their lives changed. All those who believed in Guru Yeshu received life and were called disciples of Yeshu.



God's Holy Spirit comes to live in those who believe in Him.

#### **Conclusion**

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

-Saint John

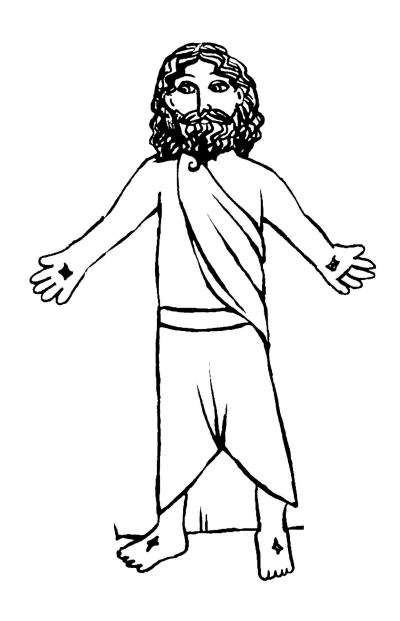
"The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God."

-Saint John

"Let the little children come to me and do not try to stop them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

-Sadguru Yeshu

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