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ROMANS COLORING BIBLE

Chapters 6-10



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Every Verse **Chpts 6 to 10**

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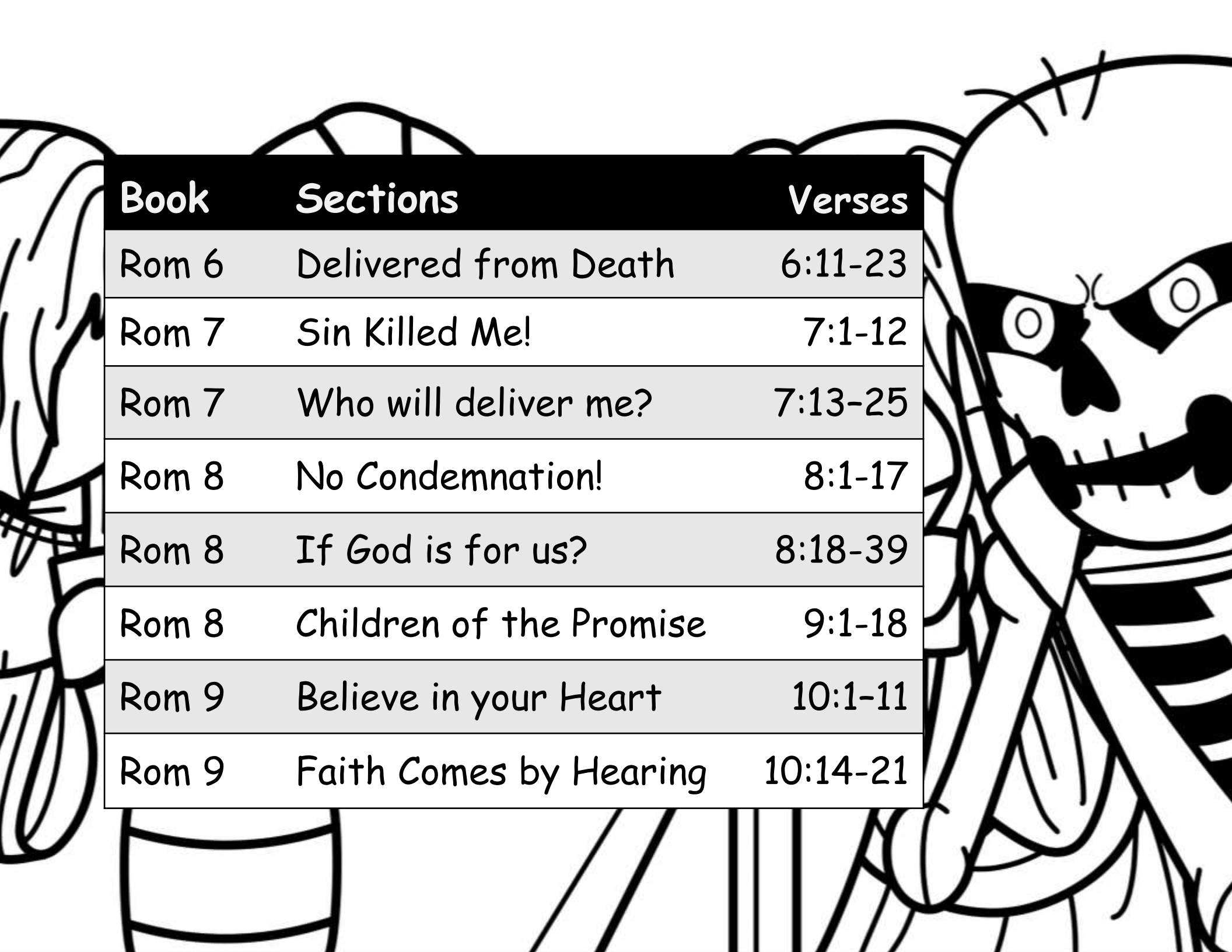
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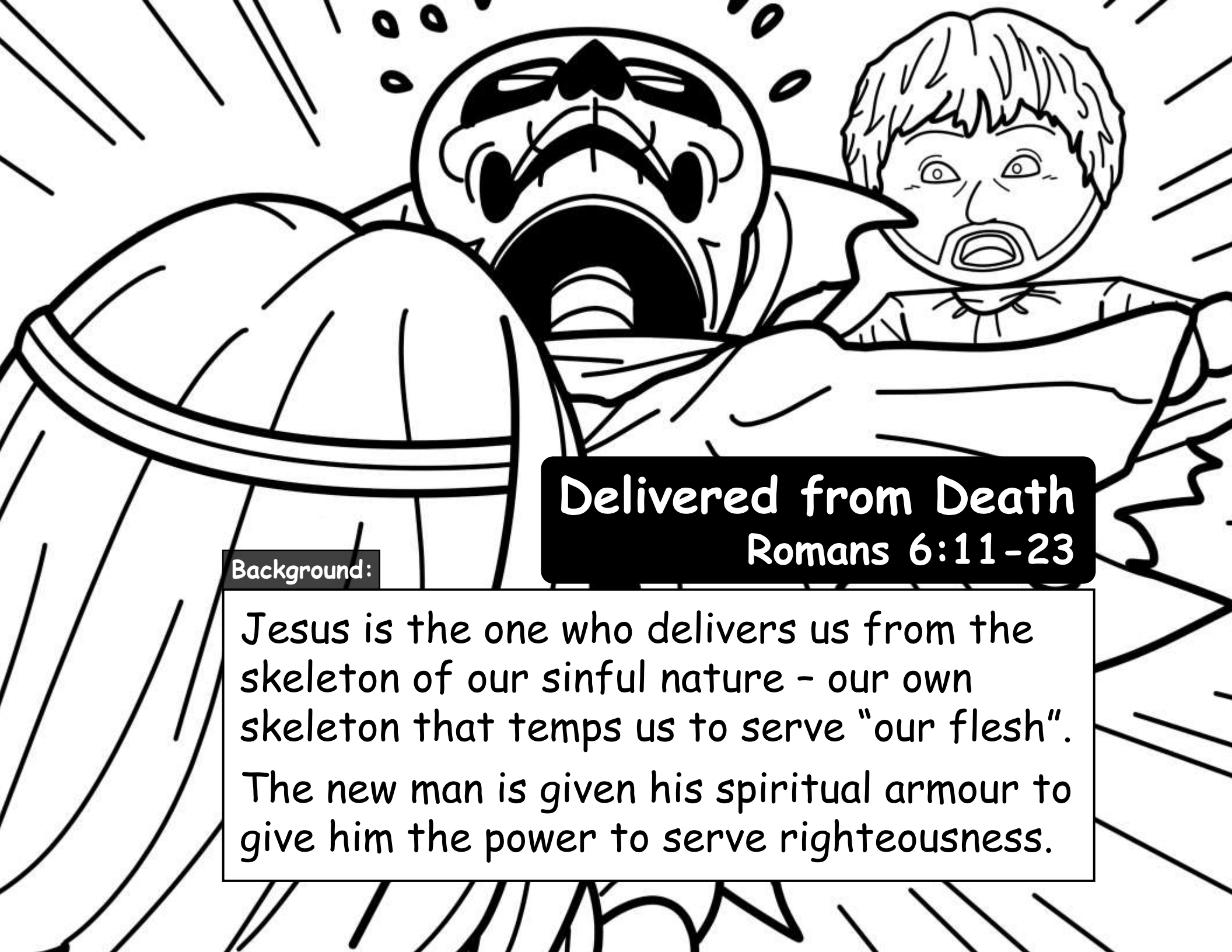
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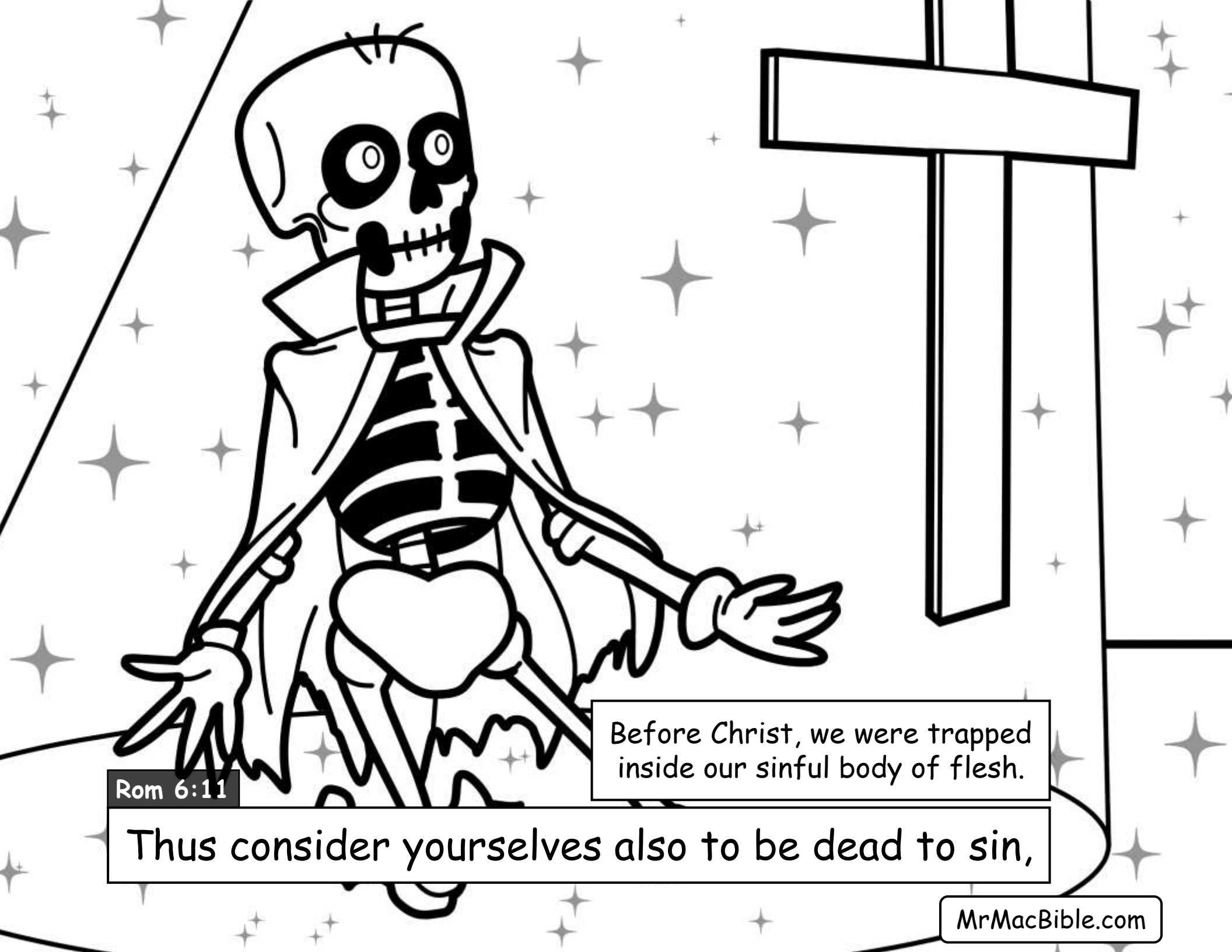
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Delivered from Death Romans 6:11-23

Background:

Jesus is the one who delivers us from the skeleton of our sinful nature - our own skeleton that tempts us to serve "our flesh". The new man is given his spiritual armour to give him the power to serve righteousness.



Rom 6:11

Before Christ, we were trapped inside our sinful body of flesh.

Thus consider yourselves also to be dead to sin,



Rom 6:11

Jesus saves us by pushing our "real man" out of our fleshly body of death!


...but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.



Rom 6:12

But the skeleton of our fleshly sinful-nature is not quite dead...


Therefore don't let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts.



Jesus puts spiritual
armour on the new man.

Rom 6:13


Also, do not present your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.



The sinful nature is now separated from "his man"!

Rom 6:14

For sin will not have dominion over you, for you are not under law, but under grace.



What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? May it never be!

Rom 6:15

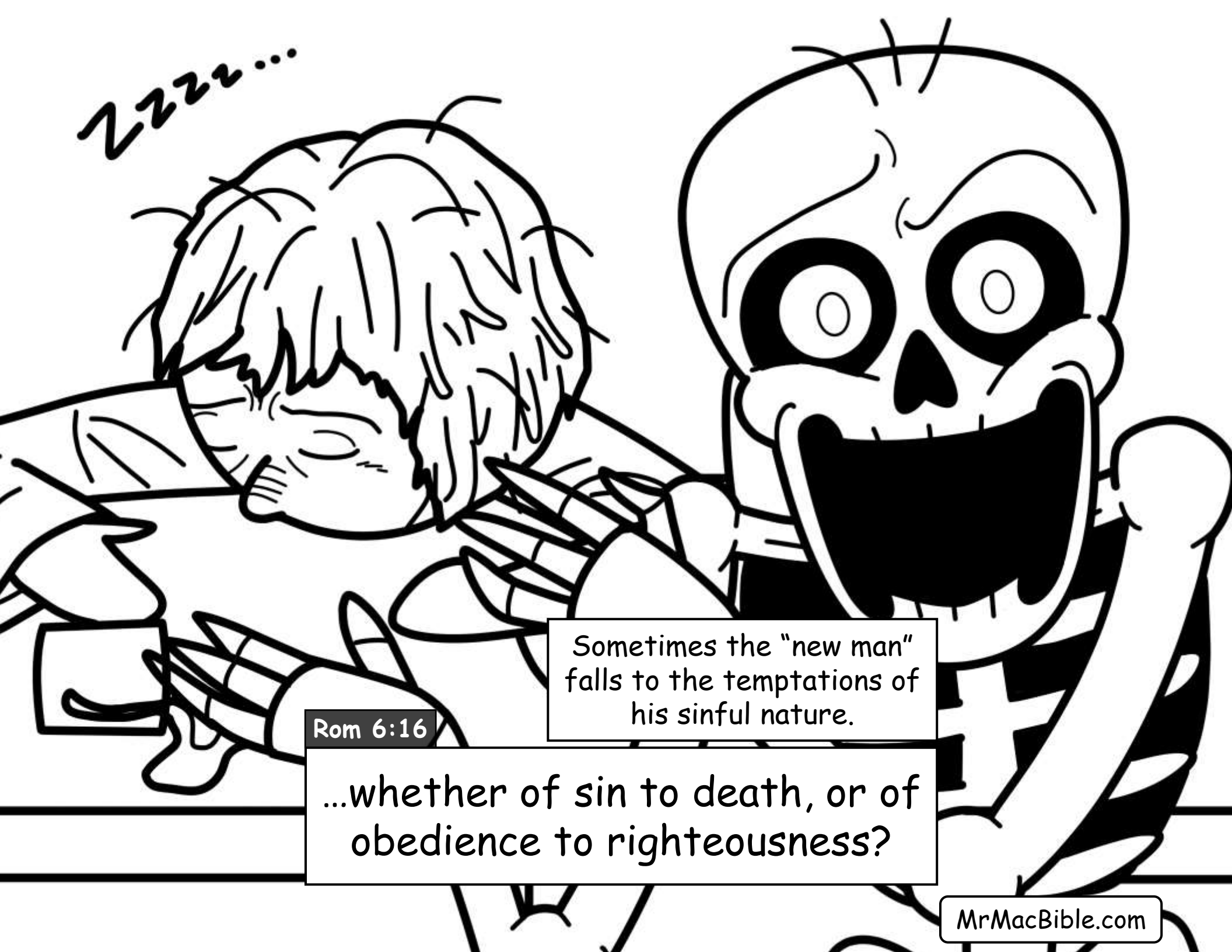
The man's flesh tempts him to come back to his "old habits"



...and tempts him to return to "Bad Things?!"

Rom 6:16

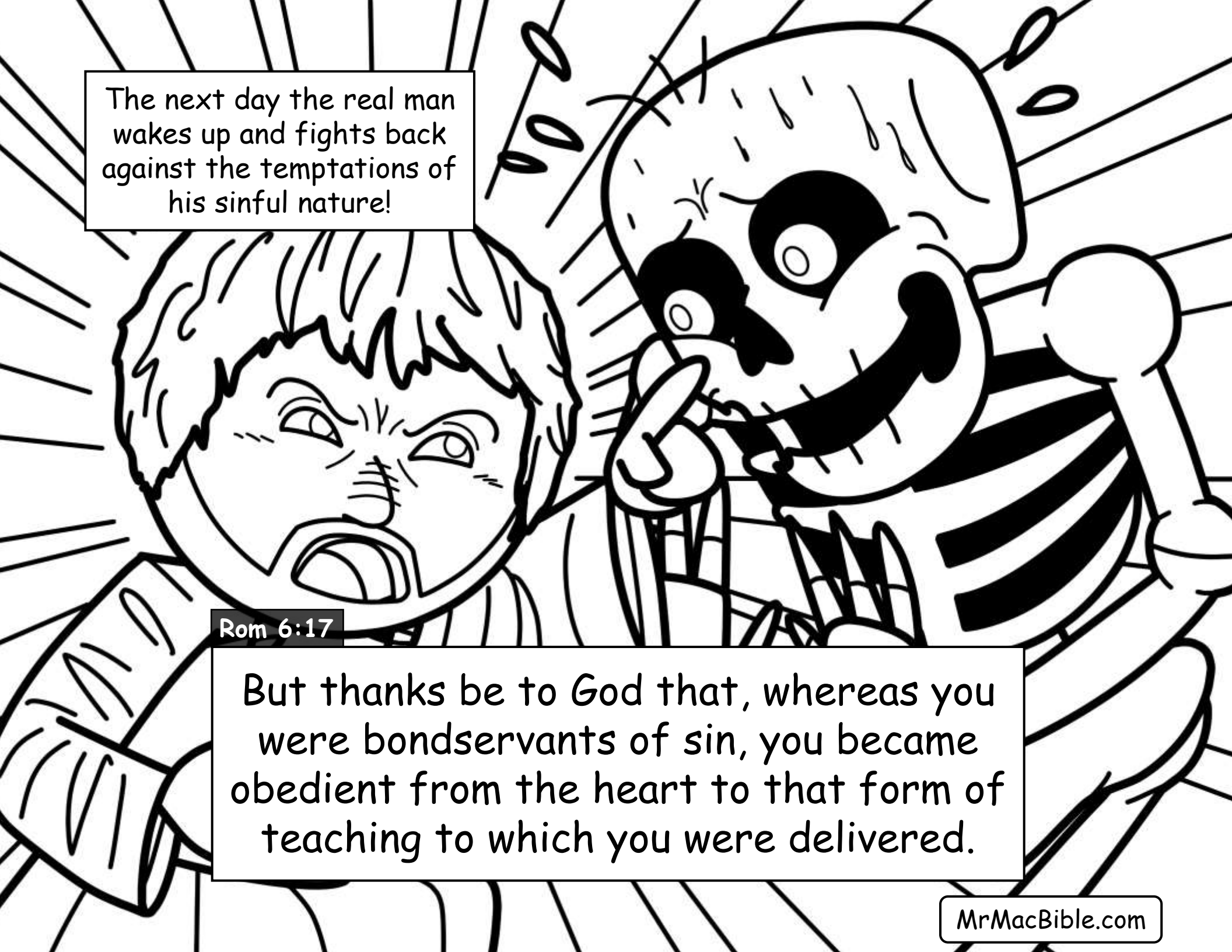
Don't you know that when you present yourselves as servants and obey someone, you are the servants of whomever you obey?



Sometimes the "new man" falls to the temptations of his sinful nature.

Rom 6:16

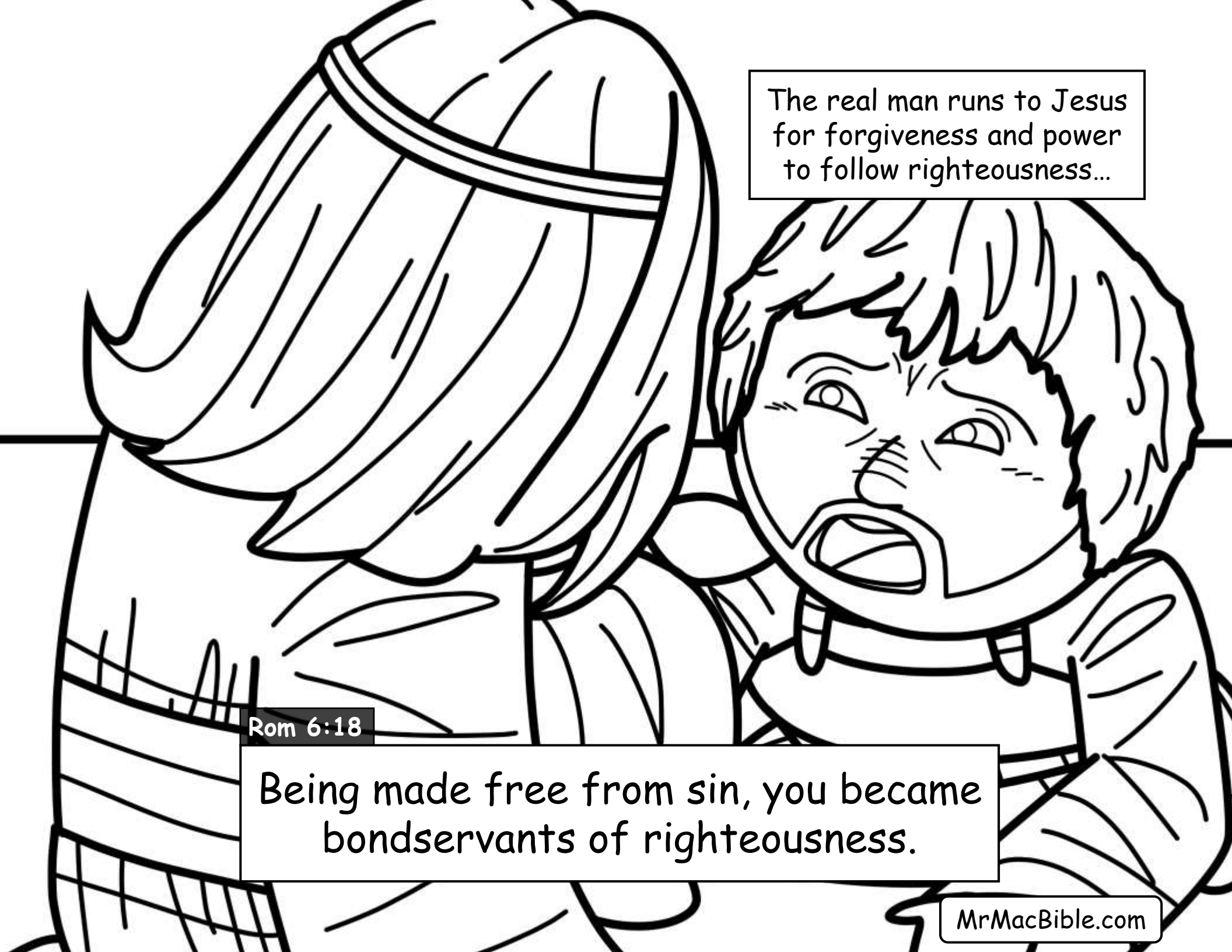
...whether of sin to death, or of obedience to righteousness?



The next day the real man
wakes up and fights back
against the temptations of
his sinful nature!

Rom 6:17


But thanks be to God that, whereas you were bondservants of sin, you became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching to which you were delivered.



The real man runs to Jesus
for forgiveness and power
to follow righteousness...

Rom 6:18


Being made free from sin, you became
bondservants of righteousness.



Jesus helps the real man
put his spiritual armour
back on so he can battle
against his sinful nature.

Rom 6:19

I speak in human terms because
of the weakness of your flesh;



The real man spends time with other believers who help him gain strength and courage for the next battle.

Rom 6:19

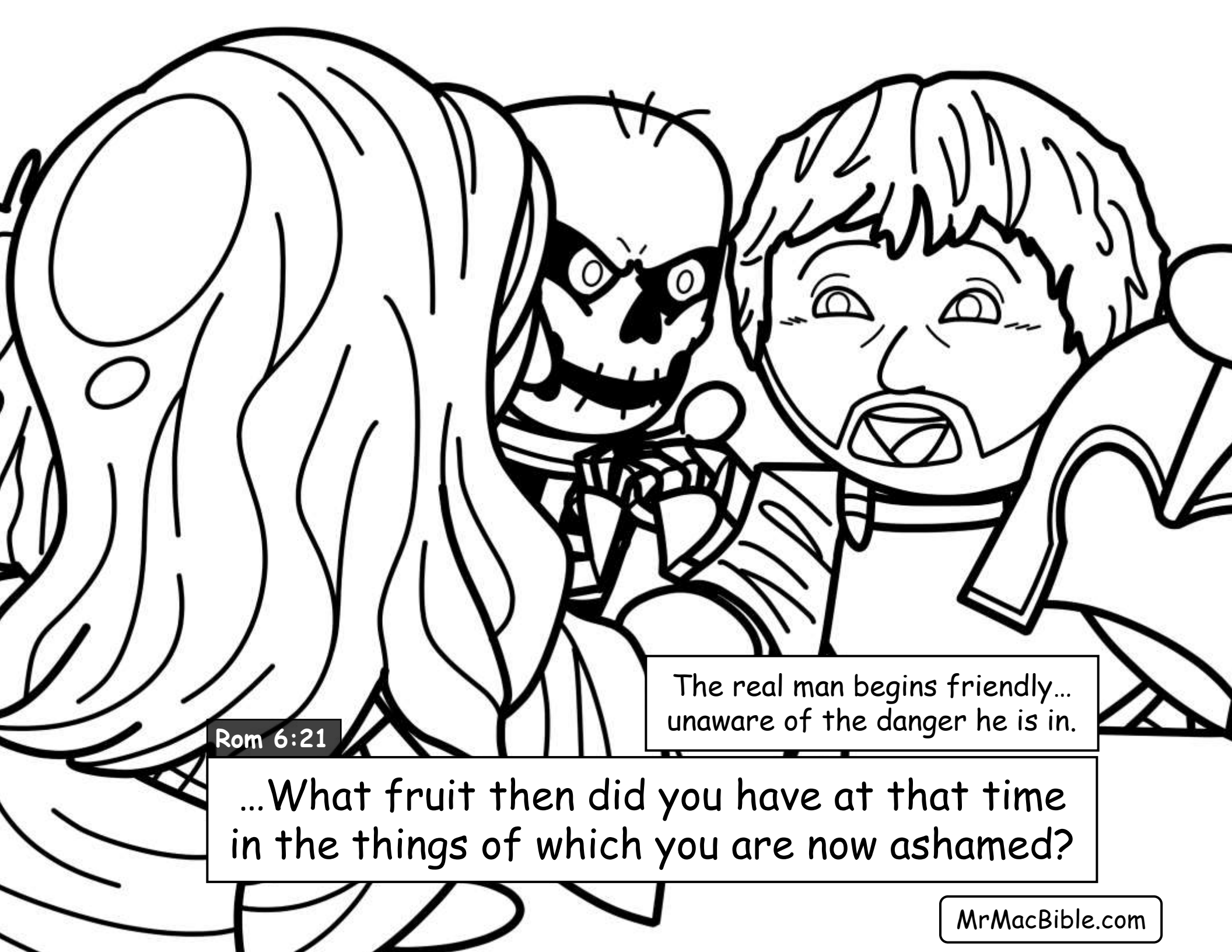
...for as you presented your members as servants to uncleanness and to wickedness upon wickedness, even so now present your members as servants to righteousness for sanctification.

For when you were servants of sin,
you were free from righteousness.

Rom 6:20

Is the skeleton trying to bring a
lustful woman to tempt the real man?

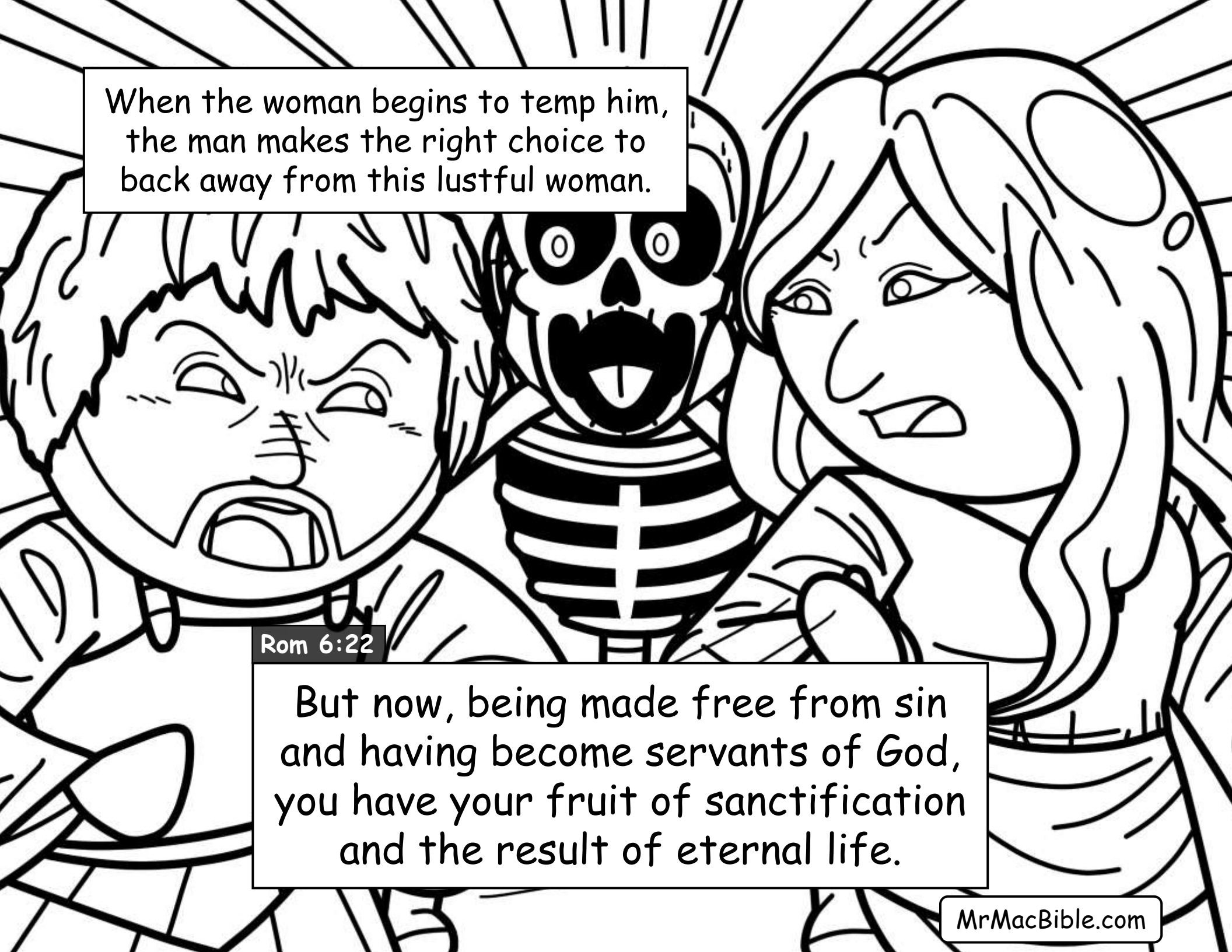




Rom 6:21

The real man begins friendly...
unaware of the danger he is in.

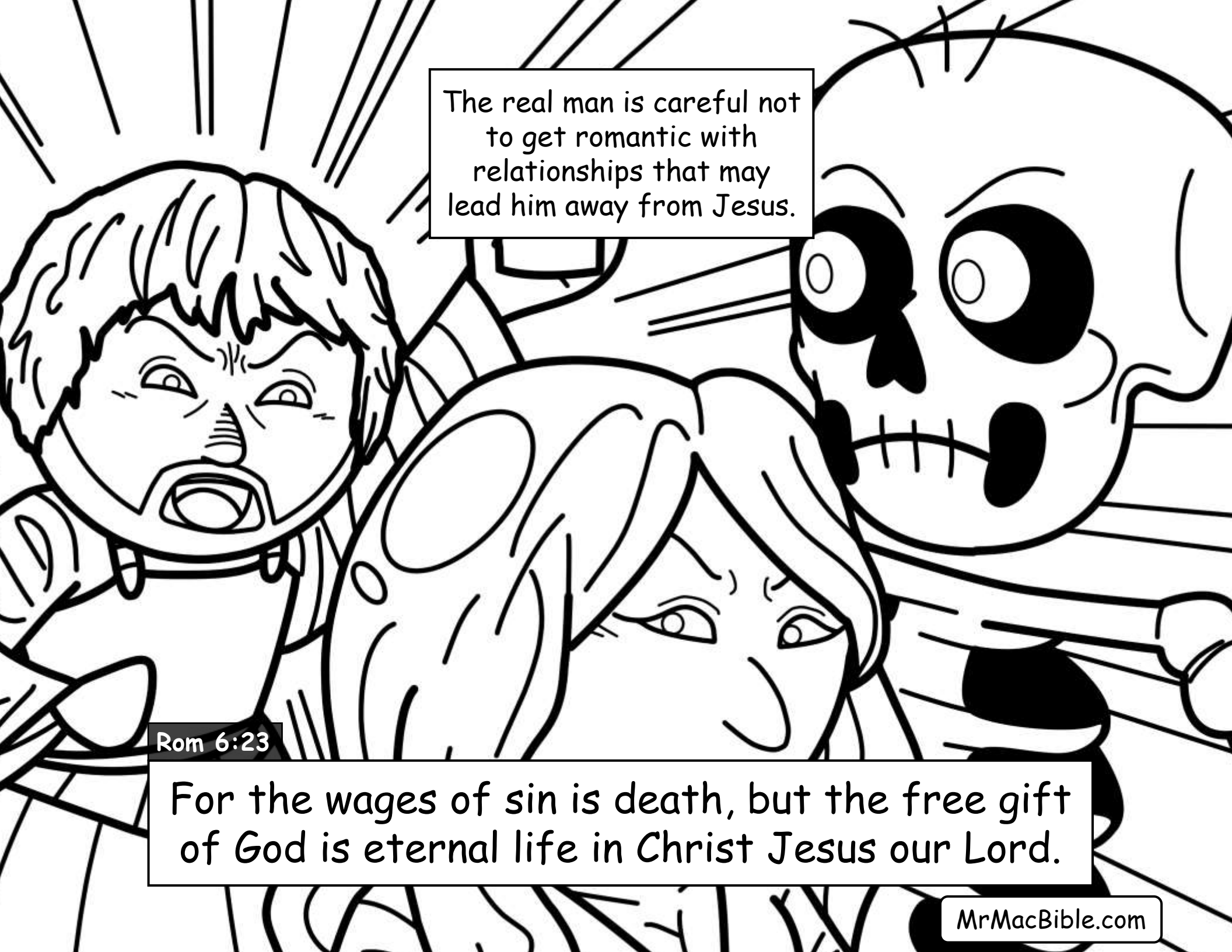
...What fruit then did you have at that time
in the things of which you are now ashamed?



When the woman begins to tempt him,
the man makes the right choice to
back away from this lustful woman.

Rom 6:22

But now, being made free from sin
and having become servants of God,
you have your fruit of sanctification
and the result of eternal life.



The real man is careful not to get romantic with relationships that may lead him away from Jesus.

Rom 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

THINK ABOUT IT...

Have you ever felt tempted
to do sinful things, but then
Jesus stopped you?

Tell us your story:



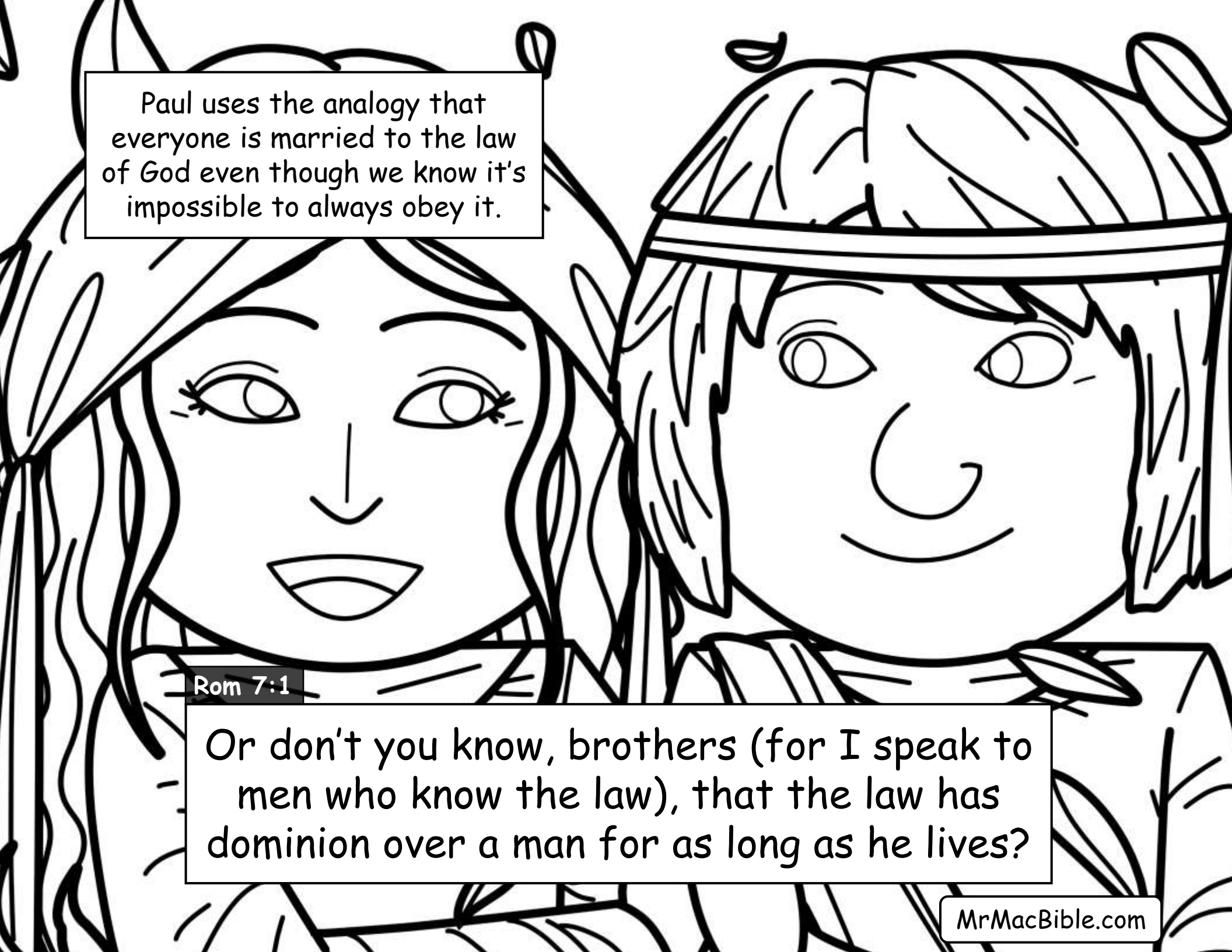
Sin Killed Me!

Romans 7:1-12

Background:

Paul says that knowing the good law of God makes him realize how "impossible" it is for him to always do what is right! First, sin makes him feel bad about his sin, then it condemns him for doing the sin, all while pushing him to want to sin more! Do we all know how Paul feels?

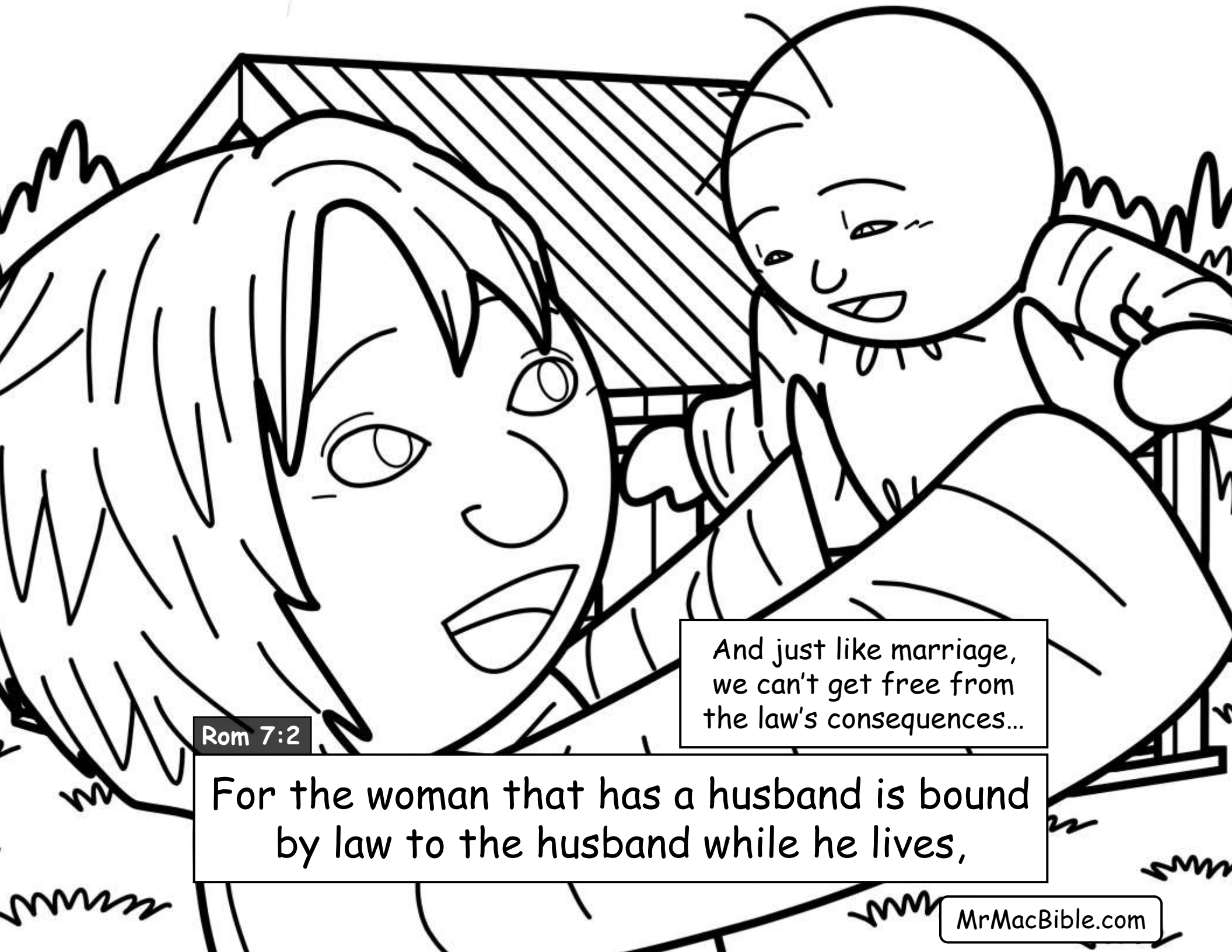
Even Paul struggles to stay pure and to resist his own sinful nature.



Paul uses the analogy that everyone is married to the law of God even though we know it's impossible to always obey it.

Rom 7:1

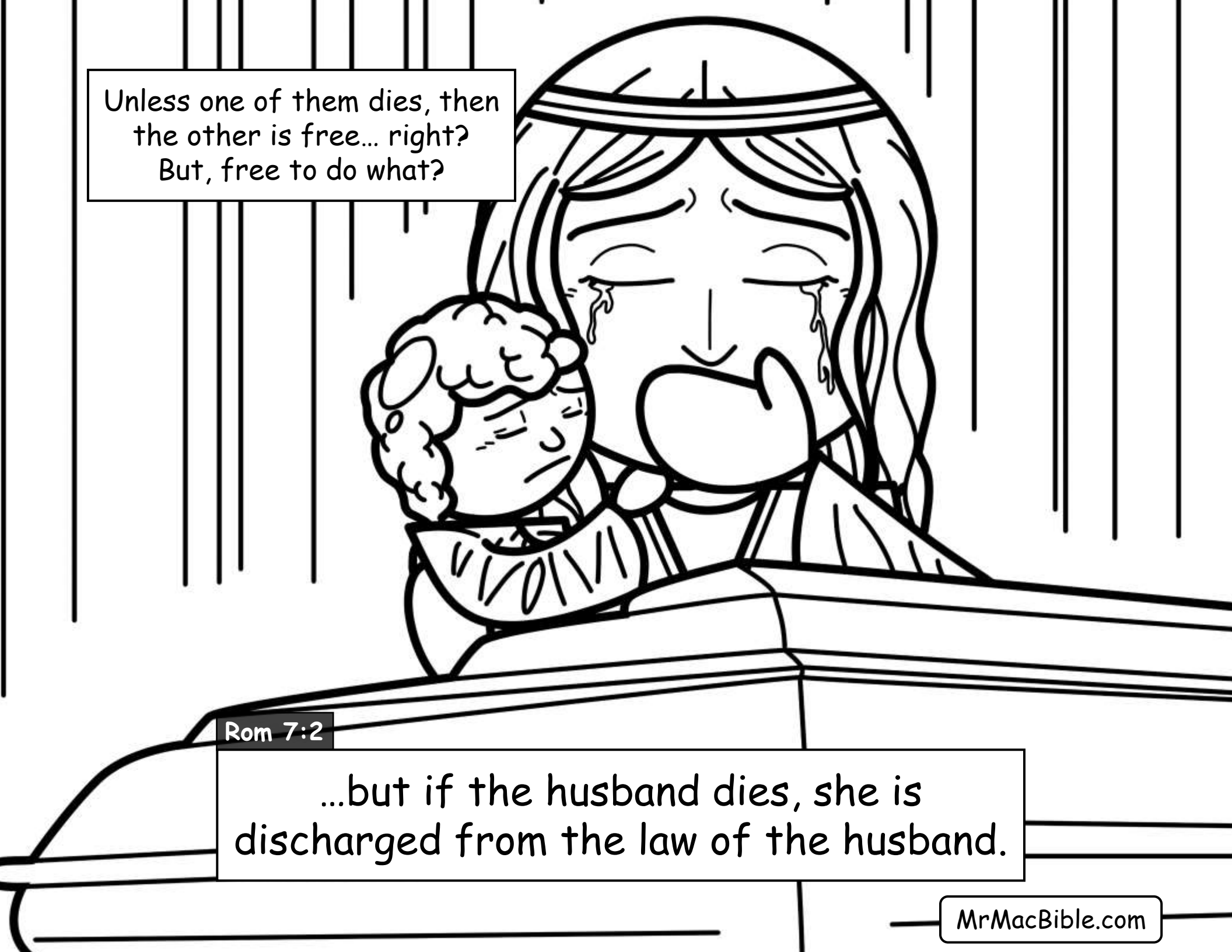
Or don't you know, brothers (for I speak to men who know the law), that the law has dominion over a man for as long as he lives?



Rom 7:2

And just like marriage,
we can't get free from
the law's consequences...

For the woman that has a husband is bound
by law to the husband while he lives,



Unless one of them dies, then
the other is free... right?
But, free to do what?

Rom 7:2


...but if the husband dies, she is
discharged from the law of the husband.



Rom 7:3

Well... when the husband was alive, the wife shouldn't choose a new husband... right?

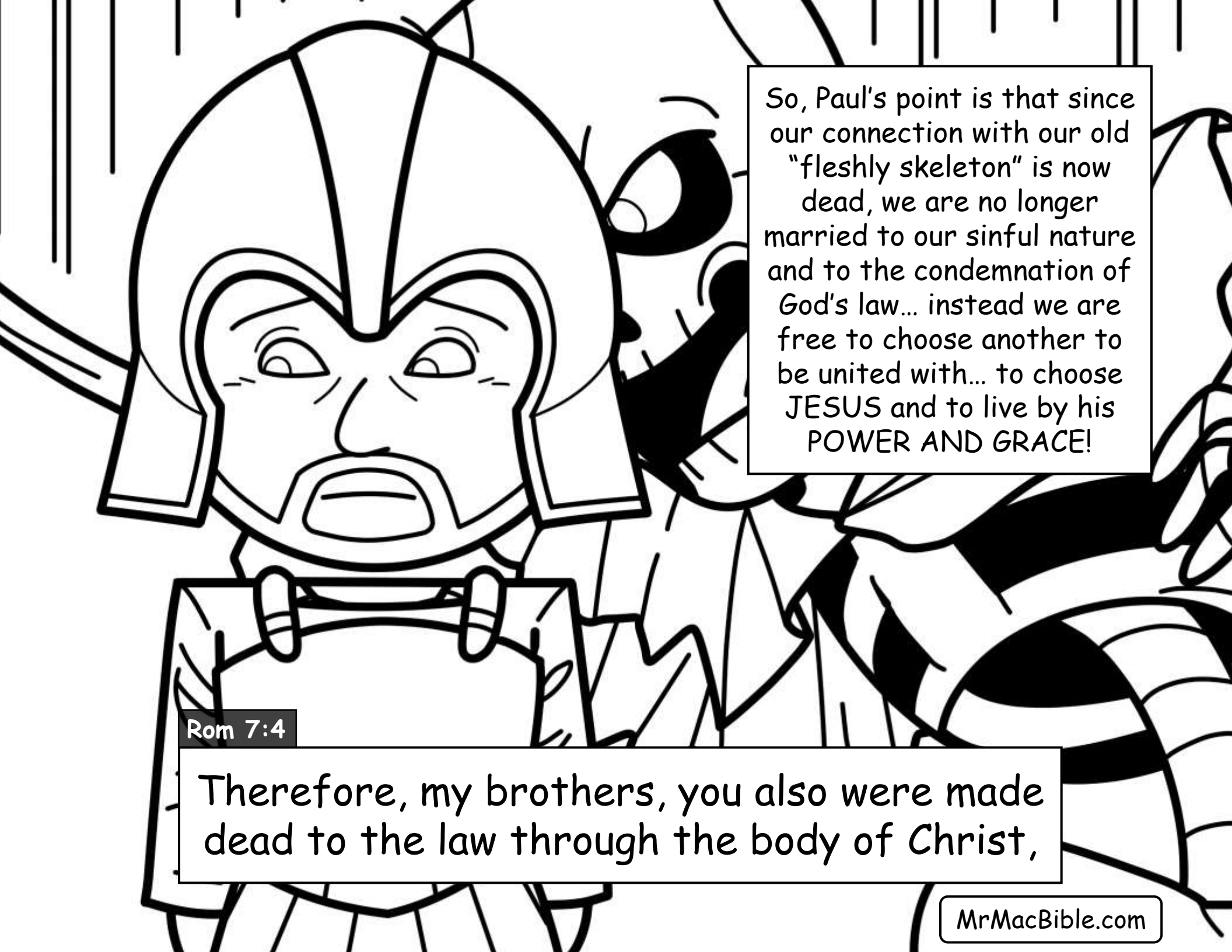
So then if, while the husband lives, she is joined to another man, she would be called an adulteress.



But if the woman is no longer married, then she's free to choose someone else... right?

Rom 7:3

But if the husband dies, she is free from the law, so that she is no adulteress, though she is joined to another man.



So, Paul's point is that since our connection with our old "fleshly skeleton" is now dead, we are no longer married to our sinful nature and to the condemnation of God's law... instead we are free to choose another to be united with... to choose JESUS and to live by his POWER AND GRACE!

Rom 7:4

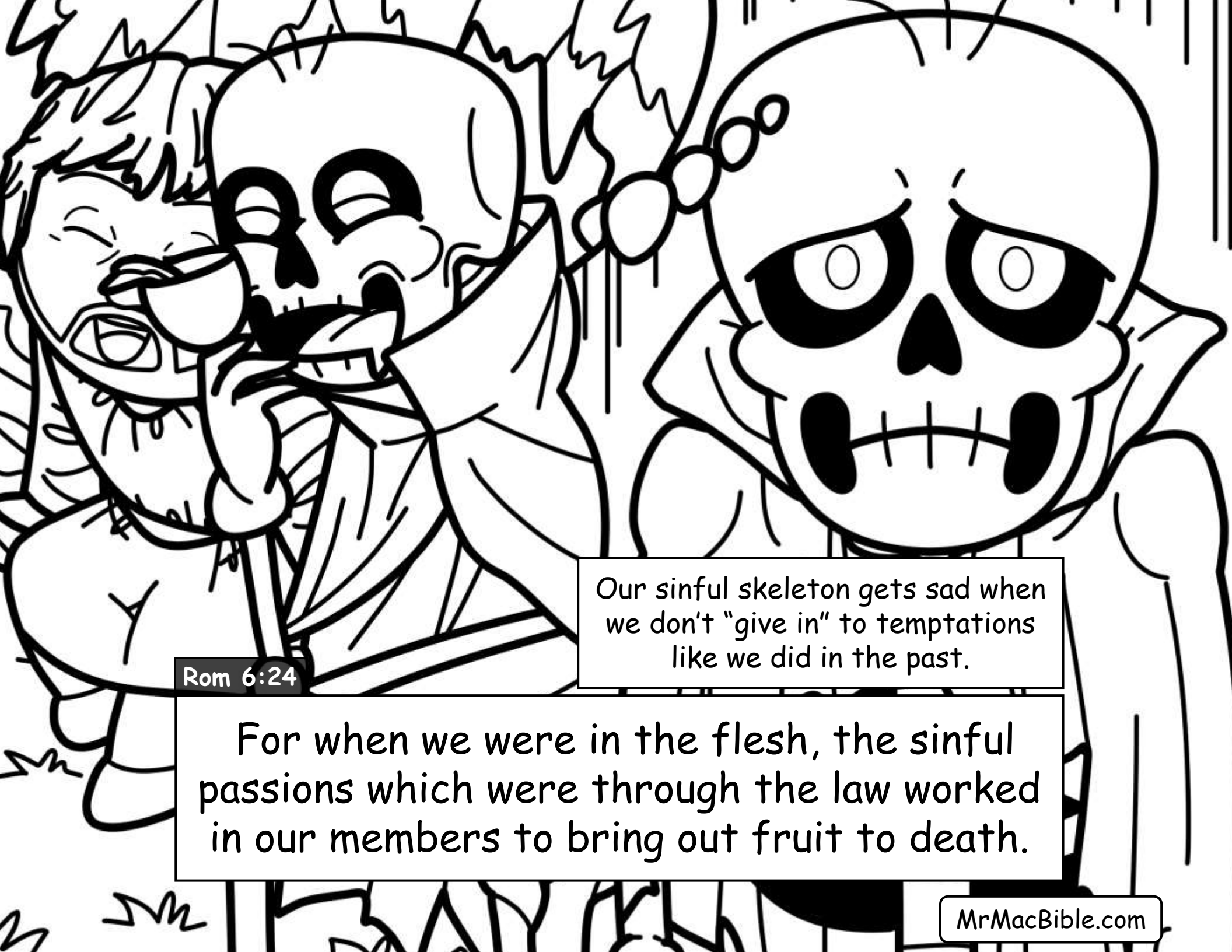
Therefore, my brothers, you also were made dead to the law through the body of Christ,



Rom 7:4

Since now we are "joined" to
Jesus our Master forever!

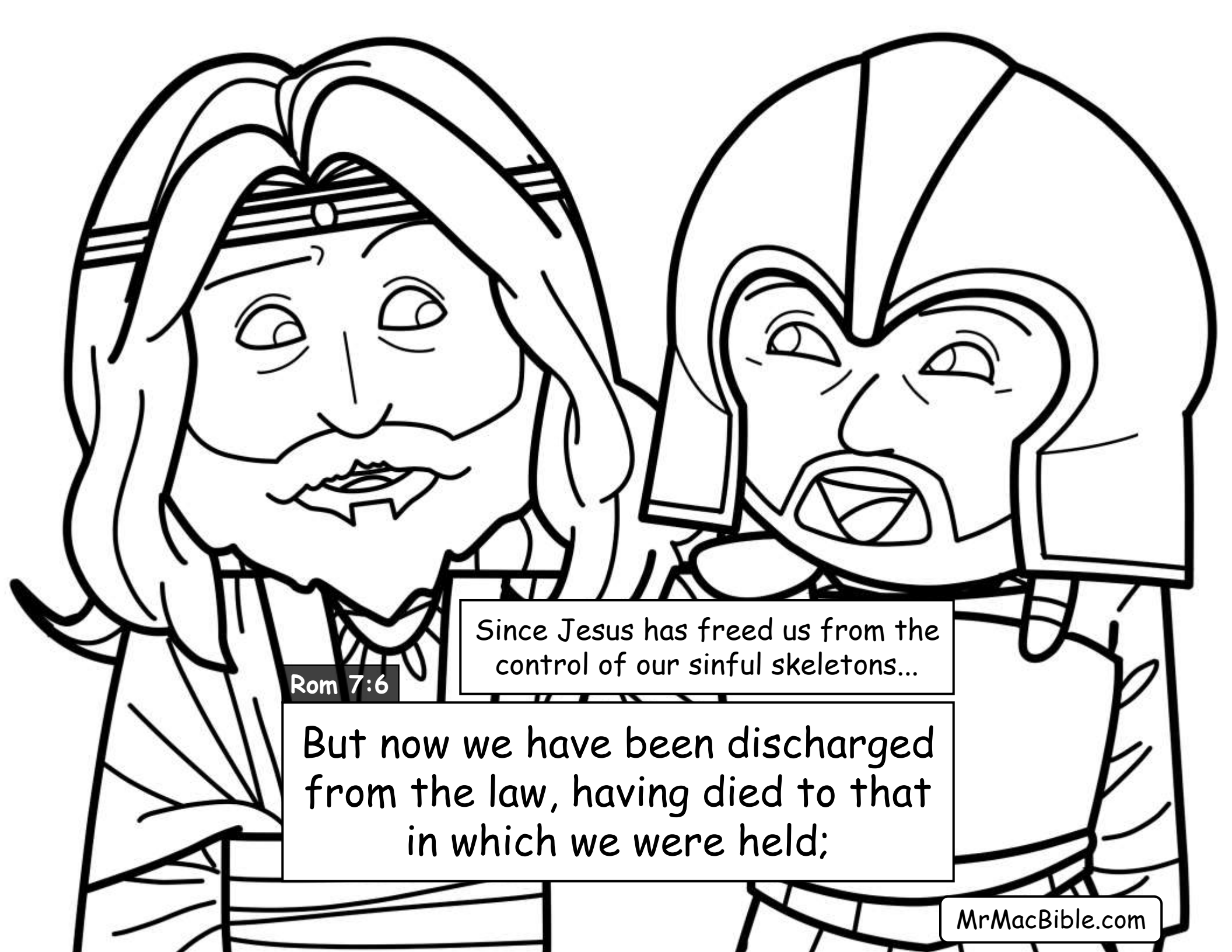
...that you would be joined to another,
to him who was raised from the dead,
that we might produce fruit to God.



Rom 6:24

Our sinful skeleton gets sad when we don't "give in" to temptations like we did in the past.

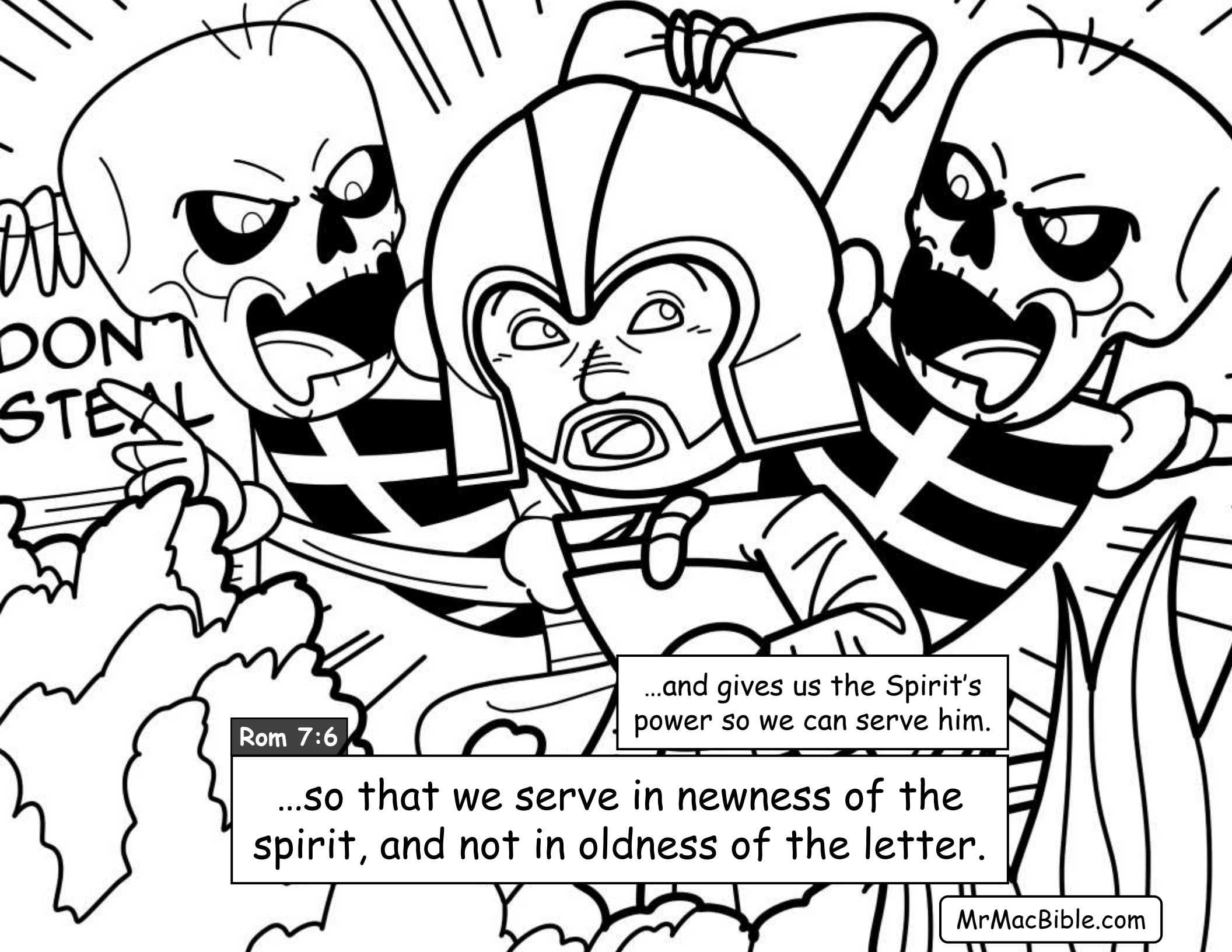
For when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were through the law worked in our members to bring out fruit to death.



Rom 7:6

Since Jesus has freed us from the control of our sinful skeletons...

But now we have been discharged from the law, having died to that in which we were held;



DON'T
STEAL

Rom 7:6

...and gives us the Spirit's
power so we can serve him.

...so that we serve in newness of the
spirit, and not in oldness of the letter.

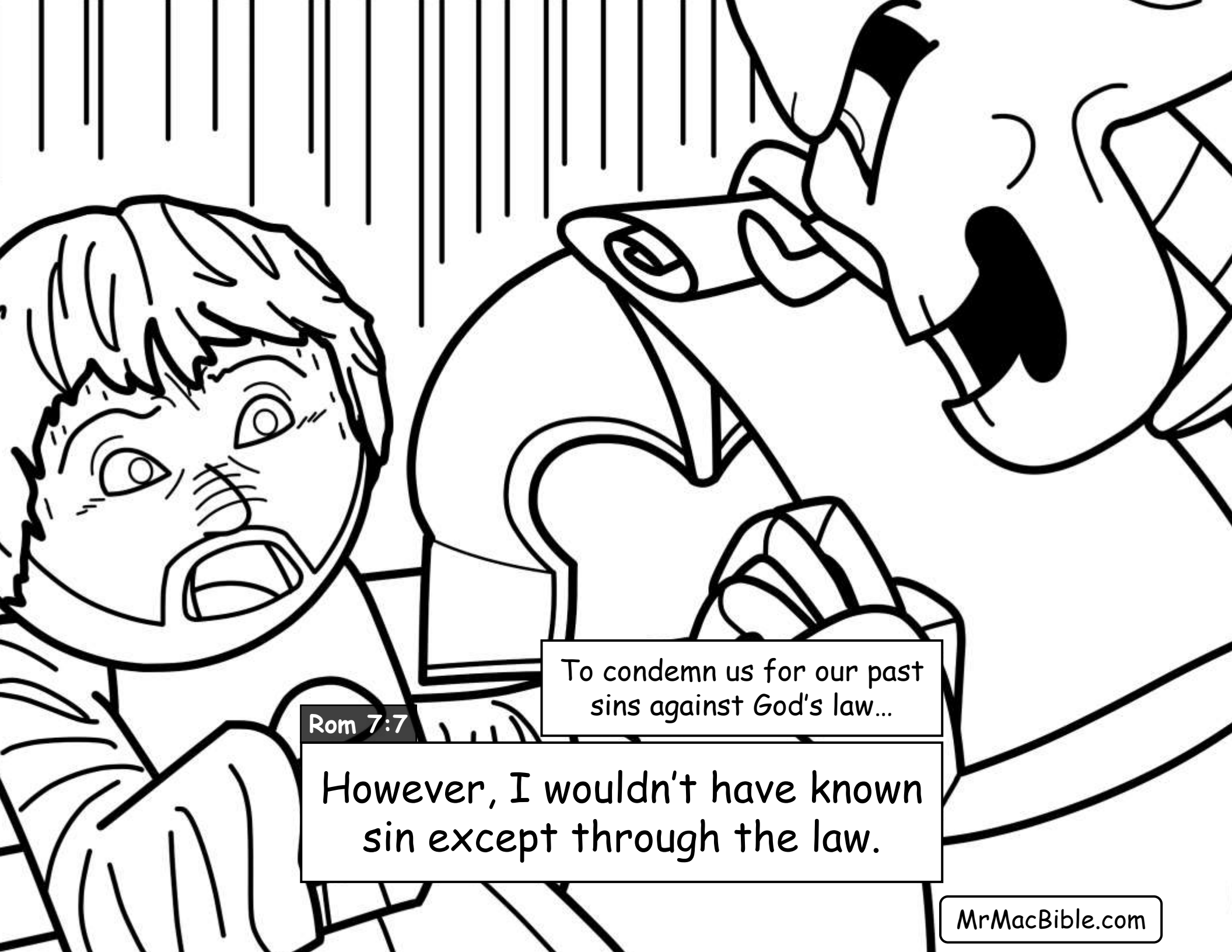


DON'T
STEAL

Our sinful skeleton tries to remind us of our "old marriage" to God's law...

Rom 7:7

What shall we say then? Is the law sin? May it never be!



Rom 7:7

To condemn us for our past
sins against God's law...

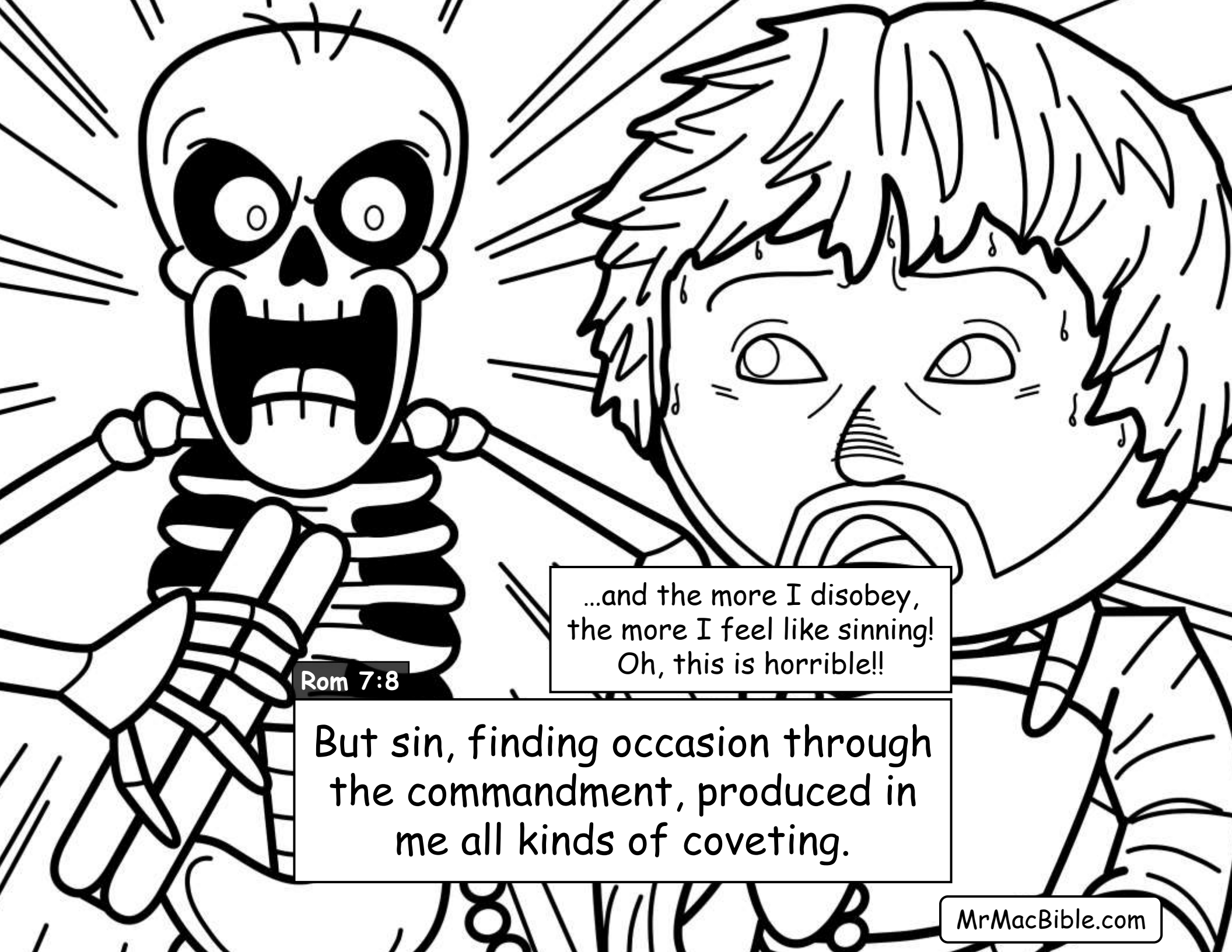
However, I wouldn't have known
sin except through the law.



...and to get us to repeat
some of our old sins.

Rom 7:7

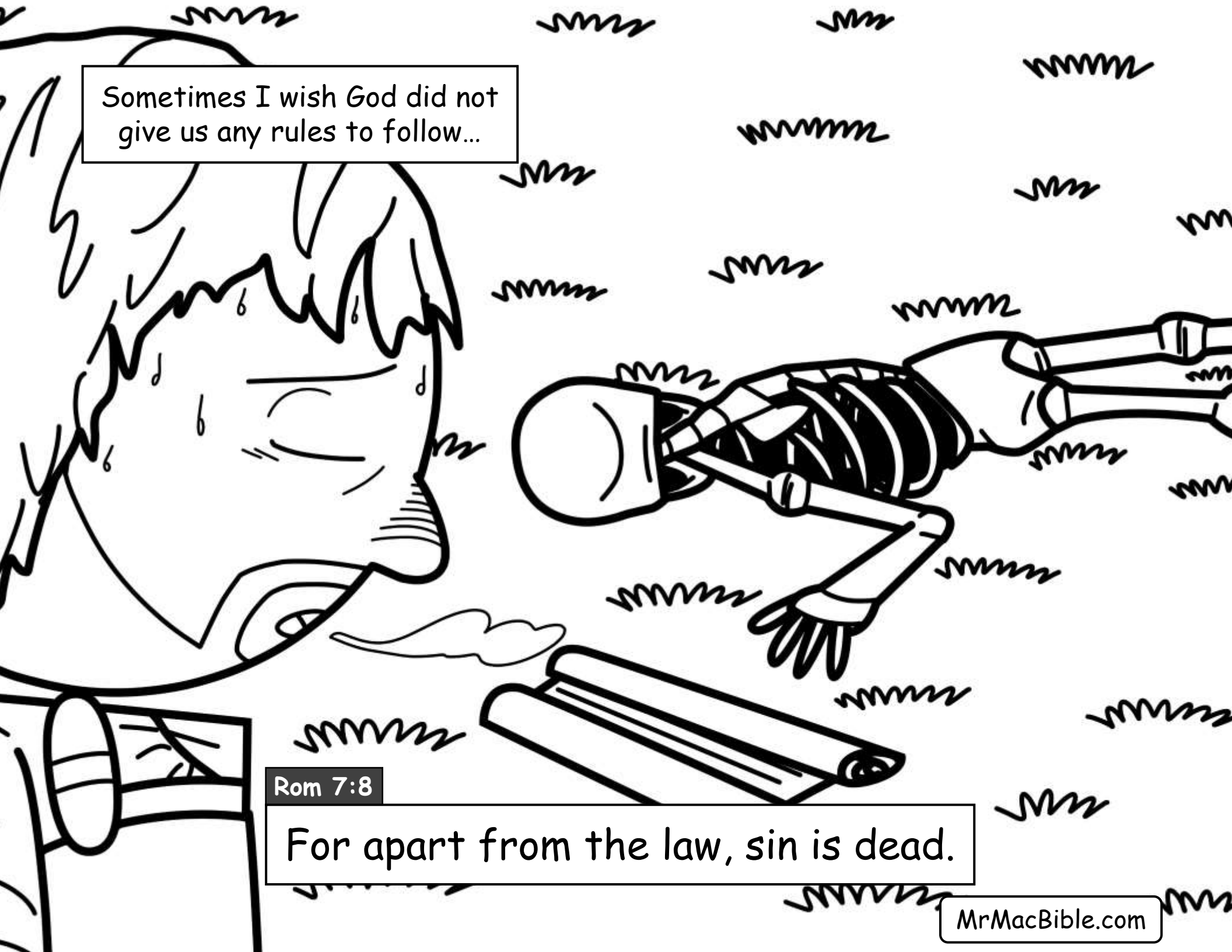
For I wouldn't have known coveting unless
the law had said, "You shall not covet."



Rom 7:8

...and the more I disobey,
the more I feel like sinning!
Oh, this is horrible!!

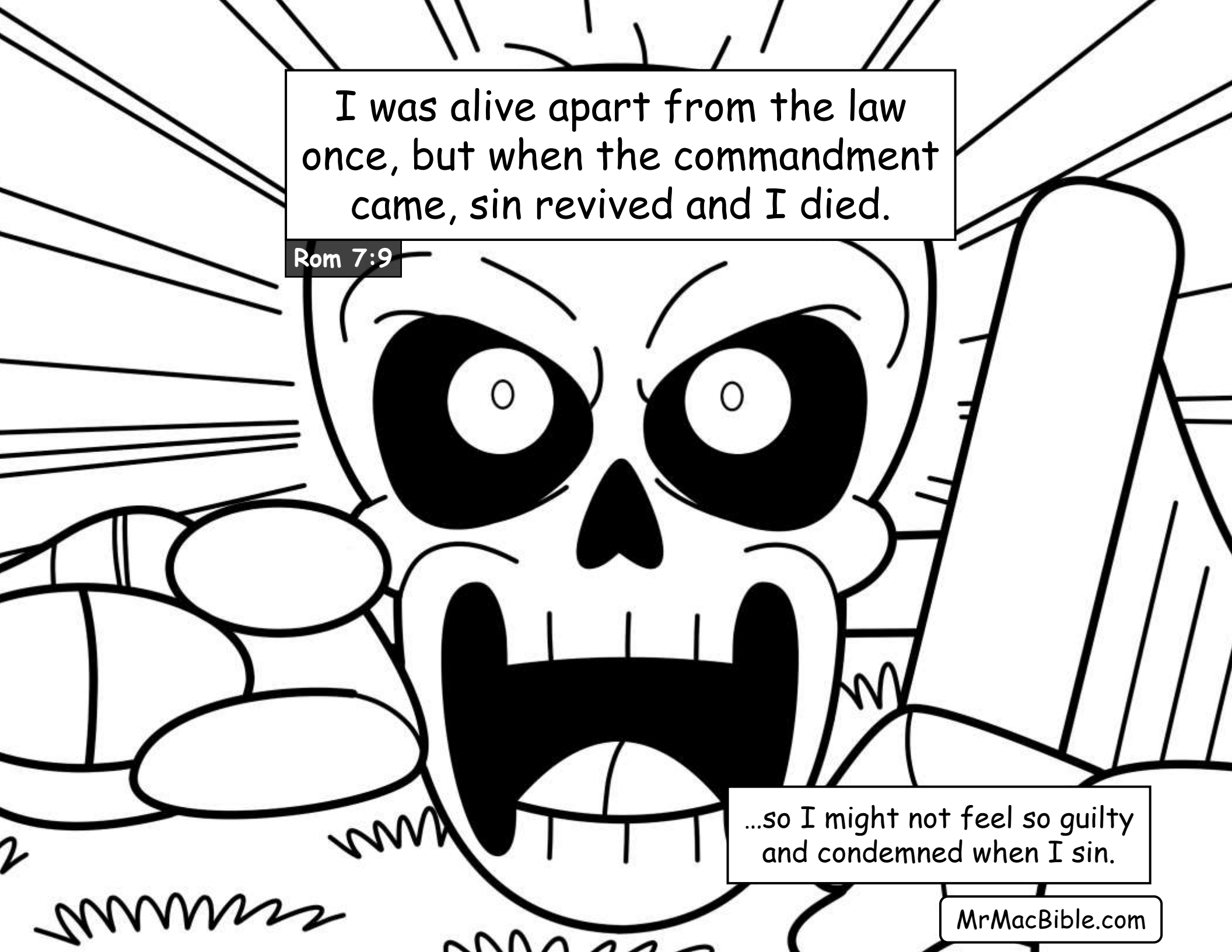
But sin, finding occasion through
the commandment, produced in
me all kinds of coveting.



Sometimes I wish God did not give us any rules to follow...

Rom 7:8

For apart from the law, sin is dead.



I was alive apart from the law once, but when the commandment came, sin revived and I died.

Rom 7:9

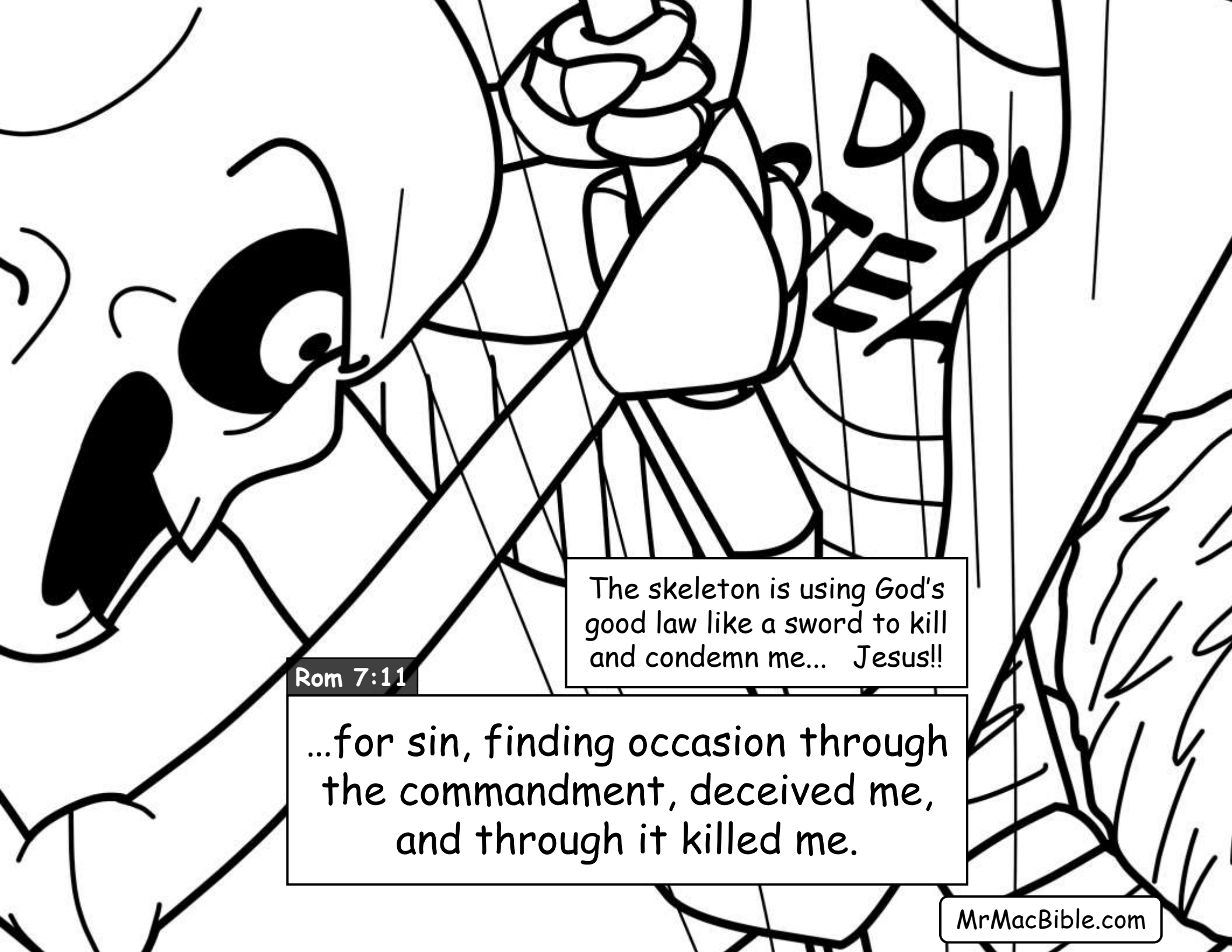
...so I might not feel so guilty and condemned when I sin.



I wish I could follow God better... Oh God, help me.

Rom 7:10

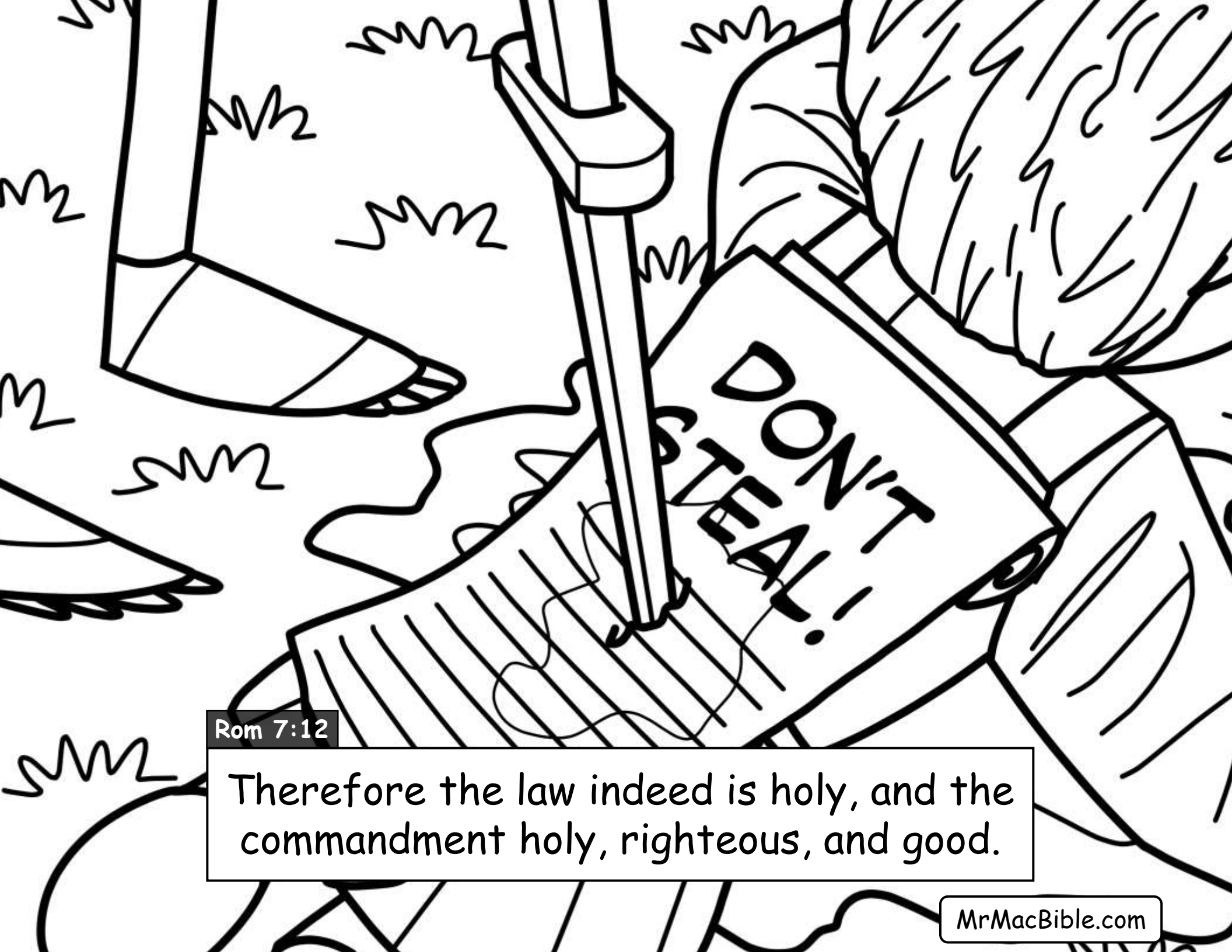
The commandment which was for life, this I found to be for death;



The skeleton is using God's good law like a sword to kill and condemn me... Jesus!!

Rom 7:11

...for sin, finding occasion through the commandment, deceived me, and through it killed me.



Rom 7:12

Therefore the law indeed is holy, and the commandment holy, righteous, and good.

THINK ABOUT IT...

(Romans 7:6) When you think about following Jesus more, do you think about the extra rules you need to follow? Or about how much more you need his Spirit inside of you, so your life can produce more good fruit for God?

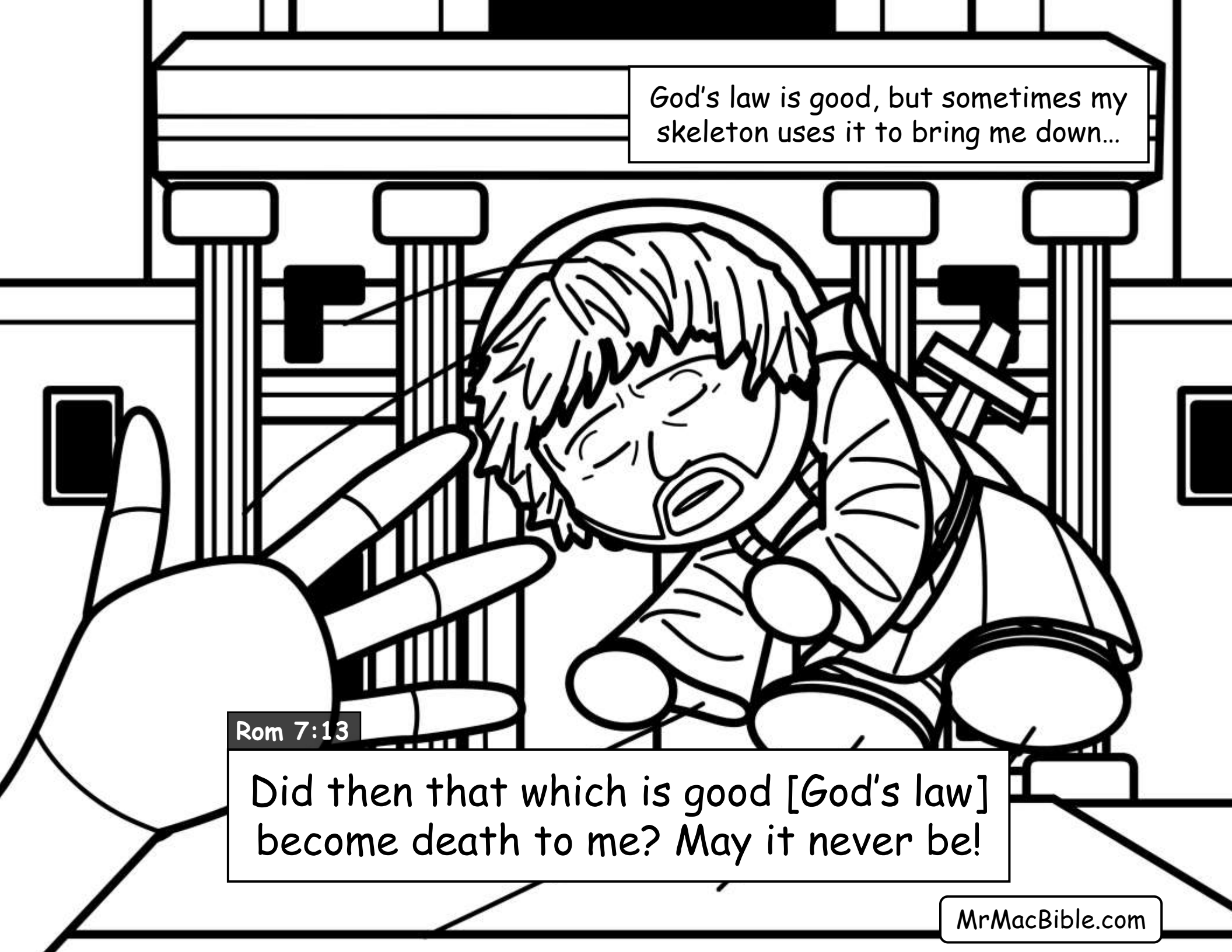


**Who will deliver me?
Romans 7:13-25**

Background:

Paul explains how the law is good, but he struggles against his own sinful nature [his "skeleton"] who uses God's law to tempt, accuse, discourage, and condemn.

Paul admits that he doesn't always win the fight against his own "skeleton"... wow!



God's law is good, but sometimes my skeleton uses it to bring me down...

Rom 7:13

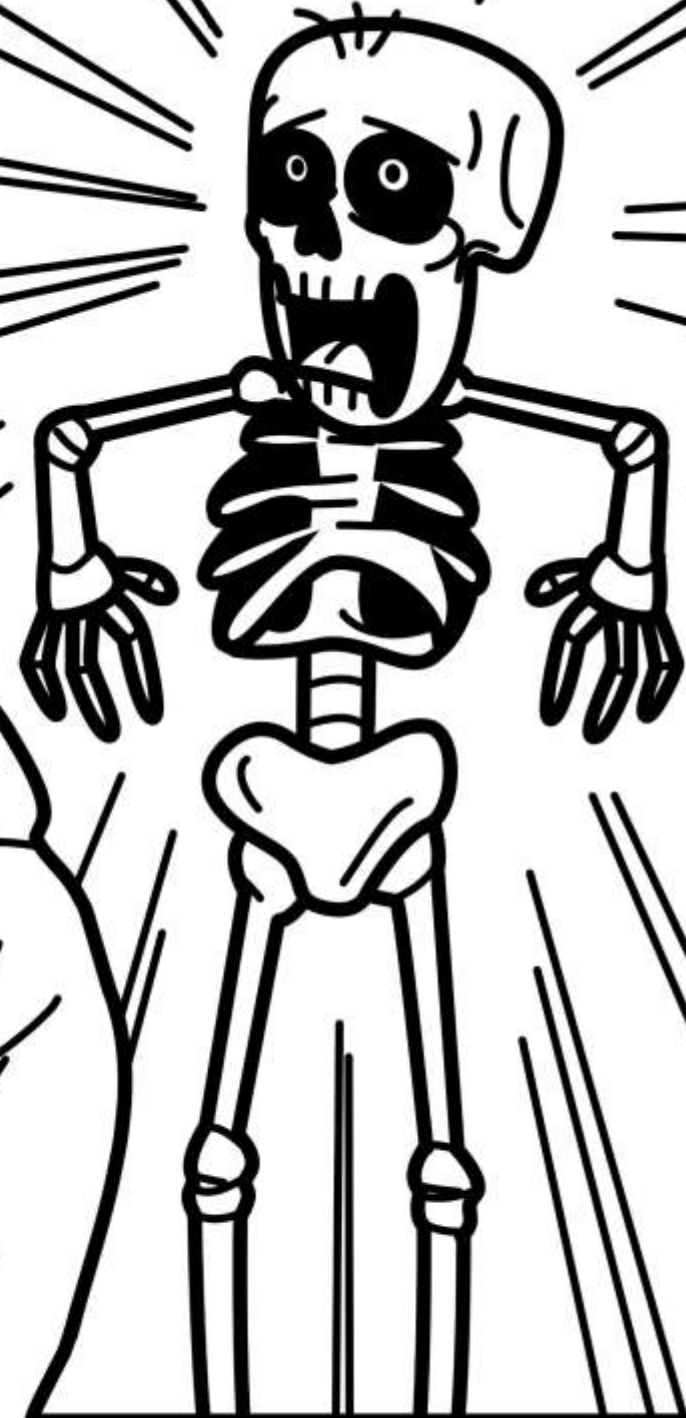
Did then that which is good [God's law] become death to me? May it never be!


But sin, that it might be shown to be sin, was producing death in me through that which is good; that through the commandment sin might become exceedingly sinful.

Rom 7:13

Jesus

But Jesus steps in to rescue me from "my skeleton" when I fall.






My skeleton "tries" to run away as Jesus gives me the power to repent!

Rom 7:14


For we know that the law is spiritual,
but I am fleshly, sold under sin.



...and He lifts me up to put
me back into the battle.

Rom 7:15


For I don't understand what I am doing.
For I don't practise what I desire to do;



...and he trains me how to fight against my skeleton.

Rom 7:15

...but what I hate, that I do.



And he helps me put my armor back on so I can try to win the battle next time!

Rom 7:16


But if what I don't desire, that I do,
I consent to the law that it is good.



The temptations return...

Rom 7:17

So now it is no more I that do it,
but sin which dwells in me.



And again, I begin to fail...

Rom 7:18

For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, dwells no good thing.



I try to resist...

Rom 7:18

For desire is present with me, but I don't find it doing that which is good. For the good which I desire, I don't do;



But the skeleton pushes hard...

Rom 7:19


...but the evil which I don't
desire, that I practise.



I'm so sorry Lord...

Rom 7:20


But if what I don't desire, that I do, it is no more I that do it, but sin which dwells in me.



Why do I let my sinful nature win these battles?

Rom 7:21

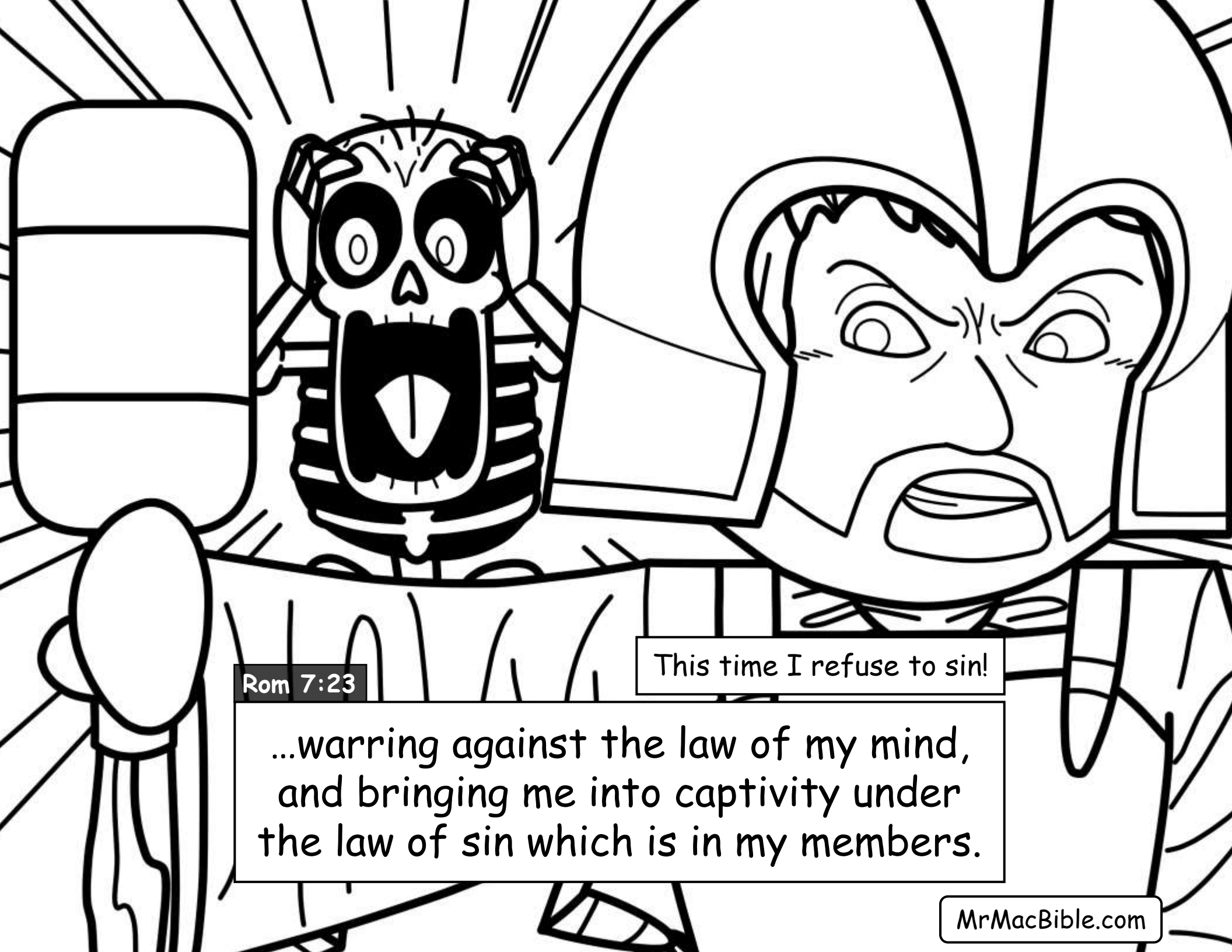
I find then the law that, while I desire to do good, evil is present.



The fruit of God's Holy Spirit is inside me... and he give me the power of self control...

Rom 7:22

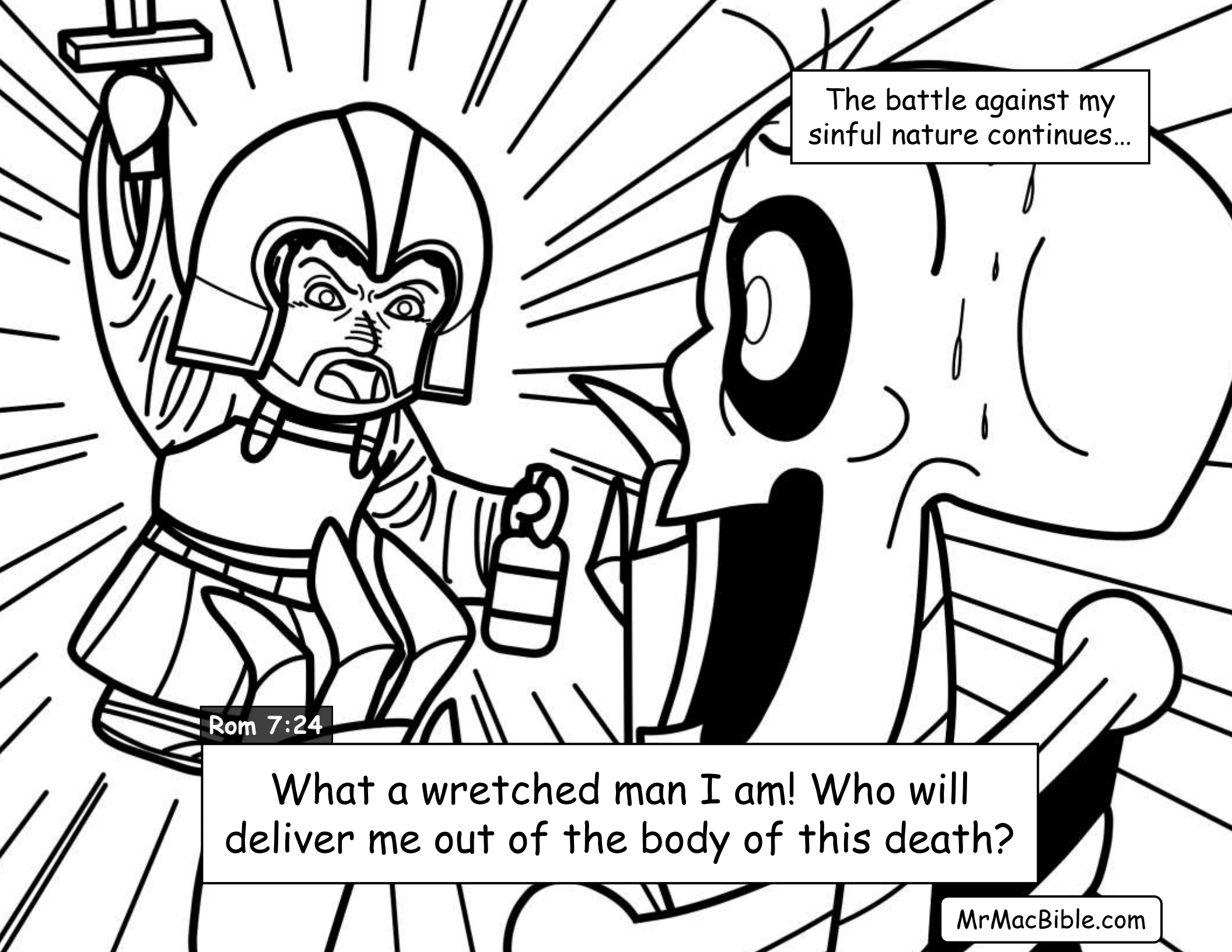
For I delight in God's law after the inward person, but I see a different law in my members,



Rom 7:23

This time I refuse to sin!

...warring against the law of my mind,
and bringing me into captivity under
the law of sin which is in my members.



The battle against my
sinful nature continues...

Rom 7:24

What a wretched man I am! Who will
deliver me out of the body of this death?



Rom 7:25

I thank God through
Jesus Christ, our Lord!



It's still a daily battle...

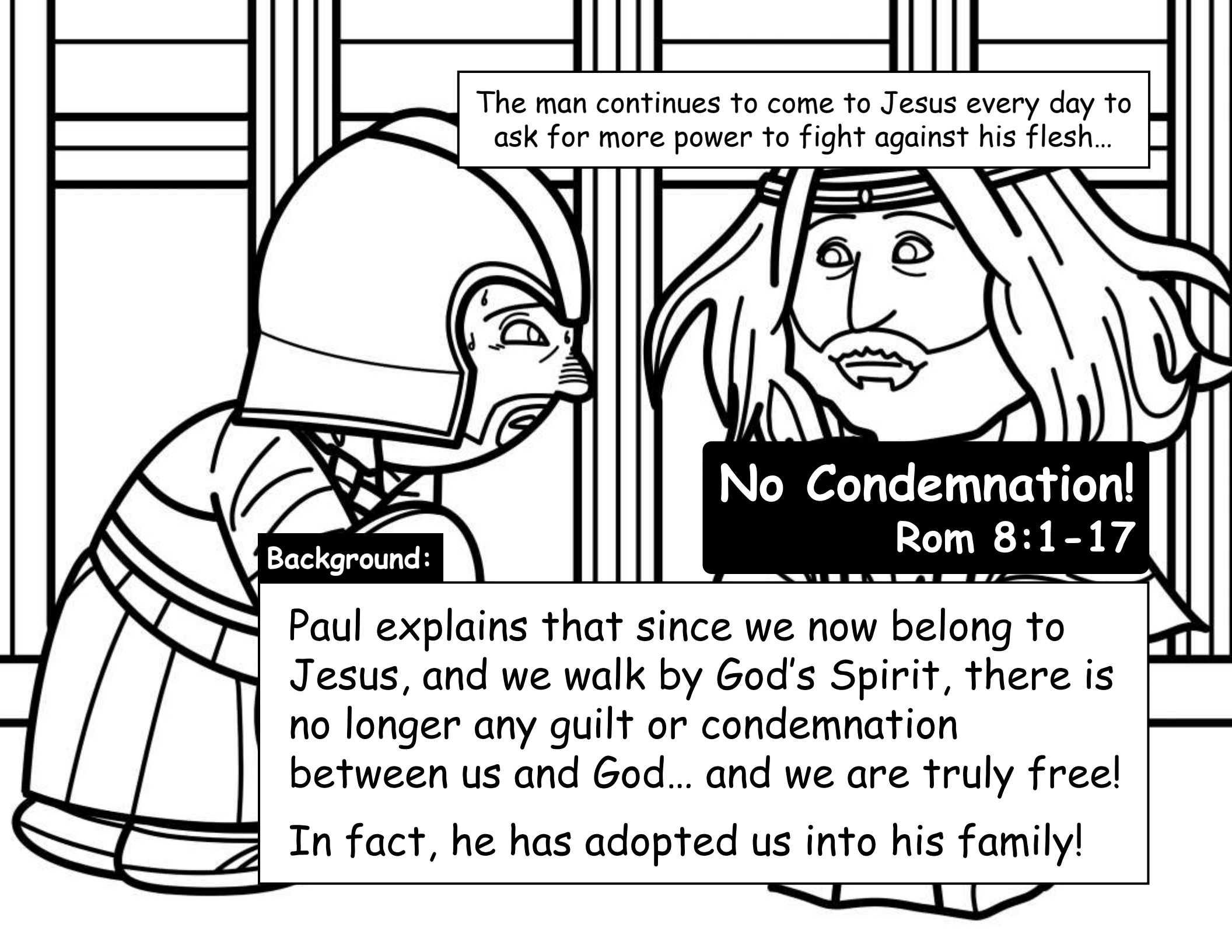
Rom 7:25

So then with the mind, I myself serve God's law, but with the flesh, sin's law.

THINK ABOUT IT...

Do you ever feel "at war" with your flesh and evil temptations when in your heart you really want to get closer to God?

[Being at war is good - keep fighting!]

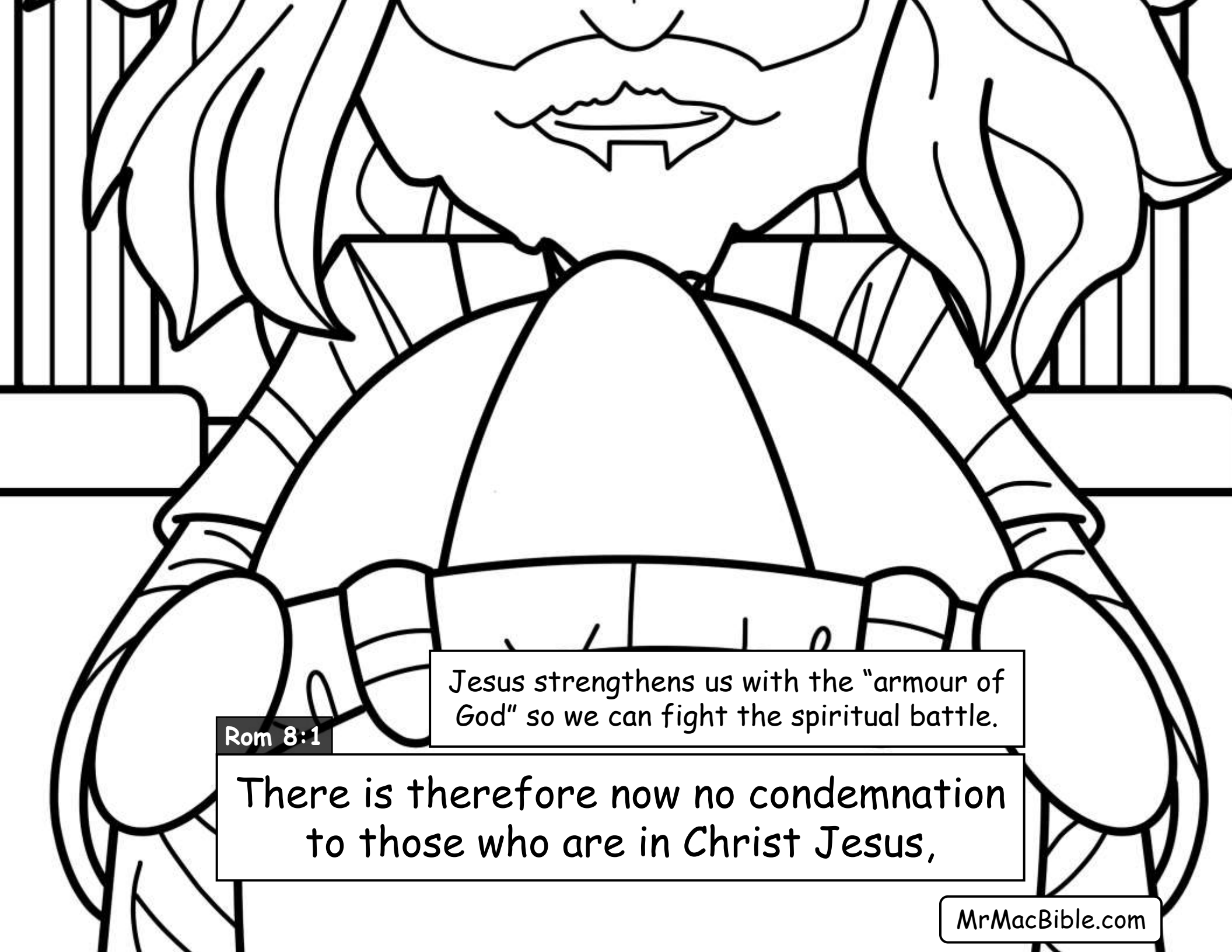


The man continues to come to Jesus every day to ask for more power to fight against his flesh...

Background:

Paul explains that since we now belong to Jesus, and we walk by God's Spirit, there is no longer any guilt or condemnation between us and God... and we are truly free! In fact, he has adopted us into his family!


No Condemnation!
Rom 8:1-17



Jesus strengthens us with the "armour of God" so we can fight the spiritual battle.

Rom 8:1

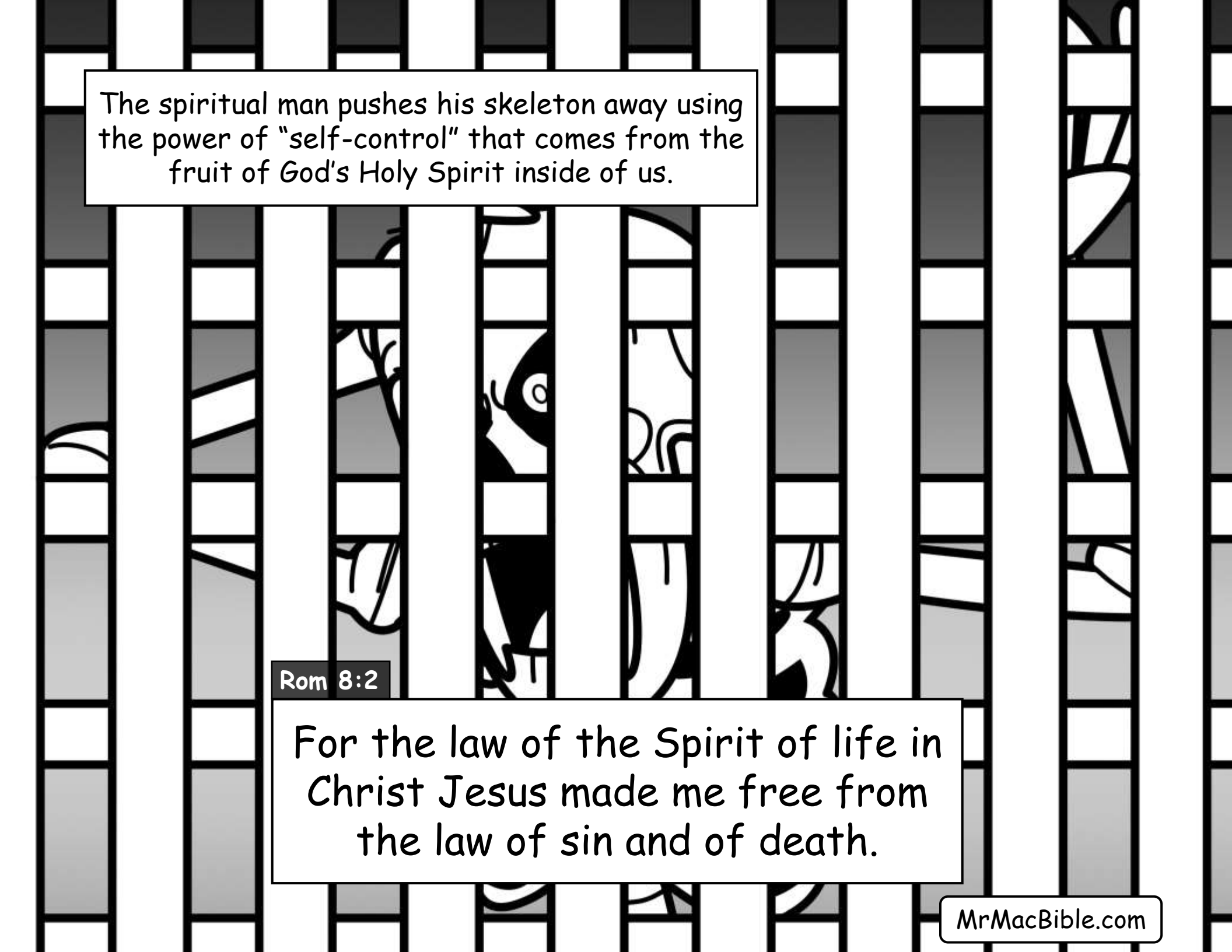
There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus,



The breastplate of righteousness, the sword of the Spirit, the shield of faith...

Rom 8:1

...who don't walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.



The spiritual man pushes his skeleton away using the power of "self-control" that comes from the fruit of God's Holy Spirit inside of us.

Rom 8:2

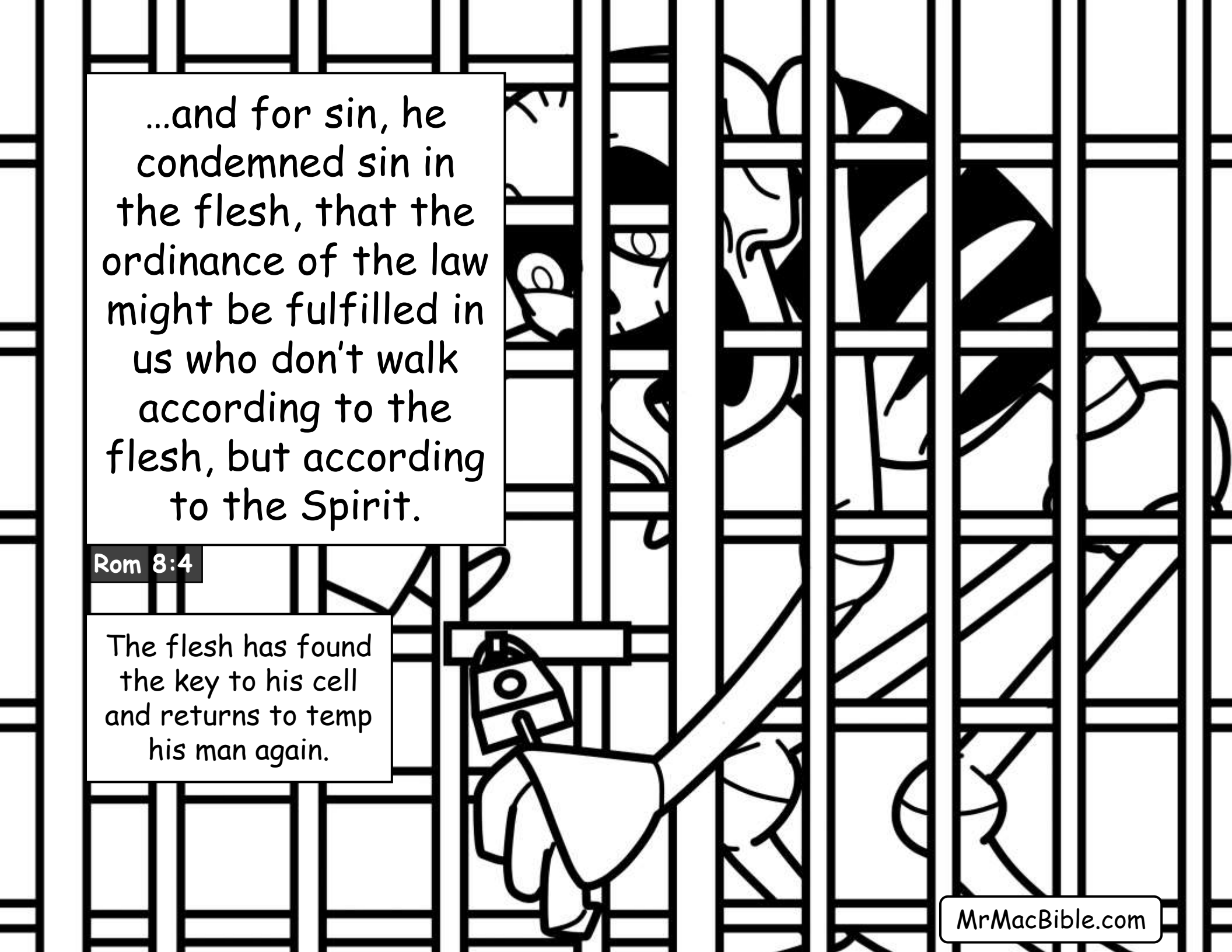
For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus made me free from the law of sin and of death.



But the skeleton is still determined to make his man fall...

Rom 8:3

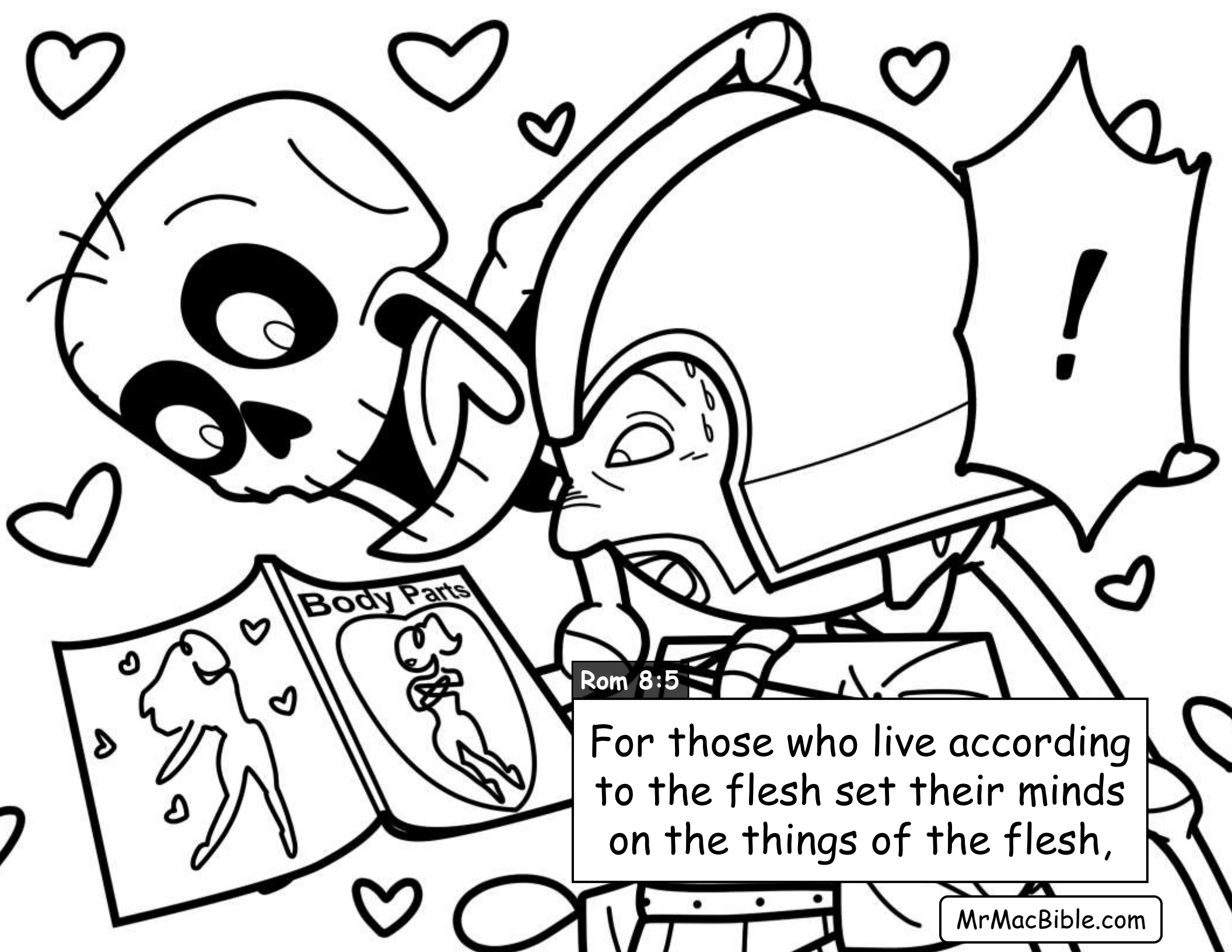
For what the law couldn't do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God did, sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh...



...and for sin, he
condemned sin in
the flesh, that the
ordinance of the law
might be fulfilled in
us who don't walk
according to the
flesh, but according
to the Spirit.

Rom 8:4

The flesh has found
the key to his cell
and returns to temp
his man again.



Rom 8:5

For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh,



STOP!!!

FAITH

Body

He fights back using his shield of faith to quench the fiery darts of the evil one... and the sword of the Spirit!

Rom 8:5

...but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.



Rom 8:6

For the mind of the flesh is death, but
the mind of the Spirit is life and peace;



Rom 8:29

...because the mind of the flesh is hostile towards God, for it is not subject to God's law, neither indeed can it be.



I said NO MORE!!

Rom 8:8

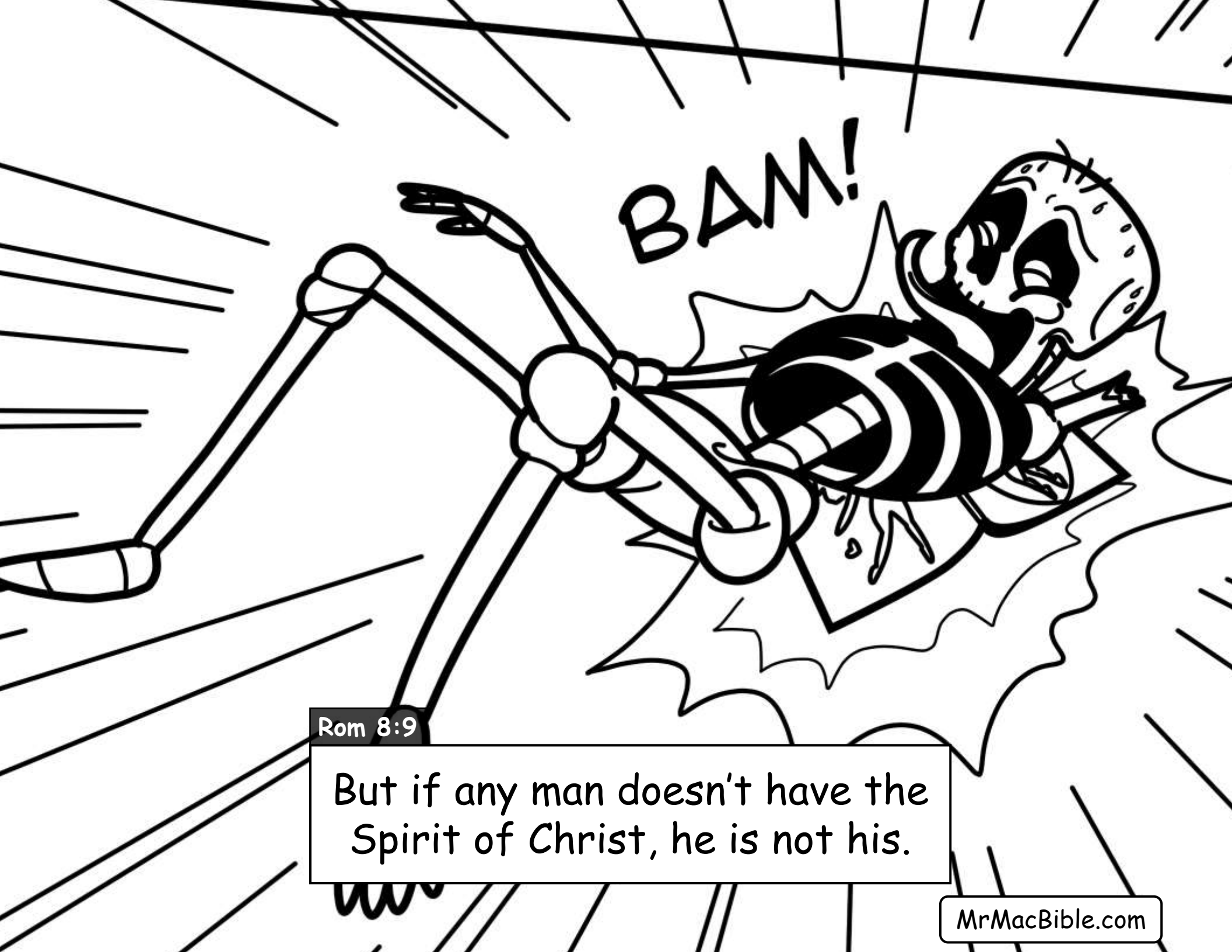
Those who are in the flesh can't please God.



Rom 8:9

The spiritual man "flees" the sexual temptation and wins the battle!

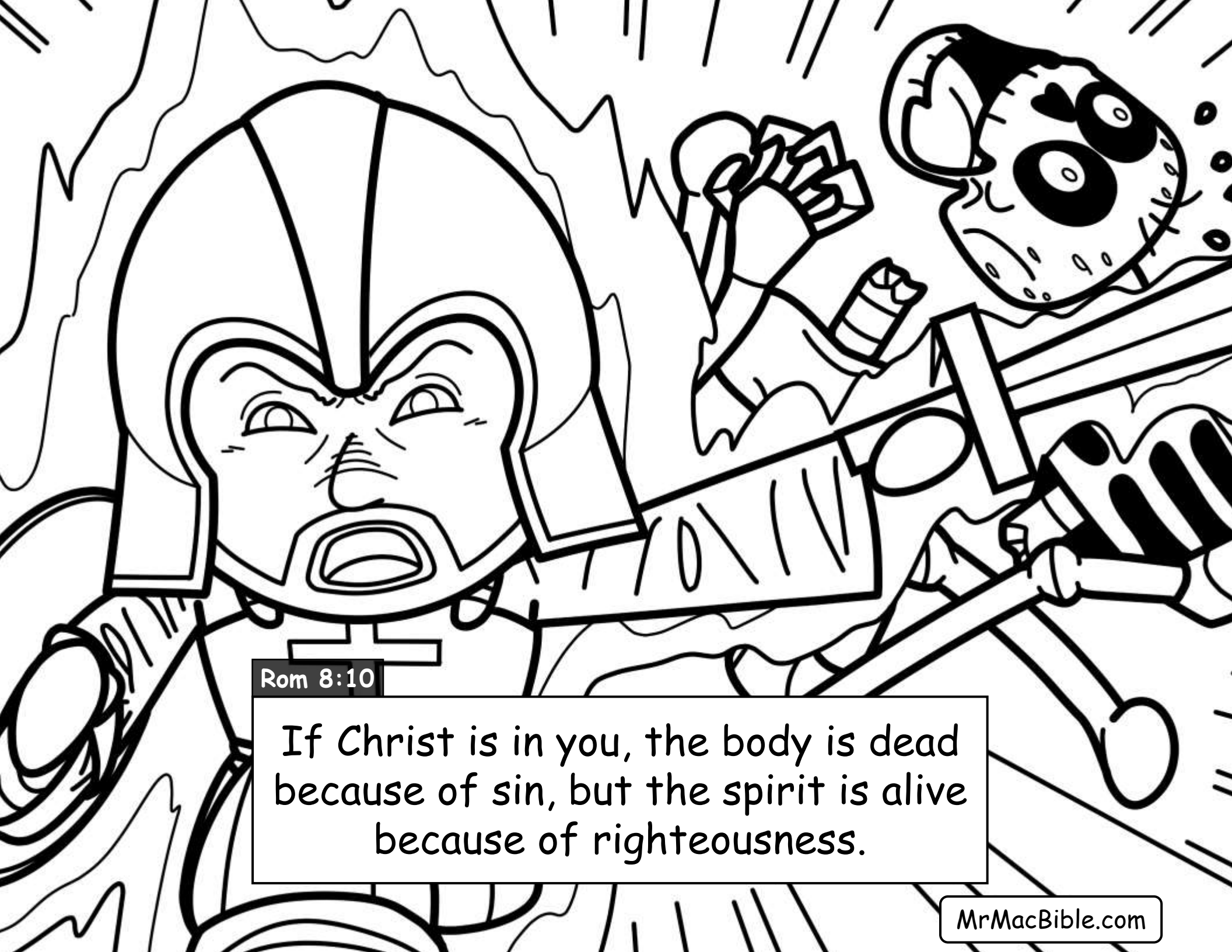
But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if it is so that the Spirit of God dwells in you.



BAM!

Rom 8:9

But if any man doesn't have the Spirit of Christ, he is not his.



Rom 8:10

If Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the spirit is alive because of righteousness.

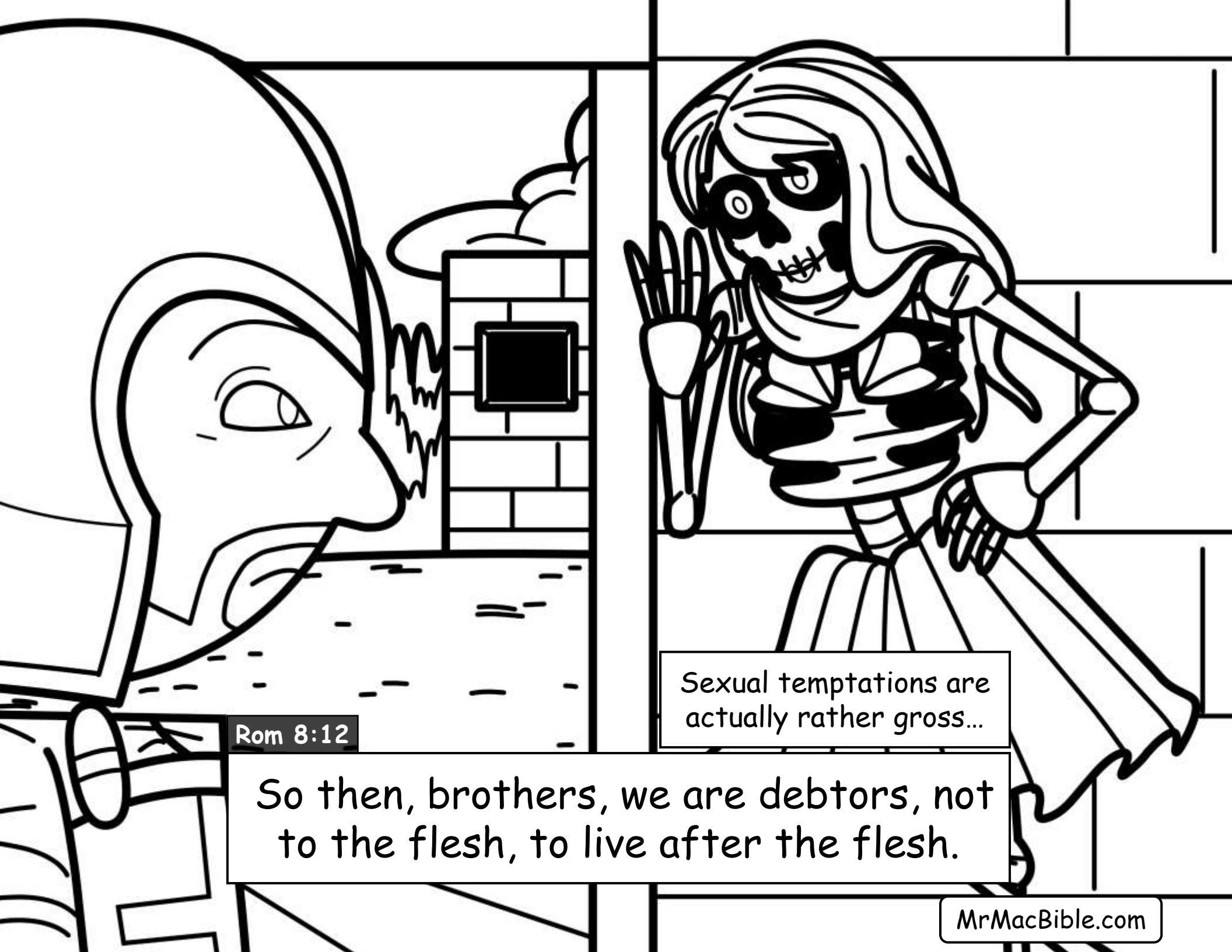


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Rom 8:11

The battles continue...

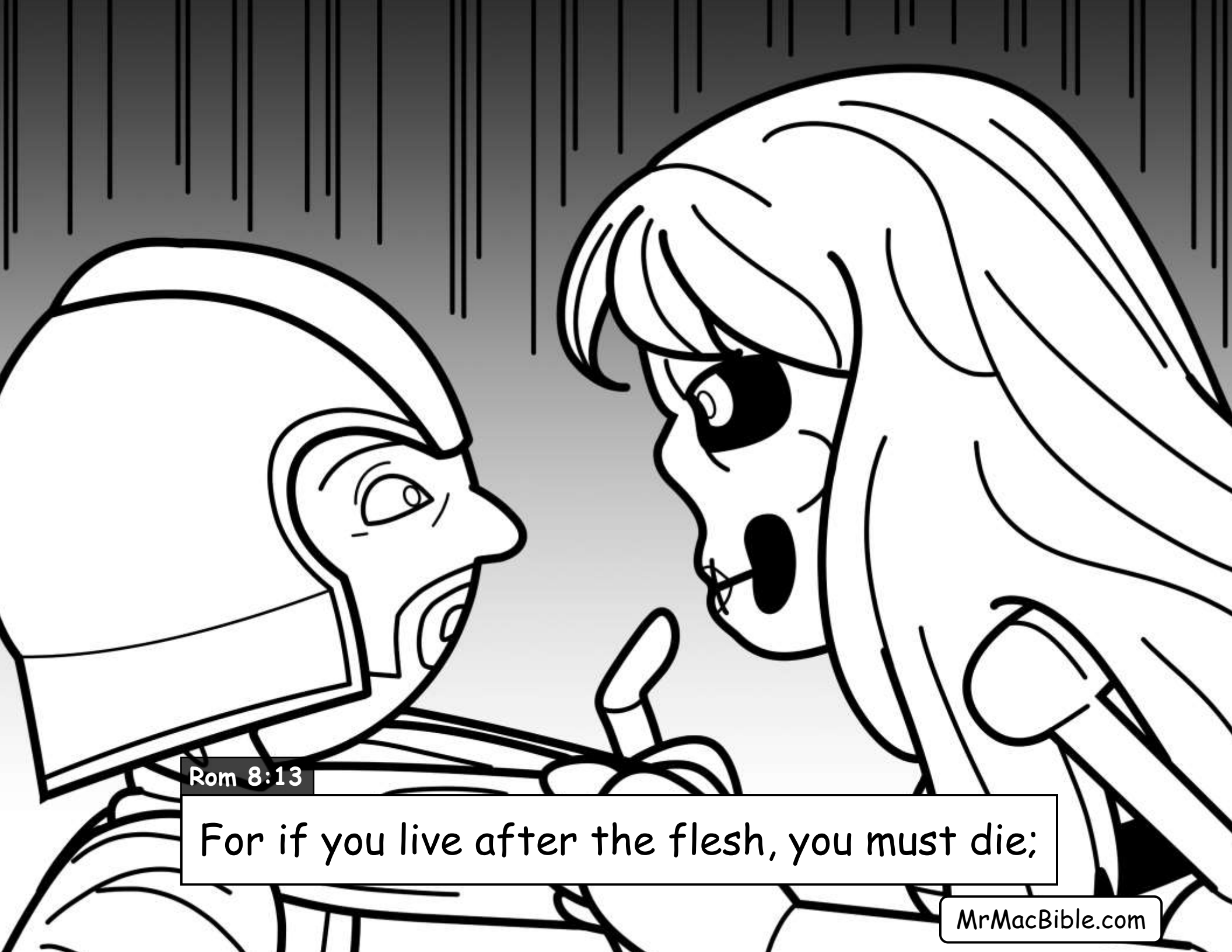
But if the Spirit of him who raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised up Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.



Rom 8:12

Sexual temptations are actually rather gross...

So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.



Rom 8:13

For if you live after the flesh, you must die;

but if by the Spirit you
put to death the deeds
of the body, you will live.

Rom 8:13



Rom 8:14

For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are children of God.



Rom 8:10

For you didn't receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!"



We not only have our skeletons to fight,
but we are **persecuted** for our faith.

Rom 8:16

The Spirit himself testifies with our
spirit that we are children of God;



The faithful Christian man is arrested for talking about Jesus.

Rom 8:17

...and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ,



Rom 8:17

...if indeed we suffer with him, that we may also be glorified with him.

THINK ABOUT IT...

What temptations keep coming back to you even after you think you've conquered it? How is God helping you fight them?

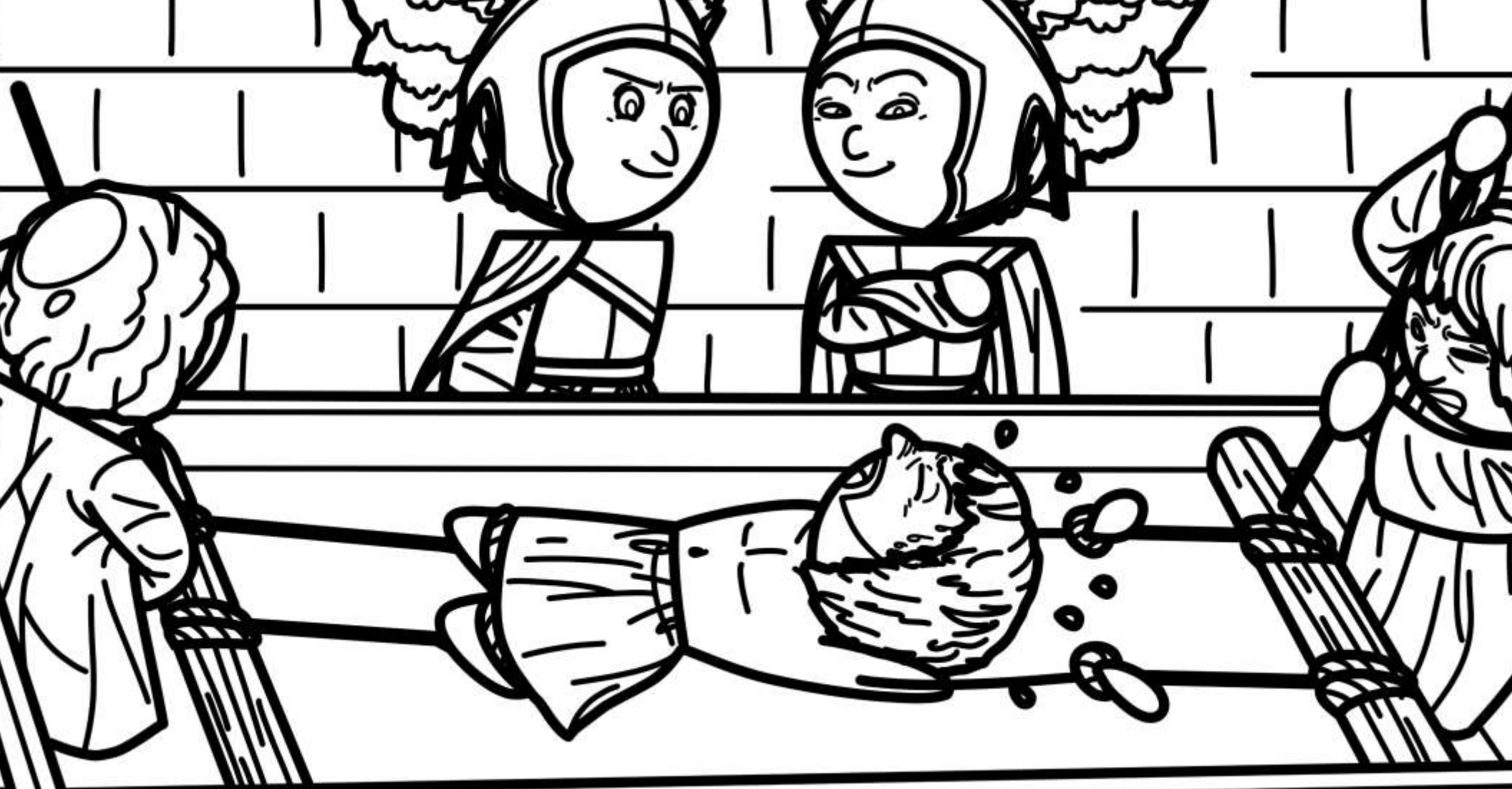


If God is for us?

Rom 8:18-39

Background:

Paul teaches us that we have God's Holy Spirit inside of us to give us eternal life.
...and someday we'll be raised from the dead!
...so, maybe our sufferings aren't so bad?



Rom 8:18

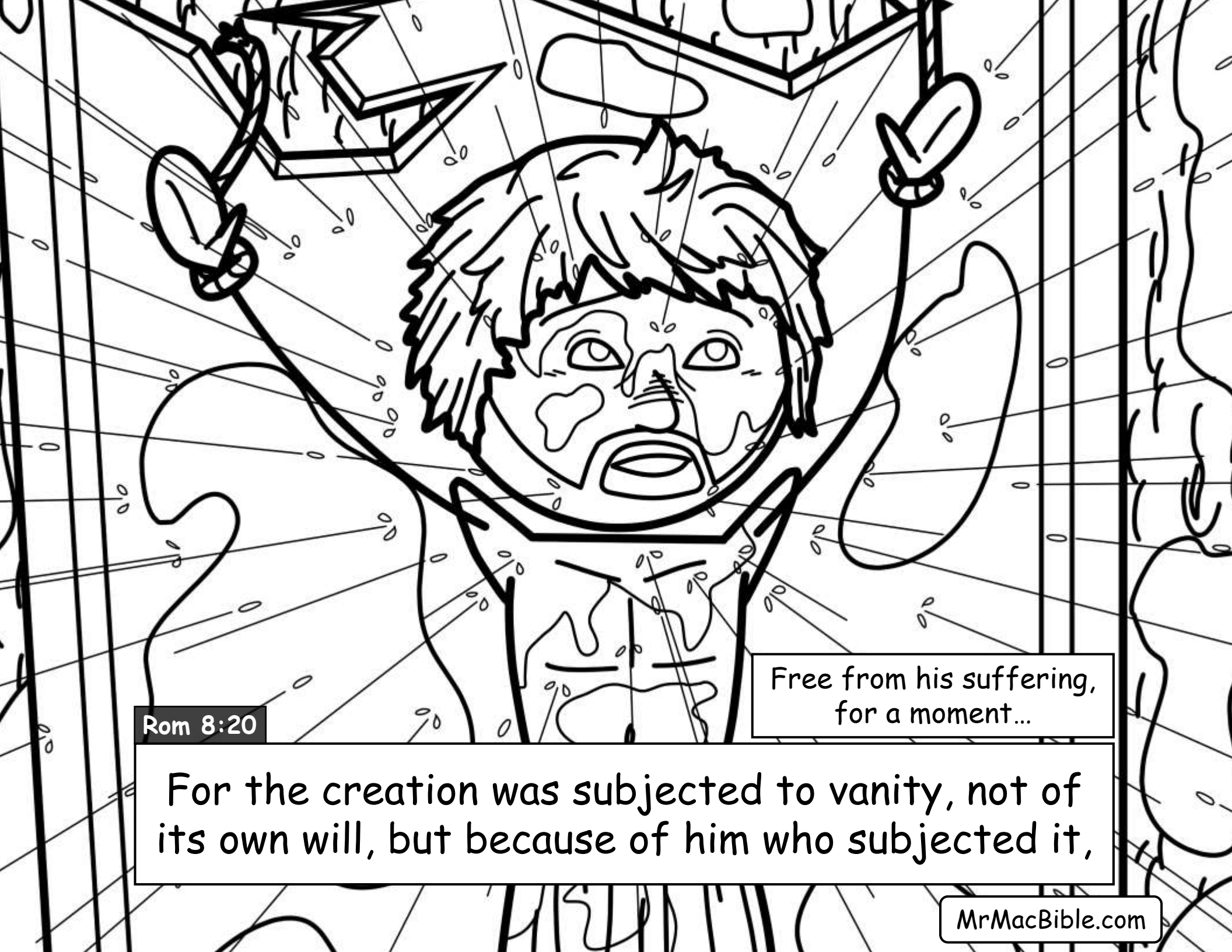
For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which will be revealed towards us.



Rom 8:19

Jesus sends a bolt of lightning to free the persecuted man from his tortures.

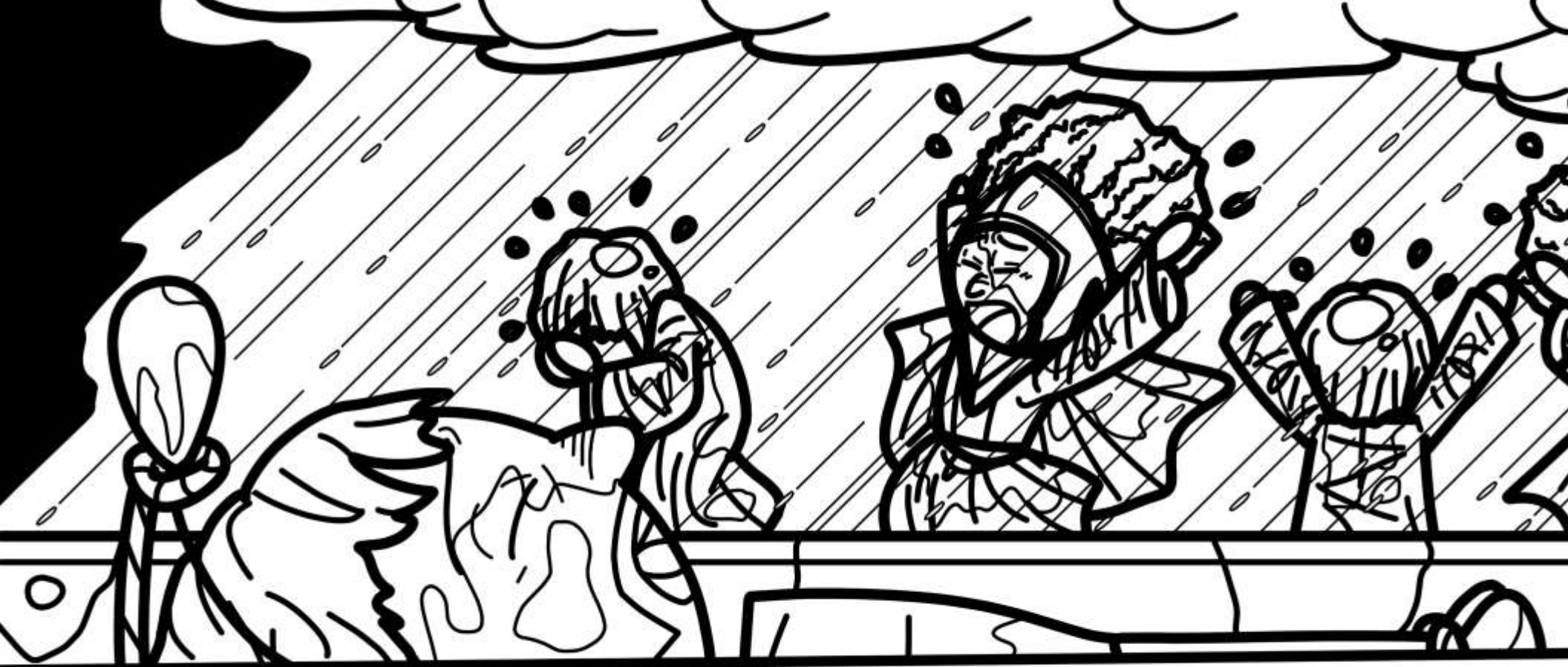
For the creation waits with eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed.



Rom 8:20

Free from his suffering,
for a moment...

For the creation was subjected to vanity, not of
its own will, but because of him who subjected it,



Rom 8:21

His enemies are temporarily terrified!

...in hope that the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of decay into the liberty of the glory of the children of God.



Rom 8:22

But they refuse to let him go...

For we know that the whole creation groans and travails in pain together until now.



Rom 8:23

...and they bury him with stones!

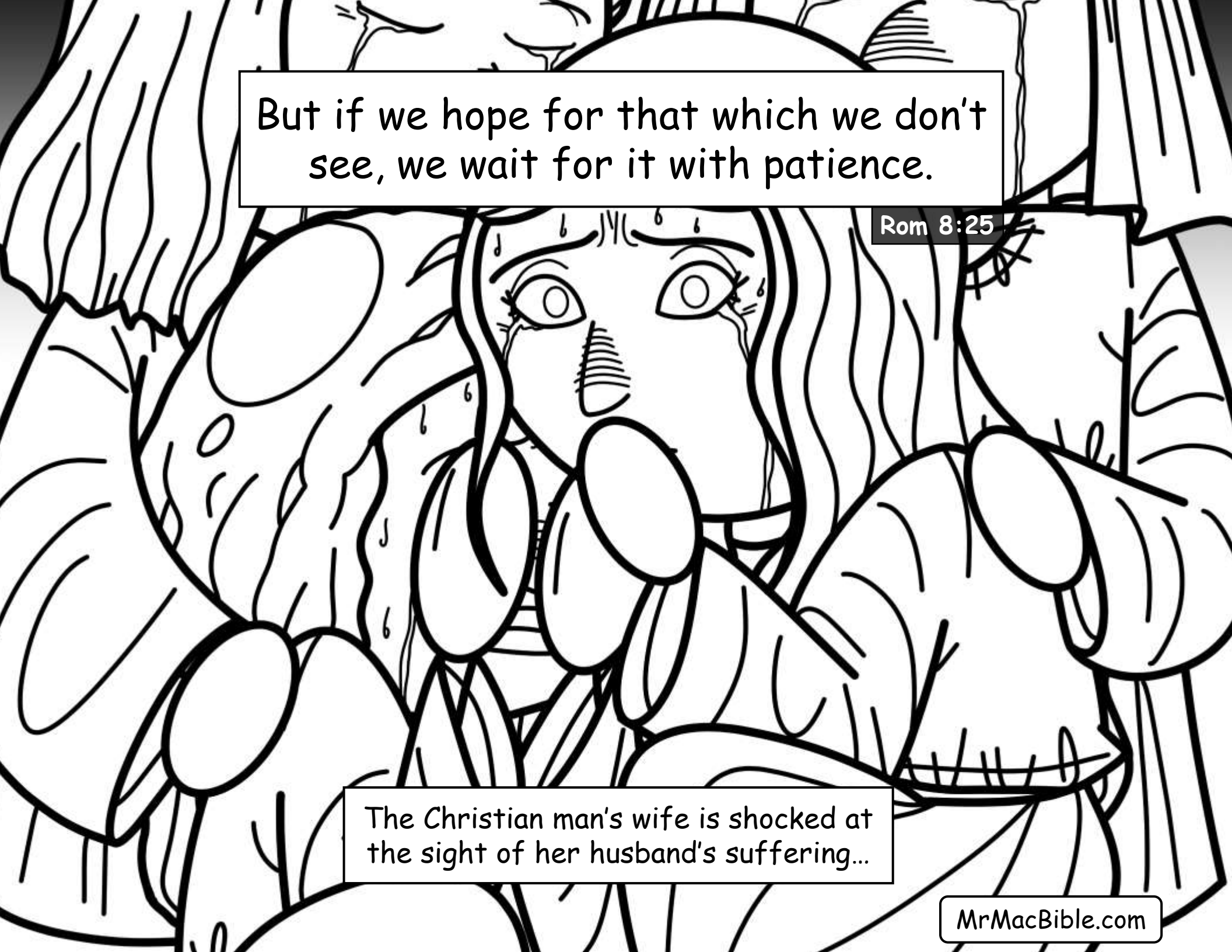
Not only so, but ourselves also, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for adoption, the redemption of our body.



Rom 8:24

The people of the town are shocked by the Christian man's suffering...

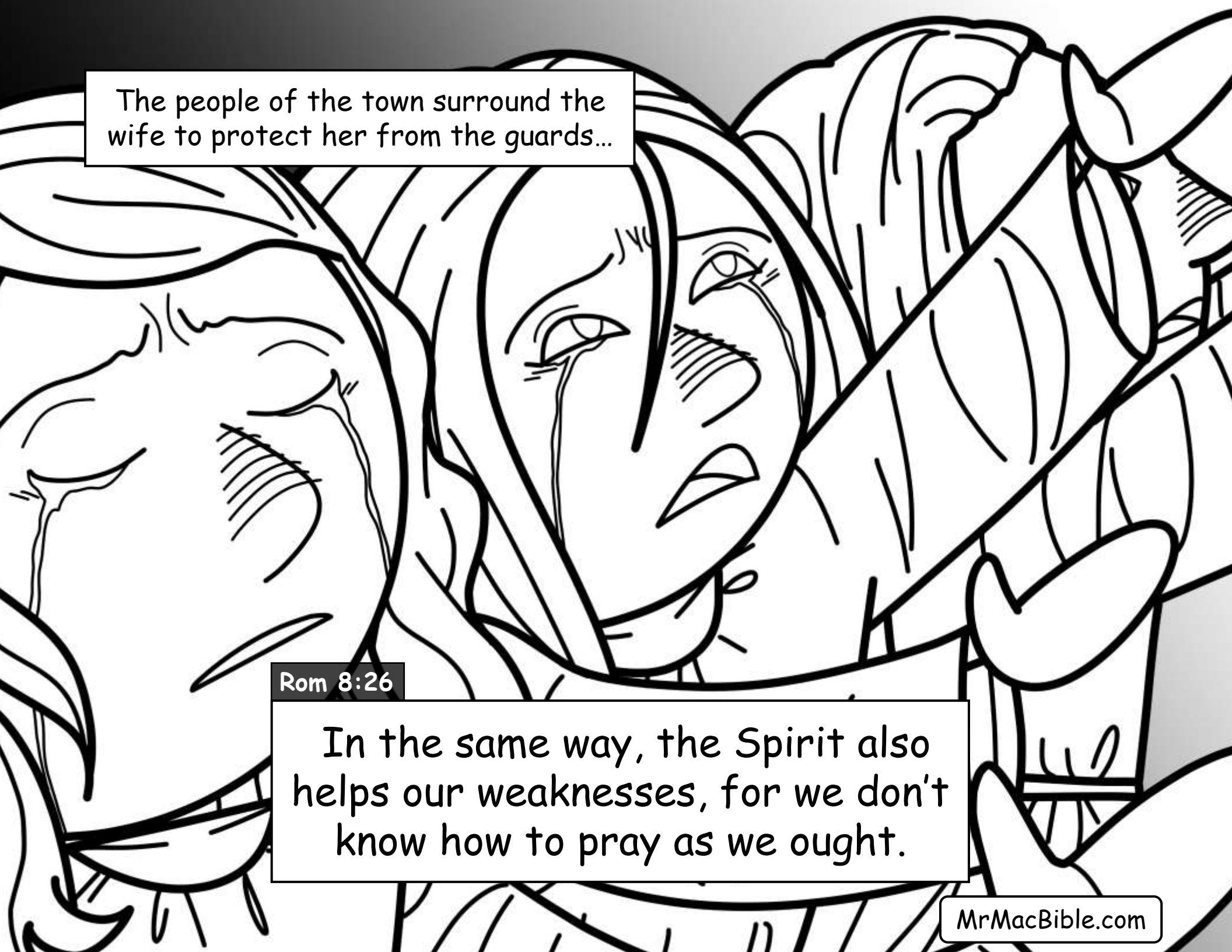
For we were saved in hope, but hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for that which he sees?



But if we hope for that which we don't see, we wait for it with patience.

Rom 8:25


The Christian man's wife is shocked at the sight of her husband's suffering...



The people of the town surround the wife to protect her from the guards...

Rom 8:26

In the same way, the Spirit also helps our weaknesses, for we don't know how to pray as we ought.



And now the people of the town have courageously stepped up to remove the stones as they pray and weep...

Rom 8:27

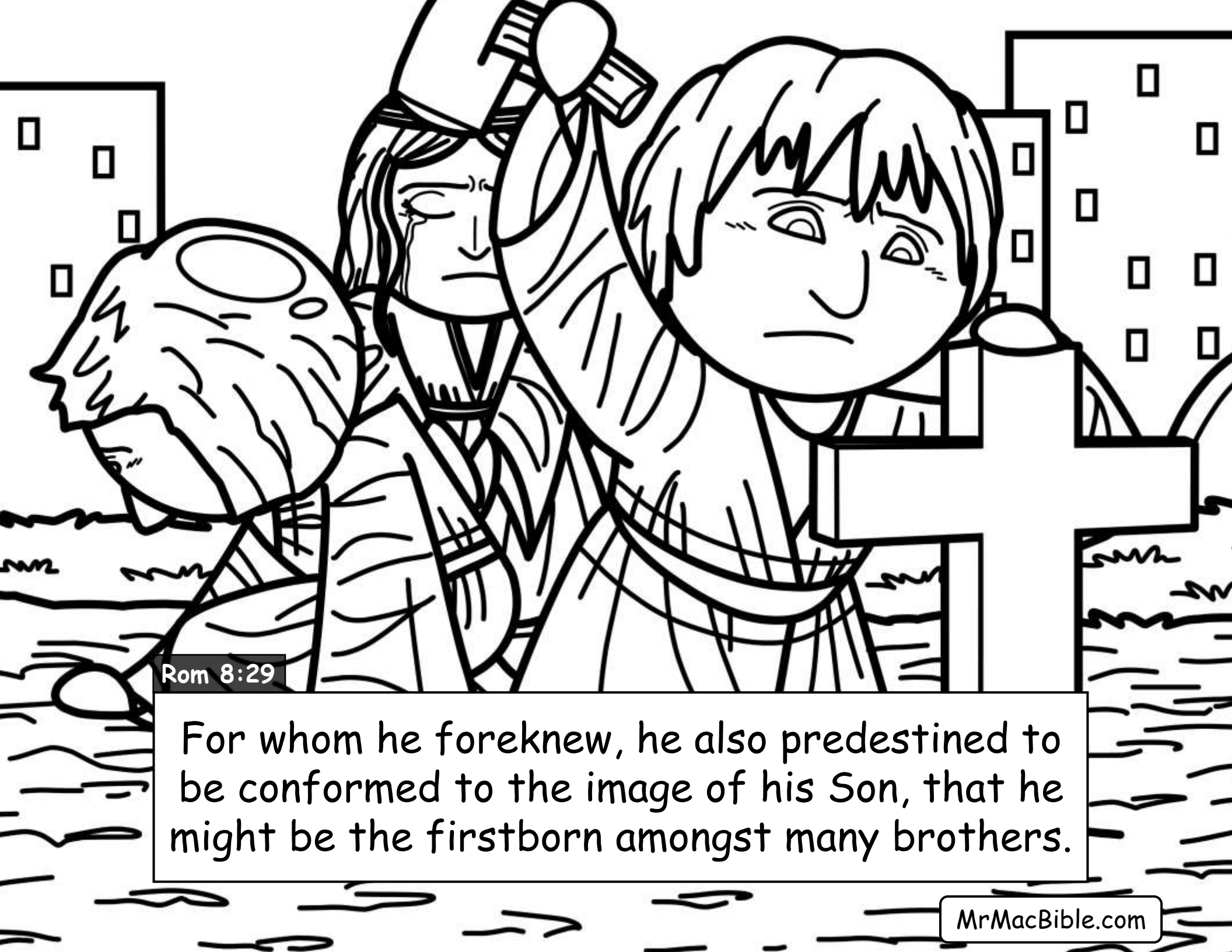
But the Spirit himself makes intercession for us with groanings which can't be uttered.



And they are determined to give the man
a Christian burial in the center of town...


Rom 8:28

We know that all things work together for
good for those who love God, for those who
are called according to his purpose.



Rom 8:29


For whom he foreknew, he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn amongst many brothers.



But to Jesus, the man
is not dead... not really.

Rom 8:30


Whom he predestined, those he also called.
Whom he called, those he also justified.



From God's point of view,
the man is victorious!

Rom 8:30

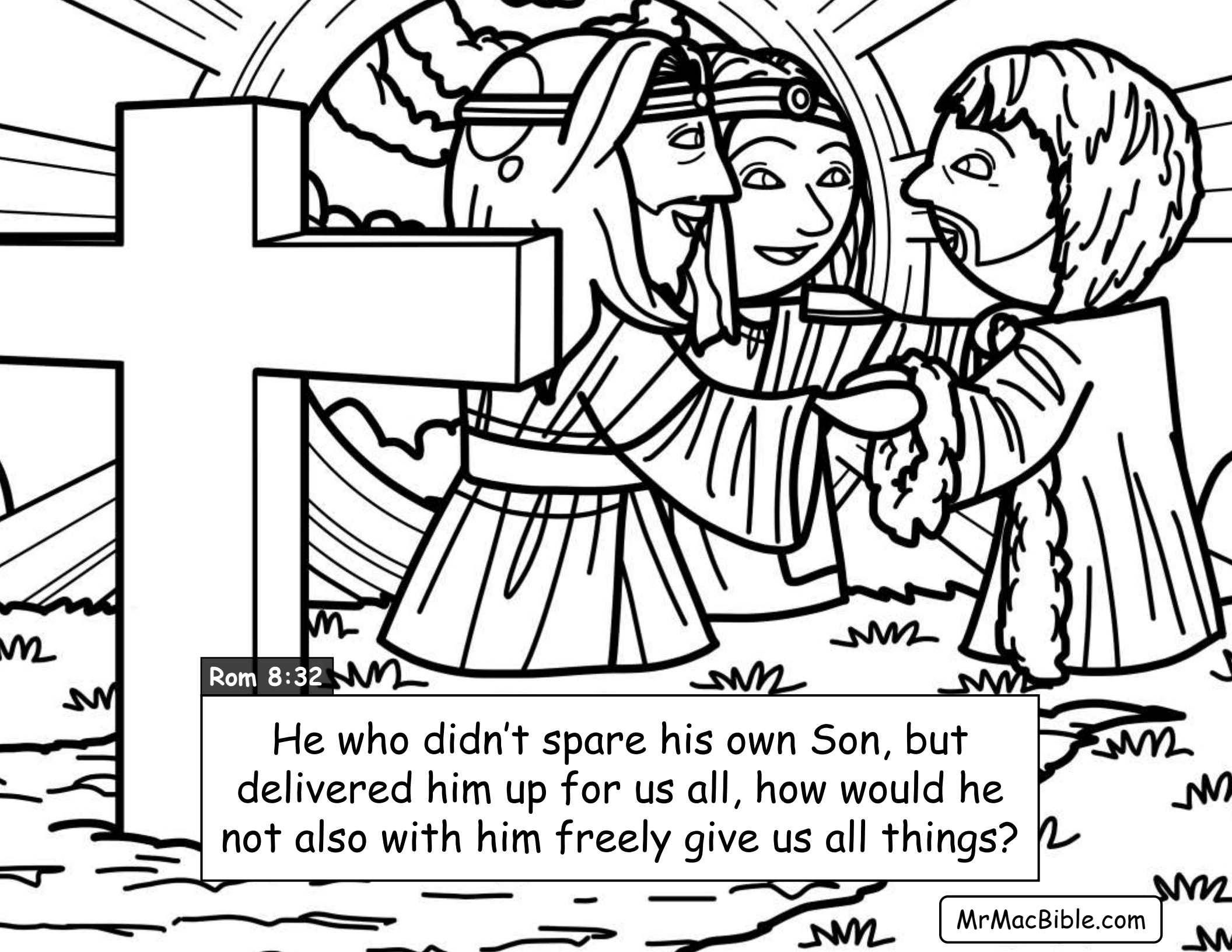
Whom he justified,
those he also glorified.



From God's point of view, the man who was killed for speaking about Jesus is doing great!

Rom 8:31

What then shall we say about these things?
If God is for us, who can be against us?



Rom 8:32


He who didn't spare his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how would he not also with him freely give us all things?



The faithful man meets Gabriell!

Rom 8:33

Who could bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who justifies.



He's welcomed into the Kingdom of God!

Rom 8:34

Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, yes rather, who was raised from the dead,



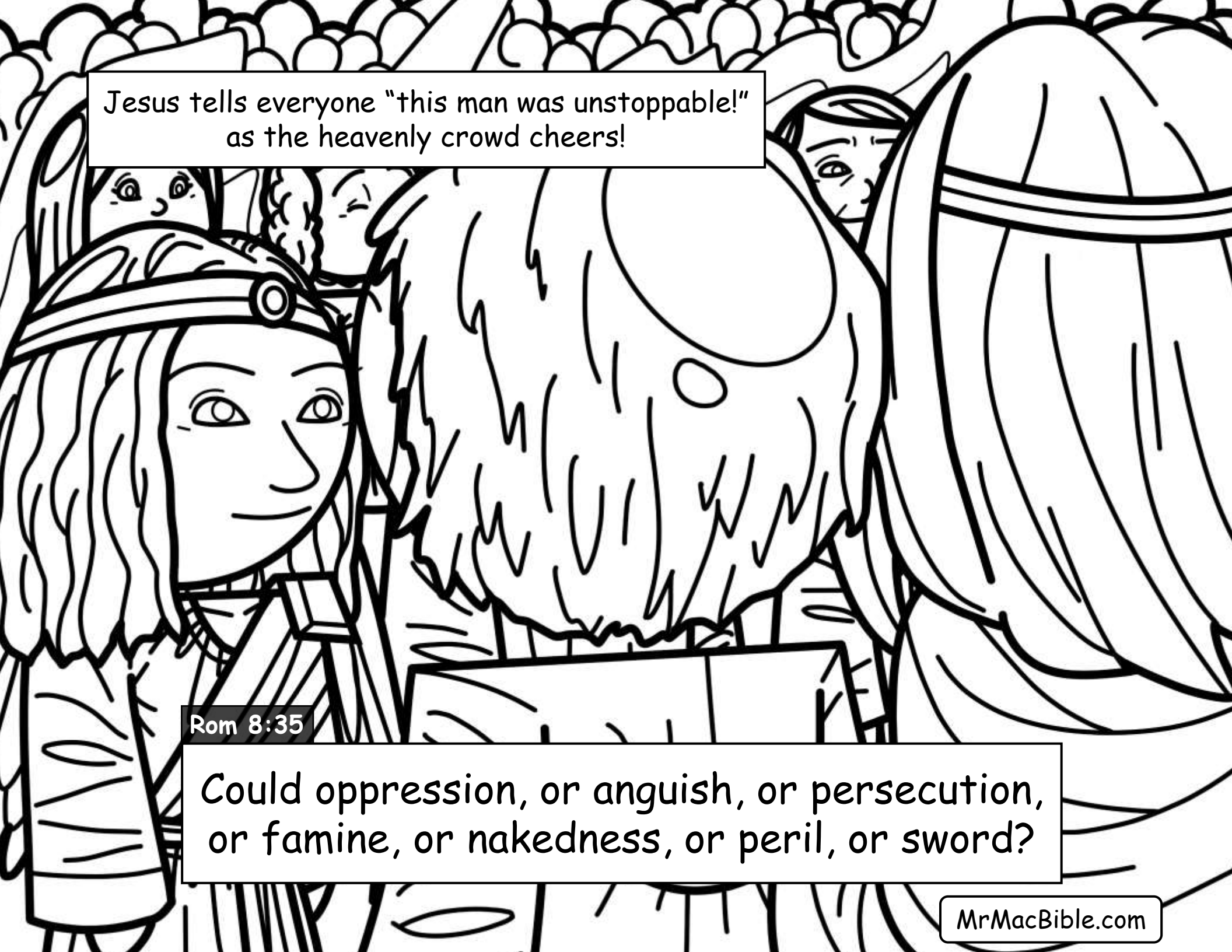
Rom 8:34

...who is at the right hand of God,
who also makes intercession for us.



Rom 8:35


Who shall separate us
from the love of Christ?



Jesus tells everyone "this man was unstoppable!"
as the heavenly crowd cheers!

Rom 8:35


Could oppression, or anguish, or persecution,
or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?



The persecuted man's wife and mother are inspired to follow Jesus even more at the foot of his grave.

Rom 8:36

Even as it is written, "For your sake we are killed all day long. We were accounted as sheep for the slaughter."



My husband was “unstoppable”...
so maybe now, it's my turn!

Rom 8:37

No, in all these things we are more than
conquerors through him who loved us.

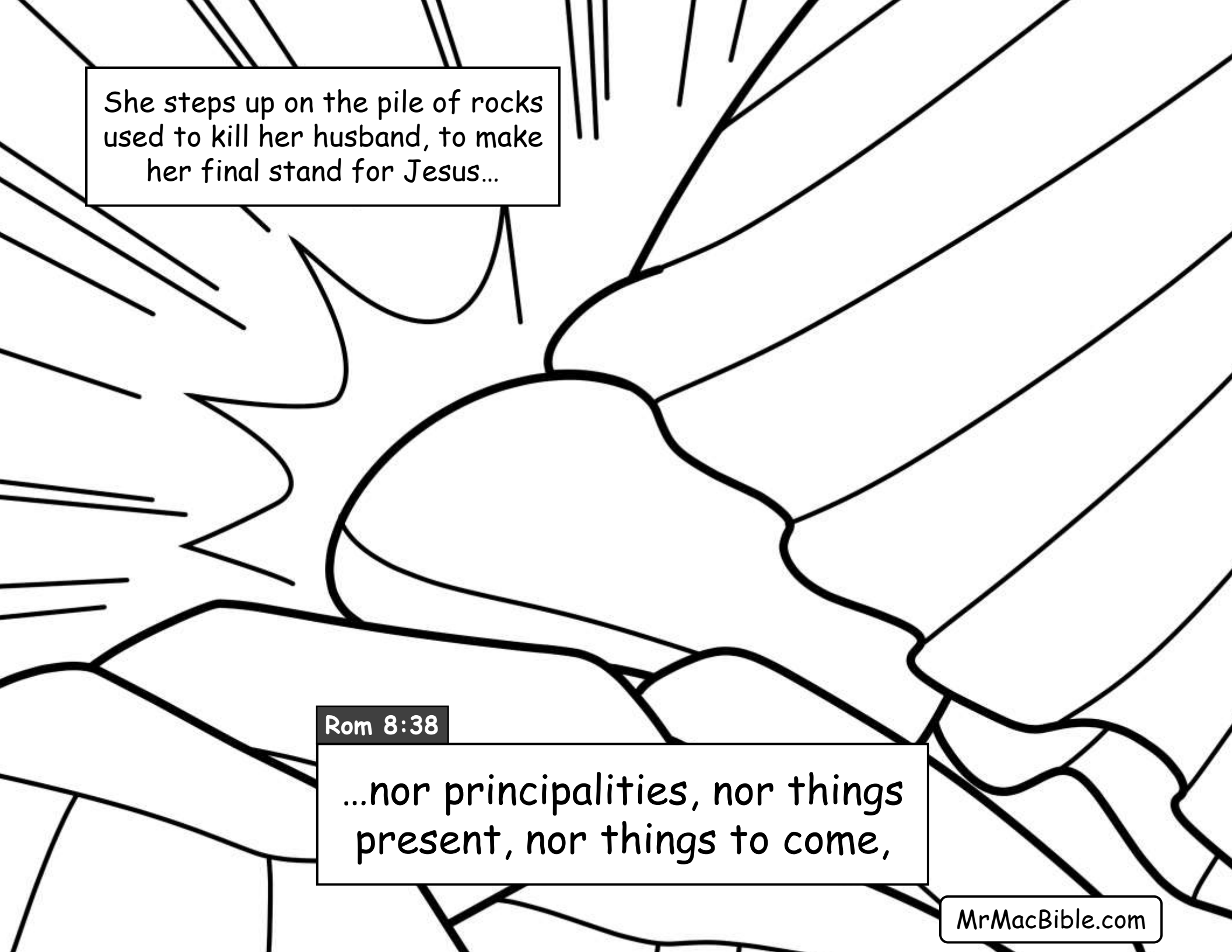


The persecuted man's wife
steps into the center of
town to complete what her
husband started...



Rom 8:38

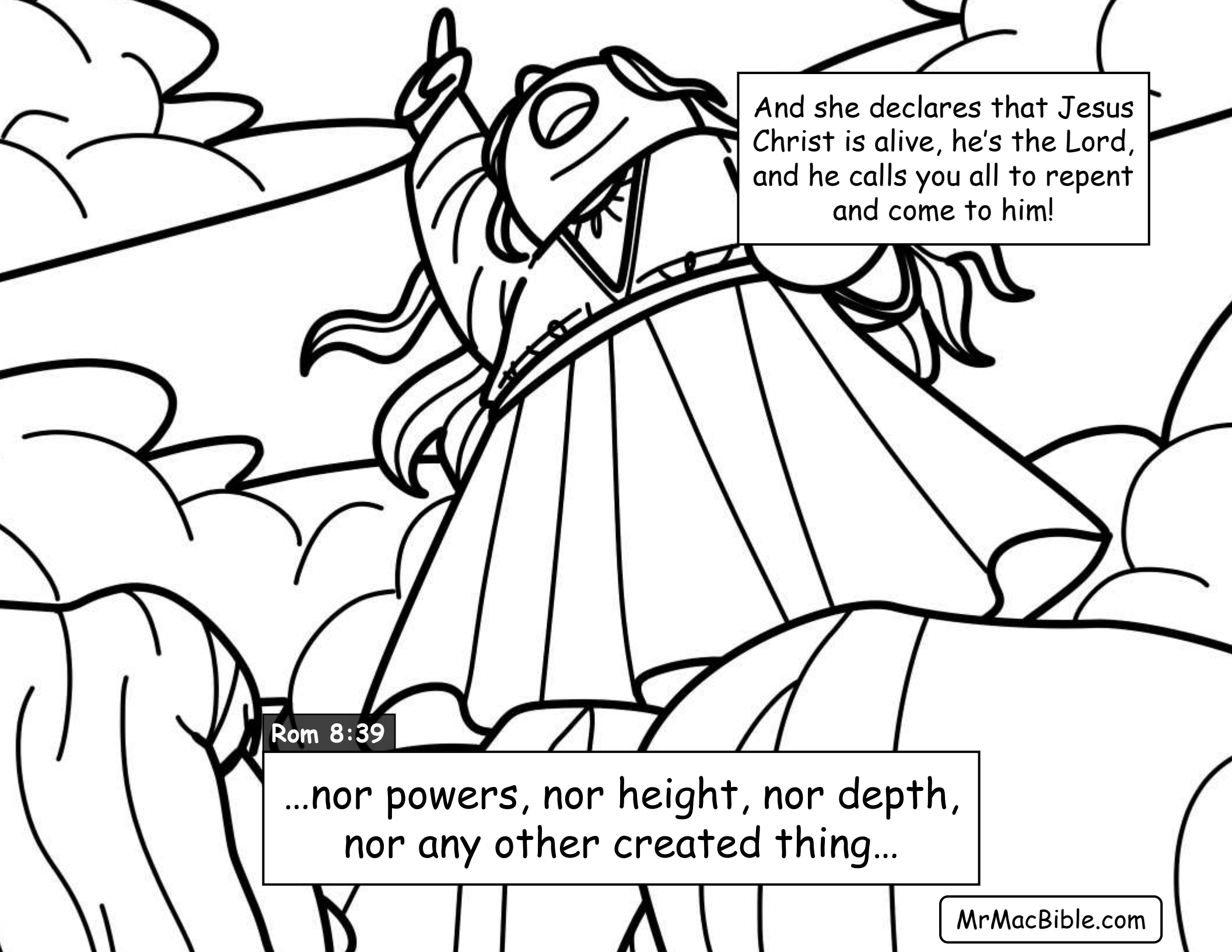
For I am persuaded that neither
death, nor life, nor angels,



She steps up on the pile of rocks used to kill her husband, to make her final stand for Jesus...

Rom 8:38


...nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come,



And she declares that Jesus Christ is alive, he's the Lord, and he calls you all to repent and come to him!

Rom 8:39

...nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor any other created thing...



The people of the town
shout their support... they
are inspired by this woman's
faith and courage!

Rom 8:39

...will be able to separate us from God's
love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

THINK ABOUT IT...

What would God need to do in your life to make you want to walk up to the top of a pile of stones and preach Jesus in the face of danger?



Children of the Promise!

Rom 9:1-18

Background:

Paul shares his deep concerns for his own countrymen - the Jews. He wants them to believe in Jesus and accept God's promises.

But Paul knows the Jewish people are having difficulty understanding how faith works.



Rom 9:1-2

I tell the truth in Christ. I am not lying, my conscience testifying with me in the Holy Spirit that I have great sorrow and unceasing pain in my heart.



Rom 9:3

For I could wish that I myself were accursed from Christ for my brothers' sake, my relatives according to the flesh who are Israelites;

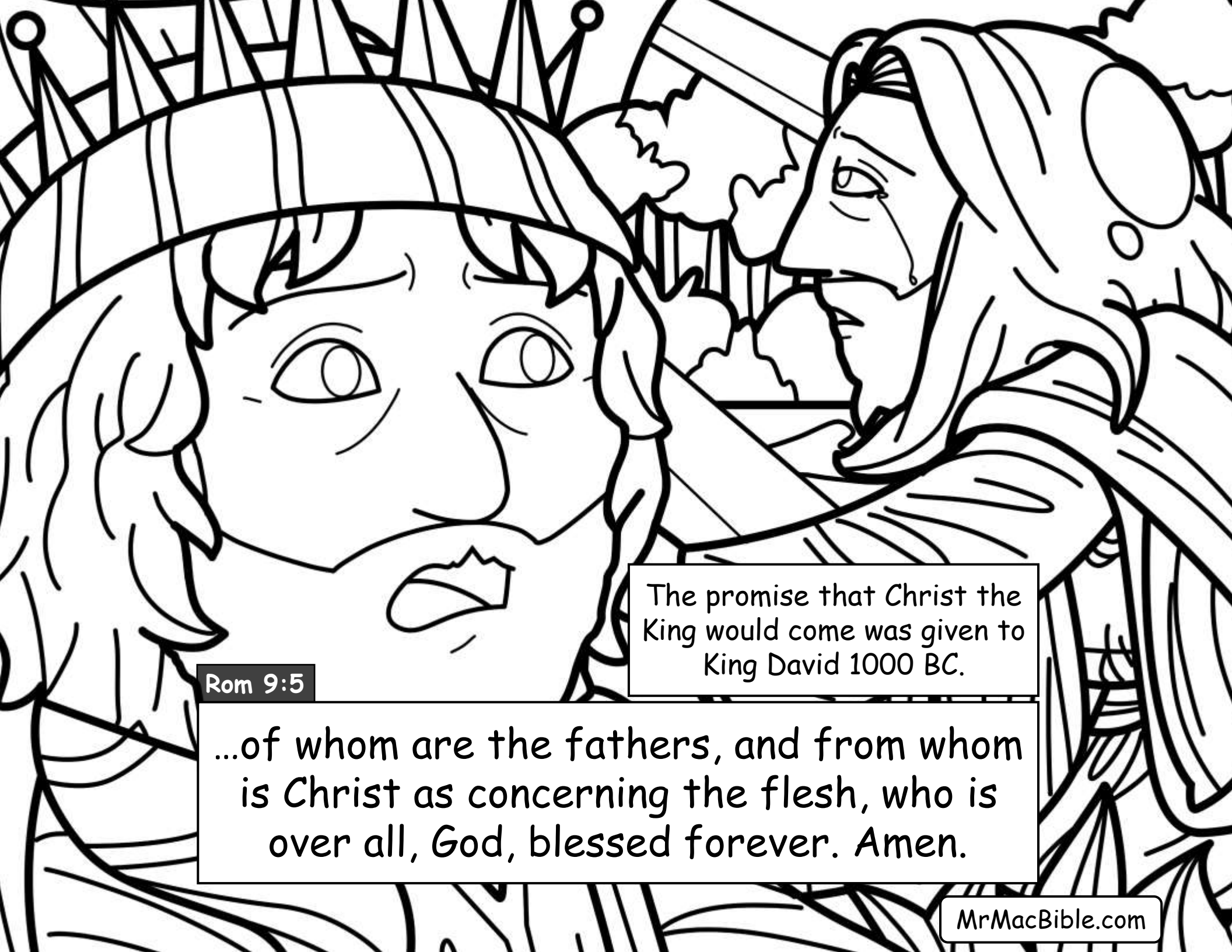


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Rom 9:4

Moses led the Jews 1400 BC and God gave them his law.

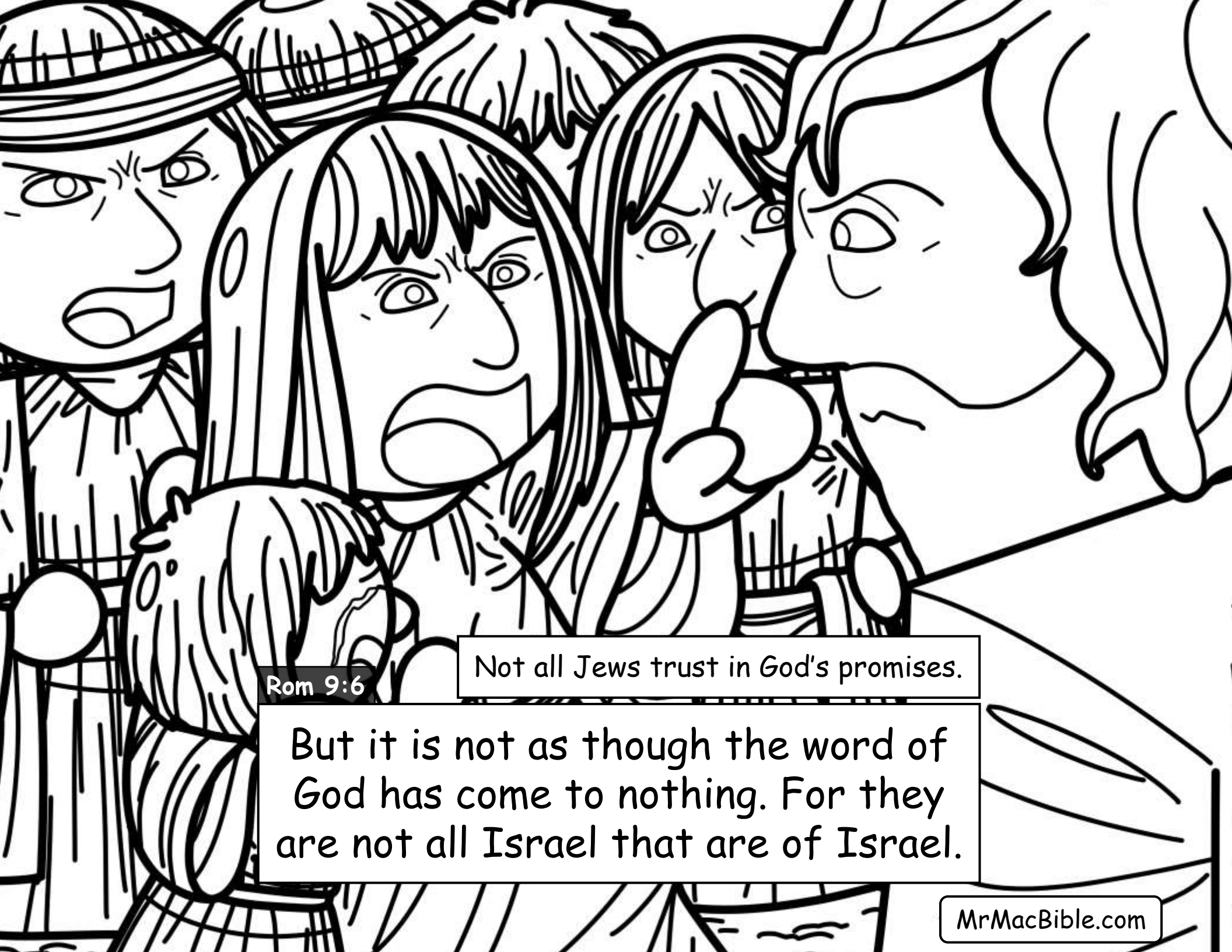
...whose is the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the service, and the promises;



Rom 9:5

The promise that Christ the King would come was given to King David 1000 BC.

...of whom are the fathers, and from whom is Christ as concerning the flesh, who is over all, God, blessed forever. Amen.



Rom 9:6

Not all Jews trust in God's promises.

But it is not as though the word of God has come to nothing. For they are not all Israel that are of Israel.



Ishmael

Isaac

Rom 9:7

Neither, because they are Abraham's offspring, are they all children.



Remember Genesis Chapter 22 when God gave his promises to Abraham's son?

Rom 9:7

But, "your offspring will be accounted as from Isaac."



Rom 9:8

Even Jews need to trust in God's promises!


That is, it is not the children of the flesh who are children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as heirs.



Rom 9:9

See Genesis Chapter 21 for
the promises to Abraham.

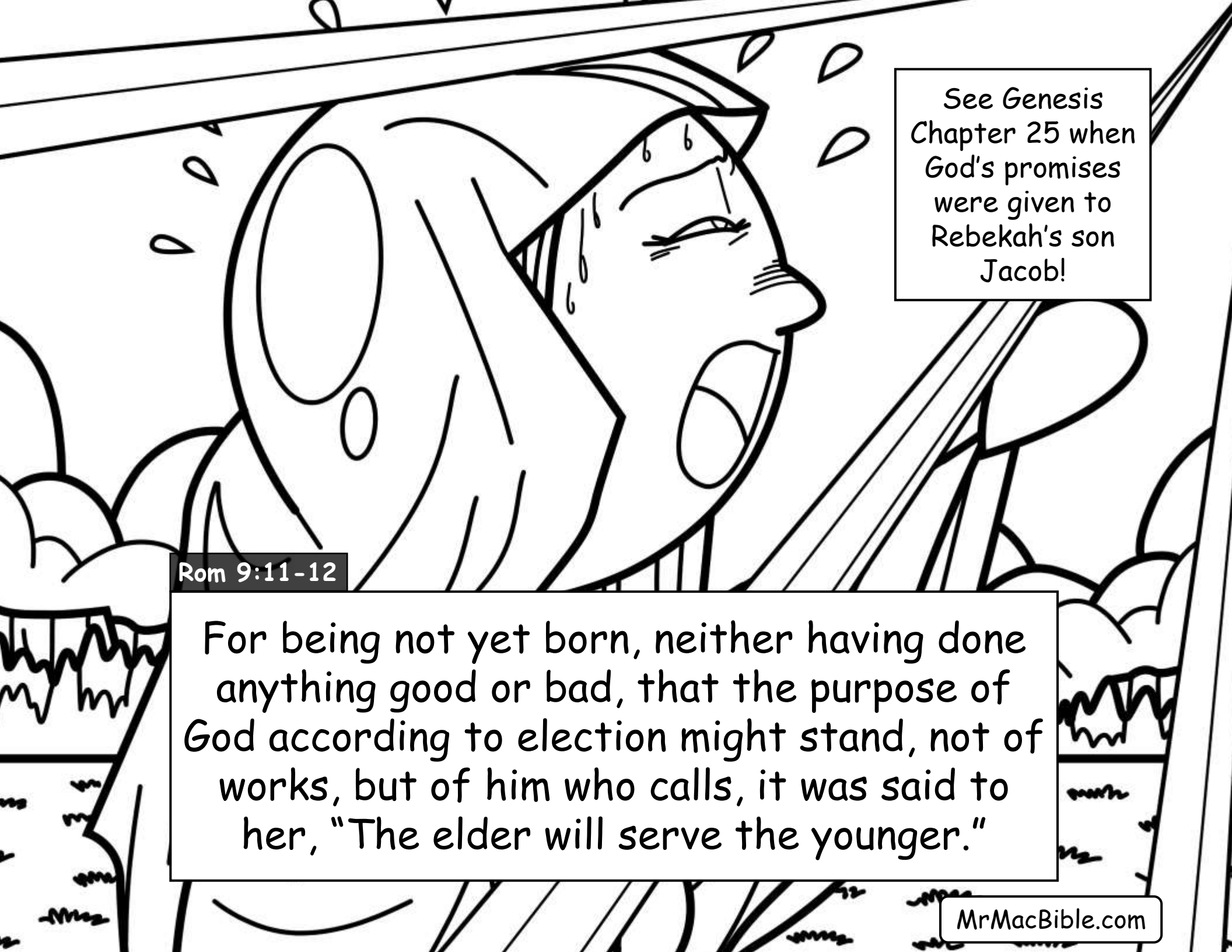
For this is a word of promise:
"At the appointed time I will
come, and Sarah will have a son."



See Genesis Chapter 24 when God's promises were given to Isaac and his new wife Rebekah!

Rom 9:10


Not only so, but Rebekah also conceived by one, by our father Isaac.



See Genesis Chapter 25 when God's promises were given to Rebekah's son Jacob!

Rom 9:11-12

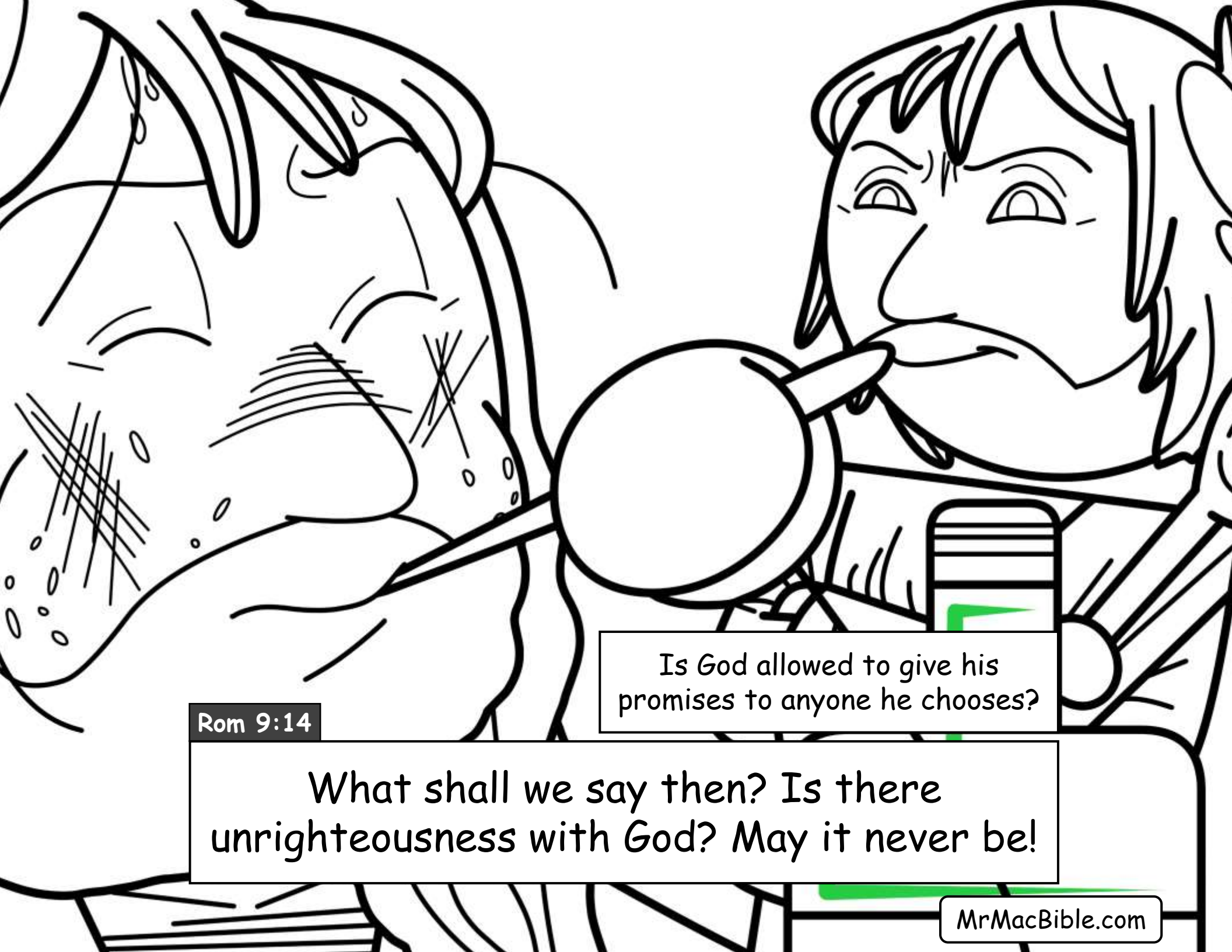
For being not yet born, neither having done anything good or bad, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him who calls, it was said to her, "The elder will serve the younger."



See Malachi Chapter 1 when God says that he loved Jacob, and that his promises were still for Jacob.

Rom 9:13

Even as it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated."



Rom 9:14

Is God allowed to give his promises to anyone he chooses?

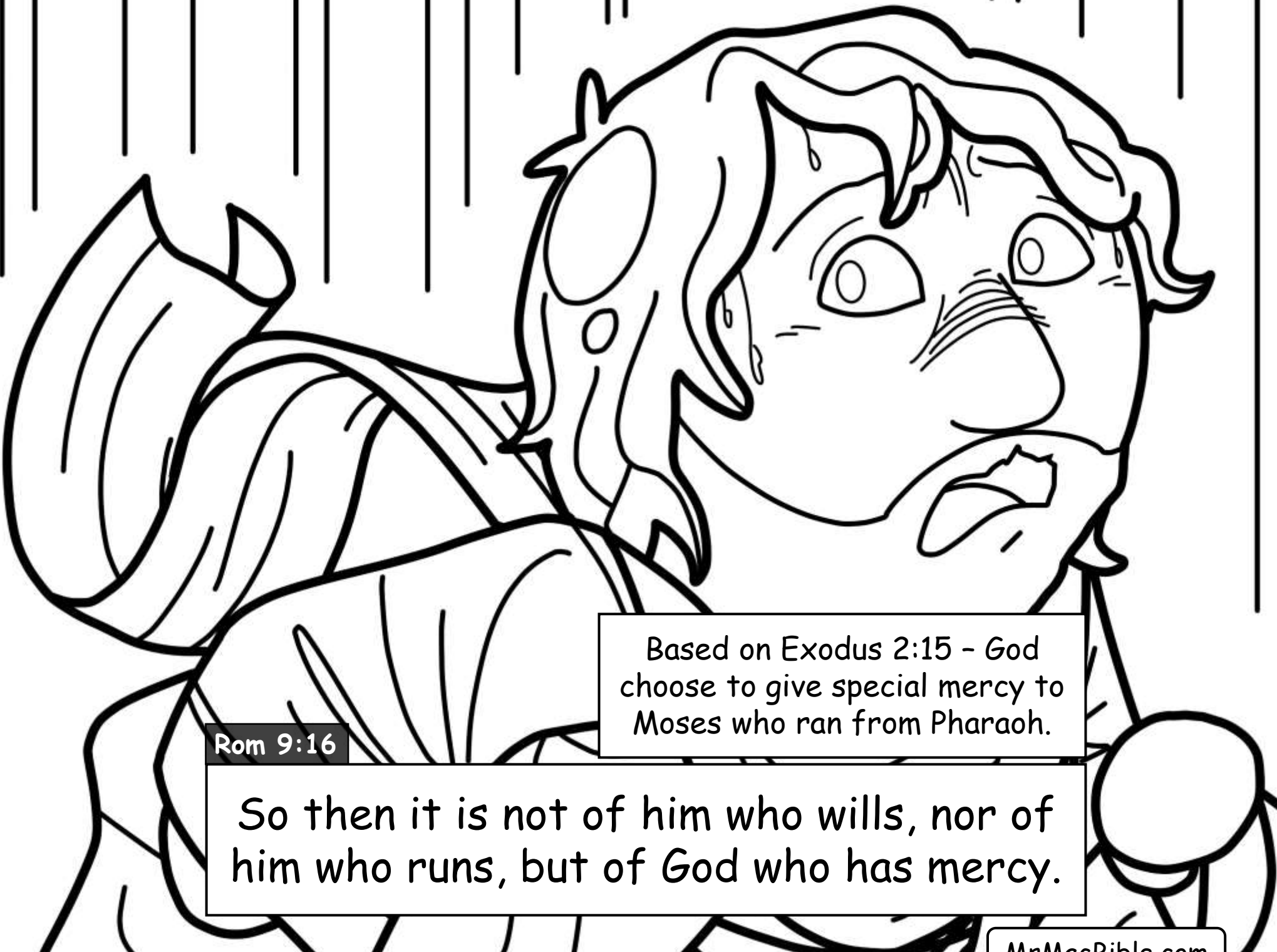
What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? May it never be!



Rom 9:15

Based on Exodus 33:19 - Is God allowed to give his grace and mercy to anyone he chooses?

For he said to Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion."



Based on Exodus 2:15 - God choose to give special mercy to Moses who ran from Pharaoh.

Rom 9:16

So then it is not of him who wills, nor of him who runs, but of God who has mercy.



Based on Exodus 9:16 - God chooses not to give mercy to Pharaoh.

Rom 9:17

For the Scripture says to Pharaoh,
"For this very purpose I caused
you to be raised up,"



Rom 9:17

See Exodus 14:5 - Pharaoh's army is later destroyed at the Red Sea.

...that I might show in you my power, and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth."



Rom 9:18

So then, he has mercy on whom he desires, and he hardens whom he desires.

THINK ABOUT IT...

Since God chooses who he wants to show his love and mercy to...

How has God's special goodness and kindness to you brought you closer to him?

Children of the Living God!

Rom 9:19-33

Background:

Paul explains that God is choosing to adopt both Jews and Gentiles (non-Jews) to be in his family from all over the world.

But many are missing God's call because they think they can get to God by just "being good".

THE LAW


- . GET CIRCUMCISED
- . OBEY THE SABBATH
- . KEEP THE LAW



Rom 9:19

Is it fair that *God* might choose you but not the person standing next to you?

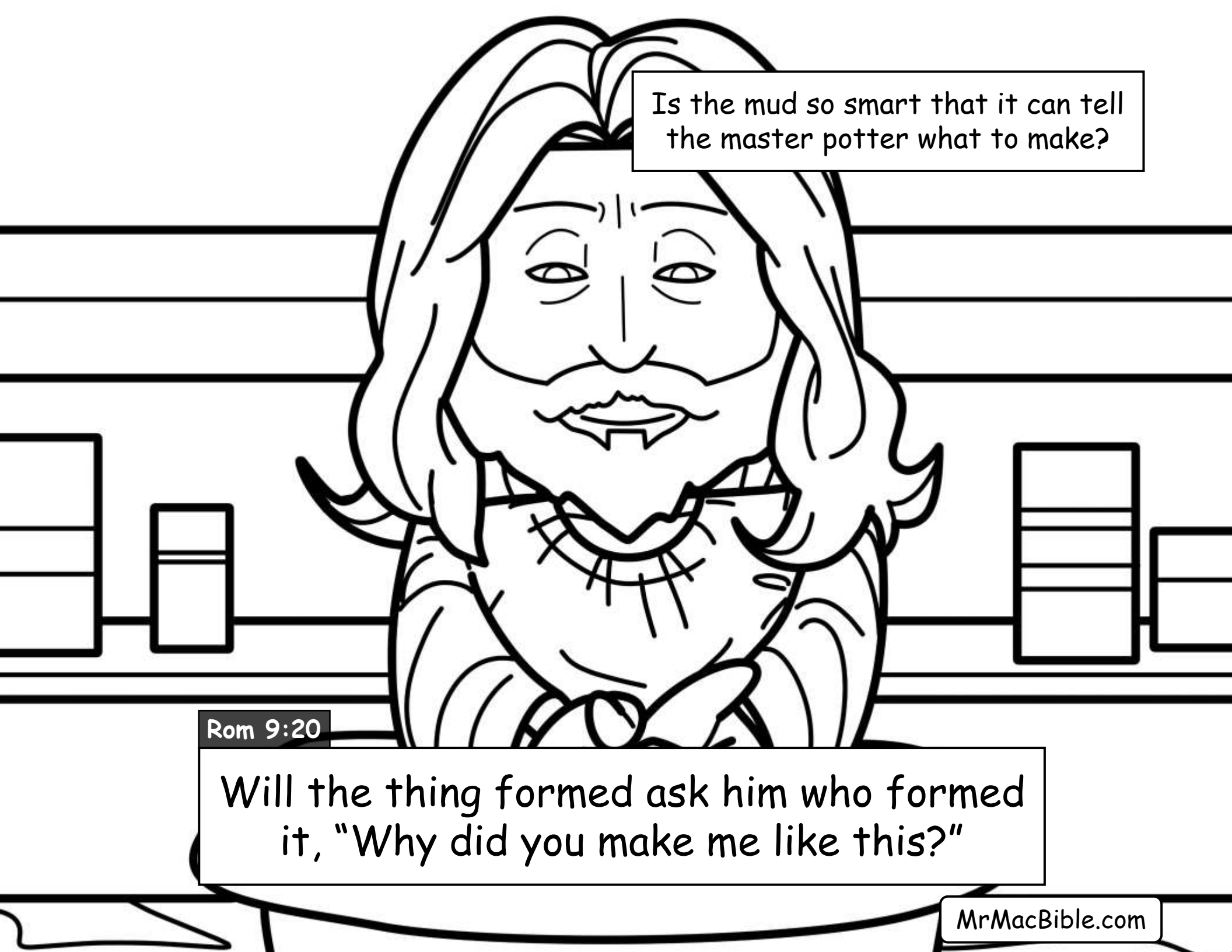
You will say then to me, "Why does he still find fault? For who withstands his will?"



But indeed, O
man, who are
you to reply
against God?

Rom 9:20

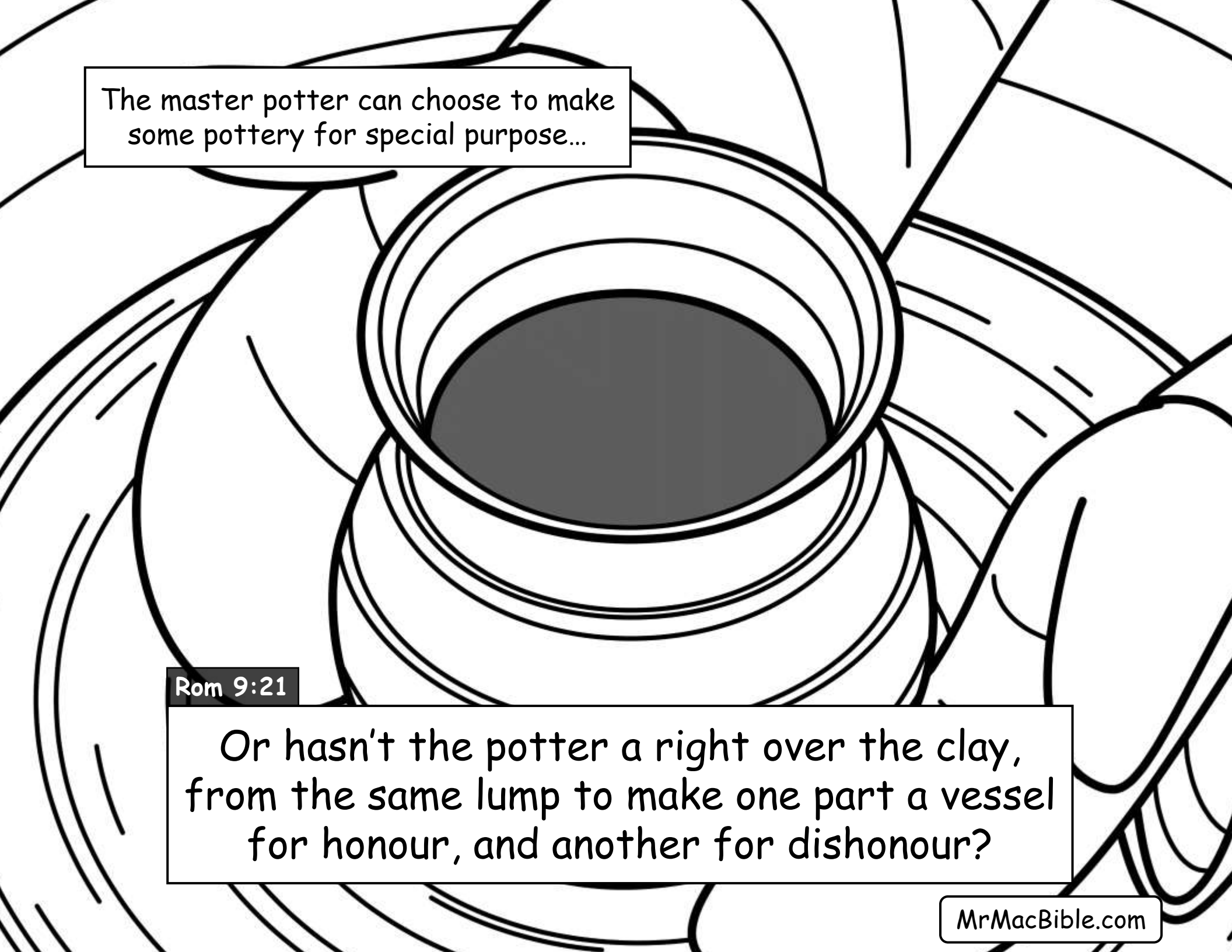
Are you so smart that you
can tell God what is fair?



Is the mud so smart that it can tell the master potter what to make?

Rom 9:20

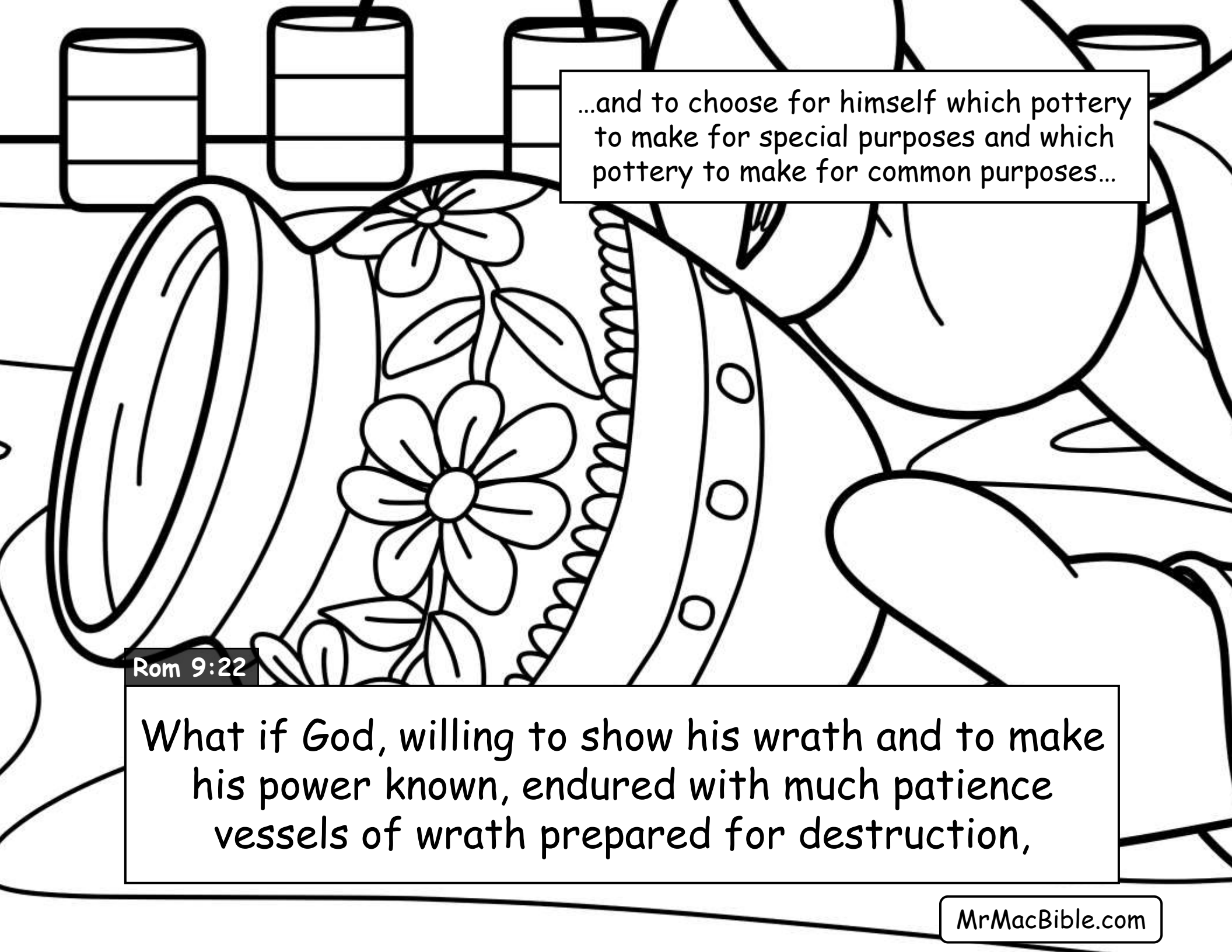
Will the thing formed ask him who formed it, "Why did you make me like this?"



The master potter can choose to make some pottery for special purpose...

Rom 9:21

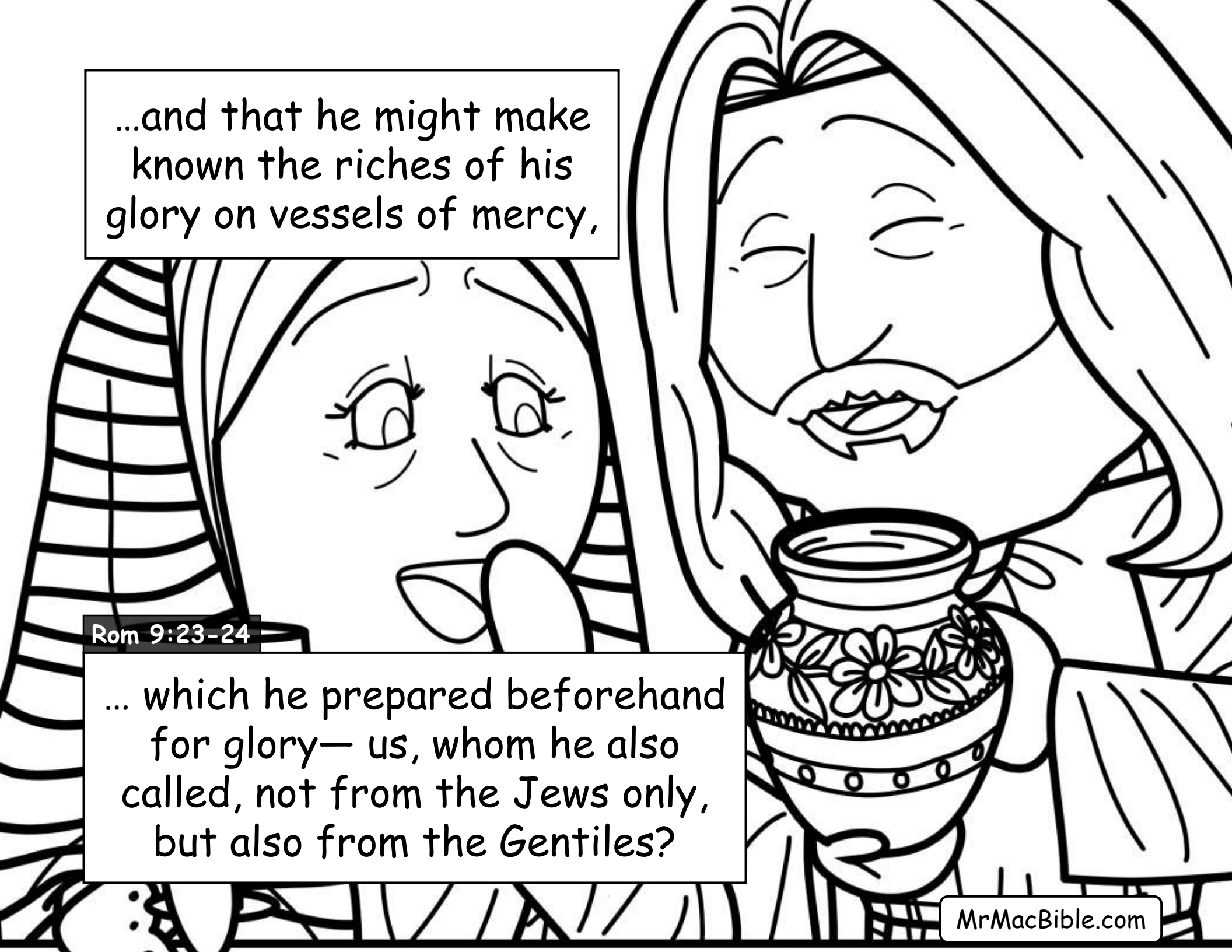
Or hasn't the potter a right over the clay, from the same lump to make one part a vessel for honour, and another for dishonour?



...and to choose for himself which pottery to make for special purposes and which pottery to make for common purposes...

Rom 9:22


What if God, willing to show his wrath and to make his power known, endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction,



...and that he might make known the riches of his glory on vessels of mercy,

Rom 9:23-24

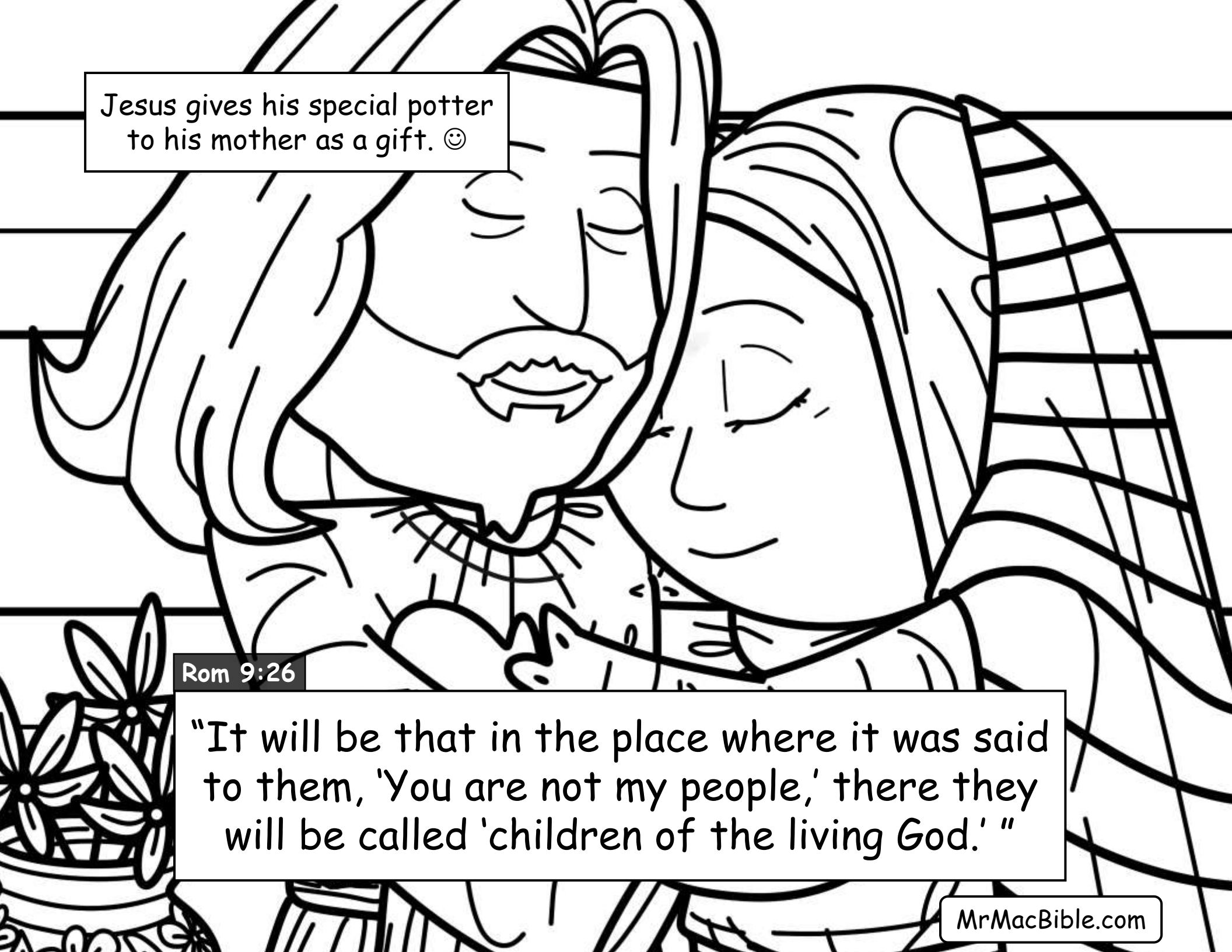
... which he prepared beforehand for glory— us, whom he also called, not from the Jews only, but also from the Gentiles?



And so - the master potter makes beauty from mud according to his purpose and will.

Rom 9:25

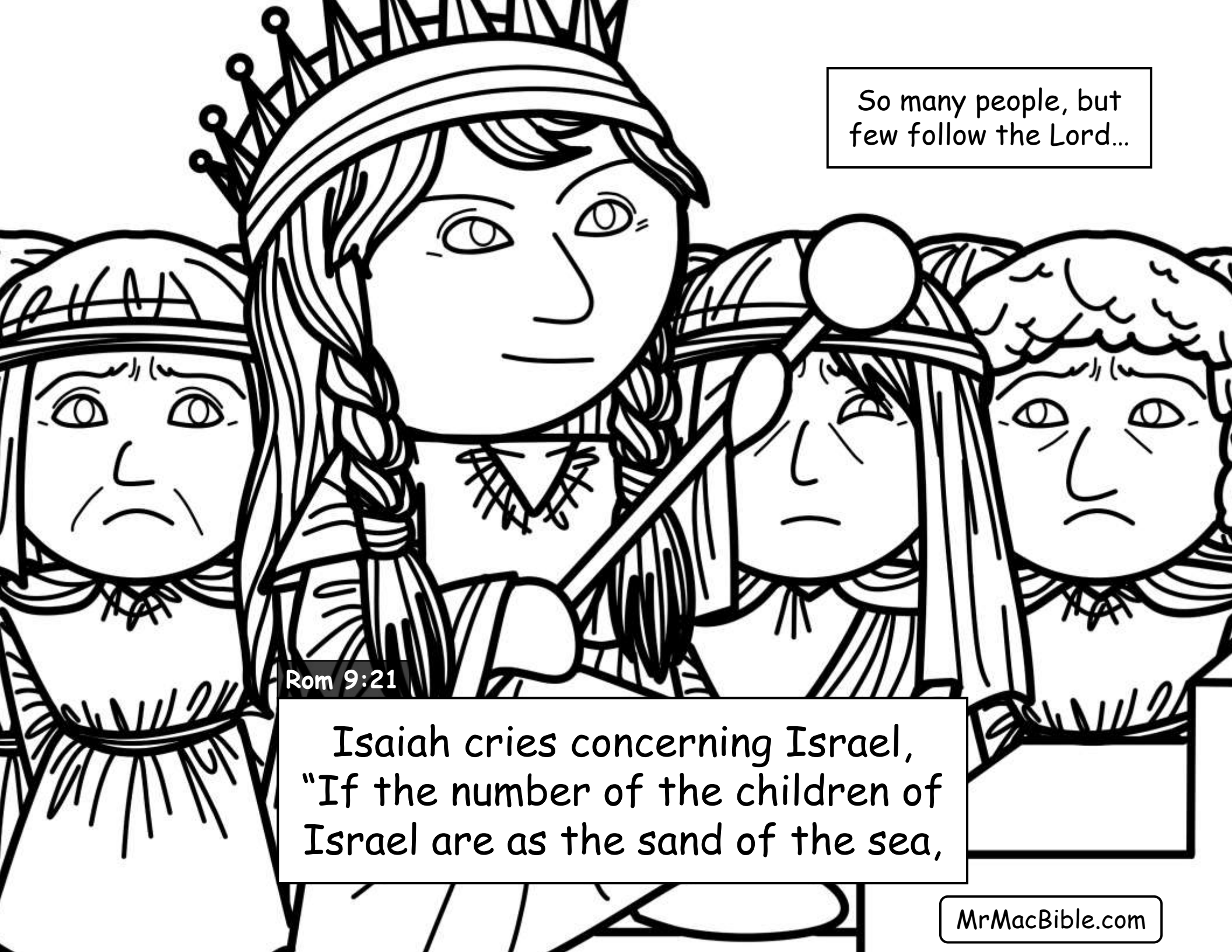
As he says also in Hosea, "I will call them 'my people,' which were not my people; and her 'beloved,' who was not beloved."



Jesus gives his special potter
to his mother as a gift. 😊

Rom 9:26


"It will be that in the place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,' there they will be called 'children of the living God.' "



So many people, but few follow the Lord...

Rom 9:21

Isaiah cries concerning Israel, "If the number of the children of Israel are as the sand of the sea,



God chooses some to be rescued during terrible times.

Rom 9:27

...it is the remnant who will be saved;



Rom 9:28

Jesus will return to
stop the evil one...

...for he will finish the work and
cut it short in righteousness,



Rom 9:28

Come Lord Jesus!

...because the Lord will make a short work upon the earth."



Rom 9:29

Jesus will rescue his people...

As Isaiah has said before,
"Unless the Lord of Armies
had left us a seed,



Rom 9:29

Don't fear...
Jesus is greater!

...we would have become like Sodom,
and would have been made like Gomorrah."



Rom 9:30

Come to Jesus by faith

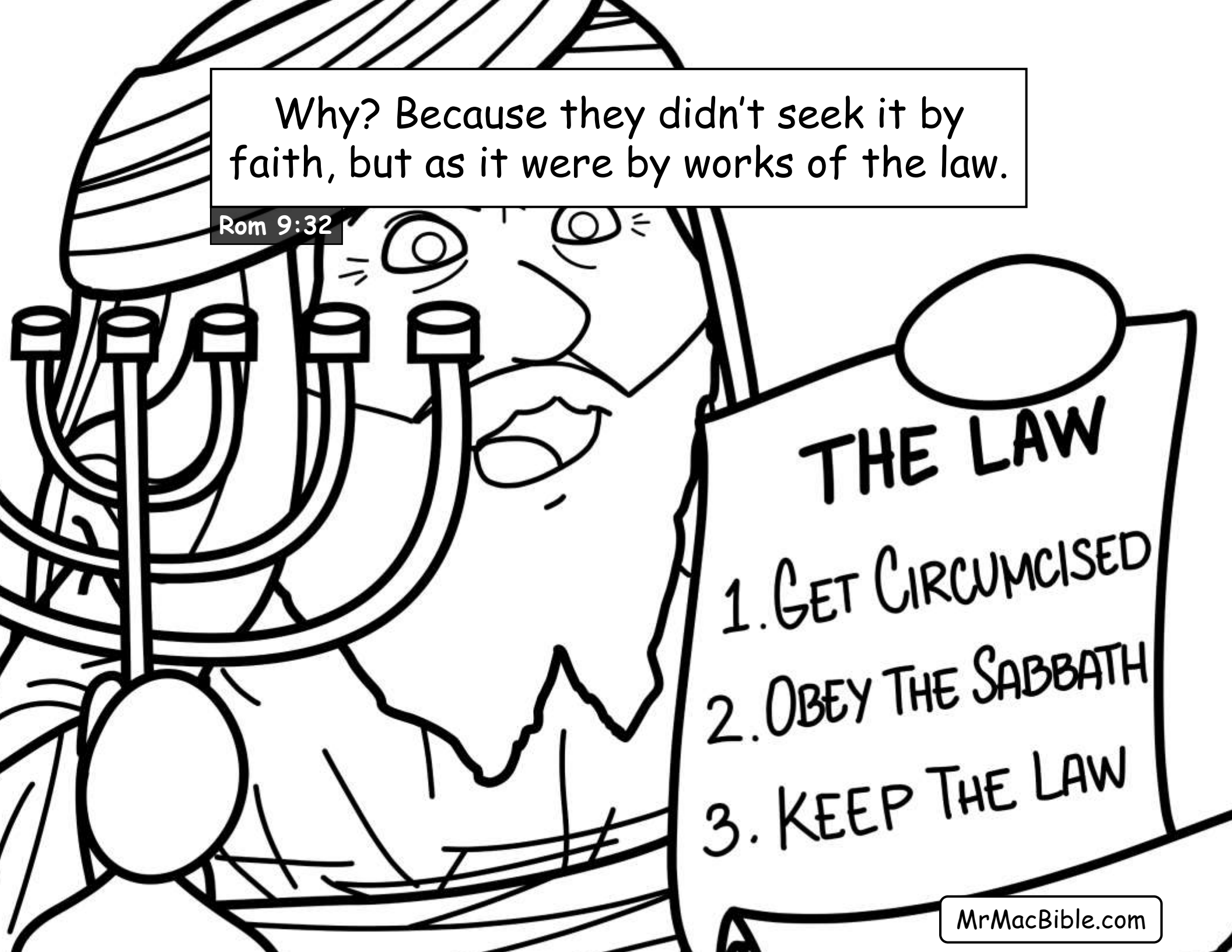
What shall we say then? That the Gentiles, who didn't follow after righteousness, attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith;



Rom 9:31

You can't be good enough!

...but Israel, following after a law of righteousness, didn't arrive at the law of righteousness.

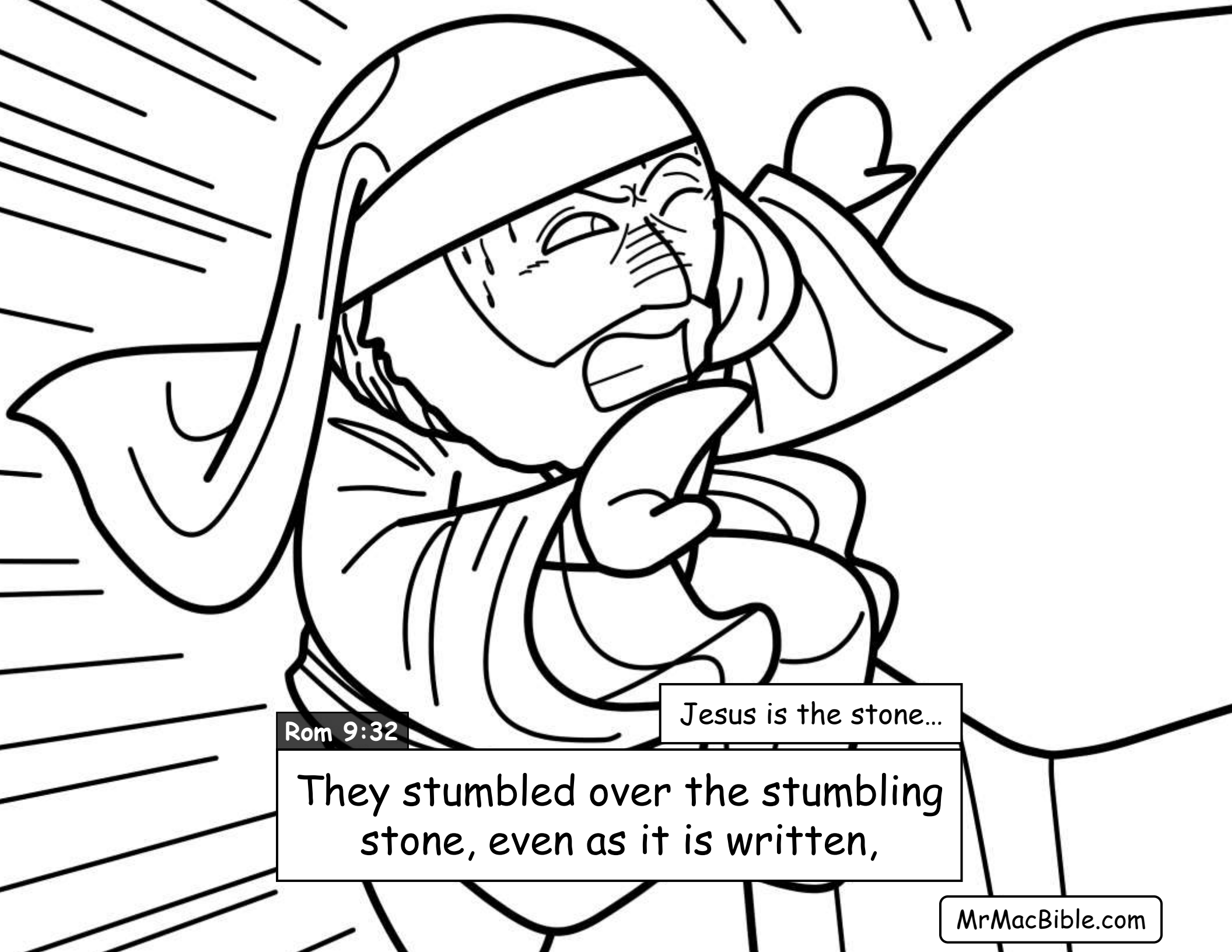


Why? Because they didn't seek it by faith, but as it were by works of the law.

Rom 9:32

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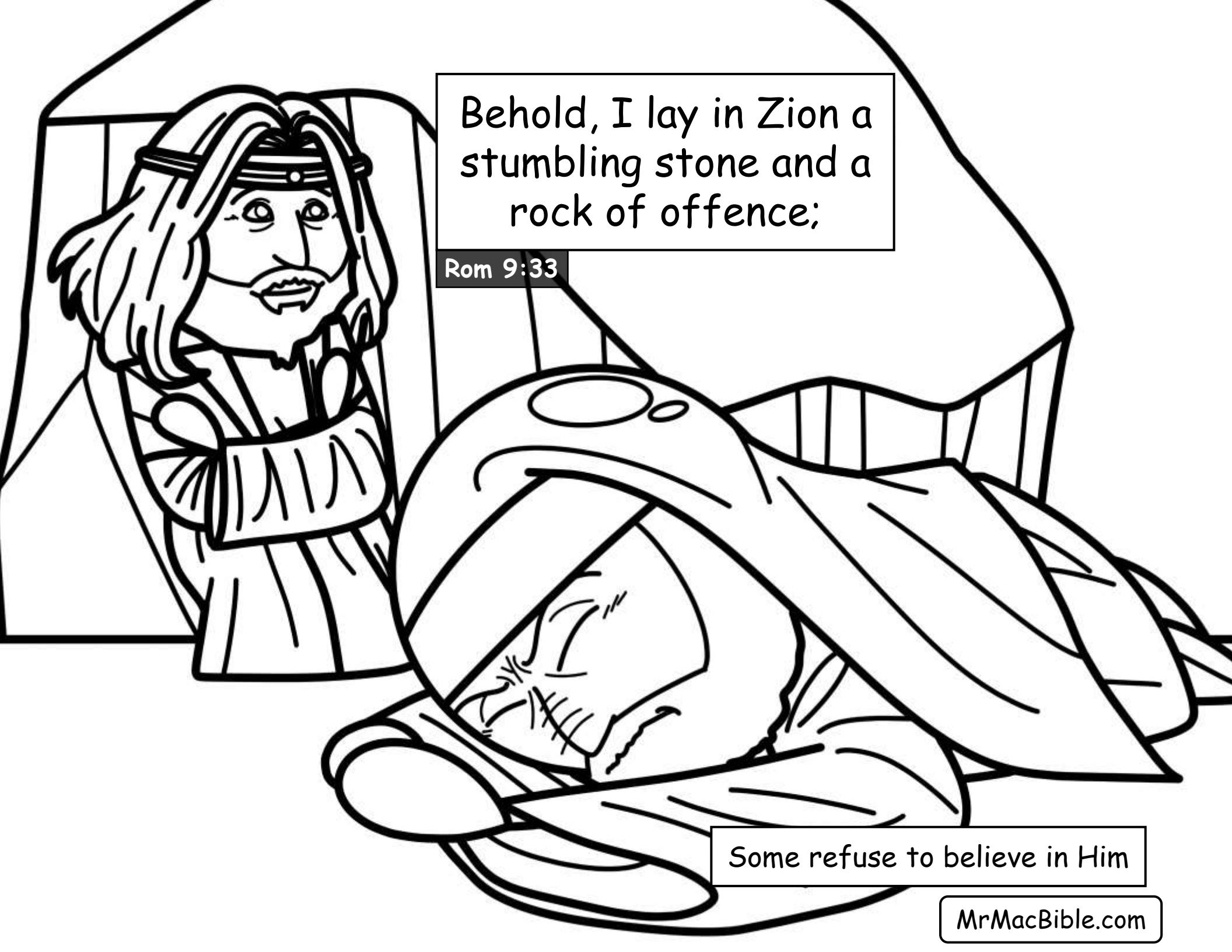
1. GET CIRCUMCISED
2. OBEY THE SABBATH
3. KEEP THE LAW



Rom 9:32

Jesus is the stone...

They stumbled over the stumbling stone, even as it is written,



Behold, I lay in Zion a
stumbling stone and a
rock of offence;

Rom 9:33

Some refuse to believe in Him



Rom 9:33

...and no one who believes in him will be disappointed."

THINK ABOUT IT...

Have you asked Jesus to come into your life and shape you like pottery?

What does God's pottery look like in your life? Are you one of his vessels of honor or not?



Believe in your Heart!

Rom 10:1-11

Background:

Paul is making the argument that none of us can be given God's righteousness and salvation without first giving our faith & loyalty to Jesus.

But some are still convinced that they must do special good works to get God to accept them.



Rom 10:1

Paul meets with his Jewish brothers in the synagogue

Brothers, my heart's desire and my prayer to God is for Israel, that they may be saved.



Rom 10:2

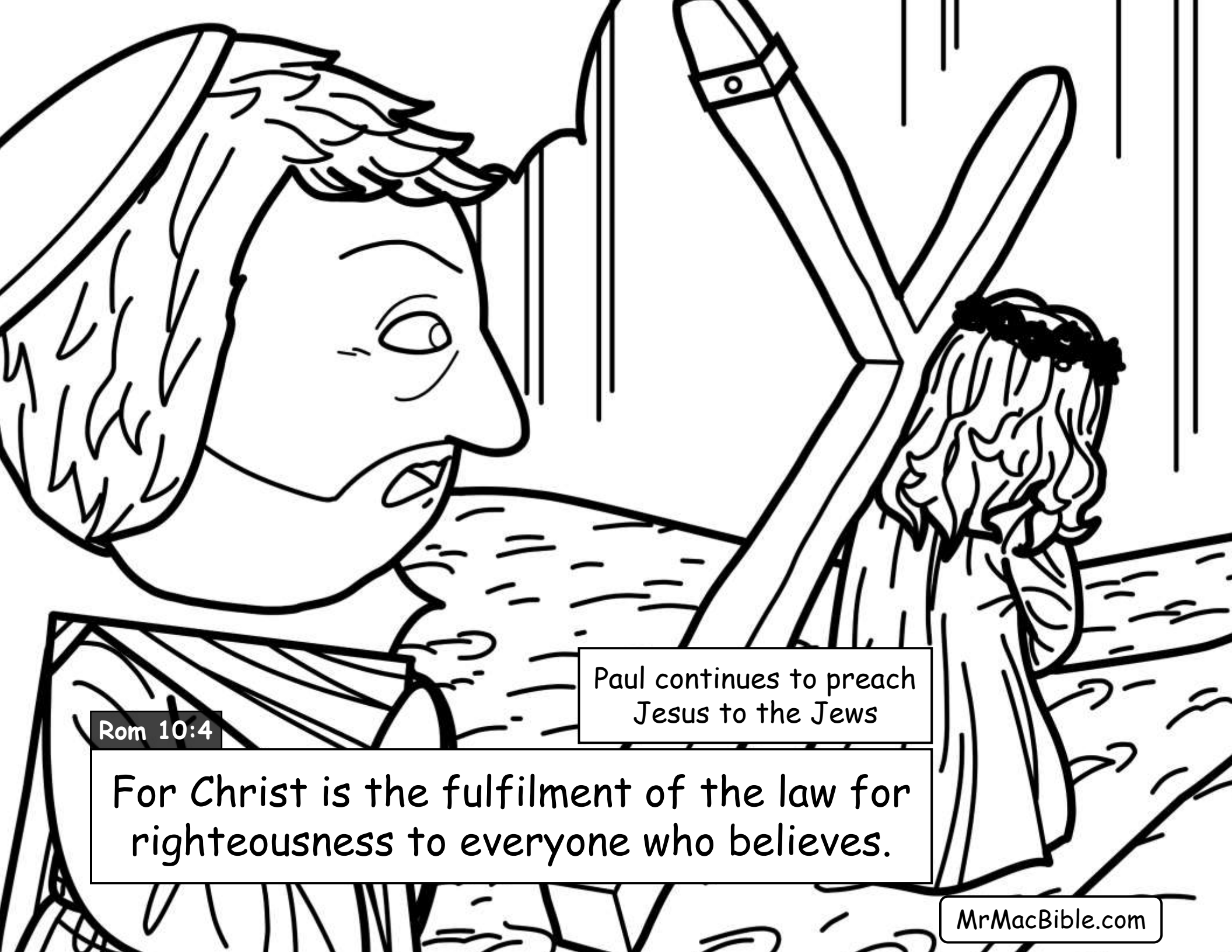
Many Jews refuse to see...

For I testify about them that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge.



Rom 10:3

For being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, they didn't subject themselves to the righteousness of God.



Rom 10:4


Paul continues to preach Jesus to the Jews

For Christ is the fulfilment of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.



Rom 10:5


For Moses writes about the righteousness of the law, "The one who does them will live by them."



Paul is quoting Moses who wrote
this in Deuteronomy 30:11-14

Rom 10:5

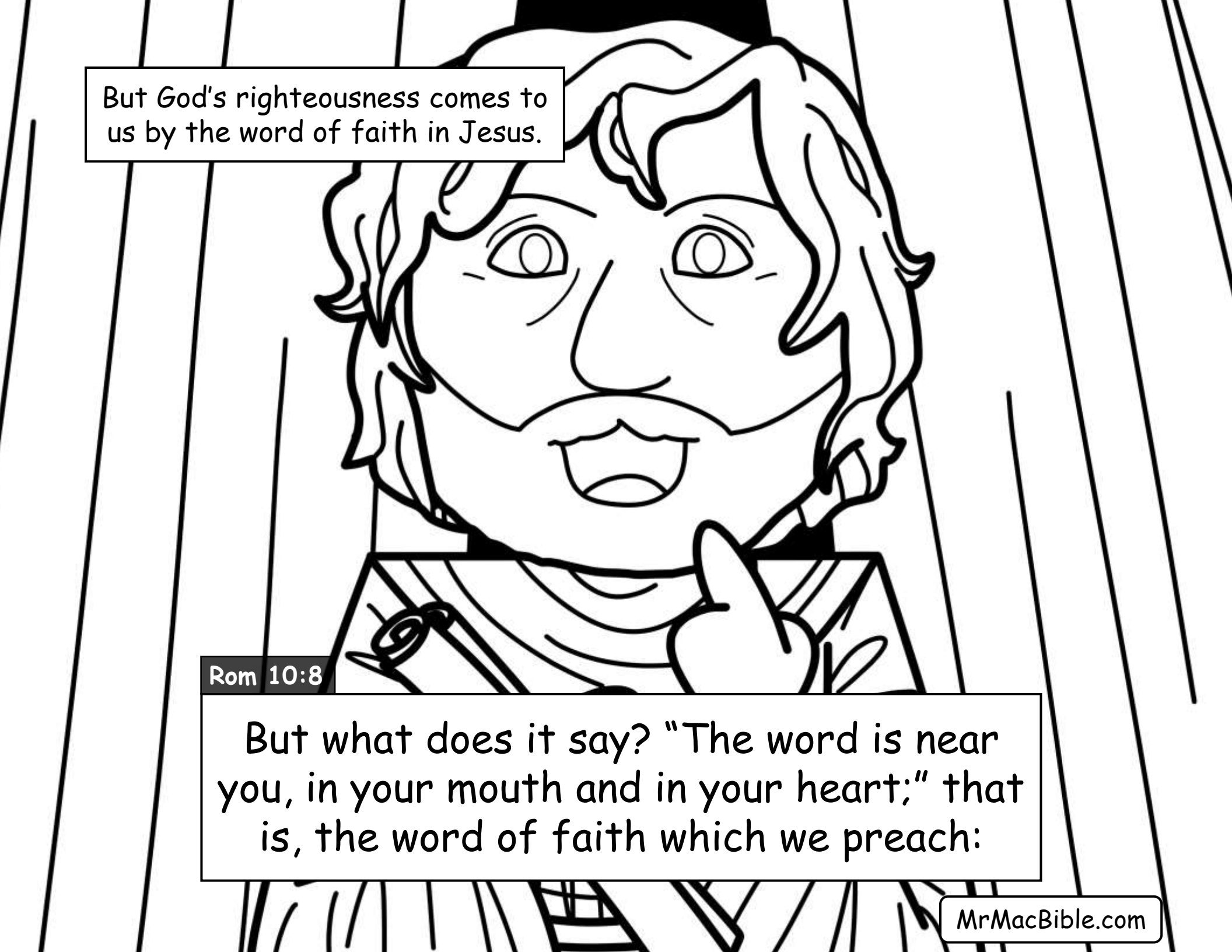
But the righteousness which is of
faith says this, "Don't say in your
heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'
(that is, to bring Christ down);



Moses explains that you don't have to go far away to find God's word of faith.

Rom 10:7

...or, 'Who will descend into the abyss?' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead.)"



But God's righteousness comes to us by the word of faith in Jesus.

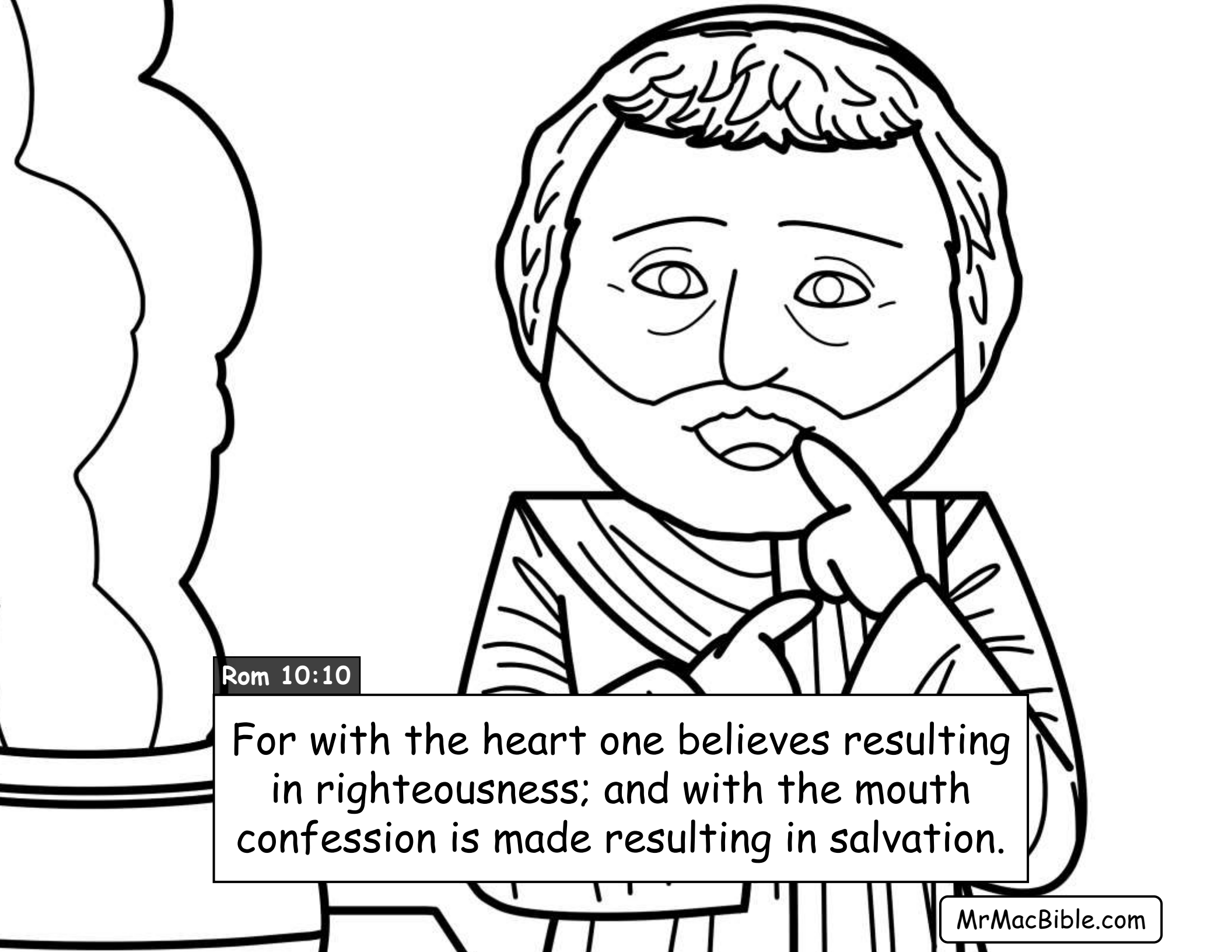
Rom 10:8

But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart;" that is, the word of faith which we preach:



Rom 10:9

...that if you will confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.



Rom 10:10

For with the heart one believes resulting in righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made resulting in salvation.



Rom 10:11

For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes in him will not be disappointed."



Paul remembers
Cornelius, the first
non-Jewish Christian

Rom 10:12

For there is no distinction
between Jew and Greek;



Rom 10:12

Paul remembers when Mary
cried to Jesus about her
dead brother Lazareth

...for the same Lord is Lord of all,
and is rich to all who call on him.



Rom 10:13

For, "Whoever will call on the name of the Lord will be saved."

THINK ABOUT IT...

Have you confessed with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believed in your heart that God raised him from the dead?

If so, tell us about it:

If not, why not right now?

(start by just talking to him)



Faith Comes by Hearing!

Rom 10:14-21

Background:

Paul shares with us "why" Christians are called to share the Gospel, since faith is often triggered when others understand the "good news".


Paul and Silas prepare to leave on their mission!



Paul & Silas travel to a town that has never heard about Jesus!

Rom 10:14

How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed?



Paul & Silas arrive in the town as strangers.

Rom 10:14


How will they believe in him whom they have not heard?



Even young Timothy
has joined them!

Rom 10:15

How will they hear without a preacher? And how will they preach unless they are sent?



Timothy has become a wonderful town evangelist!

Rom 10:15


As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the Good News of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!"



Paul is quoting
from Isaiah 53.

Rom 10:16

But they didn't all listen to the glad news. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our report?"



Timothy has become a wonderful town evangelist!

Rom 10:17


So faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.



Paul is quoting from Psalms 19:4

Rom 10:18

But I say, didn't they hear? Yes, most certainly, "Their sound went out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world."



Paul is quoting Moses
from Deuteronomy 32:21

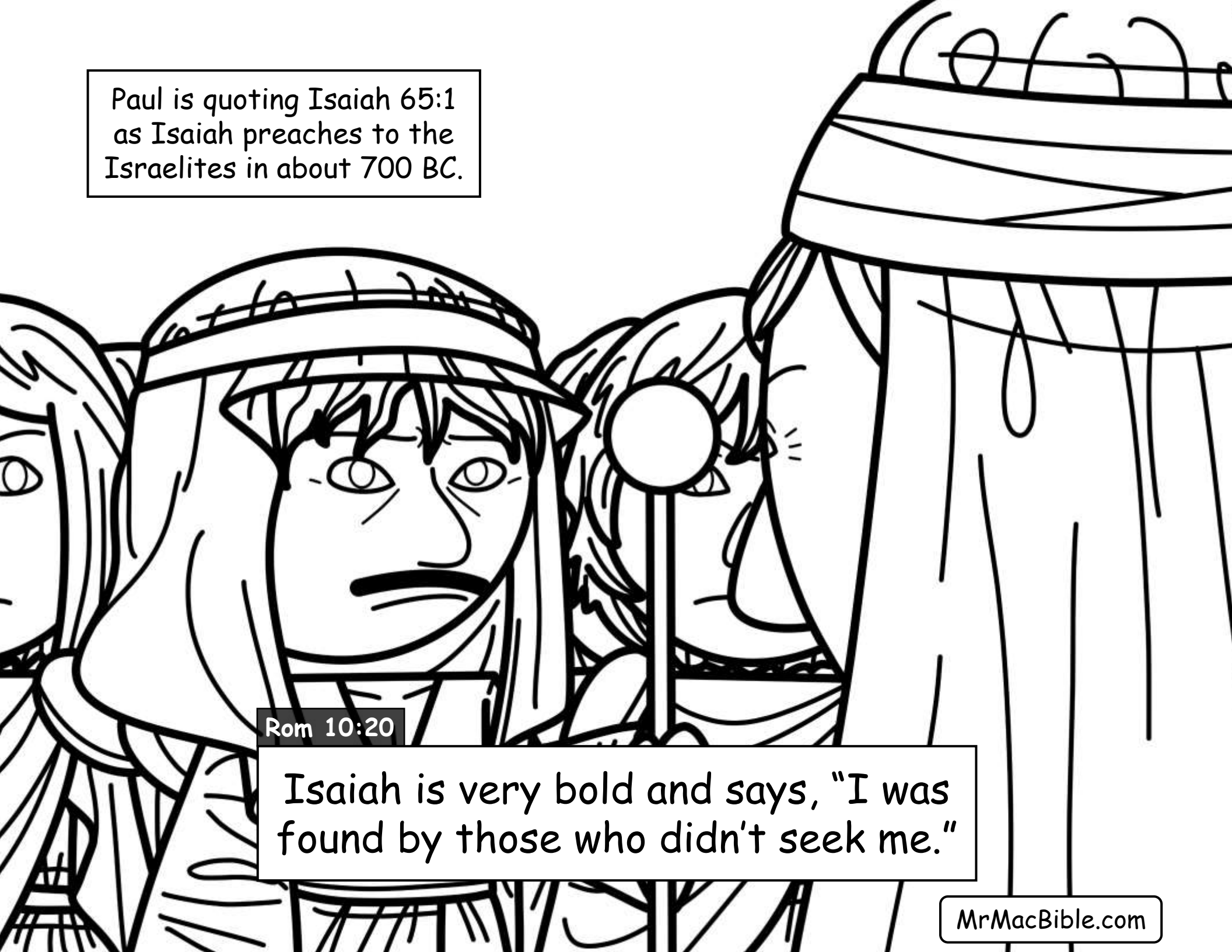
Rom 10:19

But I ask, didn't Israel know? First
Moses says, "I will provoke you to
jealousy with that which is no nation."



Rom 10:20

...“I will make you angry with a nation void of understanding.”



Paul is quoting Isaiah 65:1
as Isaiah preaches to the
Israelites in about 700 BC.

Rom 10:20

Isaiah is very bold and says, "I was
found by those who didn't seek me."



Rom 10:20

"I was revealed to those
who didn't ask for me."



Rom 10:21

But about Israel he says, "All day long I stretched out my hands to a disobedient and contrary people."

THINK ABOUT IT...

Since faith comes by hearing the Word of God, how are you trying to make the promises of God known to others?

Romans 6:11-23 Thus consider yourselves also to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

12 Therefore don't let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts.

13 Also, do not present your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.

14 For sin will not have dominion over you, for you are not under law, but under grace.

15 What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? May it never be!

16 Don't you know that when you present yourselves as servants and obey someone, you are the servants of whomever you obey, whether of sin to death, or of obedience to righteousness?

17 But thanks be to God that, whereas you were bondservants of sin, you became obedient from the heart to that

...form of teaching to which you were delivered.

18 Being made free from sin, you became bondservants of righteousness.

19 I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh; for as you presented your members as servants to uncleanness and to wickedness upon wickedness, even so now present your members as servants to righteousness for sanctification.

20 For when you were servants of sin, you were free from righteousness.

21 What fruit then did you have at that time in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death.

22 But now, being made free from sin and having become servants of God, you have your fruit of sanctification and the result of eternal life.

23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Rom 7:1-13 Or don't you know, brothers (for I speak to men who know the law), that the law has dominion over a man for as long as he lives?

2 For the woman that has a husband is bound by law to the husband while he lives, but if the husband dies, she is discharged from the law of the husband.

3 So then if, while the husband lives, she is joined to another man, she would be called an adulteress. But if the husband dies, she is free from the law, so that she is no adulteress, though she is joined to another man.

4 Therefore, my brothers, you also were made dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you would be joined to another, to him who was raised from the dead, that we might produce fruit to God.

5 For when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were through the law worked in our members to bring out fruit to death.

6 But now we have been discharged from the law, having died to that in which

...we were held; so that we serve in newness of the spirit, and not in oldness of the letter.

7 What shall we say then? Is the law sin? May it never be! However, I wouldn't have known sin except through the law. For I wouldn't have known coveting unless the law had said, "You shall not covet."

8 But sin, finding occasion through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of coveting. For apart from the law, sin is dead.

9 I was alive apart from the law once, but when the commandment came, sin revived and I died.

10 The commandment which was for life, this I found to be for death; 11 for sin, finding occasion through the commandment, deceived me, and through it killed me.

12 Therefore the law indeed is holy, and the commandment holy, righteous, and good.

13 Did then that which is good become death to me? May it never be!

Rom 7:13-8:3 But sin, that it might be shown to be sin, was producing death in me through that which is good; that through the commandment sin might become exceedingly sinful.

14 For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am fleshly, sold under sin.

15 For I don't understand what I am doing. For I don't practise what I desire to do; but what I hate, that I do.

16 But if what I don't desire, that I do, I consent to the law that it is good. 17 So now it is no more I that do it, but sin which dwells in me.

18 For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, dwells no good thing. For desire is present with me, but I don't find it doing that which is good.

19 For the good which I desire, I don't do; but the evil which I don't desire, that I practise.

20 But if what I don't desire, that I do, it is no more I that do it, but sin which dwells in me.

21 I find then the law that, while I desire to do good, evil is present.

22 For I delight in God's law after the inward person, 23 but I see a different law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity under the law of sin which is in my members.

24 What a wretched man I am! Who will deliver me out of the body of this death?

25 I thank God through Jesus Christ, our Lord! So then with the mind, I myself serve God's law, but with the flesh, sin's law.

Rom 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who don't walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.

2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus made me free from the law of sin and of death.

3 For what the law couldn't do, in that it was weak through the flesh,

Rom 8:3-18 ... God did, sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh,

4 that the ordinance of the law might be fulfilled in us who don't walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.

5 For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.

6 For the mind of the flesh is death, but the mind of the Spirit is life and peace; 7 because the mind of the flesh is hostile towards God, for it is not subject to God's law, neither indeed can it be.

8 Those who are in the flesh can't please God.

9 But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if it is so that the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if any man doesn't have the Spirit of Christ, he is not his.

10 If Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the spirit is alive because of righteousness.

11 But if the Spirit of him who raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised up Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

12 So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.

13 For if you live after the flesh, you must die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are children of God. 15 For you didn't receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!"

16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God; 17 and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with him, that we may also be glorified with him.

18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which will be revealed towards us.

Rom 8:19-32 For the creation waits with eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed.

20 For the creation was subjected to vanity, not of its own will, but because of him who subjected it, in hope 21 that the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of decay into the liberty of the glory of the children of God.

22 For we know that the whole creation groans and travails in pain together until now.

23 Not only so, but ourselves also, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for adoption, the redemption of our body.

24 For we were saved in hope, but hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for that which he sees?

25 But if we hope for that which we don't see, we wait for it with patience.

26 In the same way, the Spirit also helps our weaknesses, for we don't know how to pray as we ought.

...But the Spirit himself makes intercession for us with groanings which can't be uttered.

27 He who searches the hearts knows what is on the Spirit's mind, because he makes intercession for the saints according to God.

28 We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, for those who are called according to his purpose.

29 For whom he foreknew, he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn amongst many brothers.

30 Whom he predestined, those he also called. Whom he called, those he also justified. Whom he justified, those he also glorified.

31 What then shall we say about these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

32 He who didn't spare his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how would he not also with him freely give us all things?

Rom 8:33-9:8 Who could bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who justifies.

34 Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, yes rather, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Could oppression, or anguish, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 Even as it is written,

"For your sake we are killed all day long. We were accounted as sheep for the slaughter."

37 No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

38 For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers,

...39 nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing will be able to separate us from God's love which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Rom 9:1 I tell the truth in Christ. I am not lying, my conscience testifying with me in the Holy Spirit 2 that I have great sorrow and unceasing pain in my heart.

3 For I could wish that I myself were accursed from Christ for my brothers' sake, my relatives according to the flesh 4 who are Israelites; whose is the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the service, and the promises; 5 of whom are the fathers, and from whom is Christ as concerning the flesh, who is over all, God, blessed forever. Amen.

6 But it is not as though the word of God has come to nothing. For they are not all Israel that are of Israel.

7 Neither, because they are Abraham's offspring, are they all children. But, "your offspring will be accounted as from Isaac."

8 That is, it is not the children of the flesh who are children of God,

Rom 9:8-22 ...but the children of the promise are counted as heirs.

9 For this is a word of promise: "At the appointed time I will come, and Sarah will have a son."

10 Not only so, but Rebekah also conceived by one, by our father Isaac. 11 For being not yet born, neither having done anything good or bad, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him who calls, 12 it was said to her, "The elder will serve the younger."

13 Even as it is written, "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated."

14 What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? May it never be!

15 For he said to Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion."

16 So then it is not of him who wills, nor of him who runs, but of God who has mercy.

17 For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "For this very purpose I caused you to be raised up, that I might show in you my power, and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth."

18 So then, he has mercy on whom he desires, and he hardens whom he desires.

19 You will say then to me, "Why does he still find fault? For who withstands his will?"

20 But indeed, O man, who are you to reply against God? Will the thing formed ask him who formed it, "Why did you make me like this?"

21 Or hasn't the potter a right over the clay, from the same lump to make one part a vessel for honour, and another for dishonour?

22 What if God, willing to show his wrath and to make his power known, endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction,

Rom 9:22-10:3 ...and that he might make known the riches of his glory on vessels of mercy, which he prepared beforehand for glory— 24 us, whom he also called, not from the Jews only, but also from the Gentiles?

25 As he says also in Hosea, "I will call them 'my people,' which were not my people; and her 'beloved,' who was not beloved."

26 "It will be that in the place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,' there they will be called 'children of the living God.' "

27 Isaiah cries concerning Israel, "If the number of the children of Israel are as the sand of the sea, it is the remnant who will be saved;

28 for he will finish the work and cut it short in righteousness, because the Lord will make a short work upon the earth."

29 As Isaiah has said before, "Unless the Lord of Armies had left us a seed, we would have become like Sodom, and would have been made like Gomorrah."

30 What shall we say then? That the Gentiles, who didn't follow after righteousness, attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith;

31 but Israel, following after a law of righteousness, didn't arrive at the law of righteousness.

32 Why? Because they didn't seek it by faith, but as it were by works of the law. They stumbled over the stumbling stone,

33 even as it is written, "Behold, I lay in Zion a stumbling stone and a rock of offence; and no one who believes in him will be disappointed."

Rom 10:1 Brothers, my heart's desire and my prayer to God is for Israel, that they may be saved.

2 For I testify about them that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge.

3 For being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, they didn't subject themselves to the righteousness of God.

Rom 10:4-18 For Christ is the fulfilment of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

5 For Moses writes about the righteousness of the law, "The one who does them will live by them."

6 But the righteousness which is of faith says this, "Don't say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' (that is, to bring Christ down);

7 or, 'Who will descend into the abyss?' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead.)"

8 But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart;" that is, the word of faith which we preach: 9 that if you will confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

10 For with the heart one believes resulting in righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made resulting in salvation. 11 For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes in him will not be disappointed."

12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, and is rich to all who call on him.

13 For, "Whoever will call on the name of the Lord will be saved."

14 How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? How will they believe in him whom they have not heard? How will they hear without a preacher?

15 And how will they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the Good News of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!"

16 But they didn't all listen to the glad news. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our report?"

17 So faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

18 But I say, didn't they hear? Yes, most certainly, "Their sound went out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world."

Rom 10:19-21 But I ask, didn't Israel know? First Moses says, "I will provoke you to jealousy with that which is no nation.

I will make you angry with a nation void of understanding."

20 Isaiah is very bold and says, "I was found by those who didn't seek me. I was revealed to those who didn't ask for me."

21 But about Israel he says, "All day long I stretched out my hands to a disobedient and contrary people."

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