

# A TERRIBLE TIME FOR JESUS



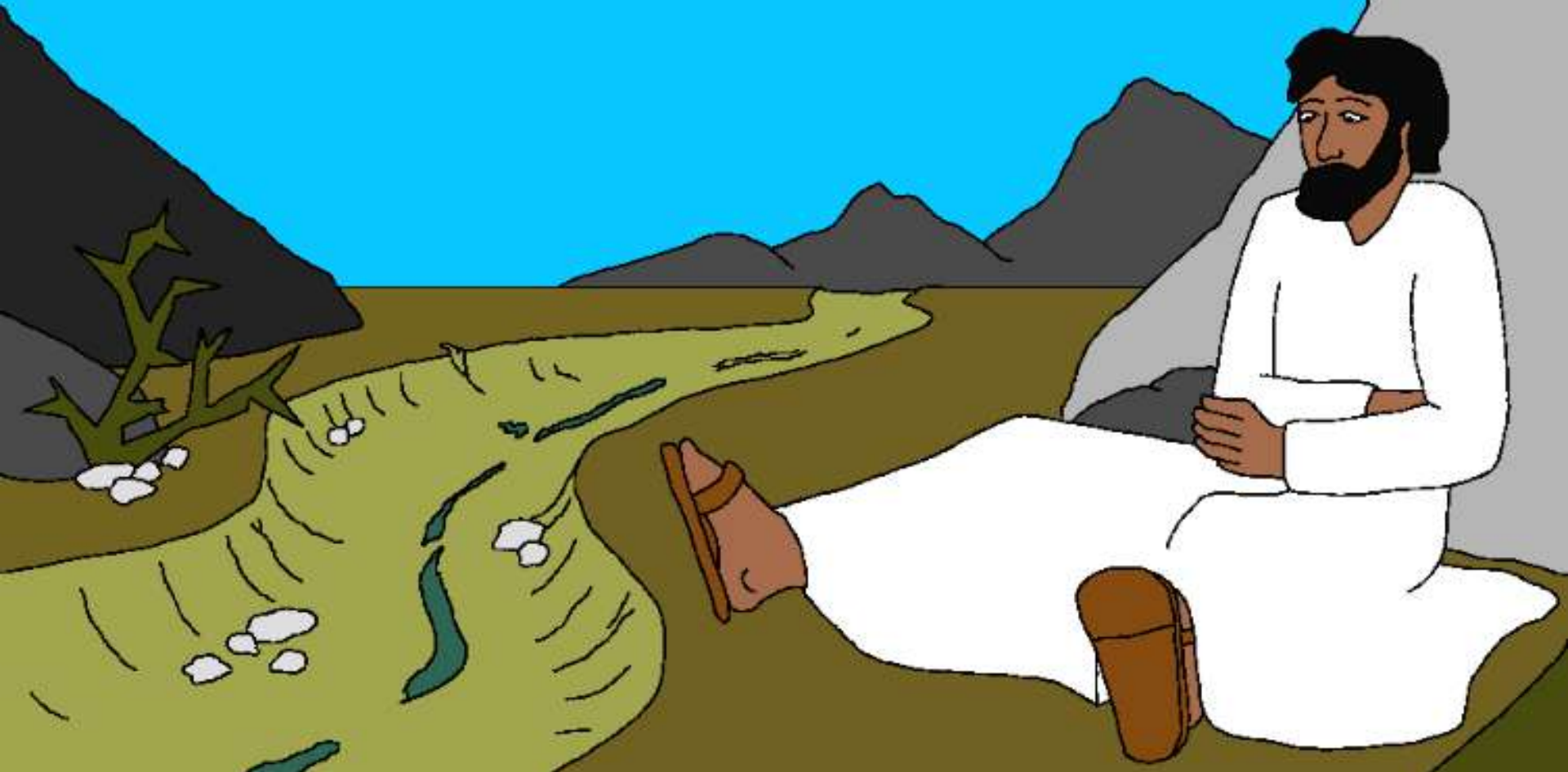
When Jesus was baptized, God spoke. He said, "This is My beloved Son. In Him I am well pleased." God's HOLY SPIRIT descended upon Jesus like a dove.



Soon after, God's Holy Spirit led Jesus to a wilderness place. Jesus was alone.



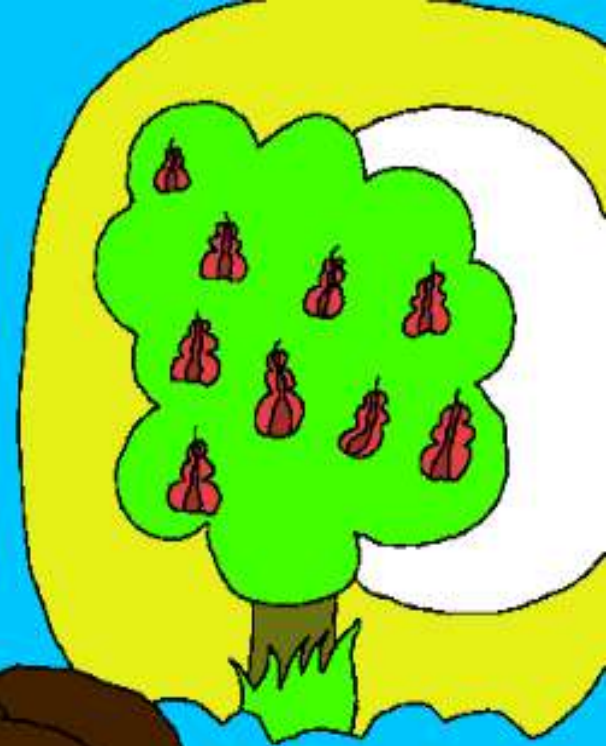
Jesus fasted for forty days.  
That means He did not eat any  
food. He became very hungry.



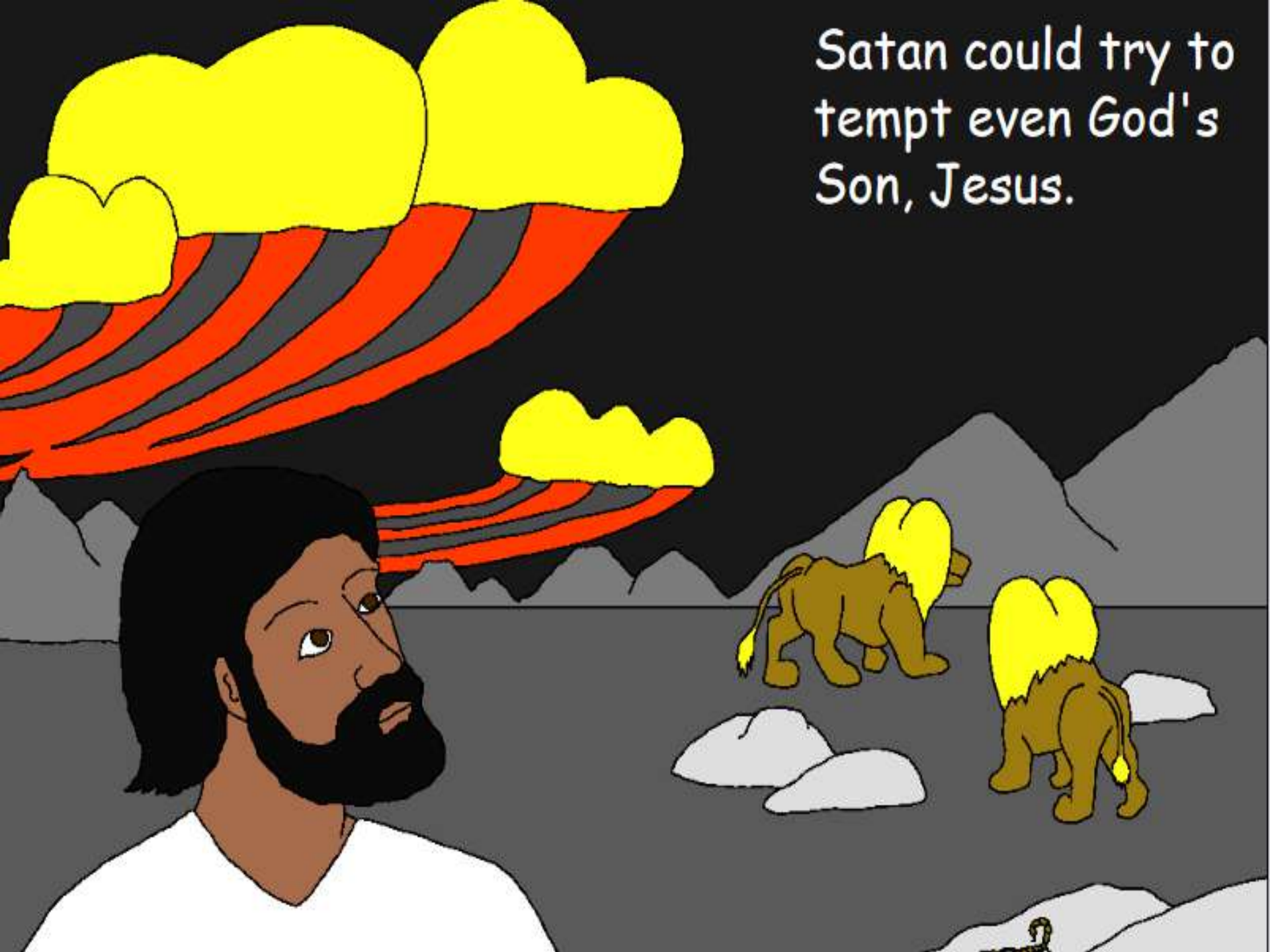
The Bible says that wild beasts were also there.



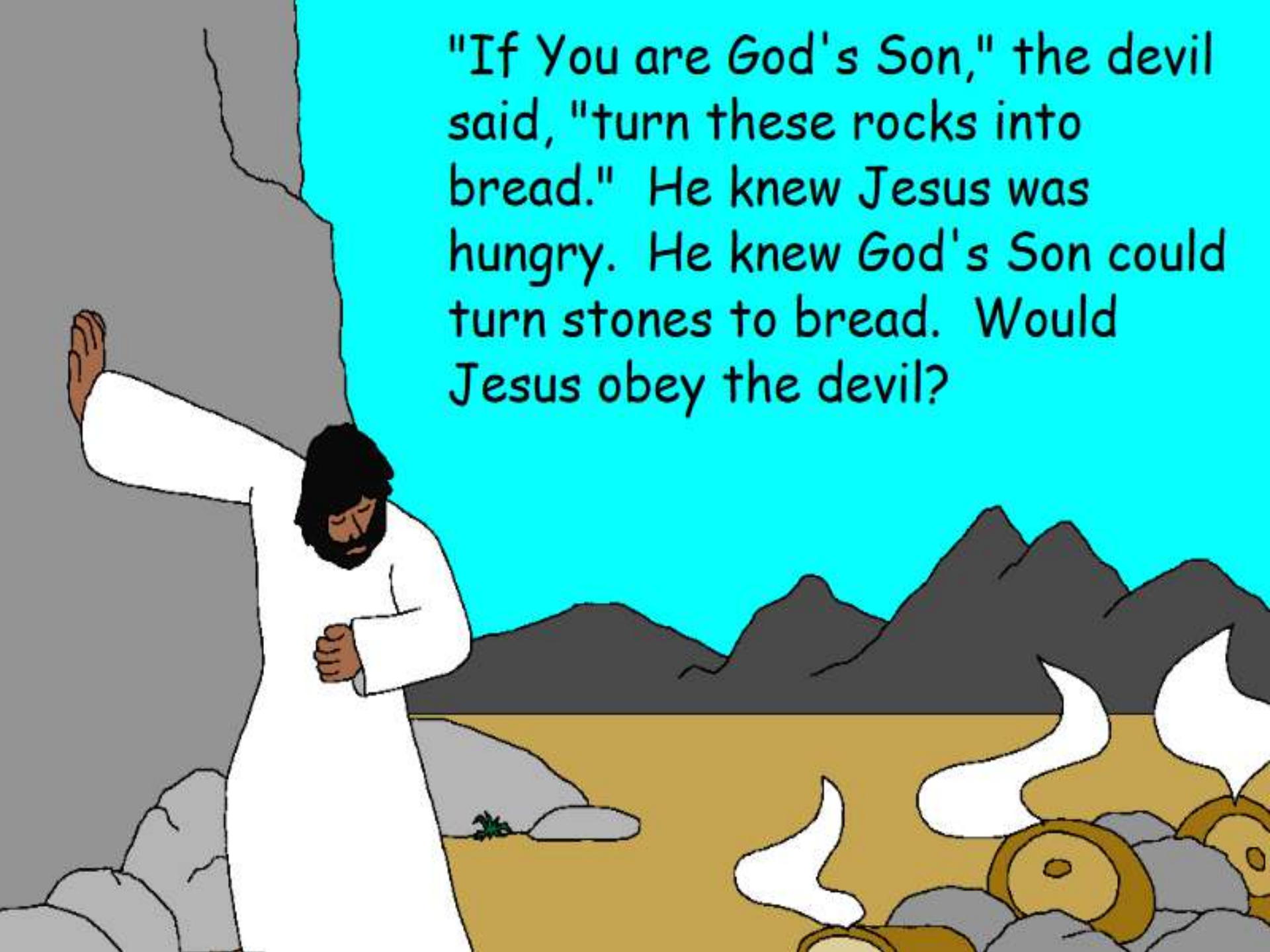
Satan came to tempt Jesus.  
Long ago, he had tempted Adam  
and Eve to disobey God in the  
Garden of Eden. Now Jesus  
would be tested.



Satan could try to tempt even God's Son, Jesus.



"If You are God's Son," the devil said, "turn these rocks into bread." He knew Jesus was hungry. He knew God's Son could turn stones to bread. Would Jesus obey the devil?

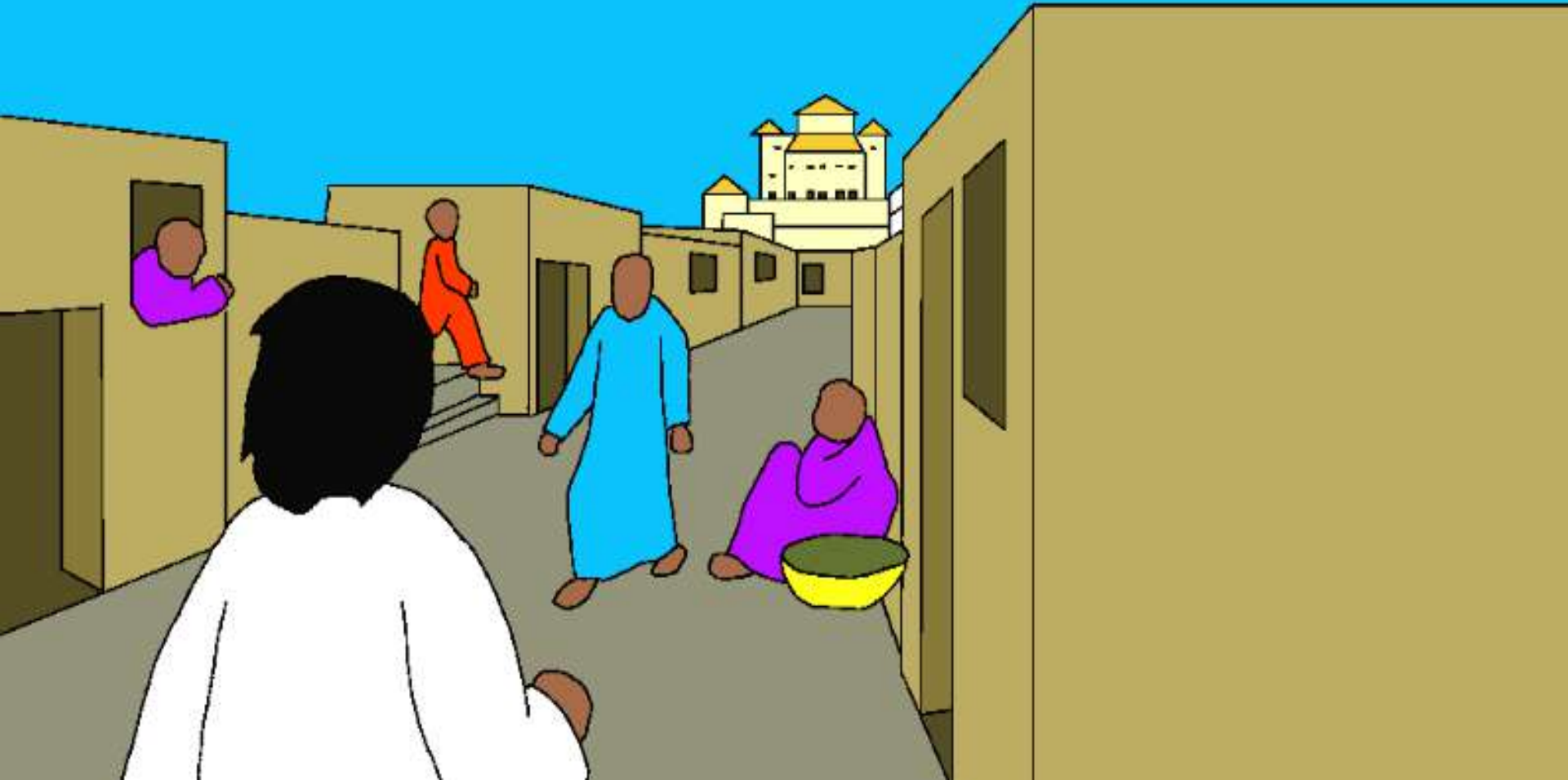




No! Jesus did not obey the devil. Instead, He answered from *God's Word*. "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of *God*."



Then Satan led Jesus into the great city of Jerusalem, to the holy temple where people worshipped God. What would the devil do next?



"If You are God's Son,  
throw yourself down," the  
devil said. "His Word says  
His angels will save You."



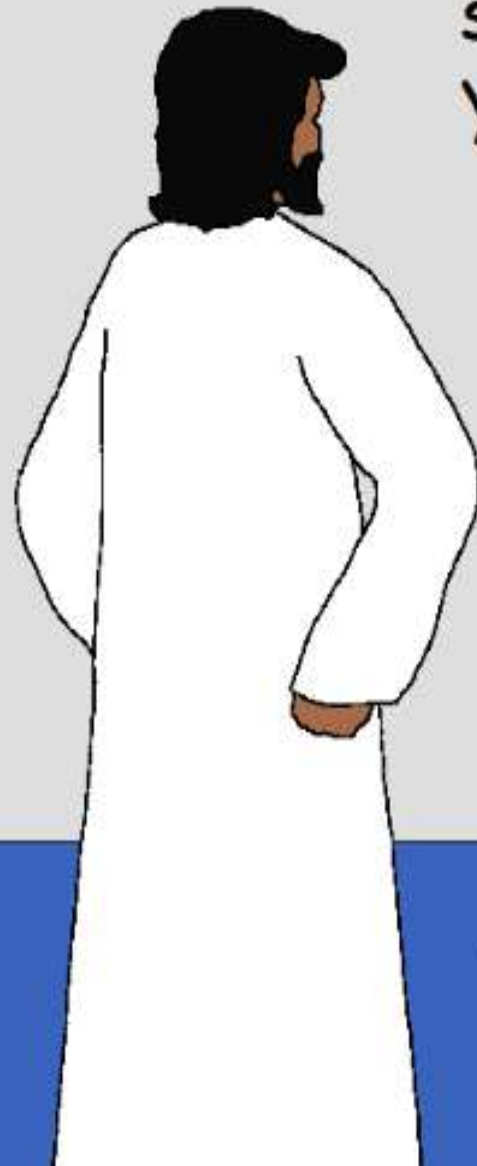
"No!" Jesus replied. "It is also written... 'You shall not put the LORD your God to the test.'"



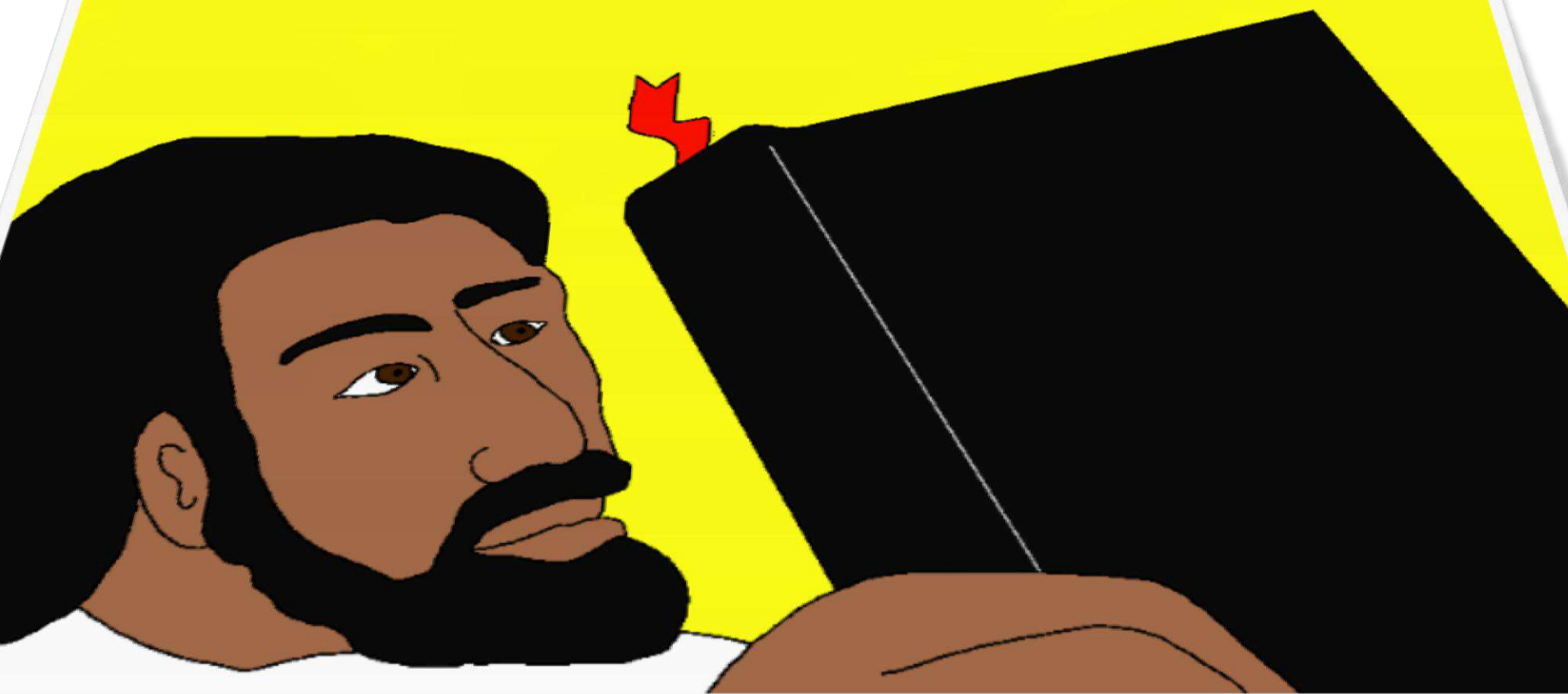


The devil tried again. He took Jesus out of the city to a very high mountain peak.

Showing Jesus all the glory of every earthly kingdom, the devil said, "I will give it all to You, if You will fall down and worship me."



"Get behind me, Satan!" Jesus commanded. "It is written...` You shall worship the LORD your God and Him only shall you serve.'"



The devil left  
Jesus for a while.  
Then something  
wonderful  
happened.  
God sent angels  
to comfort and  
care for Jesus  
His Son - Who  
did not obey  
the devil.

