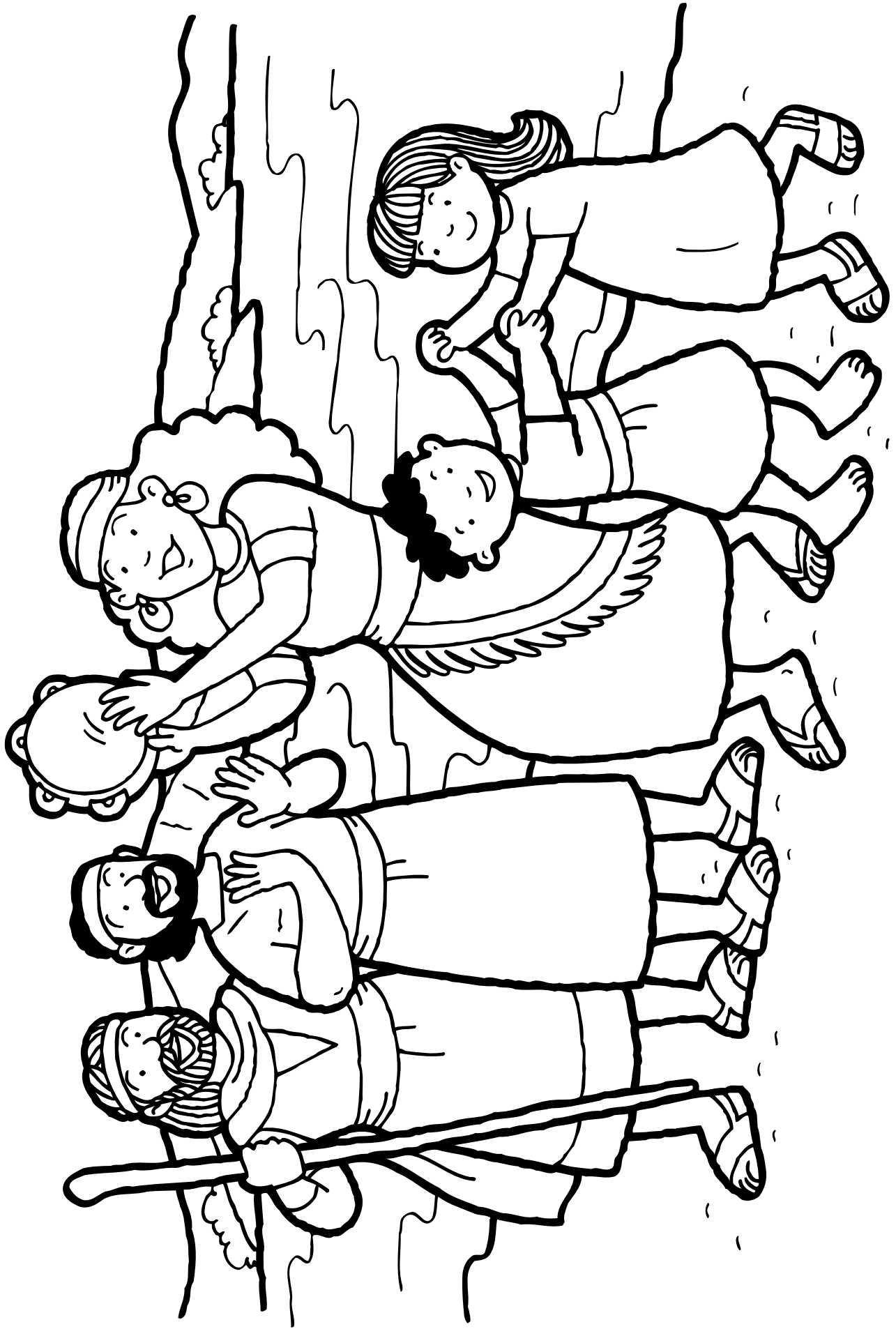


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The Israelites were traveling to the new land God had promised to give them. They kept walking until they came to a wide sea. God told them, “Camp here by the sea.”

But then the Israelites heard loud noises! *Who was coming?* they wondered. Soon the Israelites saw that Pharaoh with all his soldiers and chariots were coming toward their camp. They wanted to take the people back to Egypt as slaves!

The people were sure that Pharaoh’s army would capture them. But Moses said, “Don’t be afraid. God will take care of us. He has told me what to do.”

Moses walked to the edge of the sea. He raised his hand out over the water. God sent a big wind. It blew harder and harder, until all the water was blown out of the way!

Now there was a dry place to walk! God’s people began to walk, leading their sheep, donkeys and camels. The water was standing up like a wall on either side of them! All of God’s people walked safely through that wide sea.

When everyone was safe on the other side, Moses held out his hand again. The wind stopped. The walls of water fell down across the path. It was a wide sea again! Pharaoh and all his soldiers were stopped!

The people were so happy that they sang and clapped their hands. Moses made up a song for them to sing to thank God for keeping them safe. They sang, “The Lord is my God and I will praise Him!”