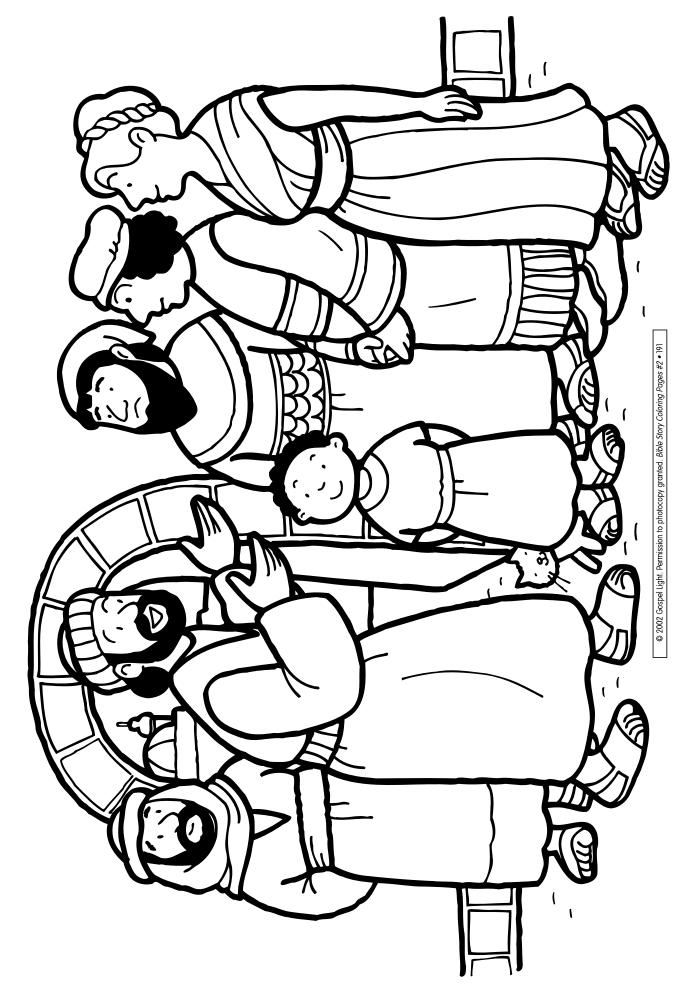
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When Jesus went back to heaven, He told his friends to wait in Jerusalem. God had promised them a gift: the Holy Spirit. Jesus said that when the Holy Spirit came, His followers would receive God's power. They would tell people everywhere about Jesus! So Jesus' friends prayed and waited in Jerusalem.

Ten days later, Jesus' friends were all together praying. They heard a sound like a rushing powerful wind. Then they saw something very strange! It looked like little fires were burning above each of their heads! And when they began to talk, they could speak other languages! God had sent His Holy Spirit, just as He said He would.

Jesus' friends ran outside. A huge crowd of people got ple was coming toward them. As the people got

closer, they heard the many different languages that Jesus' friends were speaking. The crowd was full of people who were from other countries. They were amazed to hear Jesus' friends speaking in their own languages!

Then Peter told the crowd about Jesus and that He died on a cross. Peter said that Jesus came back to life to show that He truly was God's Son. The people asked Peter what they should do next.

Peter told them, "You must stop doing wrong and start obeying God. Believe in Jesus and be baptized. God will give you His gift of the Holy Spirit, too." And on that day, about 3,000 people became part of God's family!