DIRTY CHURCH FOR KIDS

ISSUE 1

THROUGH THE ROOF

Four Friends, a Hole in the Roof, and Jesus.

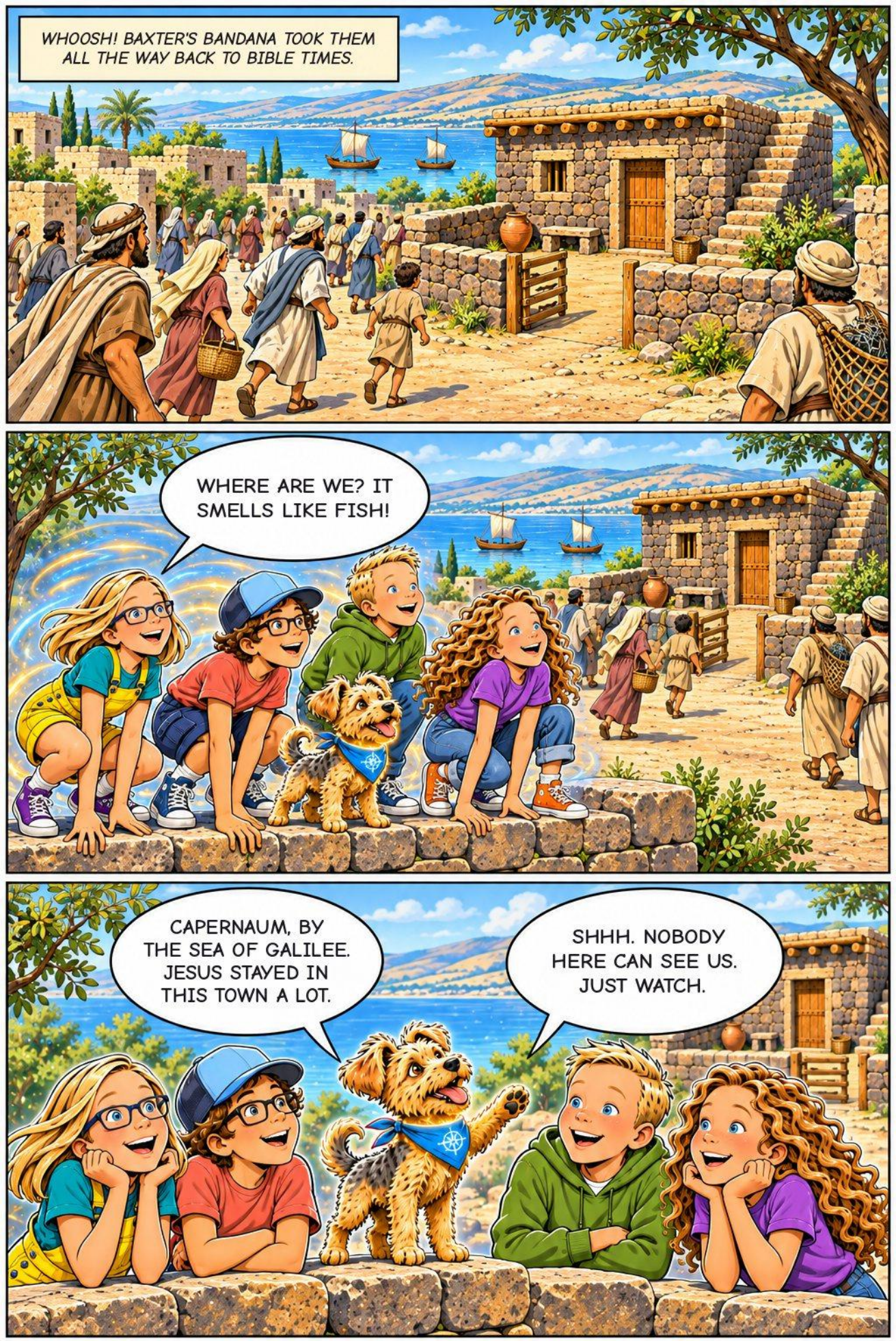


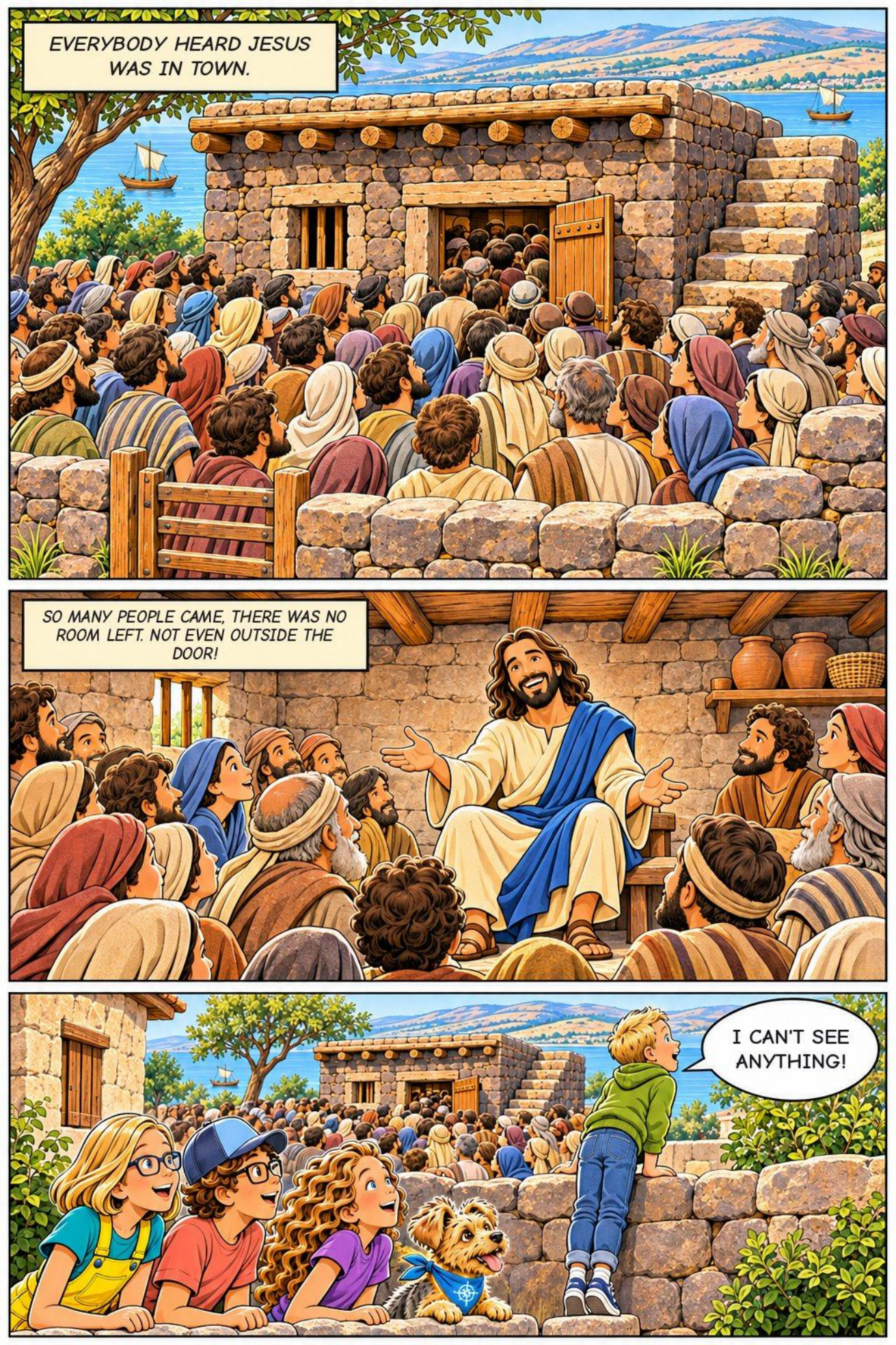

SUNDAY MORNING AT CHURCH.
LAST ONE TO THE KIDS' ROOM IS A SOGGY PANCAKE!
BUT ONE KID WASN'T RACING ANYWHERE.


WHO'S THAT?
DON'T KNOW. NEW KID, I GUESS. COME ON, WE'LL BE LATE!
HE'S ALL BY HIMSELF.


MORNING, CREW!
HEY, I SEE A NEW FACE BY THE DOORS. ANYBODY KNOW HIS NAME?
...NOPE.

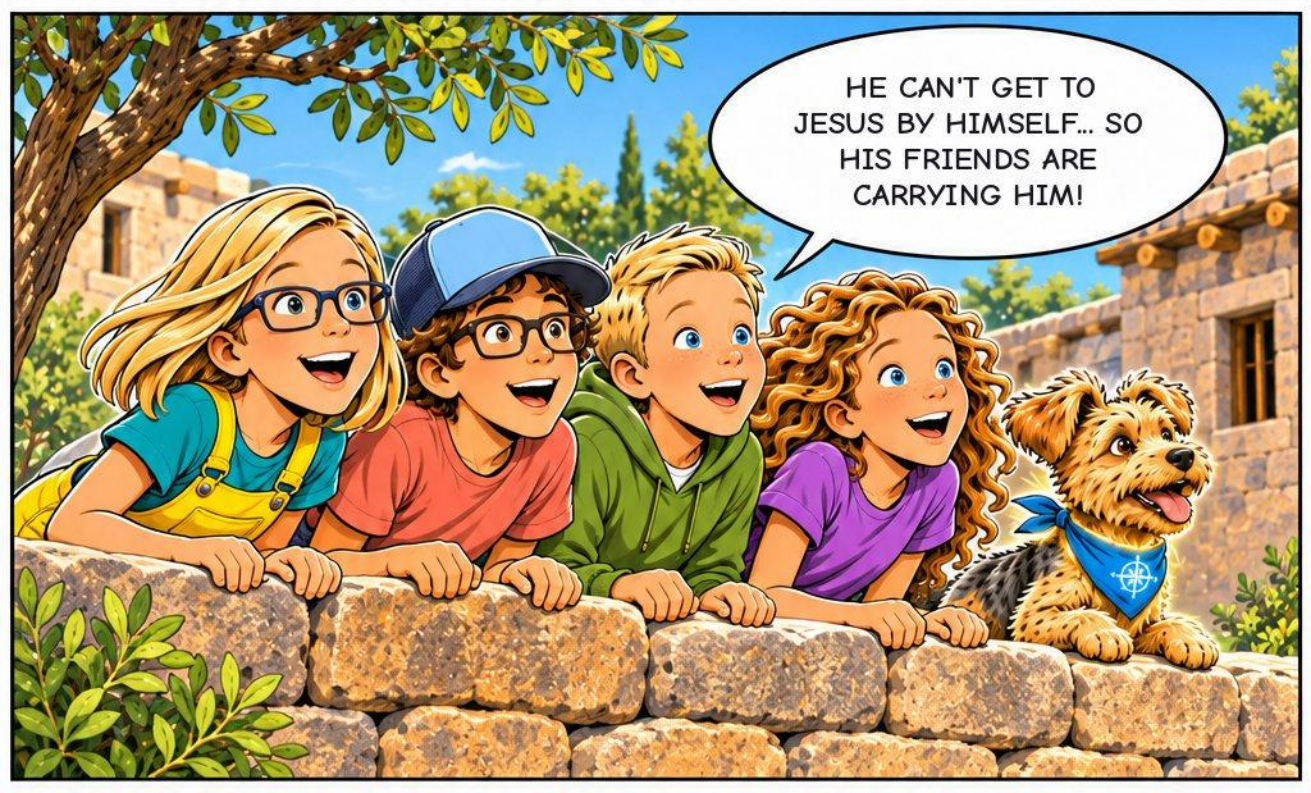

PSST! BEFORE YOU GO IN... WANT TO SEE SOMETHING?
UH-OH. YOUR BANDANA'S GLOWING...
HERE WE GO AGAAAAIN!

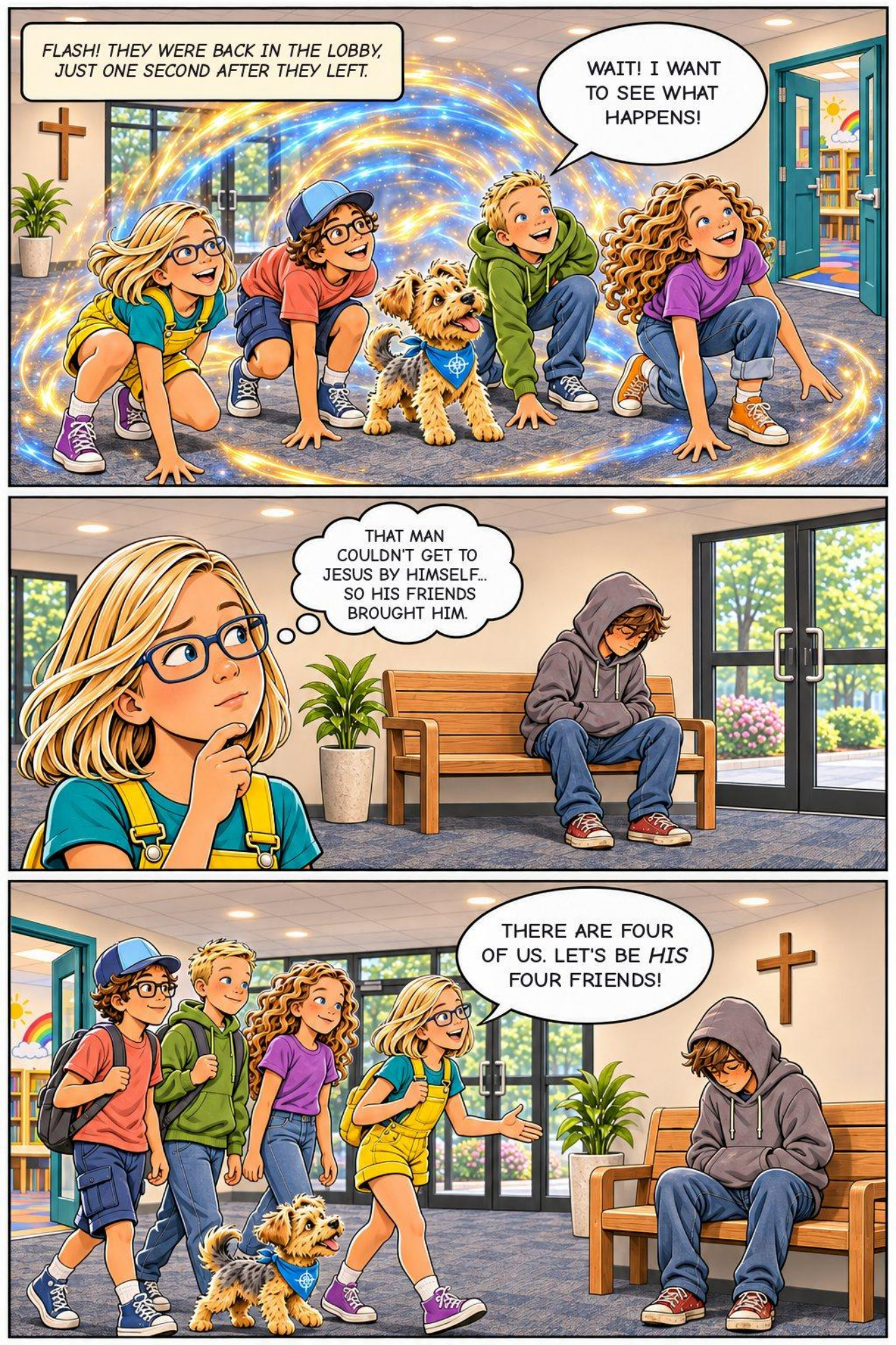

WHOOSH! BAXTER'S BANDANA TOOK THEM ALL THE WAY BACK TO BIBLE TIMES.
WHERE ARE WE? IT SMELLS LIKE FISH!
CAPERNAUM, BY THE SEA OF GALILEE. JESUS STAYED IN THIS TOWN A LOT.
SHHH. NOBODY HERE CAN SEE US. JUST WATCH.

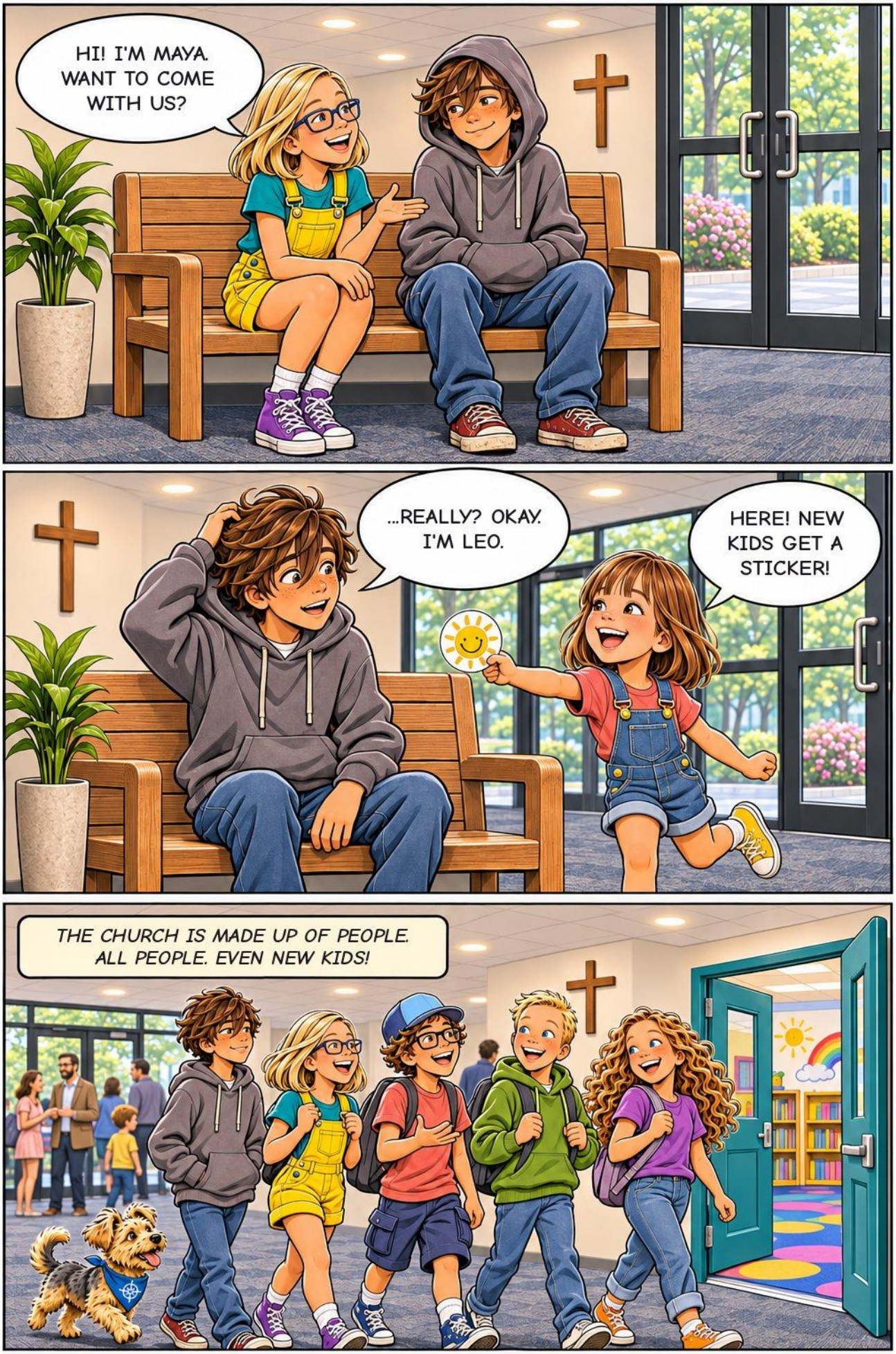

EVERYBODY HEARD JESUS WAS IN TOWN.
SO MANY PEOPLE CAME, THERE WAS NO ROOM LEFT. NOT EVEN OUTSIDE THE DOOR!
I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING!


FISHERMEN. GRANDMAS. MOMS WITH BABIES. EVERYBODY WANTED TO BE CLOSE TO JESUS.
LOOK HOW PACKED IT IS! EVERYBODY FOUND A WAY IN.
EVERYBODY EXCEPT...


DOWN THE ROAD CAME FOUR FRIENDS, CARRYING A MAN WHO COULDN'T WALK. THEY BELIEVED JESUS COULD HEAL HIM.


HE CAN'T GET TO JESUS BY HIMSELF... SO HIS FRIENDS ARE CARRYING HIM!


FLASH! THEY WERE BACK IN THE LOBBY, JUST ONE SECOND AFTER THEY LEFT.
WAIT! I WANT TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS!
THAT MAN COULDN'T GET TO JESUS BY HIMSELF... SO HIS FRIENDS BROUGHT HIM.
THERE ARE FOUR OF US. LET'S BE *HIS* FOUR FRIENDS!


HI! I'M MAYA. WANT TO COME WITH US?
...REALLY? OKAY. I'M LEO.
HERE! NEW KIDS GET A STICKER!
THE CHURCH IS MADE UP OF PEOPLE. ALL PEOPLE. EVEN NEW KIDS!

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