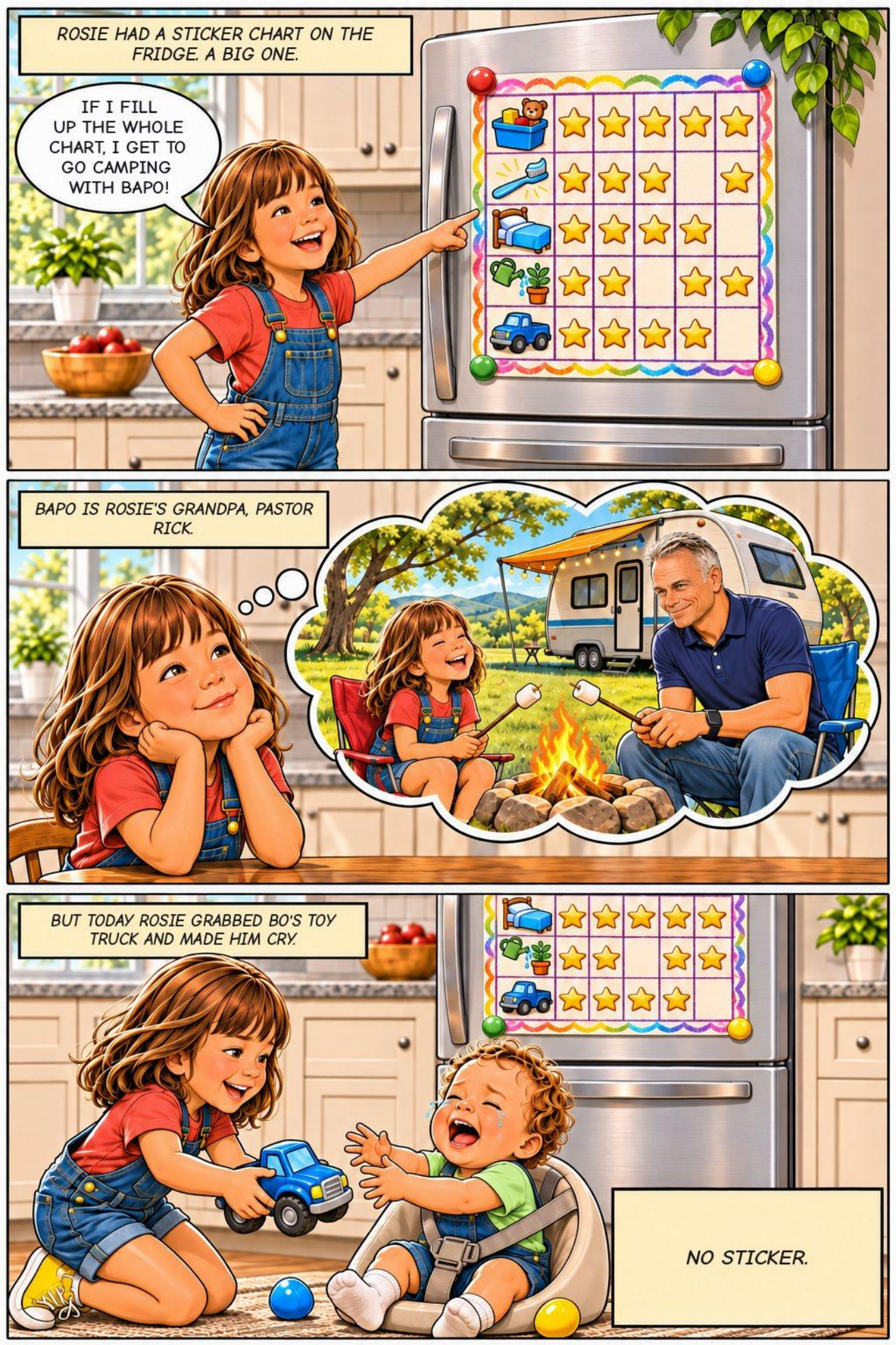
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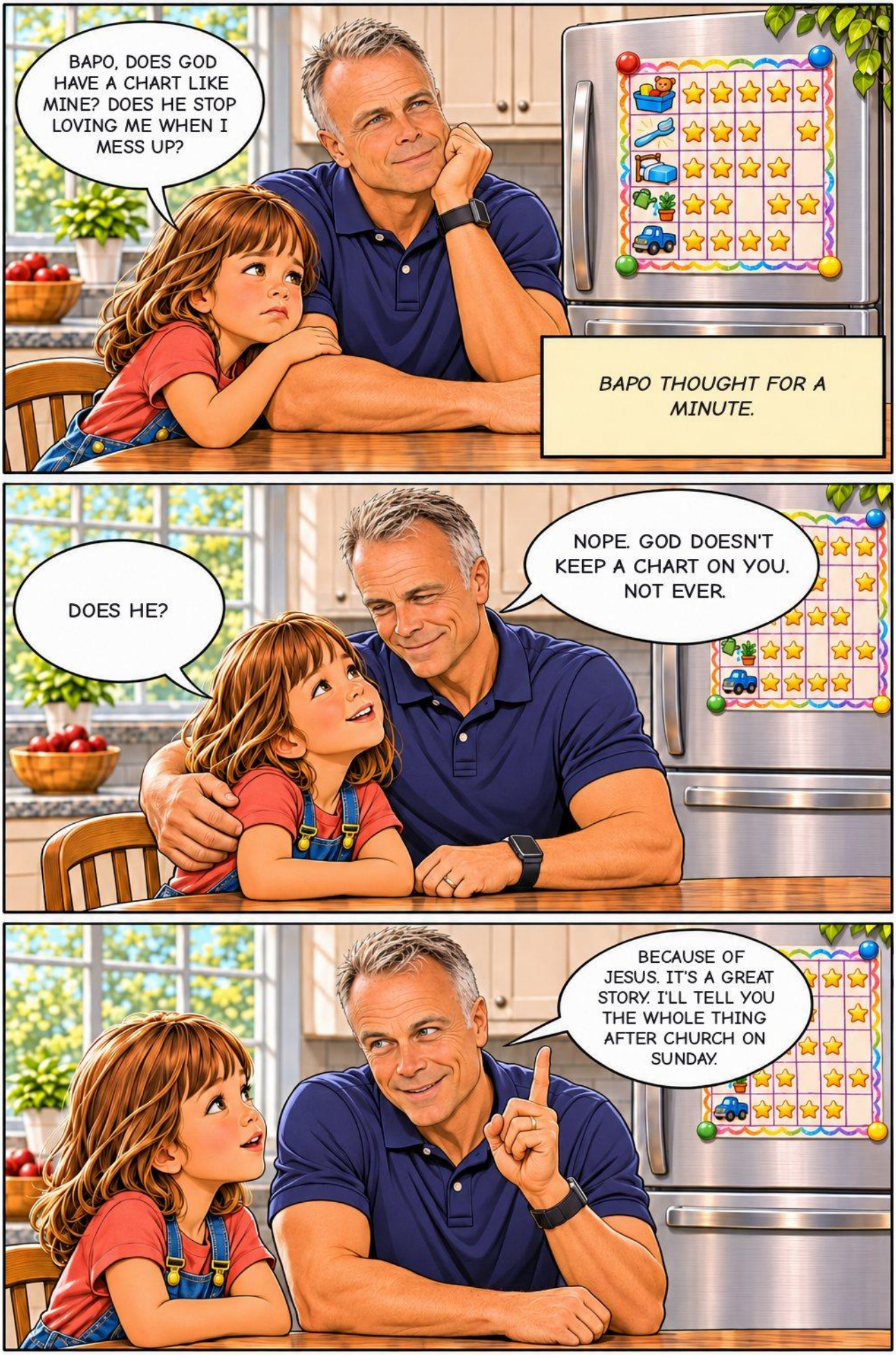
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WHO IS JESUS?

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ROSIE HAD A STICKER CHART ON THE FRIDGE. A BIG ONE.
IF I FILL UP THE WHOLE CHART, I GET TO GO CAMPING WITH BAPO!
BAPO IS ROSIE'S GRANDPA, PASTOR RICK.
BUT TODAY ROSIE GRABBED BO'S TOY TRUCK AND MADE HIM CRY.
NO STICKER.


BAPO, DOES GOD HAVE A CHART LIKE MINE? DOES HE STOP LOVING ME WHEN I MESS UP?
BAPO THOUGHT FOR A MINUTE.
DOES HE?
NOPE. GOD DOESN'T KEEP A CHART ON YOU. NOT EVER.
BECAUSE OF JESUS. IT'S A GREAT STORY. I'LL TELL YOU THE WHOLE THING AFTER CHURCH ON SUNDAY.

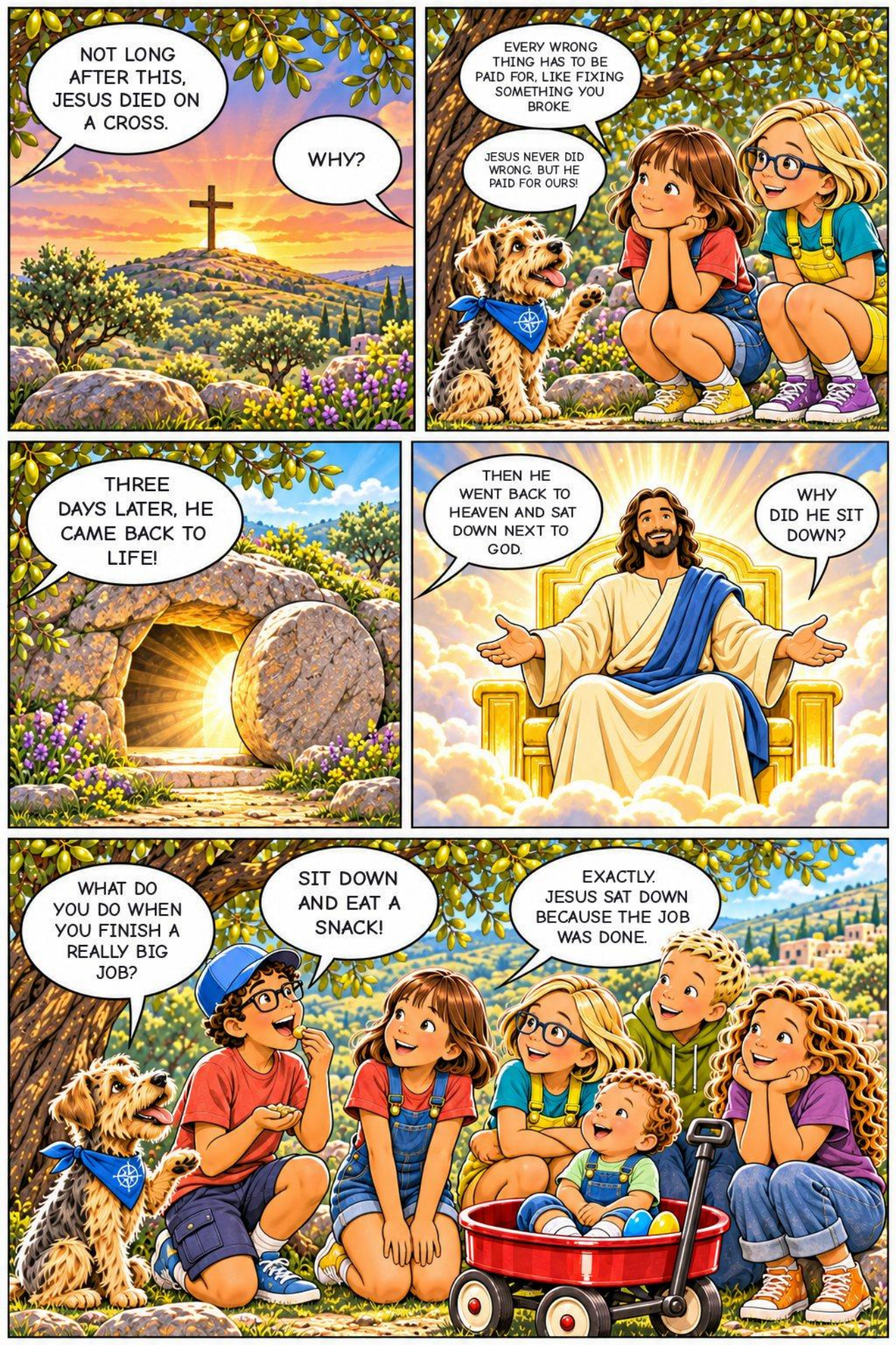

ON SUNDAY, ROSIE TOLD THE BIG KIDS.
BAPO SAYS GOD DOESN'T KEEP A CHART ON ME, BECAUSE OF JESUS!
NO CHART? DOES THAT WORK FOR MY CHORE CHART AT HOME TOO?
NICE TRY, ELI.
WHY WAIT? LET ME SHOW YOU RIGHT NOW! GRAB BO'S WAGON!

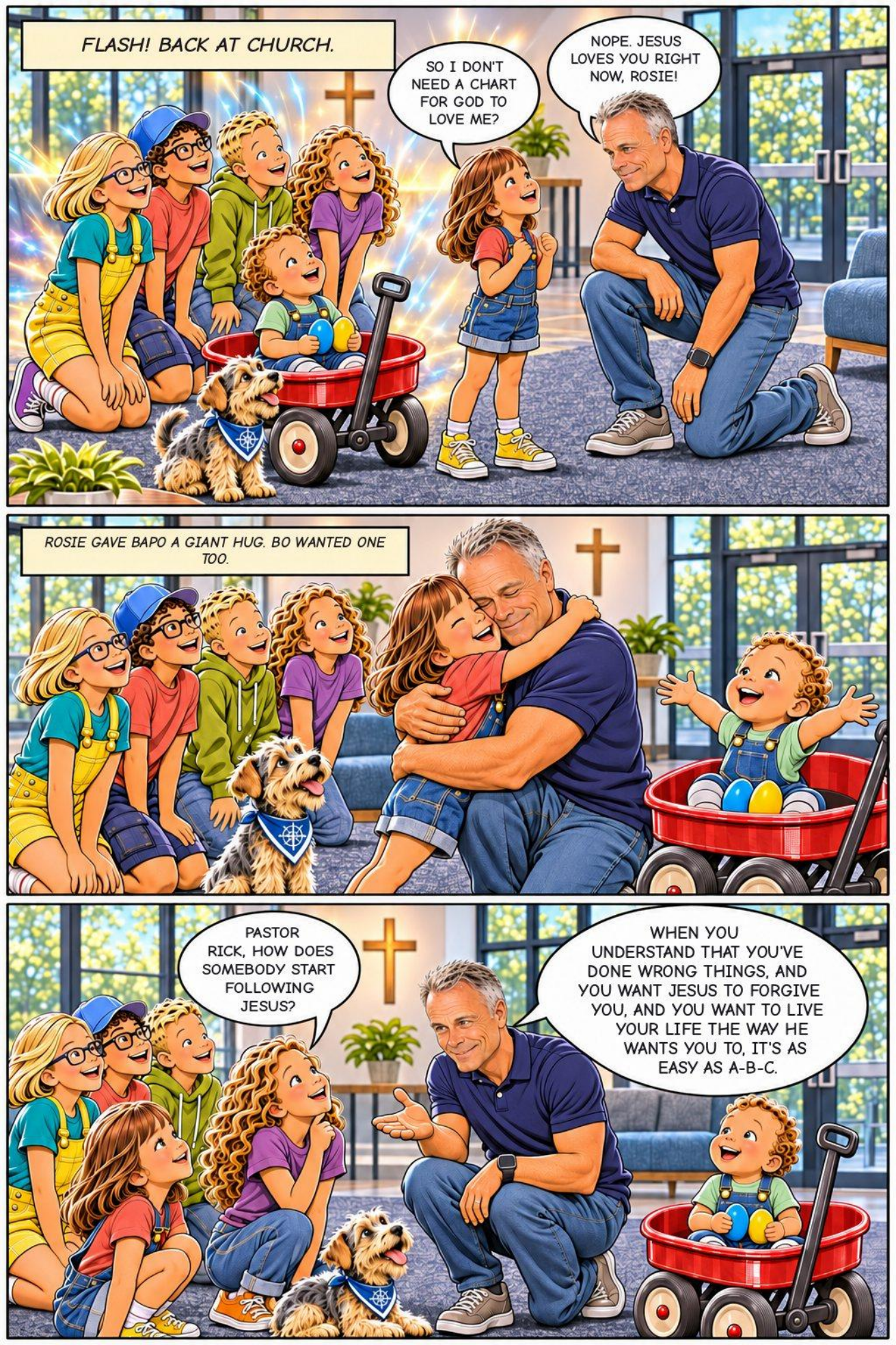

WHOOSH! BACK IN TIME, ABOUT 2,000 YEARS AGO, TO A CROWDED ROAD.
MOMS AND DADS WERE BRINGING THEIR LITTLE ONES TO JESUS. EVEN BABIES!
LOOK, BO. BABIES JUST LIKE YOU!
BA!

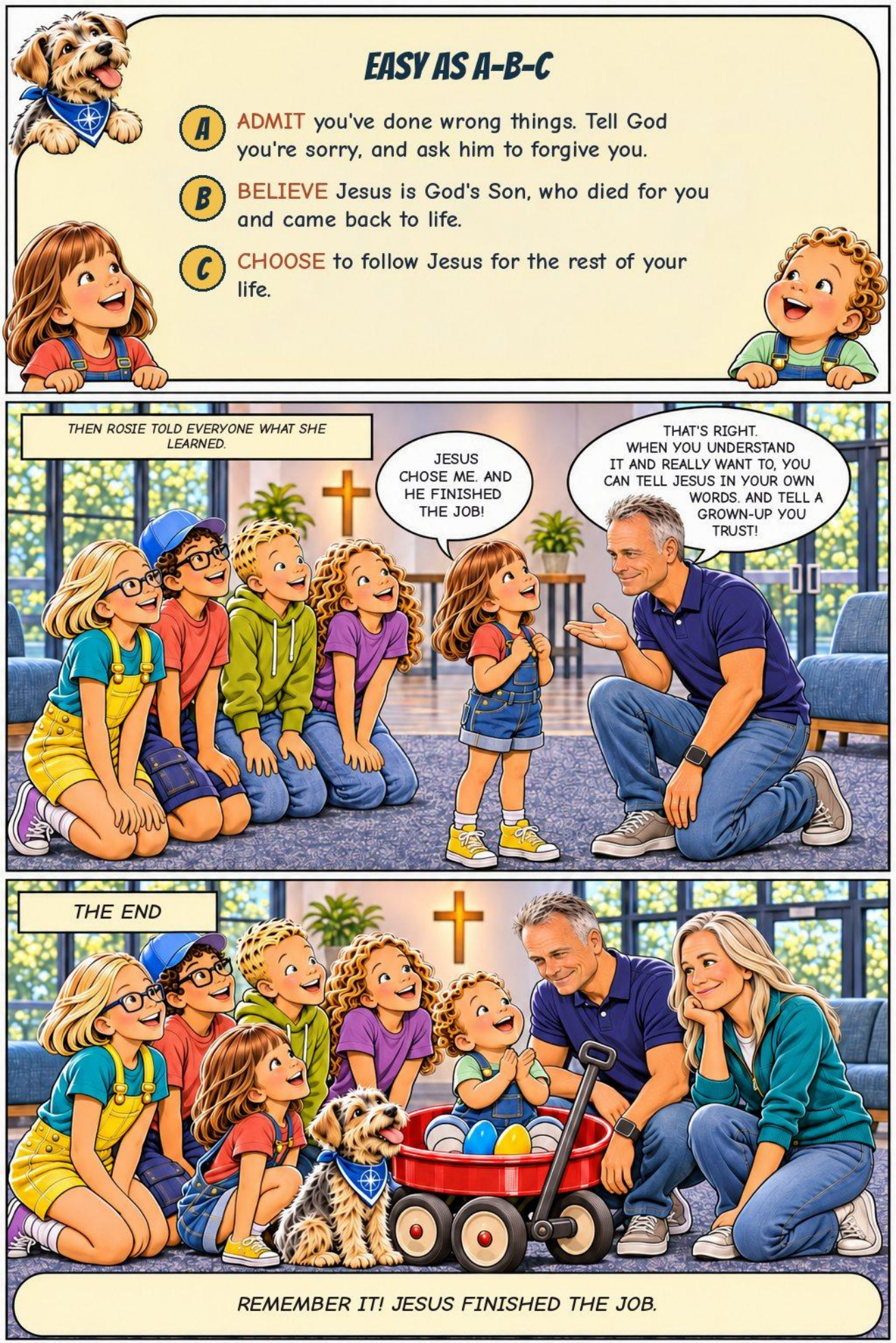

BUT JESUS' DISCIPLES TRIED TO SEND THEM AWAY.
GO AWAY! JESUS IS TOO BUSY FOR LITTLE KIDS!
HEY! THAT'S NOT NICE!
BACK THEN, A LOT OF PEOPLE THOUGHT LITTLE KIDS DIDN'T MATTER MUCH. WATCH WHAT JESUS DOES.


JESUS WAS UPSET WITH HIS DISCIPLES.
LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME. DON'T KEEP THEM AWAY.
HE HUGGED THEM AND PRAYED THAT GOD WOULD TAKE CARE OF THEM.


THEN, FOR JUST A SECOND, JESUS LOOKED UP. RIGHT AT BO. AND HE SMILED.
WAIT. DID HE JUST... SEE US?
BA!
BABIES CAN'T MAKE THEIR BED OR FEED THE DOG. THEY CAN'T EARN ANY STICKERS. AND JESUS LOVES THEM ANYWAY!


NOT LONG AFTER THIS, JESUS DIED ON A CROSS.
WHY?
EVERY WRONG THING HAS TO BE PAID FOR, LIKE FIXING SOMETHING YOU BROKE.
JESUS NEVER DID WRONG. BUT HE PAID FOR OURS!
THREE DAYS LATER, HE CAME BACK TO LIFE!
THEN HE WENT BACK TO HEAVEN AND SAT DOWN NEXT TO GOD.
WHY DID HE SIT DOWN?
WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN YOU FINISH A REALLY BIG JOB?
SIT DOWN AND EAT A SNACK!
EXACTLY. JESUS SAT DOWN BECAUSE THE JOB WAS DONE.


FLASH! BACK AT CHURCH.
SO I DON'T NEED A CHART FOR GOD TO LOVE ME?
NOPE. JESUS LOVES YOU RIGHT NOW, ROSIE!
ROSIE GAVE BAPO A GIANT HUG. BO WANTED ONE TOO.
PASTOR RICK, HOW DOES SOMEBODY START FOLLOWING JESUS?
WHEN YOU UNDERSTAND THAT YOU'VE DONE WRONG THINGS, AND YOU WANT JESUS TO FORGIVE YOU, AND YOU WANT TO LIVE YOUR LIFE THE WAY HE WANTS YOU TO, IT'S AS EASY AS A-B-C.


EASY AS A-B-C
A ADMIT you've done wrong things. Tell God you're sorry, and ask him to forgive you.
B BELIEVE Jesus is God's Son, who died for you and came back to life.
C CHOOSE to follow Jesus for the rest of your life.
THEN ROSIE TOLD EVERYONE WHAT SHE LEARNED.
JESUS CHOSE ME. AND HE FINISHED THE JOB!
THAT'S RIGHT. WHEN YOU UNDERSTAND IT AND REALLY WANT TO, YOU CAN TELL JESUS IN YOUR OWN WORDS. AND TELL A GROWN-UP YOU TRUST!
THE END
REMEMBER IT! JESUS FINISHED THE JOB.

WHO IS JESUS? YOU FINISHED ALL 4 ISSUES!

THE WHOLE ANSWER!

- Jesus is God's Son.
- He teaches us what God is like.
- He made everything, so he's in charge. And he stands up for what's right.
- He is God. And he chose me, just the way I am.
- He finished the job. He paid for our wrong things, came back to life, and sat down in heaven. NEW!

MEMORY VERSE

"He (Jesus) provided the way for people to be made pure from sin. Then he sat down at the right hand of the King, the Majesty in heaven."

Hebrews 1:3 (NIrV)

That means Jesus paid for all our wrong things, so God can wash them away. Then he sat down next to God, because the job was done.

TALK ABOUT IT WITH A GROWN-UP

1. Do you have to earn God's love? How do you know?
2. Why did Jesus sit down when the job was done?
3. Do you have questions about A-B-C? Who's a grown-up you could ask?



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