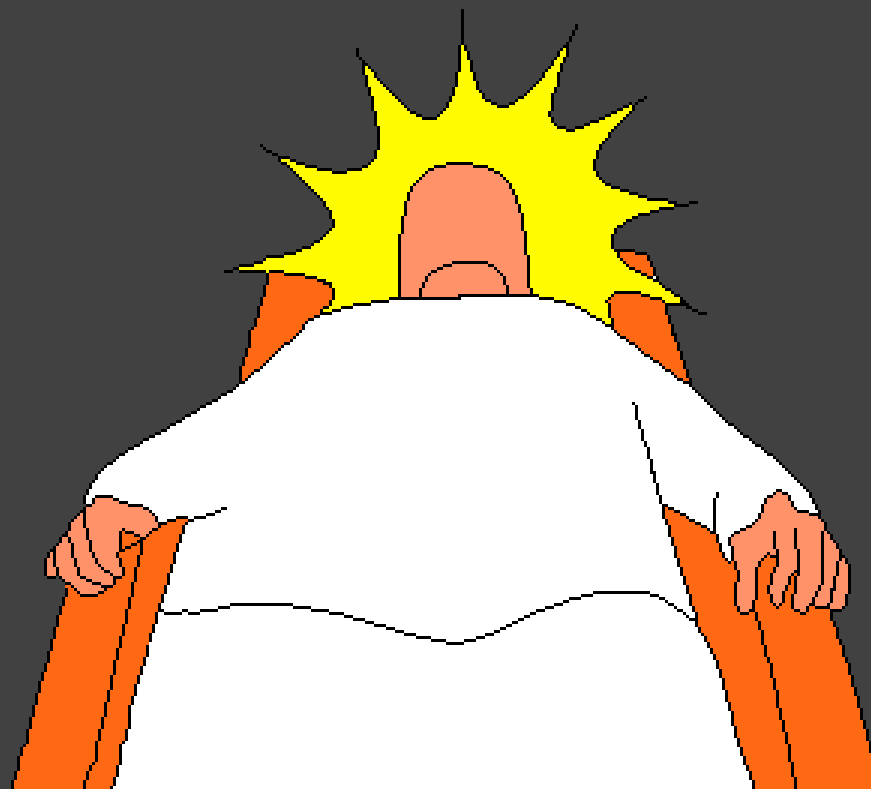


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ISAIAH SEES THE FUTURE



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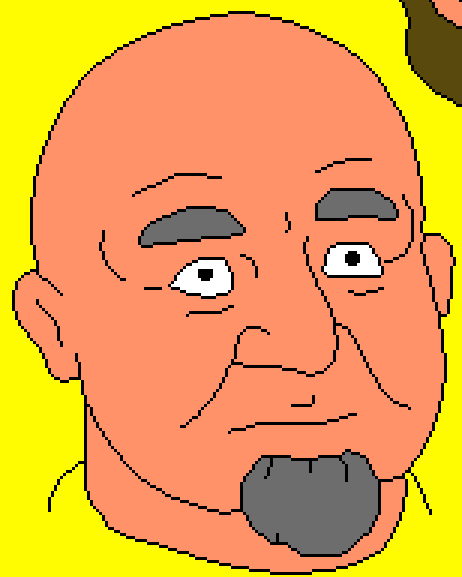
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Isaiah was a prophet. His job was to tell people what God said.



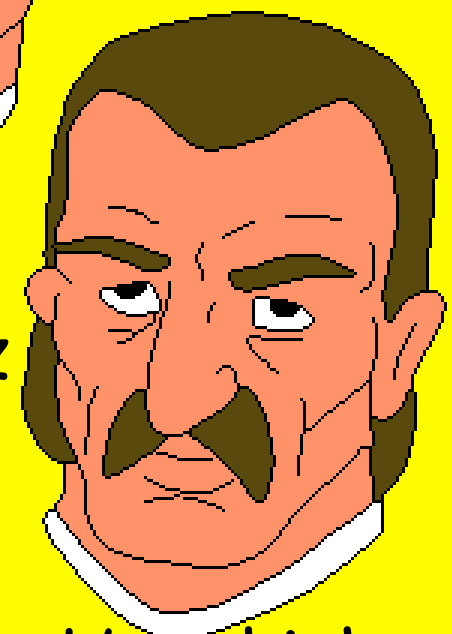
Uzziah



Jotham



Ahaz



Hezekiah



People didn't always want to hear God's Word, but Isaiah never let God down.



Uzziah

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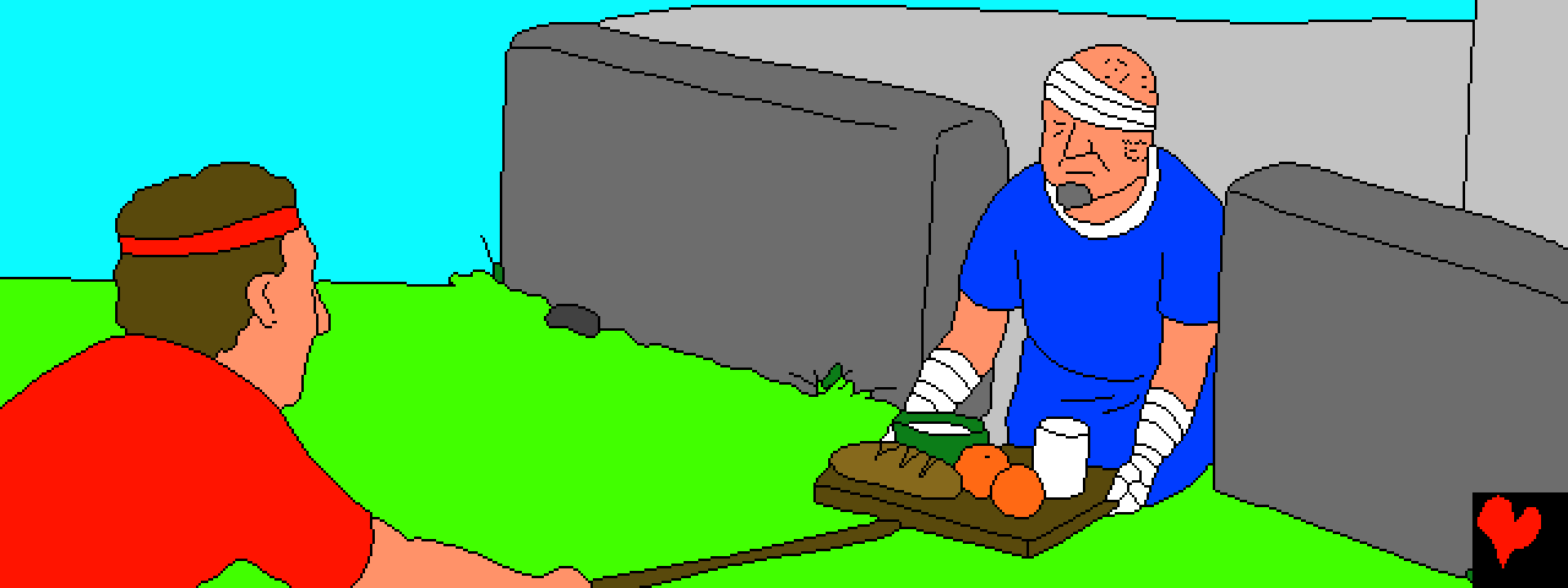
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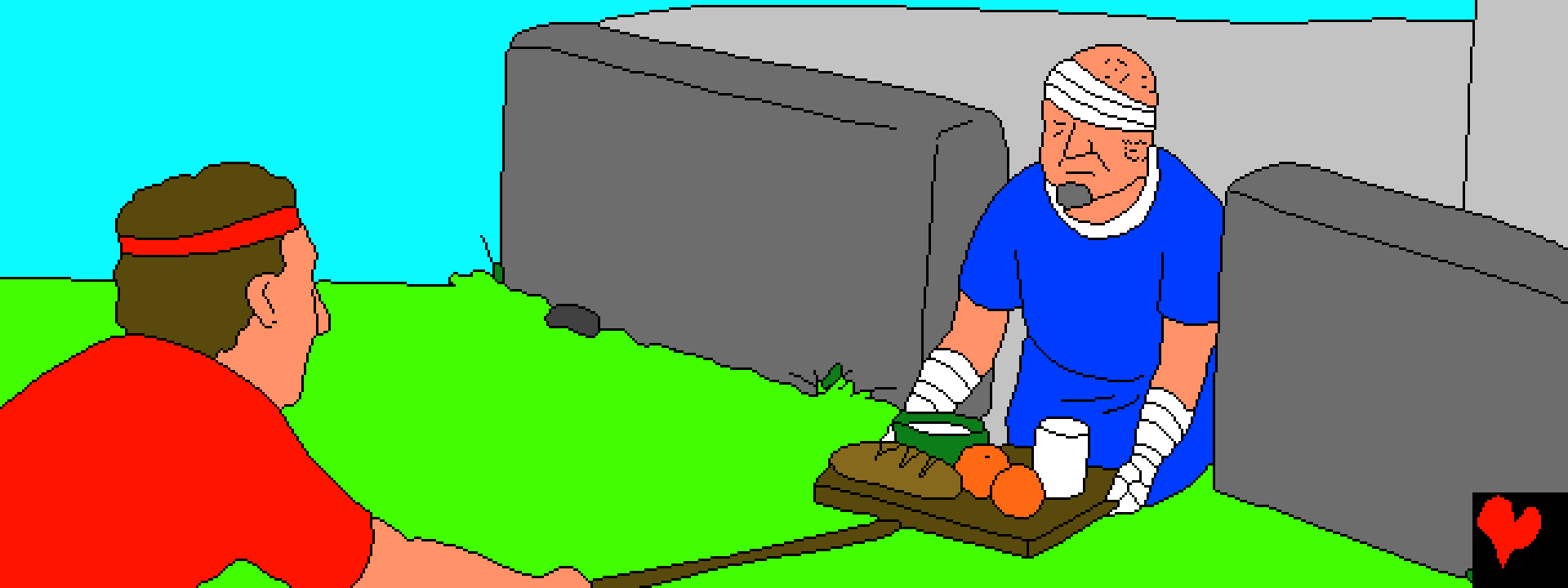
Isaiah preached during the reigns of four different kings.



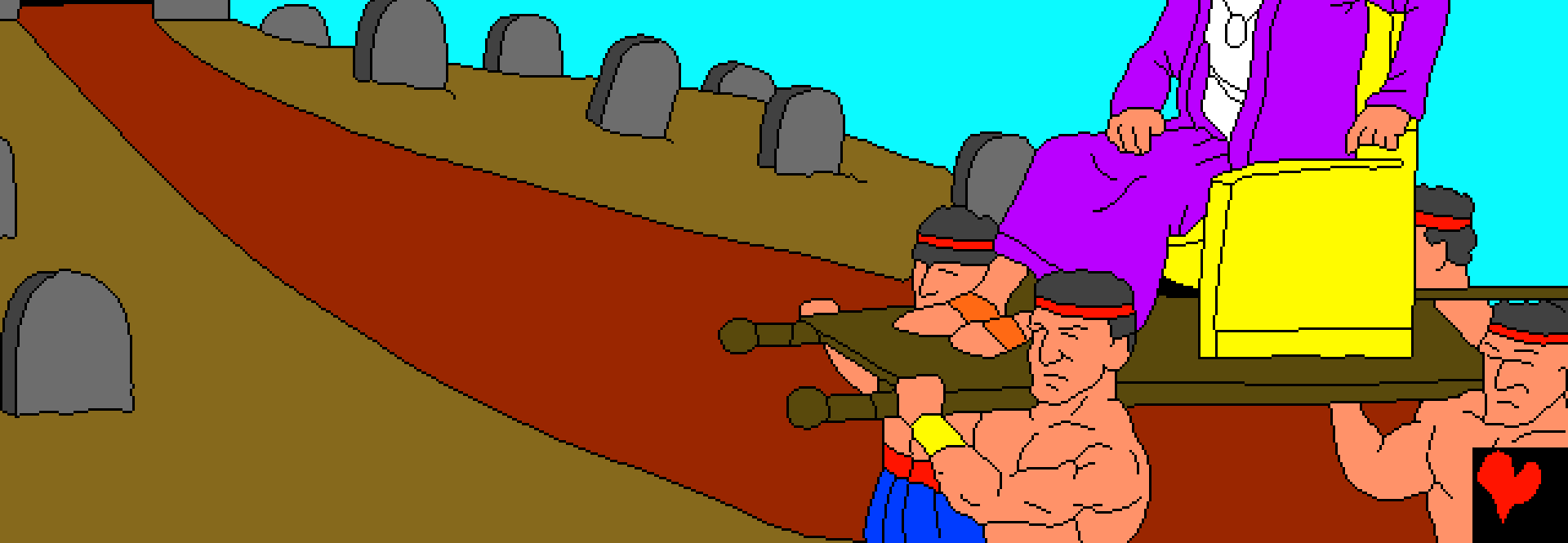
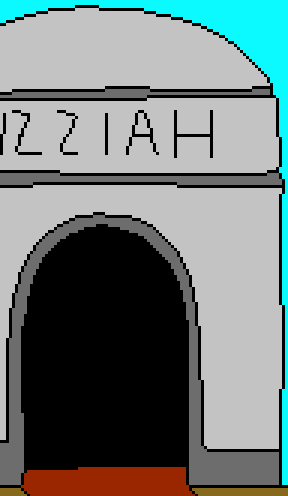
King Uzziah ruled the land of Judah from the city of Jerusalem. At first, God blessed Uzziah because he did what was right in the sight of the LORD.



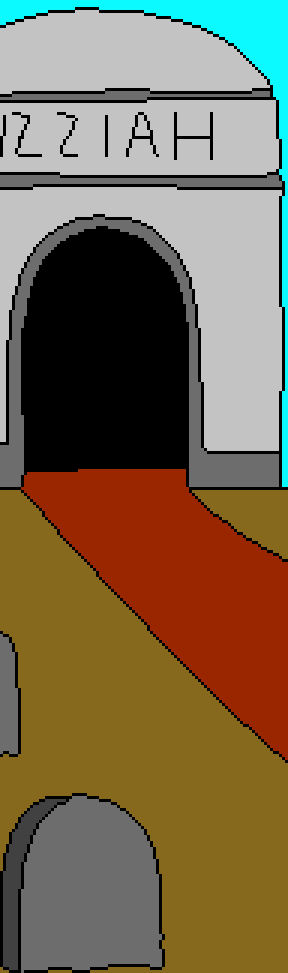
But Uzziah became proud and stopped obeying God. He became a leper and had to live alone until he died.



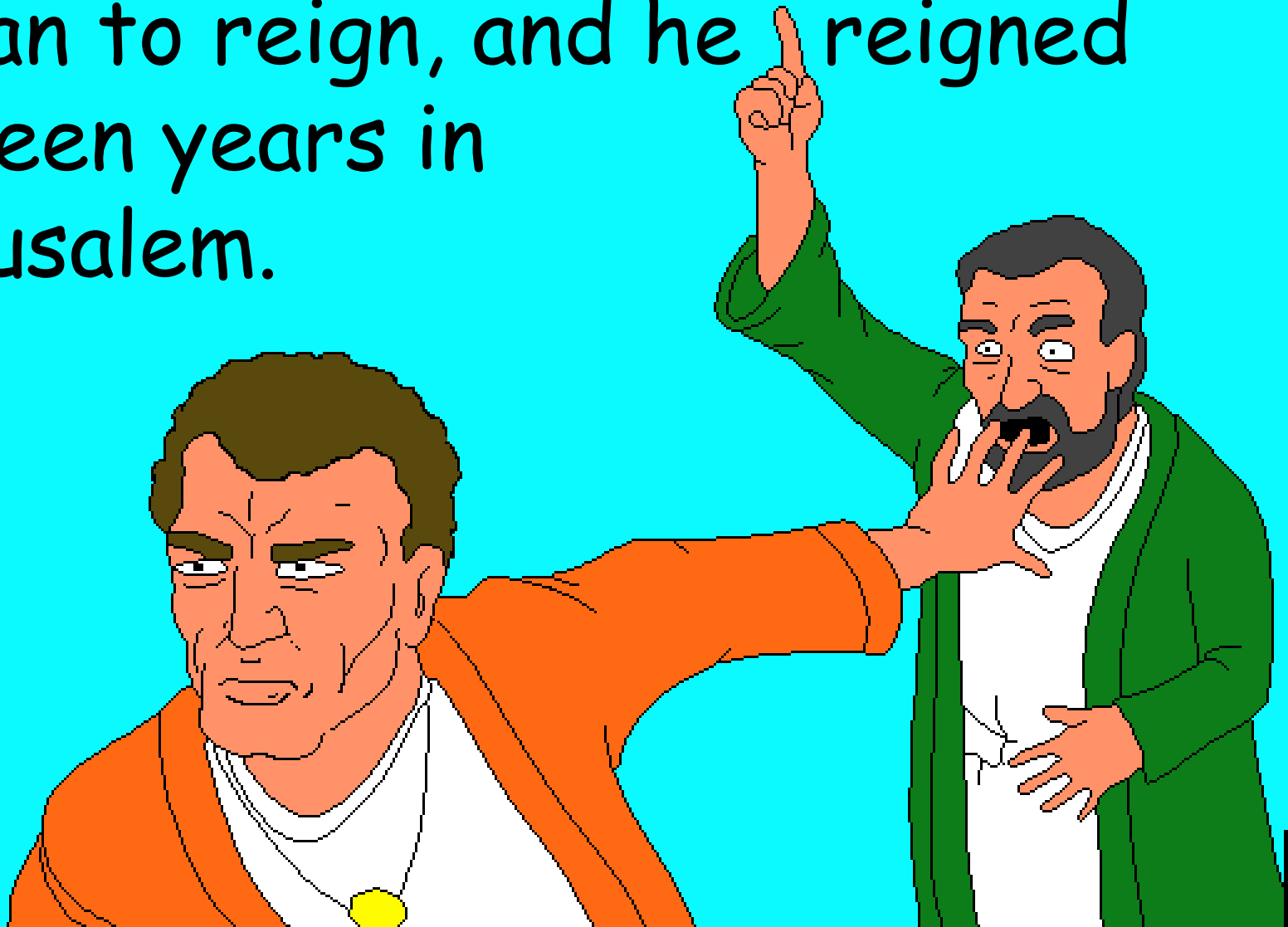
King Uzziah reigned for over 60 years. When he died, his son Jotham took his place and reigned for seventeen years.



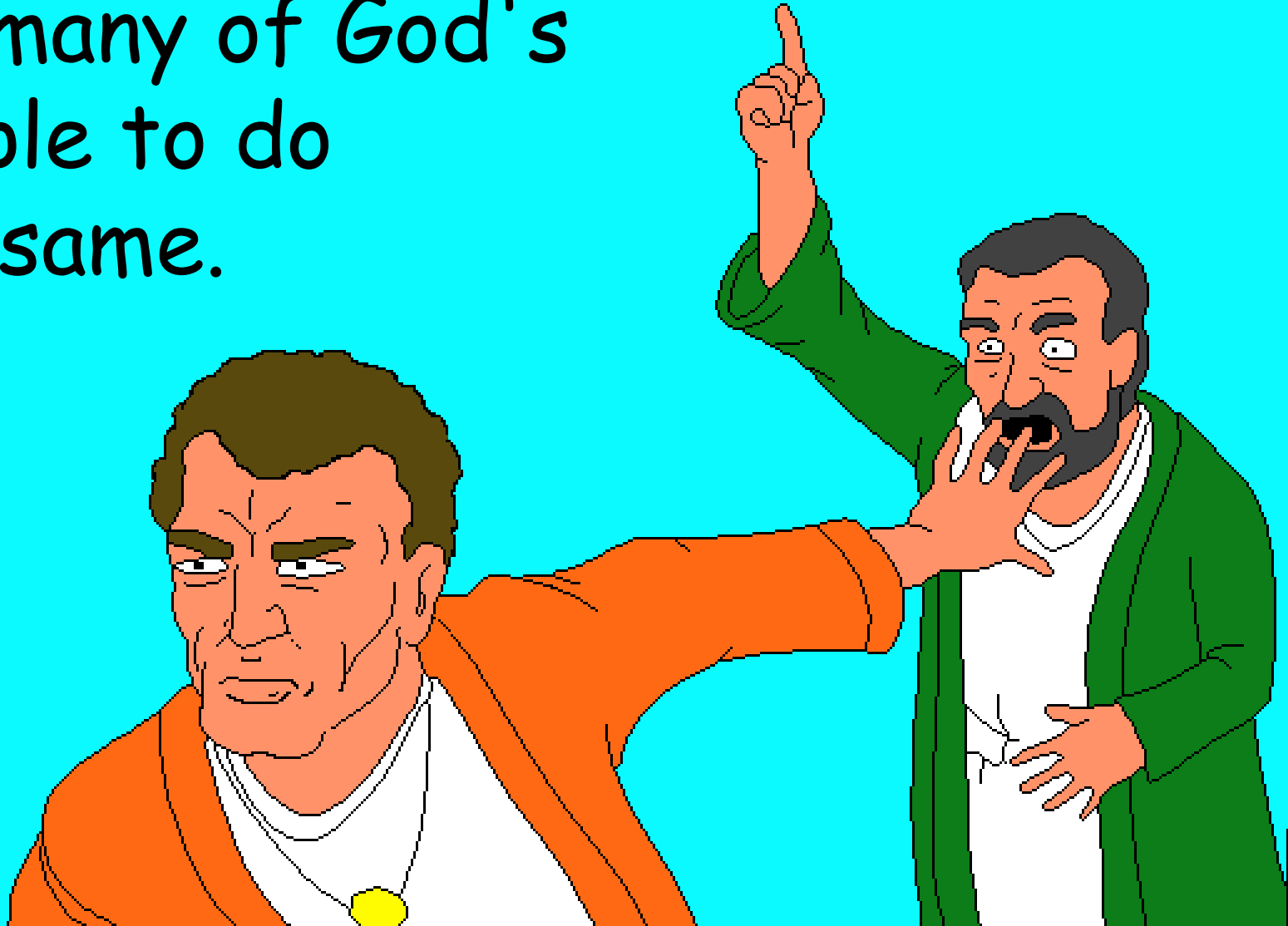
God blessed Jotham because he listened to what God had to say through Isaiah and other prophets.



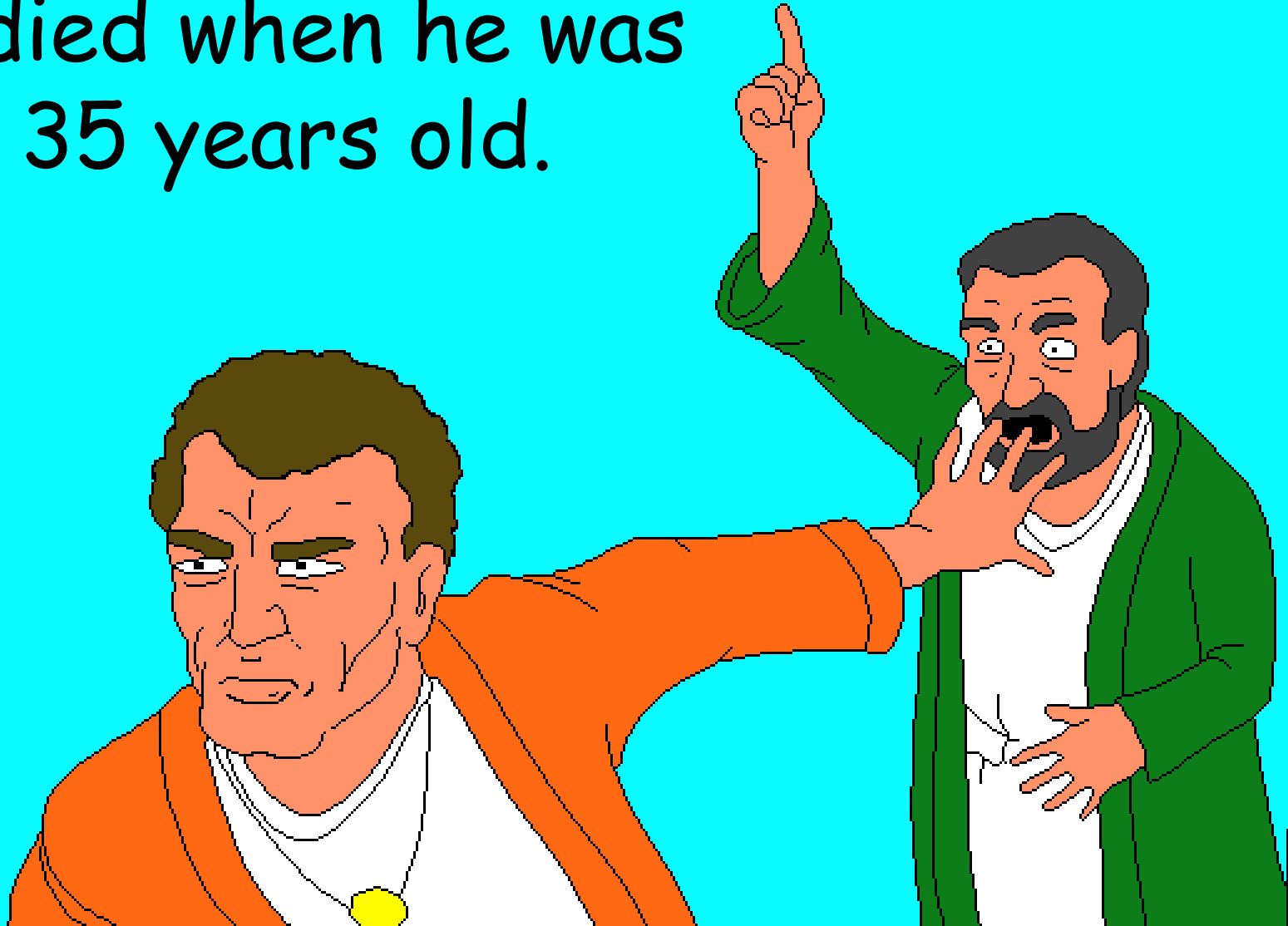
King Jotham's son was Ahaz.
Ahaz was twenty years old when he
began to reign, and he reigned
sixteen years in
Jerusalem.



Ahaz didn't care about God. He worshiped idols and false gods, and led many of God's people to do the same.



Although Isaiah warned him, Ahaz wouldn't listen to God's warnings. He died when he was only 35 years old.



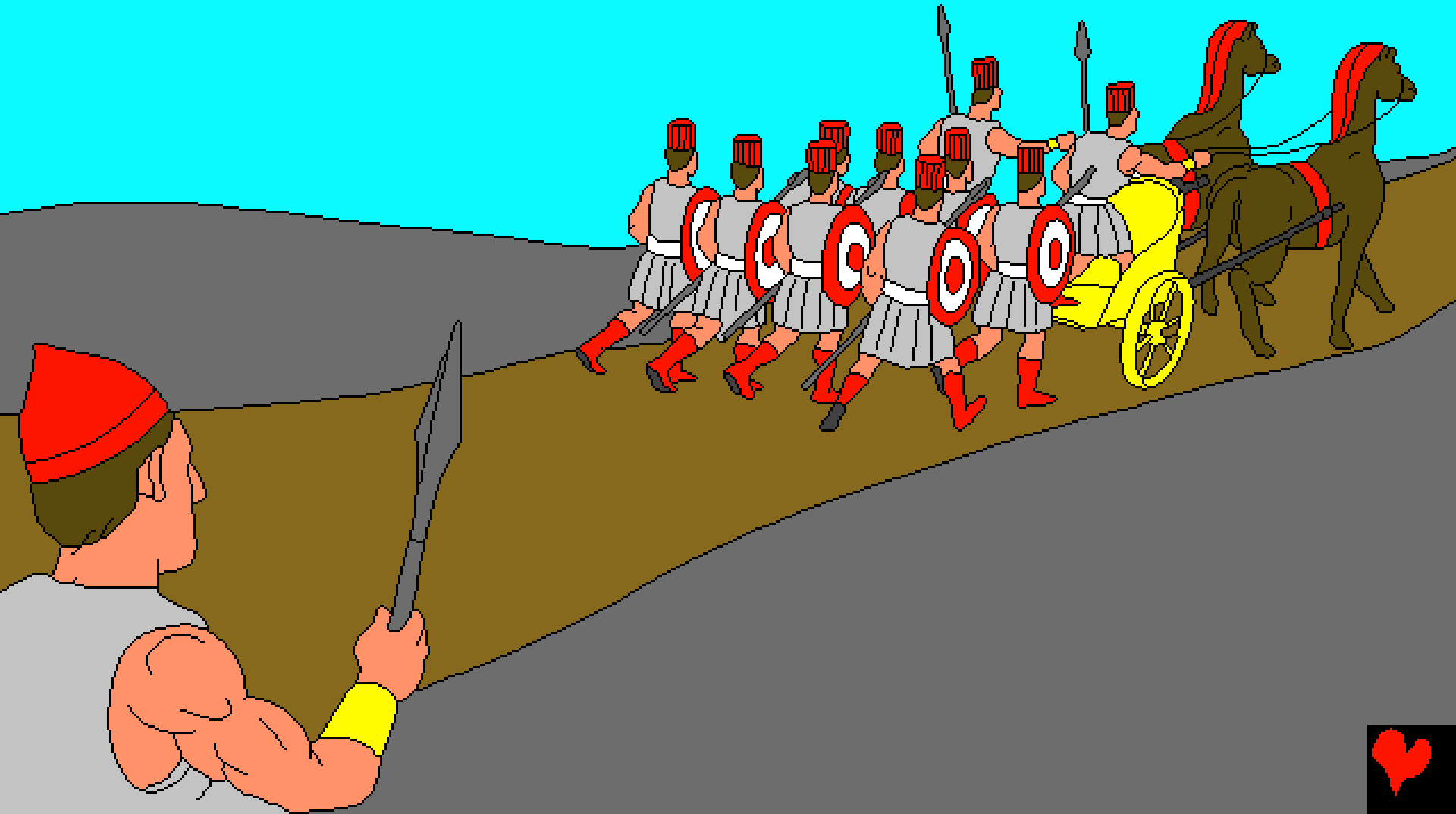
God blessed the next king, Hezekiah, because he removed all the idols and false gods, and prayed to the true God.



When an enemy
army attacked
Judah, Hezekiah
knew his army was
too weak to win.
He asked Isaiah to
pray for God's help.



Isaiah sent this message
to the King.



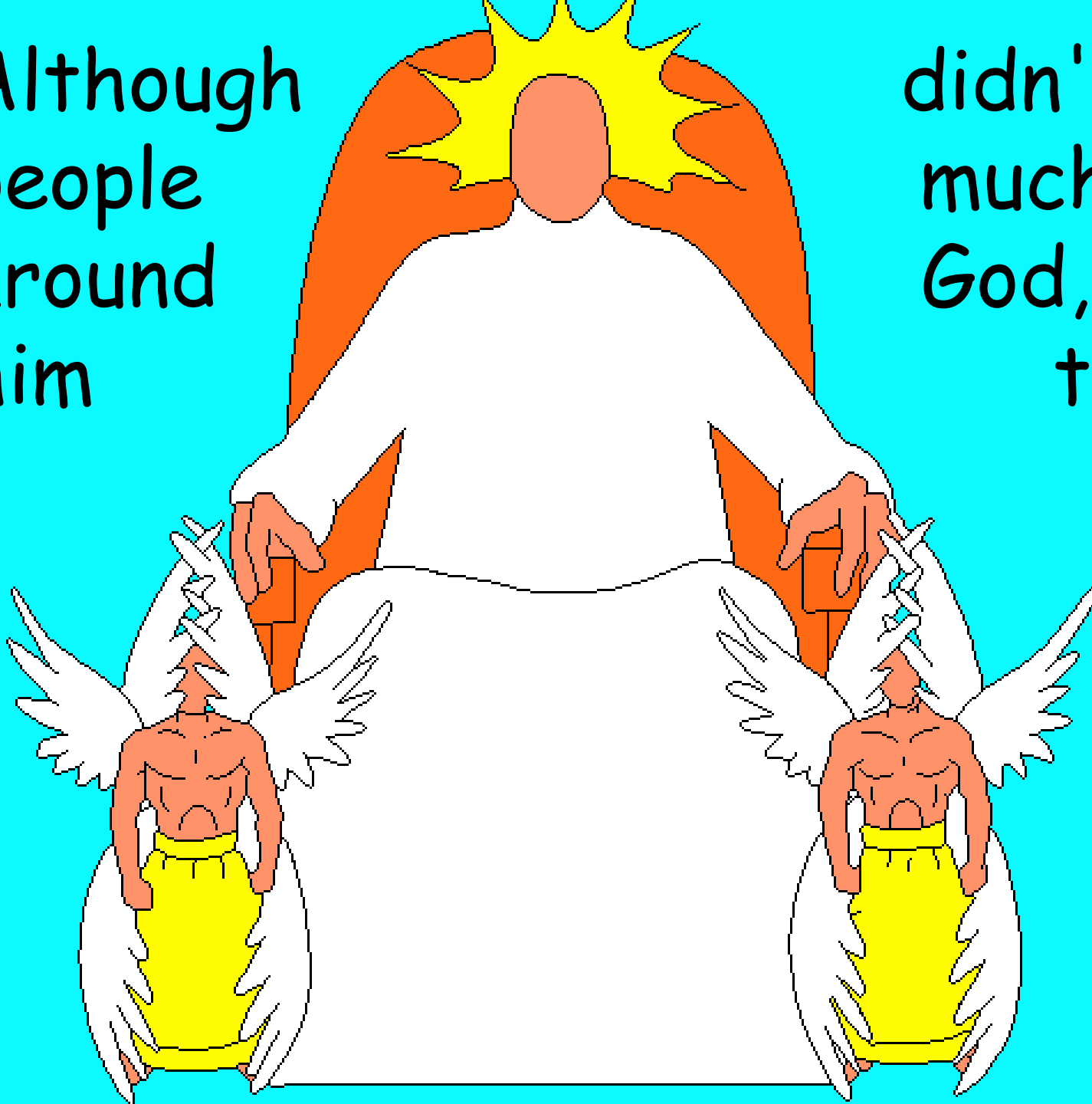
"This is what the LORD says: Don't be afraid of this enemy ... I will cause him to fall ..."
Soon after, God



made the
enemy army
leave without even
fighting Hezekiah!



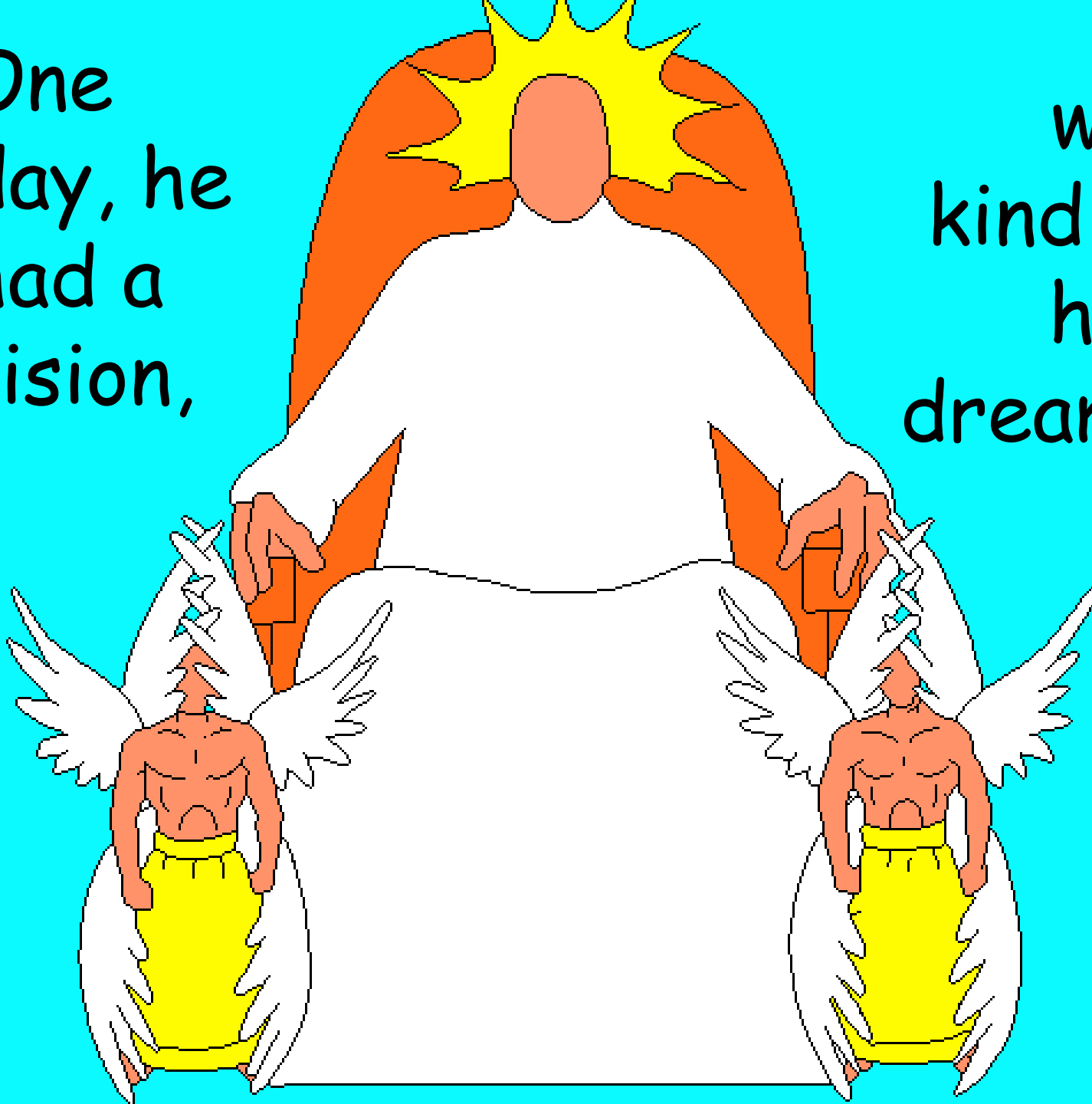
Although
people
around
him



didn't think
much about
God, Isaiah
thought
about
Him
a lot.

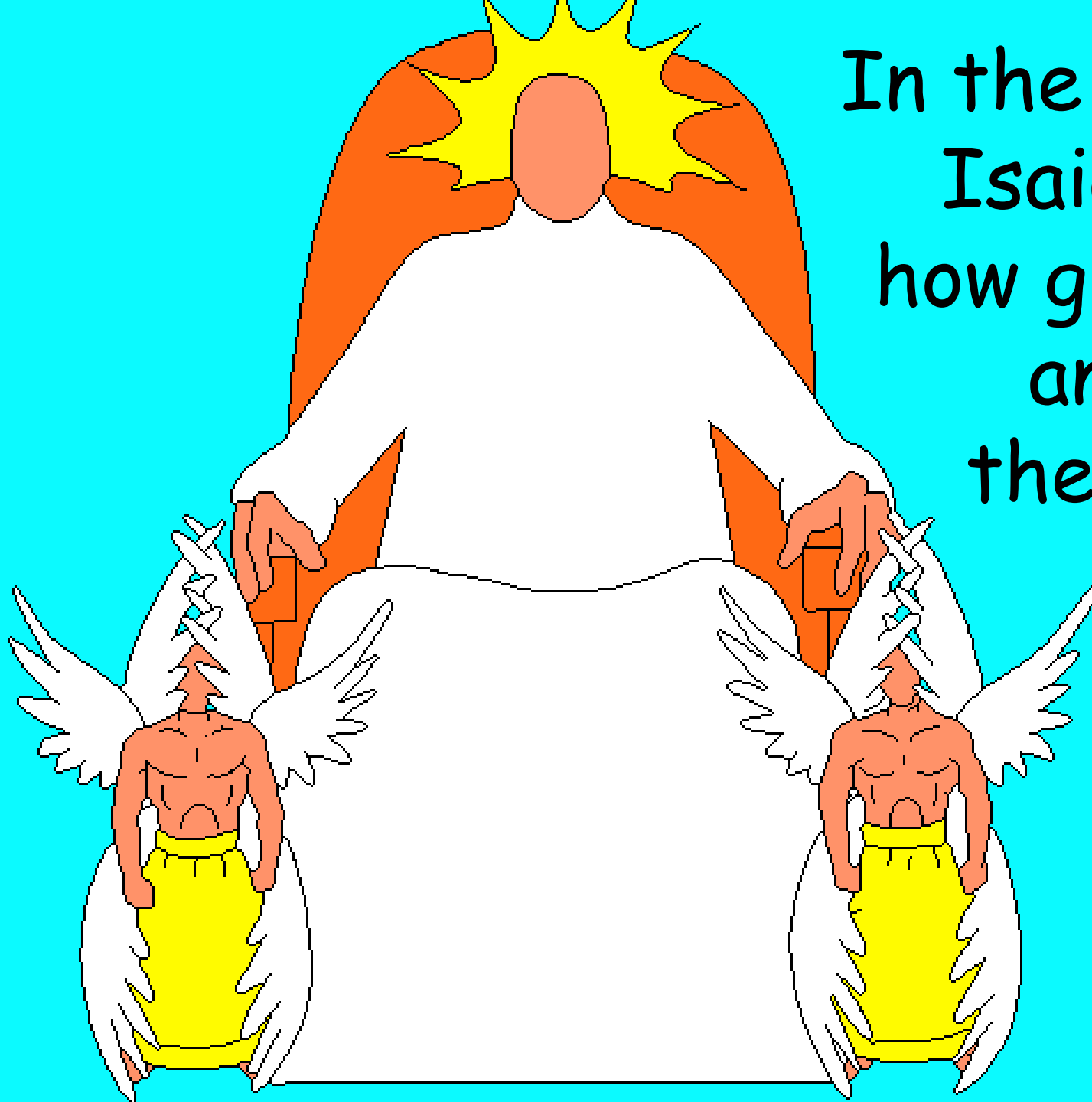


One
day, he
had a
vision,



which is
kind of like
having a
dream when
you're
not
asleep.

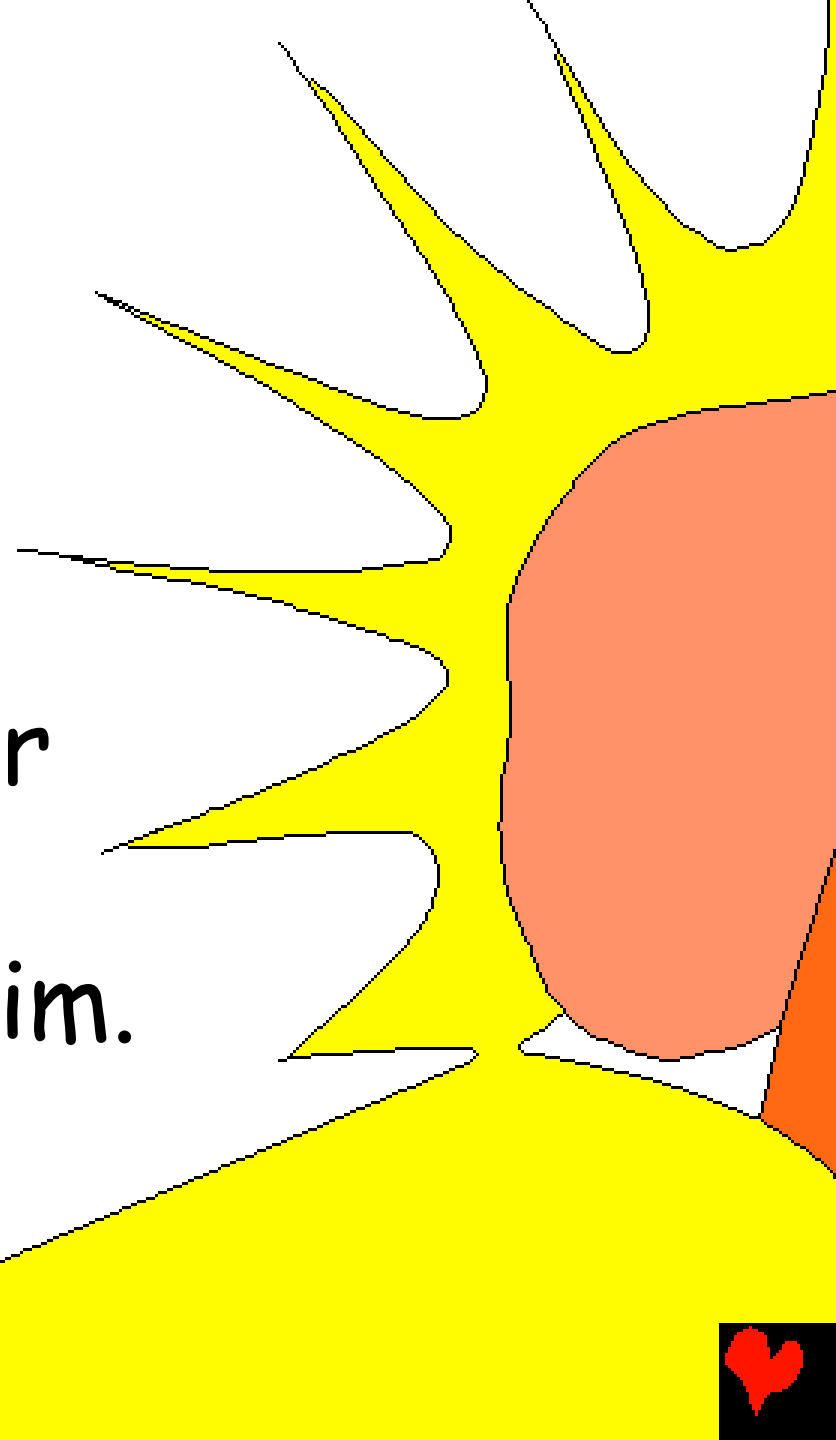




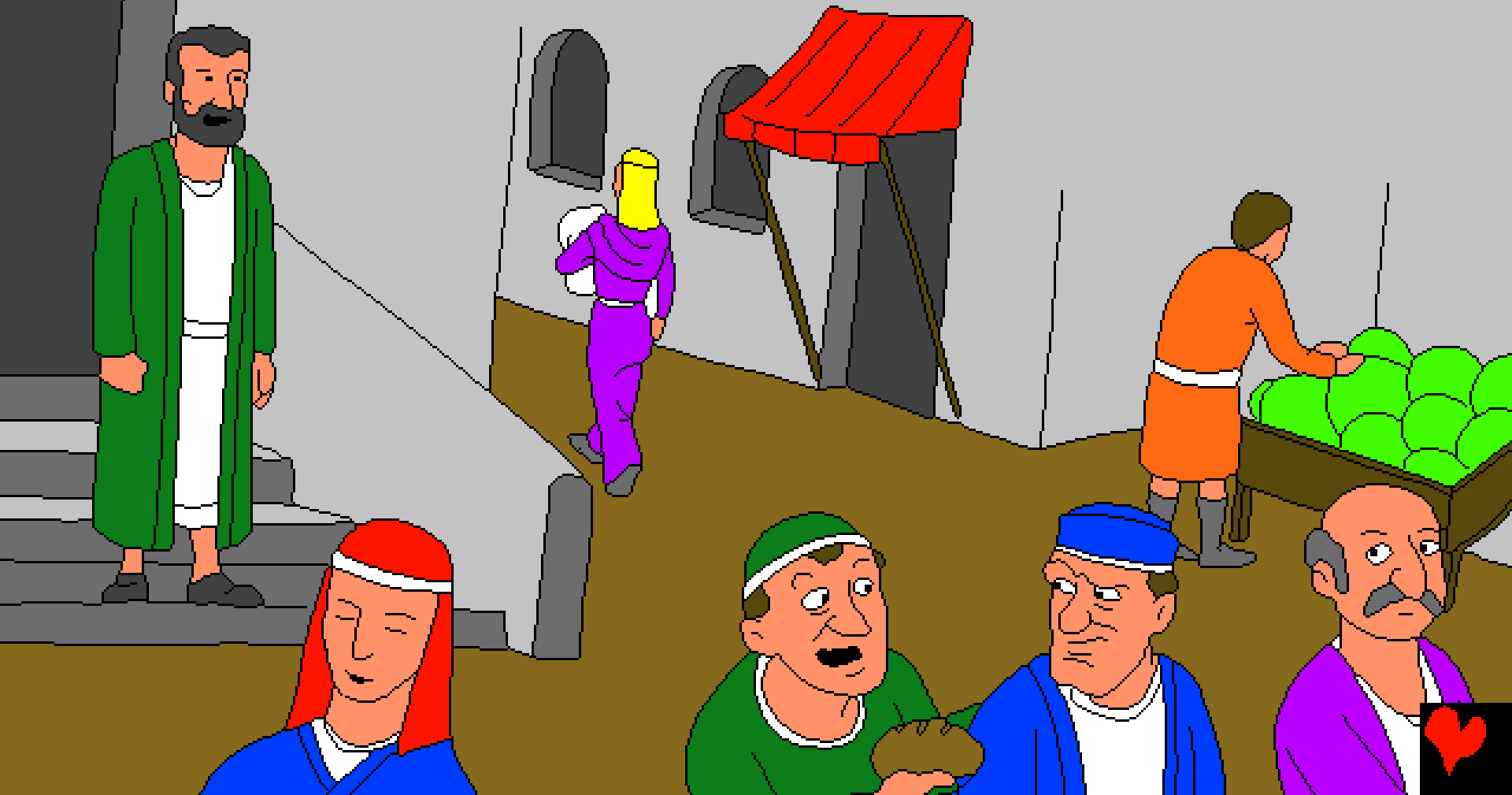
In the vision,
Isaiah saw
how glorious
and holy
the LORD
is.



"Who shall I send?"
God asked in the
vision. "Here am I.
Send me," Isaiah
answered. He was
willing to do whatever
God asked, and go
wherever God sent him.



Maybe Isaiah thought God would send him to far-away people who hadn't heard about God.



But no, God didn't do that. God told Isaiah to speak to his own people in his own country.



He had to tell them that
God was angry at their sin.



There were other things Isaiah had to tell his people - wonderful things

about a
Person
who ...



... would be a strong deliverer and
come to save them from sin and from
all their
enemies.



The Jewish people called this
Person "Messiah".

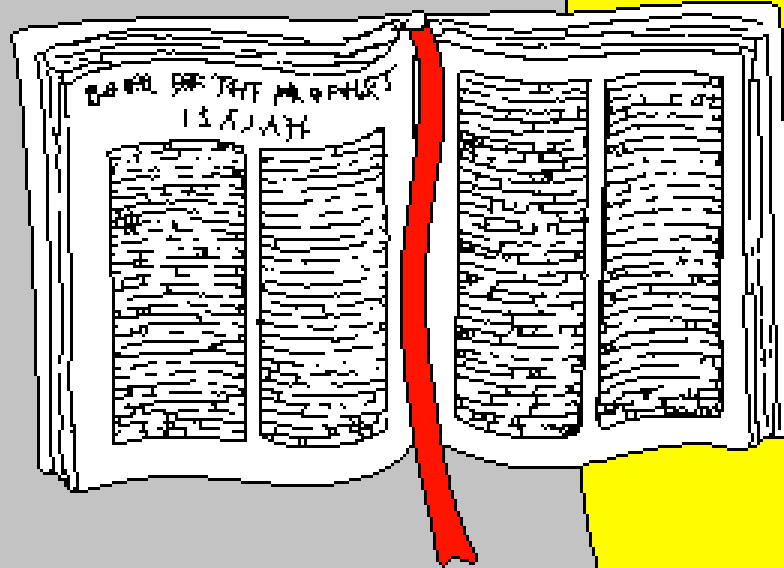


Even though they expected God to send Messiah, many people lived as if He would never come.

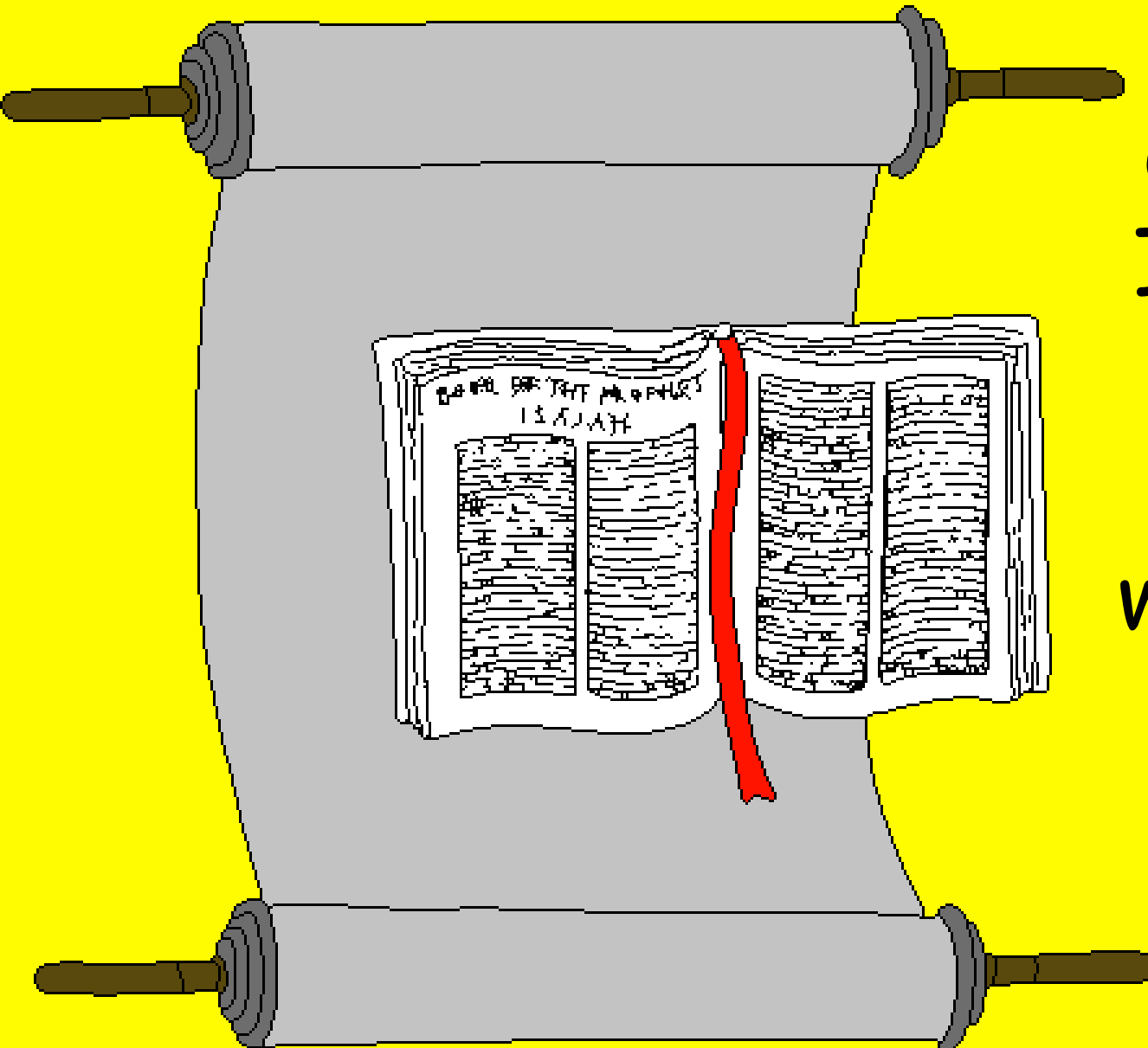


All the things Isaiah said about

Messiah
are written
in his book.
Although
he wrote
these
things ...



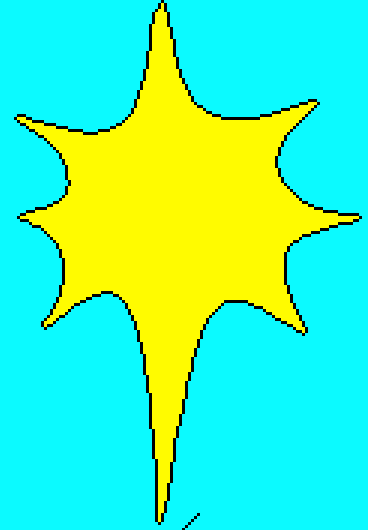
... hundreds of years before they happened, everything Isaiah said about Messiah would come true.



Isaiah said that
God Himself
would

give a sign.

He said, "Behold
a virgin shall bear
a son and call
his name
Immanuel."

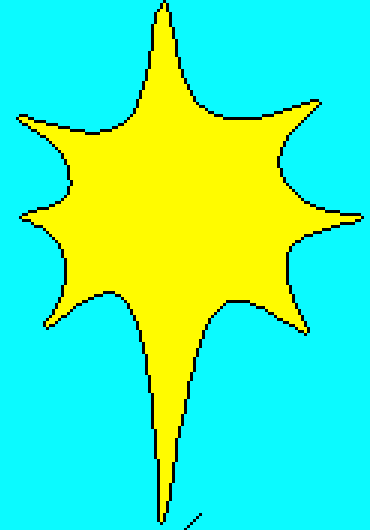


People knew Isaiah was
talking about
God's

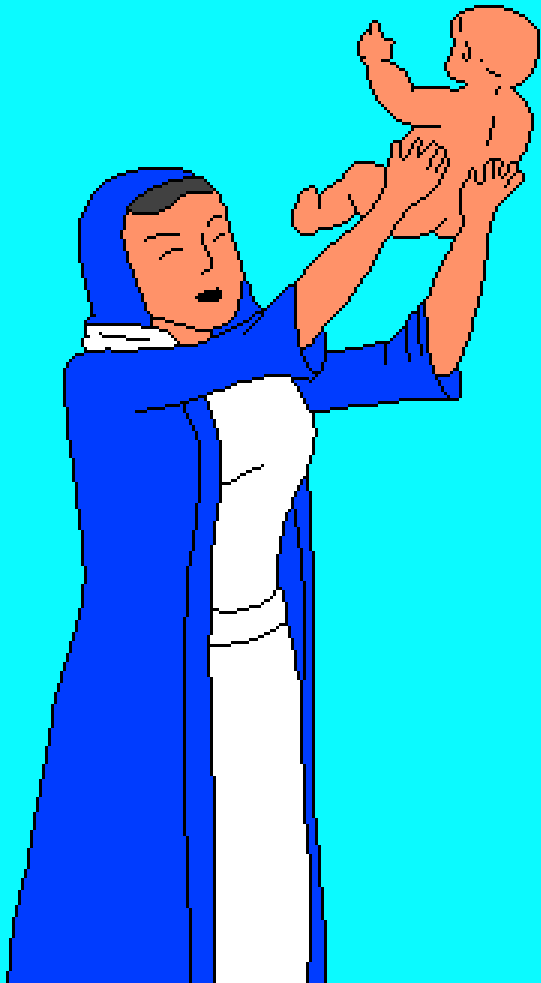
Messiah

because a woman
could not be a virgin
and also have a
child. Also,

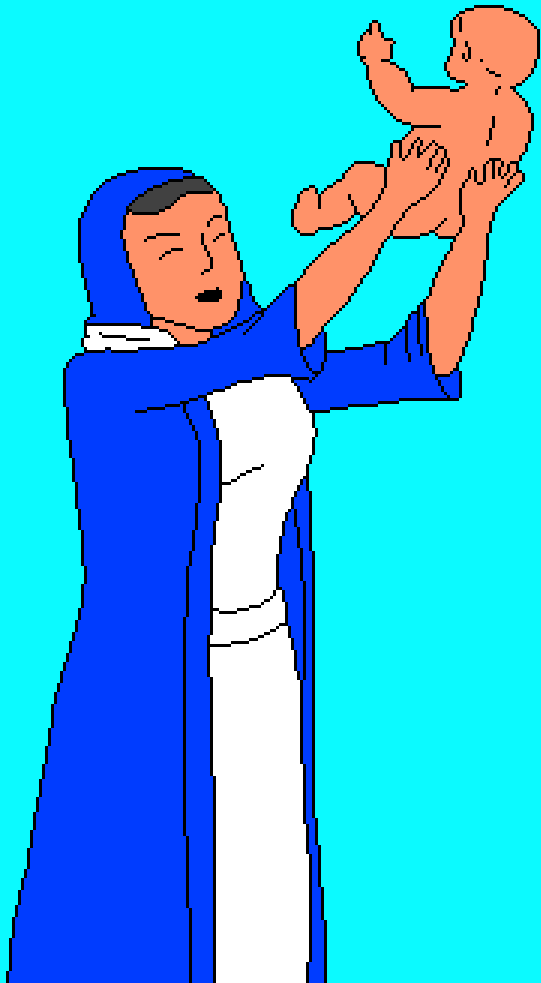
the name
Immanuel
means God
with us!



"For unto us a Child is born, unto us
a Son is given; and the government
shall be upon His
shoulder. And
His name will be
called Wonderful,
Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace."



Isaiah was so sure that God's promises would come true, he spoke as if the event had already happened. This is called prophecy.



Isaiah said that Messiah would be great and do great things. God also told Isaiah to tell the people that Messiah would suffer and be put to death.



Isaiah might have wondered how Messiah could be great and powerful and also weak and injured. But Isaiah didn't argue with God - he just repeated what God told him to say. God would make sure His prophecy came true.



Messiah was coming - not just for the Jewish people. God told Isaiah that Messiah would be "a light to the Gentiles".



Gentiles are all the people in the world who are not Jews. God loves everybody and His Messiah would come to bless everyone and to bring salvation to the ends of the earth.



Isaiah Sees the Future

A story from God's Word, the Bible,

is found in

Isaiah 1, 6, 7, 9, 53

"The entrance of Your Words gives light."

Psalm 119:130



The End



This Bible story tells us about our wonderful God who made us and who wants us to know Him.

God knows we have done bad things, which He calls sin. The punishment for sin is death, but God loves us so much He sent His Son, Jesus, to die on a Cross and be punished for our sins. Then Jesus came back to life and went home to Heaven! If you believe in Jesus and ask Him to forgive your sins, He will do it! He will come and live in you now, and you will live with Him forever.



If you want to turn from your sins,
say this to God:

Dear God, I believe that Jesus died for me
and now lives again. Please come into my
life and forgive my sins, so that I can have
new life now, and one day go to be with You
forever. Help me to live for You as Your
child. Amen.

Read the Bible and talk with God every
day! John 3:16

