

# HOLY SPIRIT

**The Flame Within Me**

**ACTS 1:8**

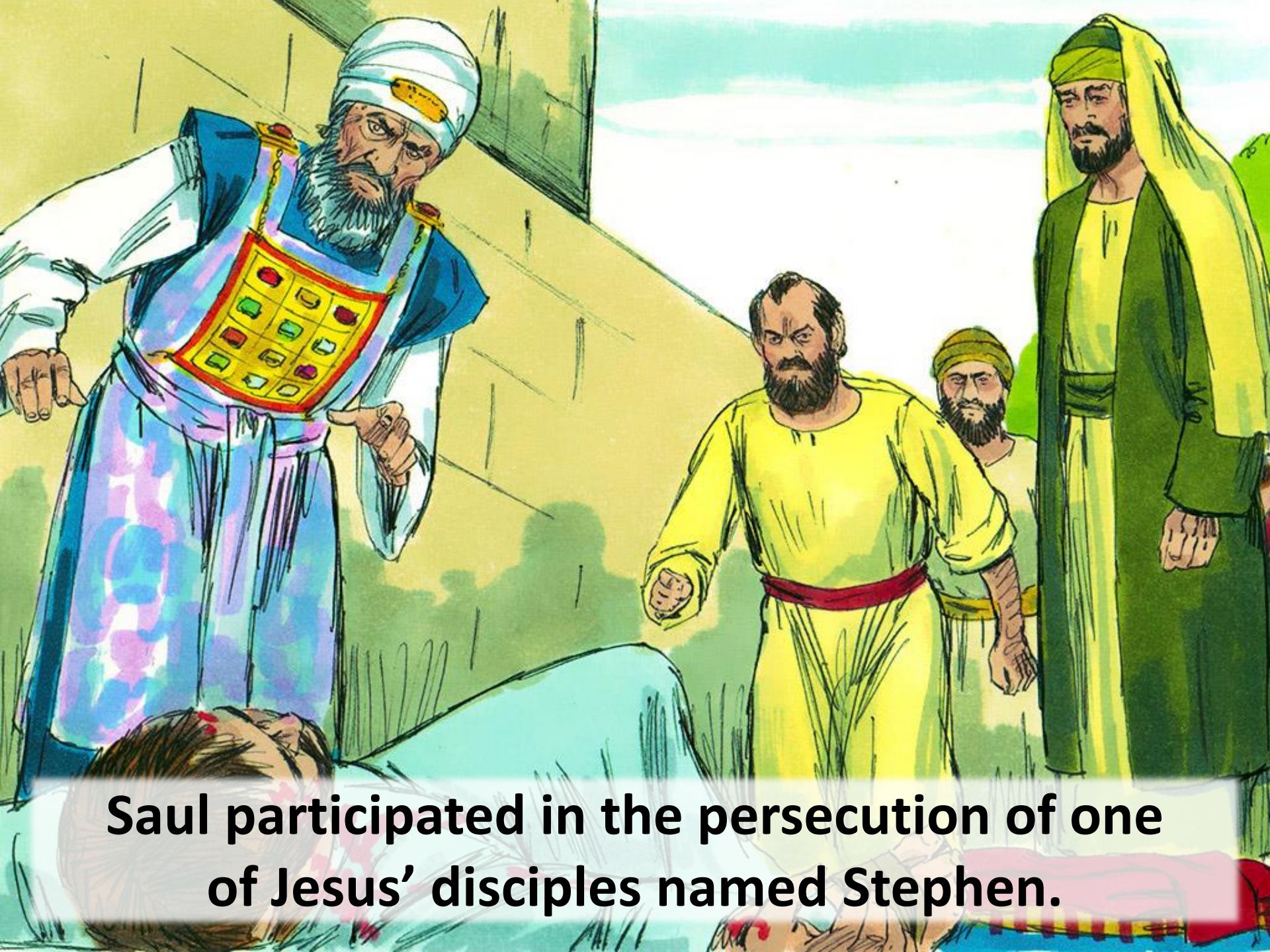
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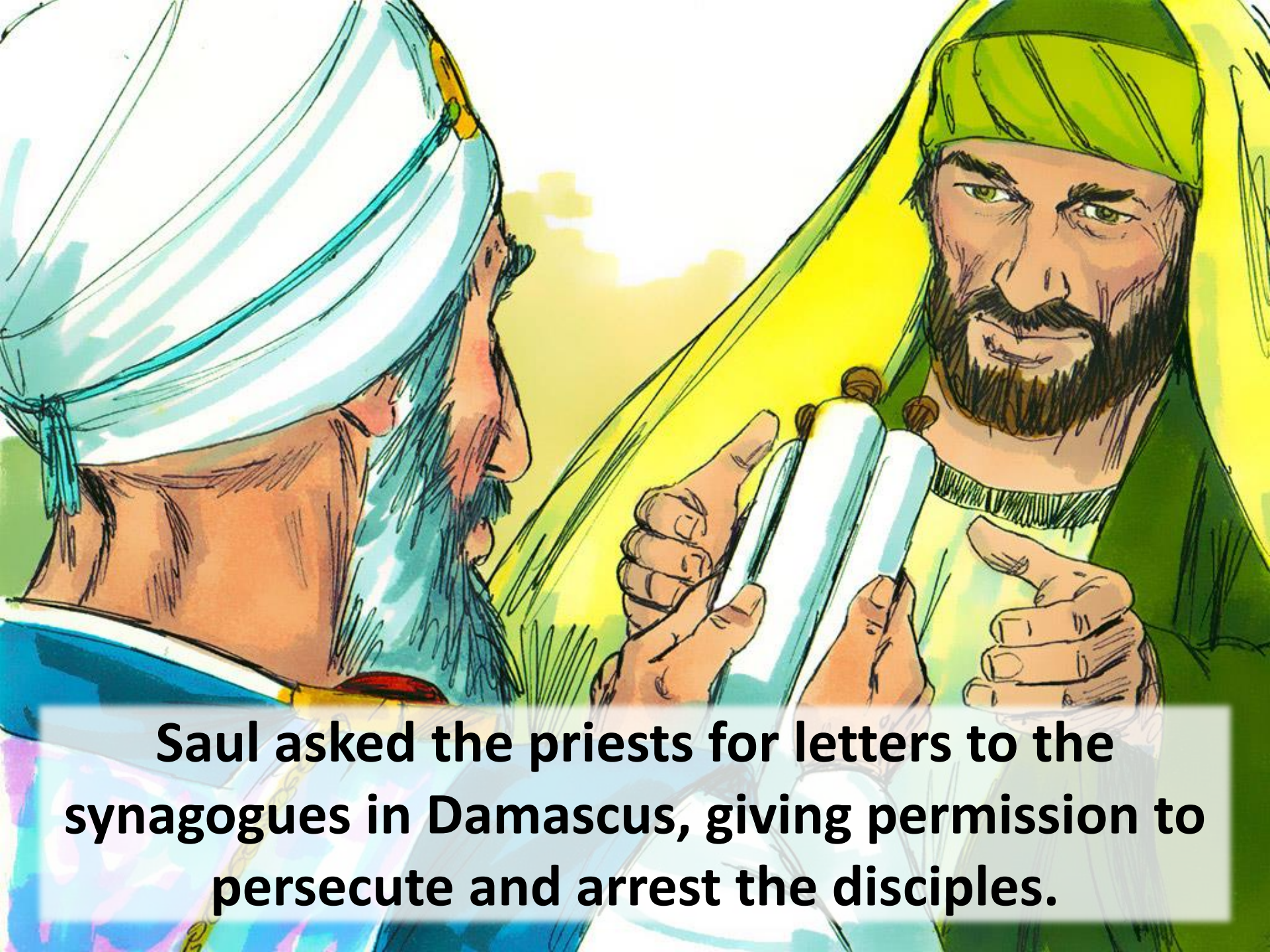
## ACTS OF COURAGE

### **Saul's Conversion (*Acts 9:1-27*)**

**“So you must go and make disciples of all nations. Baptize them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And you can be sure that I am with you always, to the very end.” *Matthew 28:19-20 (NIRV) The Great Commission (The Great Commission was where Jesus commanded people to go preach throughout the world)***



**Saul participated in the persecution of one of Jesus' disciples named Stephen.**



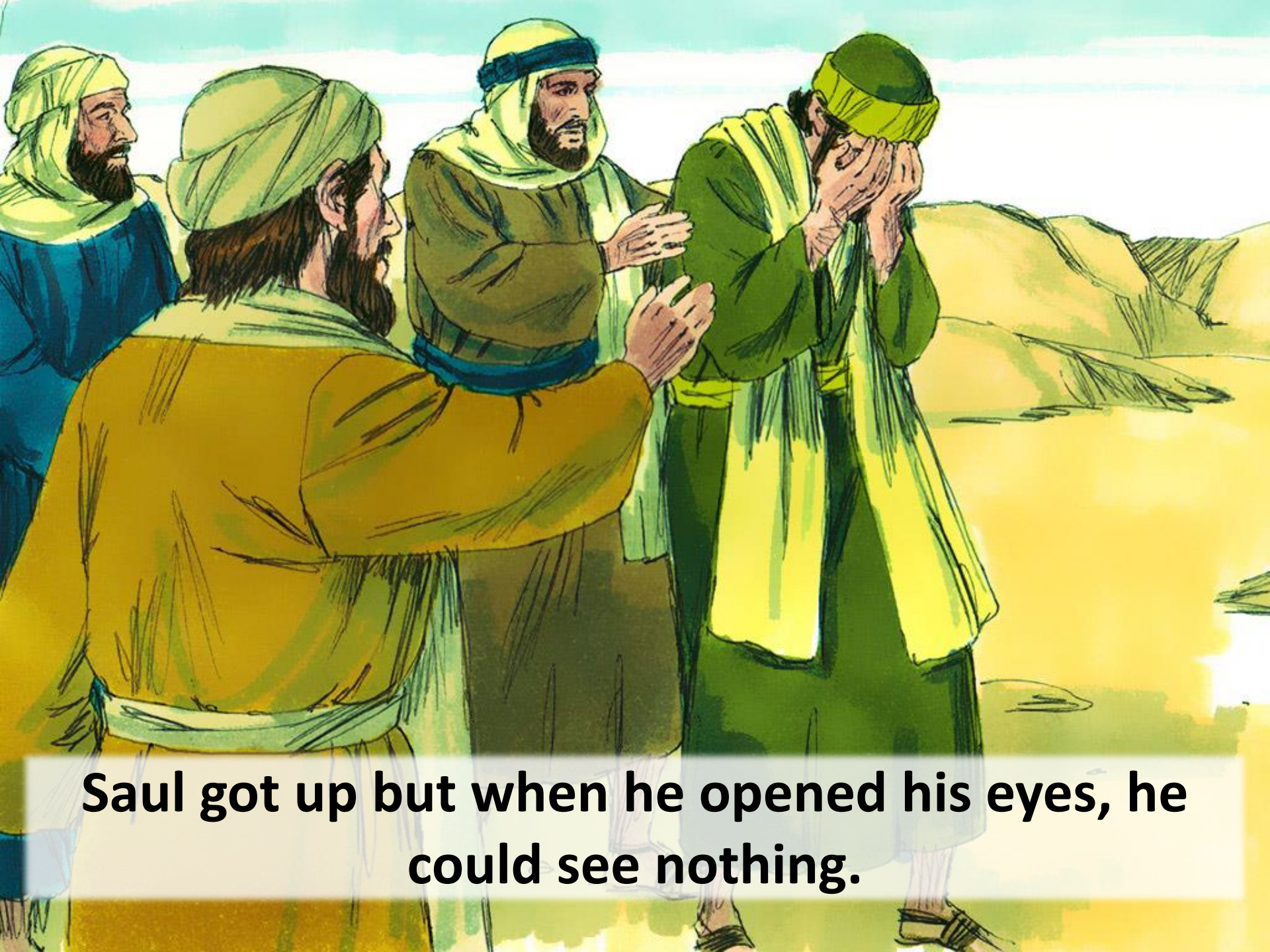
**Saul asked the priests for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, giving permission to persecute and arrest the disciples.**



**On his way to Damascus, a bright light from heaven suddenly flashed around him. He heard a voice saying, “Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?”**



**Saul asked, “Who are you, Lord?” The voice replied, “I am Jesus whom you are persecuting. Now get up and go into the city, where you will be told what you must do.”**

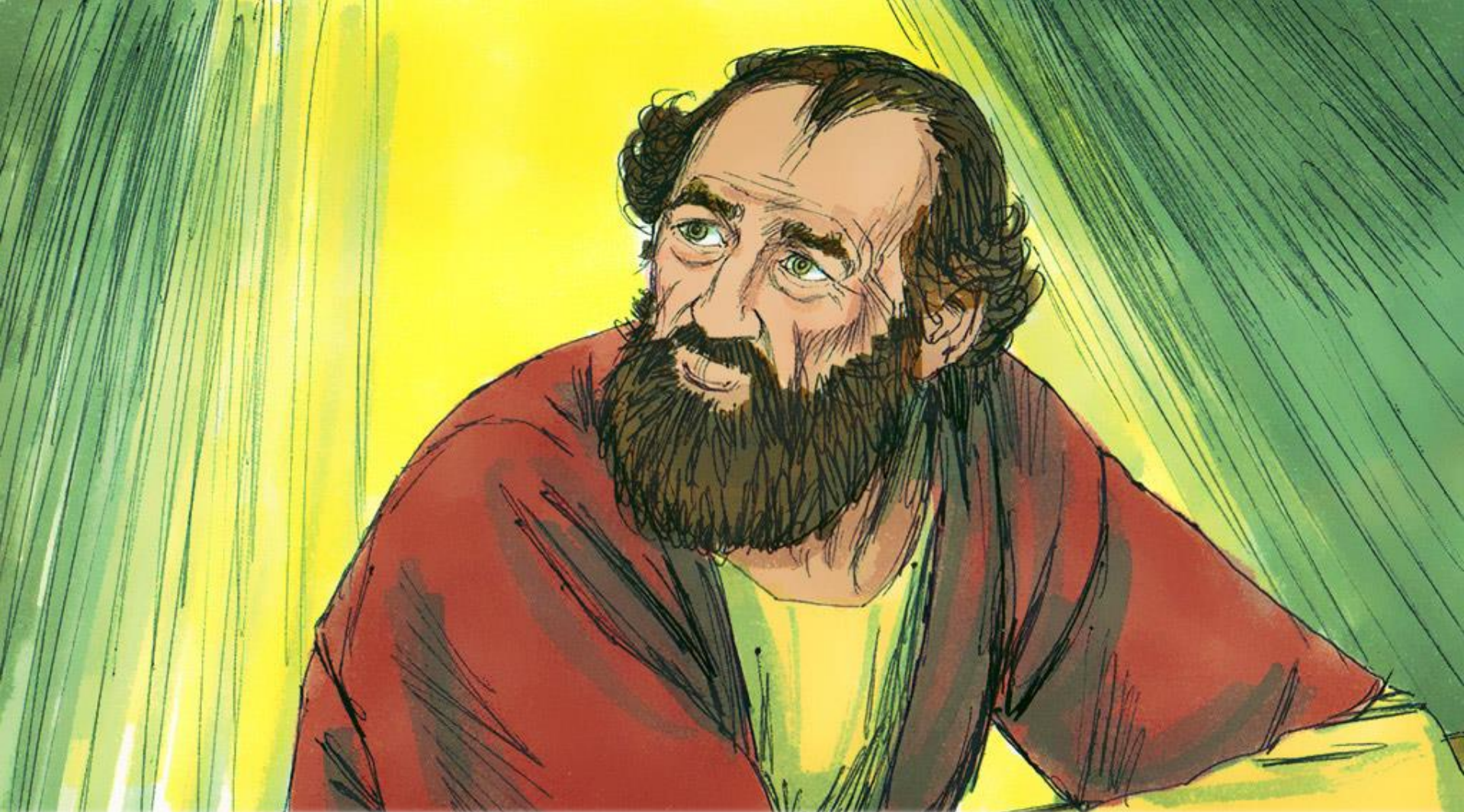


**Saul got up but when he opened his eyes, he could see nothing.**

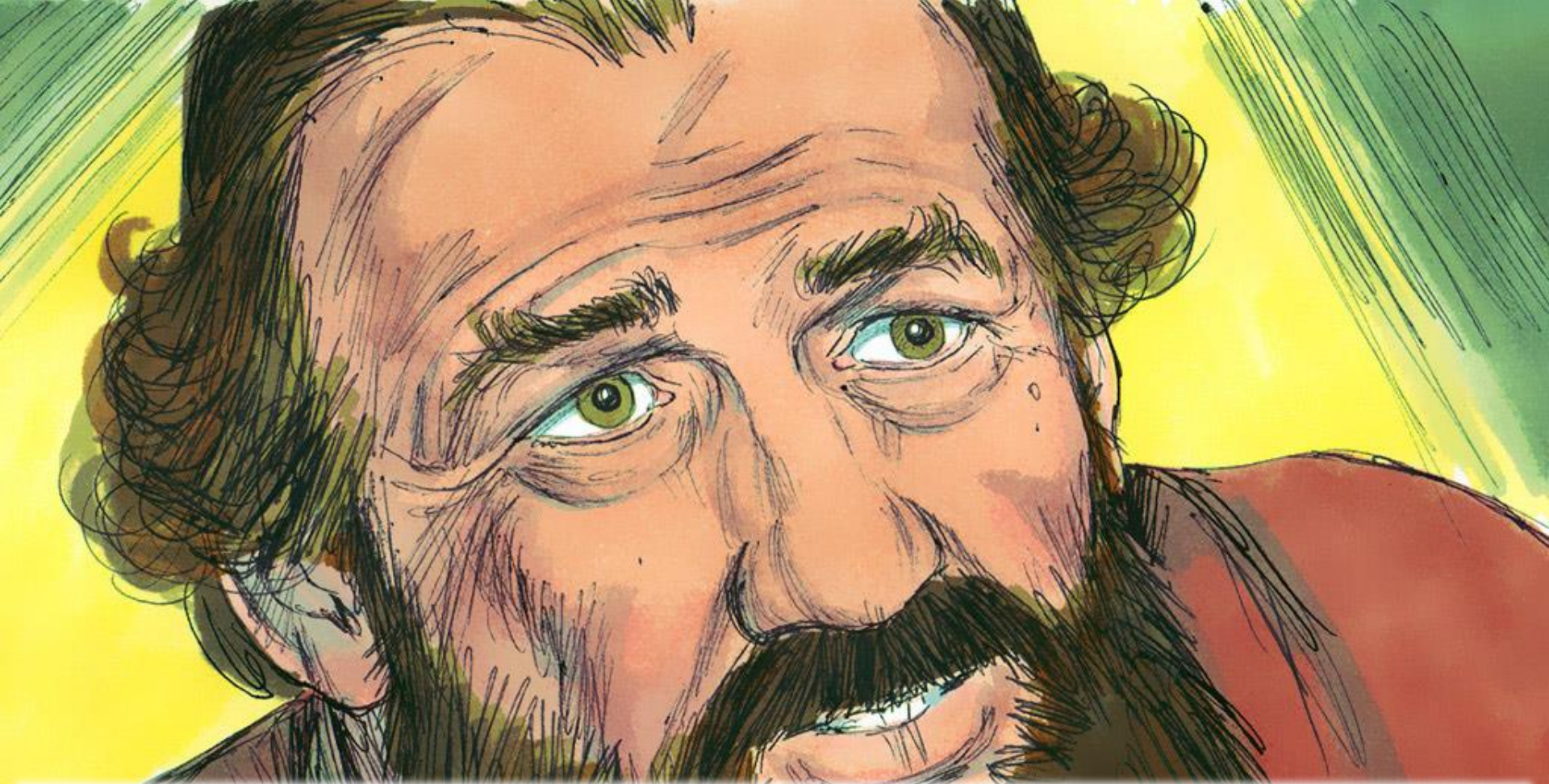


**The men led Saul into Damascus. For three days he was blind and did not eat or drink anything.**

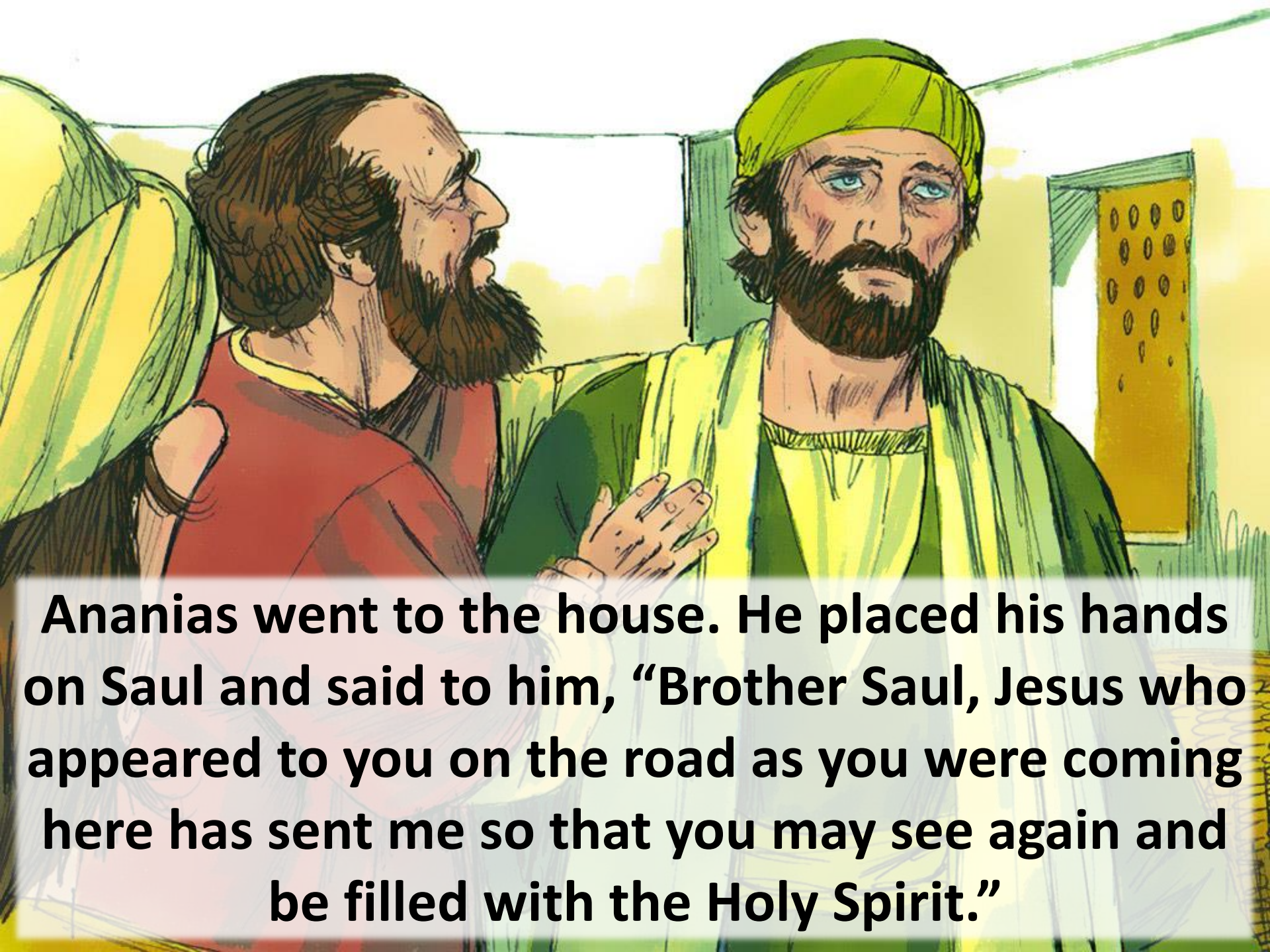




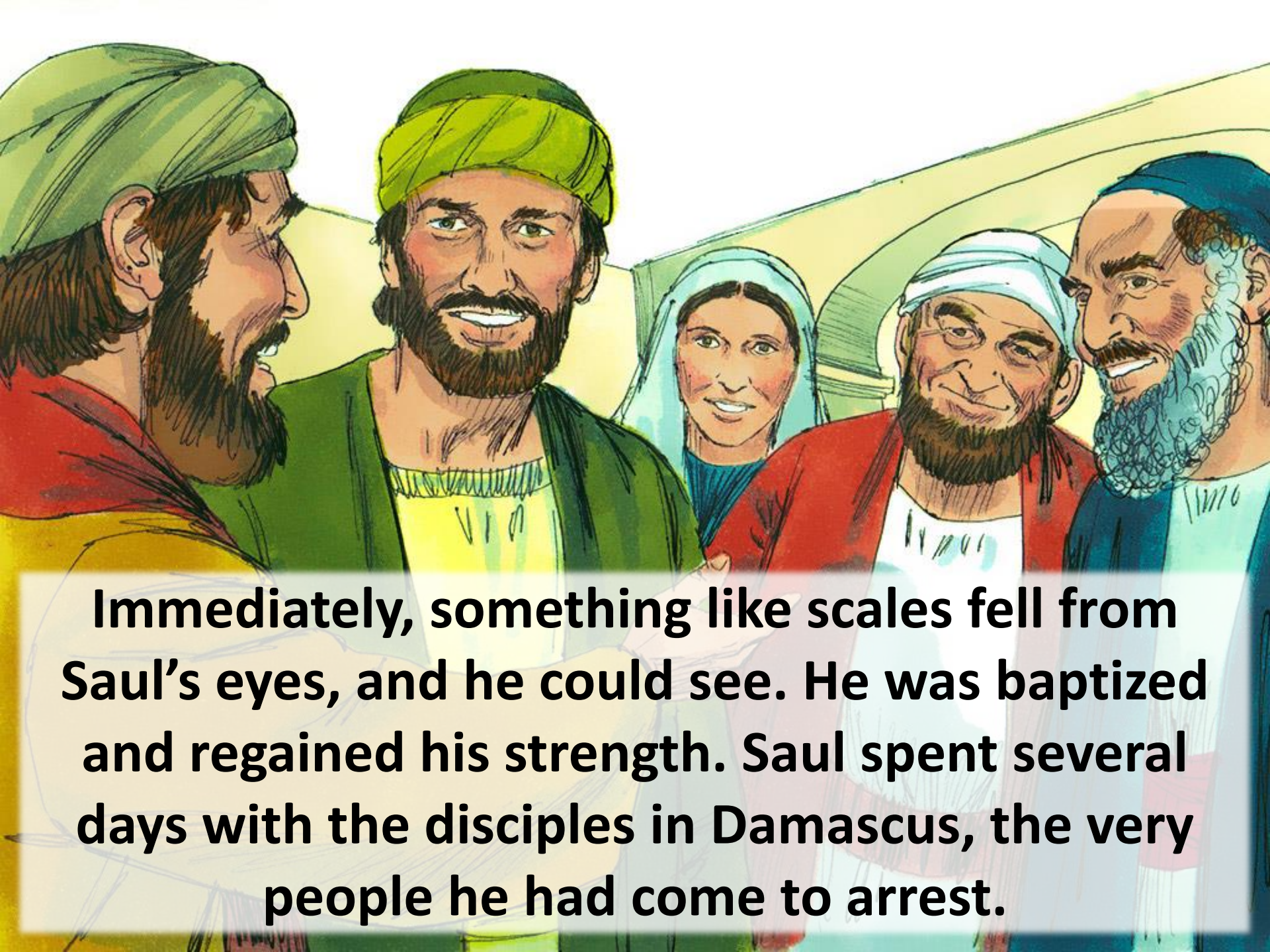
**In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias.  
The Lord called to him in a vision. “Ananias!”  
“Yes, Lord,” Ananias replied.**



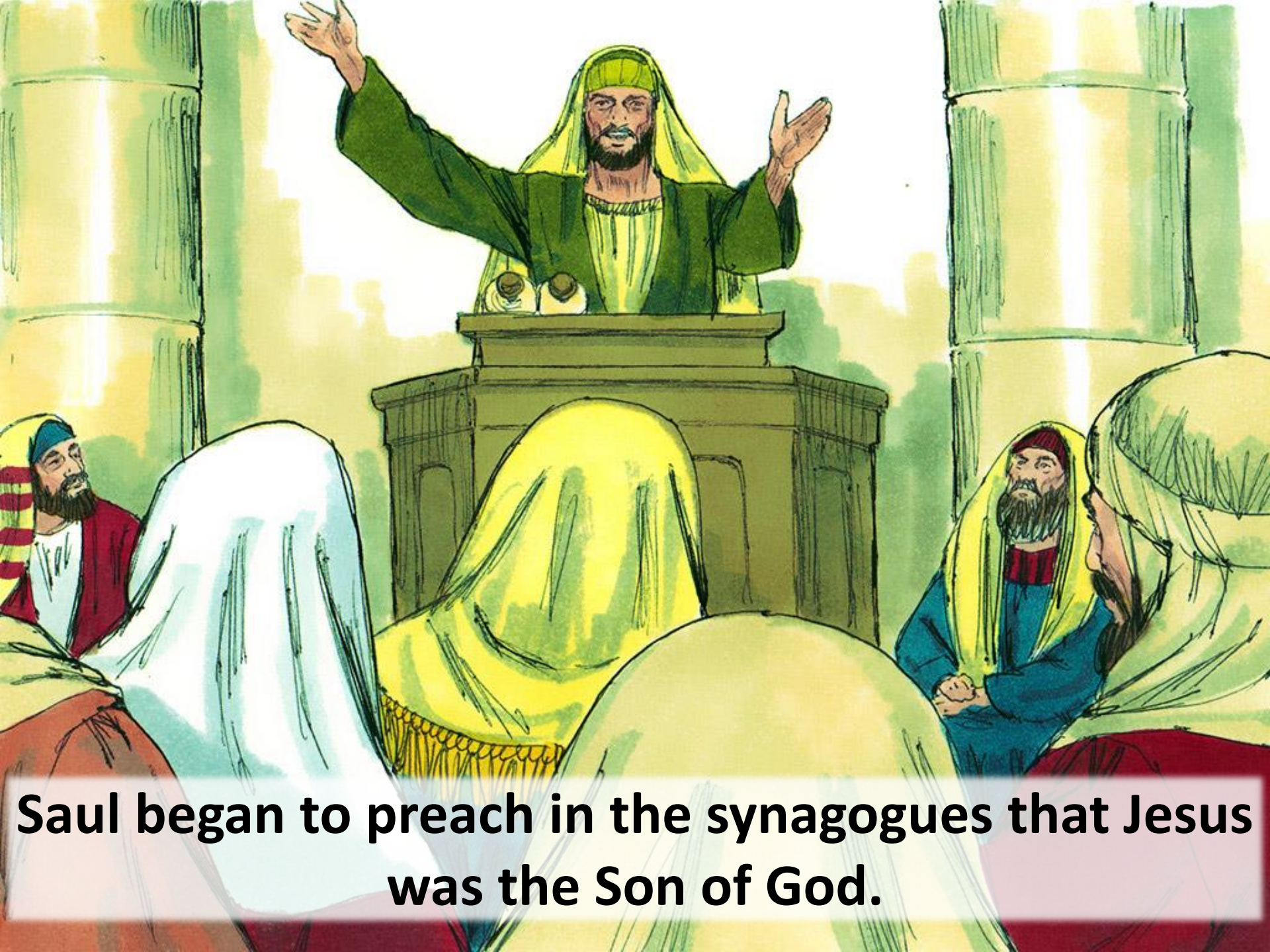
**“Lord,” Ananias answered, “This man has harmed your holy people in Jerusalem. And he has come with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name.”**



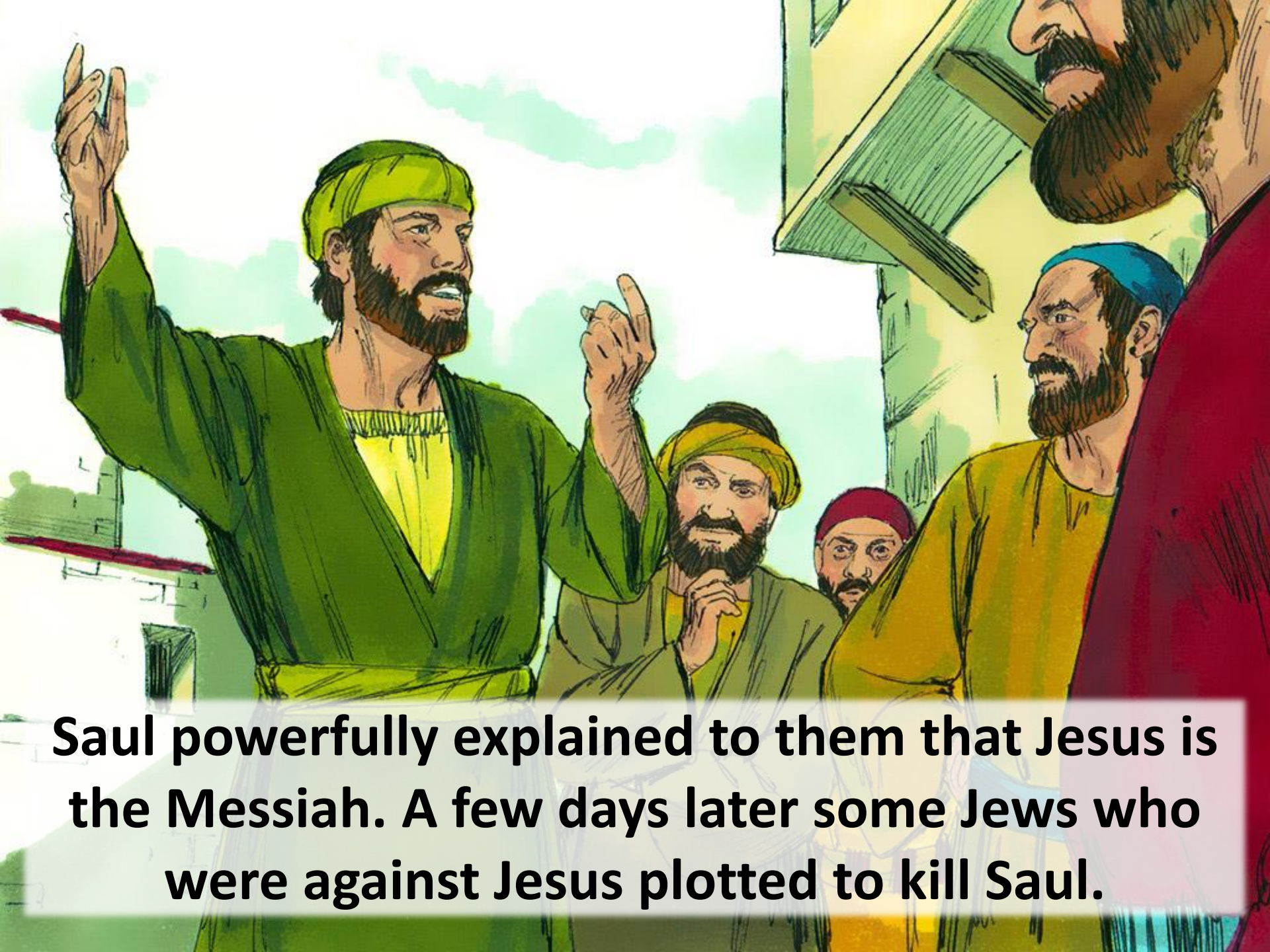
**Ananias went to the house. He placed his hands on Saul and said to him, “Brother Saul, Jesus who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit.”**



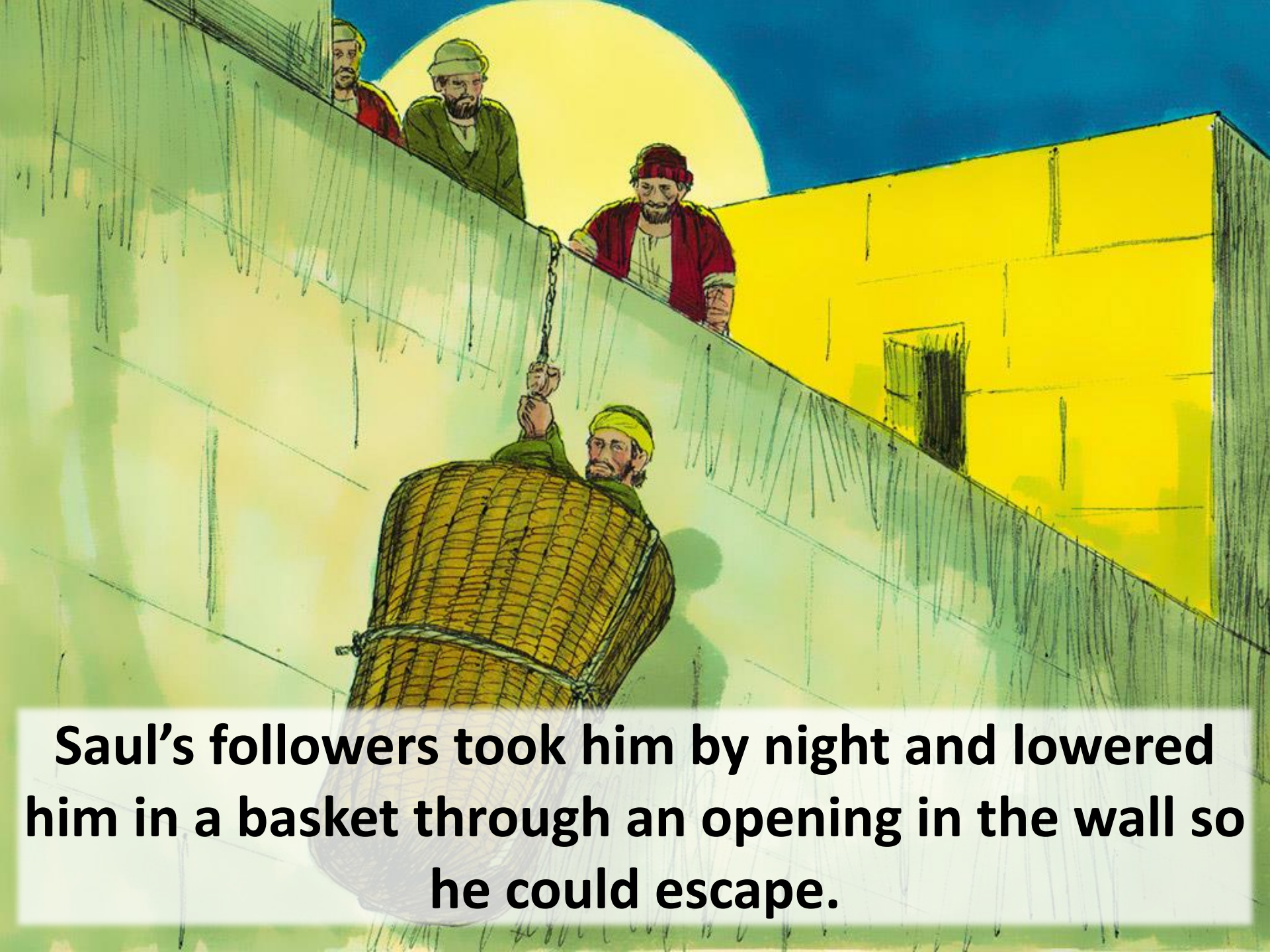
**Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see. He was baptized and regained his strength. Saul spent several days with the disciples in Damascus, the very people he had come to arrest.**



**Saul began to preach in the synagogues that Jesus was the Son of God.**



**Saul powerfully explained to them that Jesus is the Messiah. A few days later some Jews who were against Jesus plotted to kill Saul.**



**Saul's followers took him by night and lowered him in a basket through an opening in the wall so he could escape.**



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