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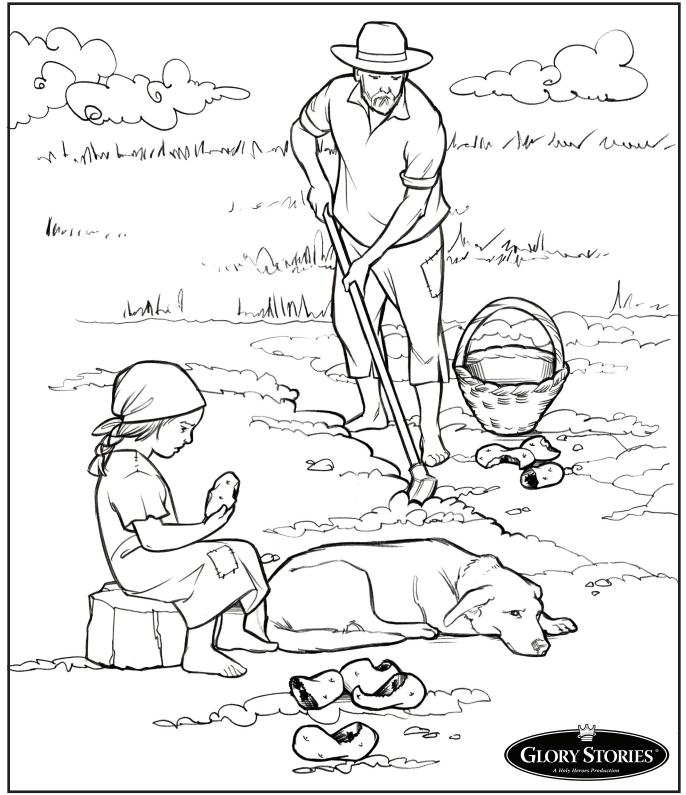
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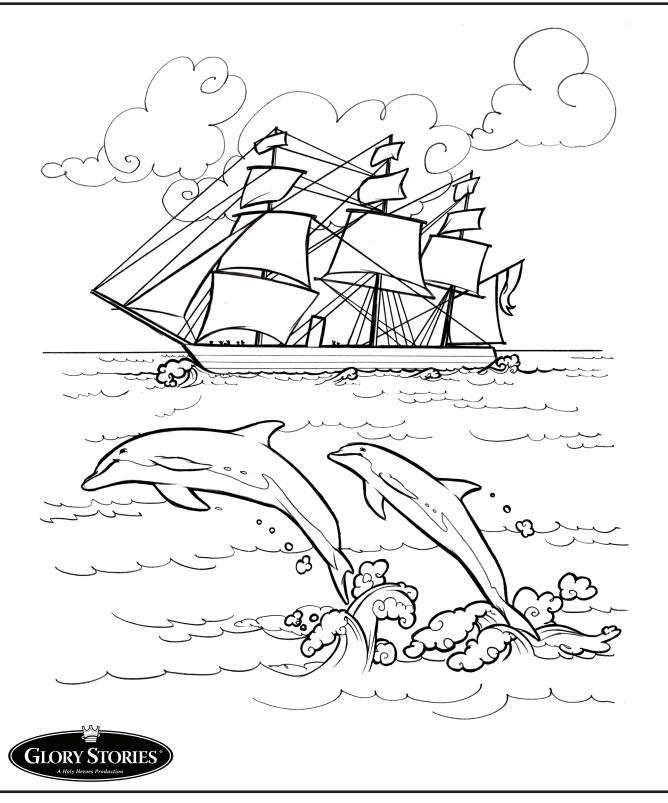
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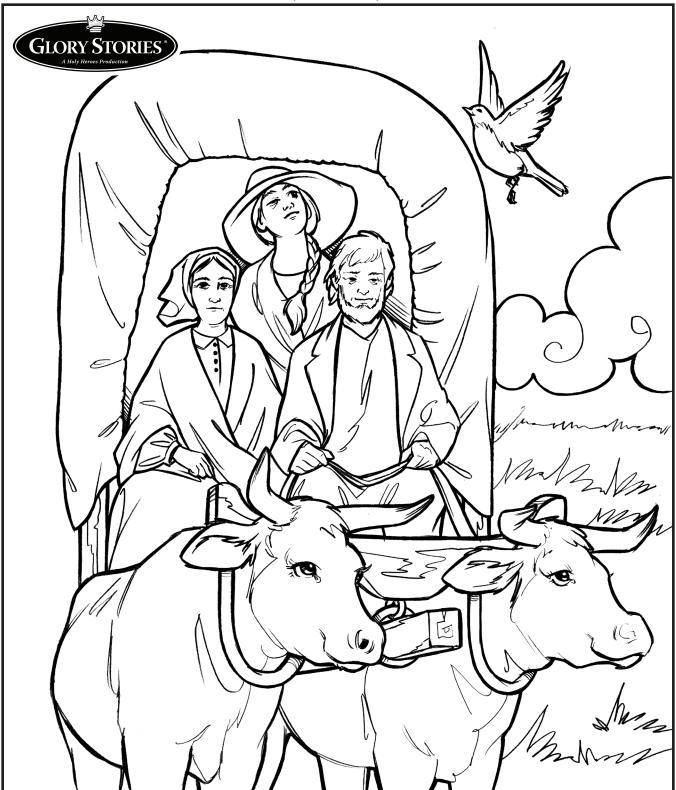
Marie Adele Joseph Brise was born on January 30, 1831, in Belgium. When she was very young, her eye was blinded by an accident. Despite her injury, Adele never felt sorry for herself and prayed this line from St. Paul's Letter to the Corinthians: "... for we walk by faith and not by sight."



When Adele was 13 years old, the Great Potato Famine spread across northern Europe. Because Adele and other poor families relied on potatoes for food, they struggled to find food during these difficult years.



Finally, after 10 years of struggle, Adele and her family made the difficult decision to travel across the Atlantic Ocean and move the family to America in search of a better life.



Adele and her family made the long journey to Wisconsin, braving many dangers and trusting God to take care of them. In her new home, Adele worked and waited for God to show her His plan in this strange new country.



One of Adele's chores was to get flour from the nearest mill... over 4 miles away! While her sister, Isabel, was afraid of the wild animals, Adele loved these walks among the trees.



While walking through the woods one day, a lady dressed in white suddenly appeared! She was beautiful and had a yellow sash around her waist. While Adele stood in shock, the woman hovered in the trees before slowing fading away.