

Class: 4-5 yr. olds

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Lesson #: V111-8

Text: Esther 1-2

Teacher: Monty + Brenda
Fennell

Memory Verse: prov. 30:5-6

Concept development

Faith ~ Knowing the importance of commitment

CPB

Lesson

Words to define: _____

Body:

Read Story from Children's Picture Bible
(pg. 164)

Activities:

Wed. Night do the coloring pg. of
Queen Esther's Palace. I had to read
each thing to be colored & what color.

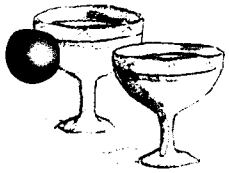
Questions:

Who was the King? What was
the name of the girl that the King
picked to be queen? Why did he
pick her?



Queen Esther Helps
Esther 1-5, 8

Esther Becomes Queen



Between the time of the rebuilding of the temple in Jerusalem and the time of Nehemiah, there was a king of Persia called Xerxes. He ruled over the great Persian empire, which included Babylonia. Xerxes was a moody, unpredictable man. Like all eastern kings at that time, he had a huge harem with many wives. But amongst these he had only one queen, the beautiful Queen Vashti.

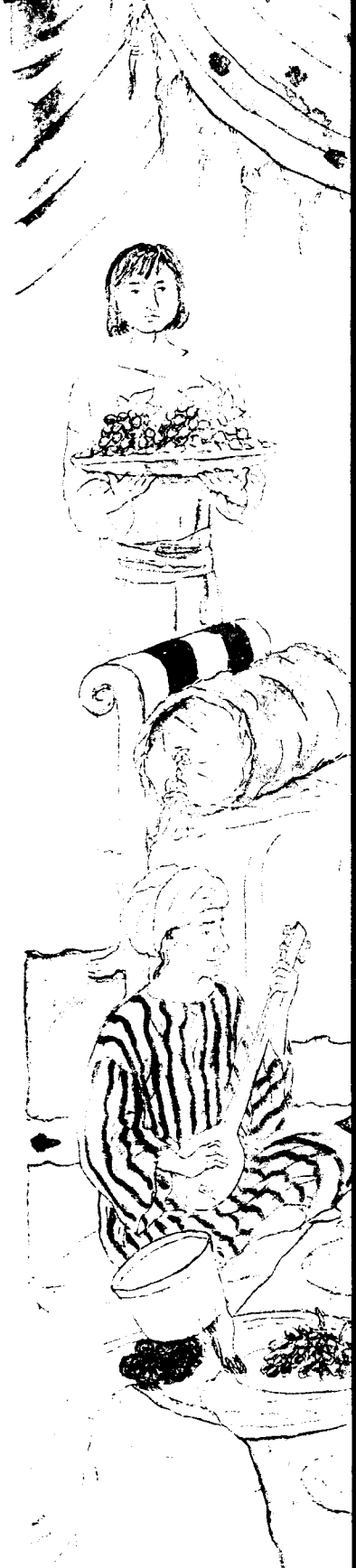
Unfortunately, Queen Vashti offended Xerxes in the third year of his reign. As a result, the Emperor banished her from his kingdom.

The king's ministers suggested that he find a new queen. "Let a search be made for beautiful young girls throughout the land," they said. "The king can choose a new queen from these." The Emperor liked this idea. So, all the prettiest girls were brought to the palace to be presented to the king.

Amongst those chosen was a beautiful Jewish girl, called Esther. She was an orphan and had been adopted by her cousin, Mordecai. He was one of the Jews who still lived in Babylon.

Mordecai escorted Esther to the palace, and was given a job there so, as her guardian, he could watch over her. Mordecai advised his cousin not to tell anyone that she was Jewish.

When finally the lovely young girls were presented to the Emperor, Esther was the one whom he found to be the most attractive in every way. "You shall be my queen!" said Xerxes. And then he gave a great banquet for his beautiful new bride.

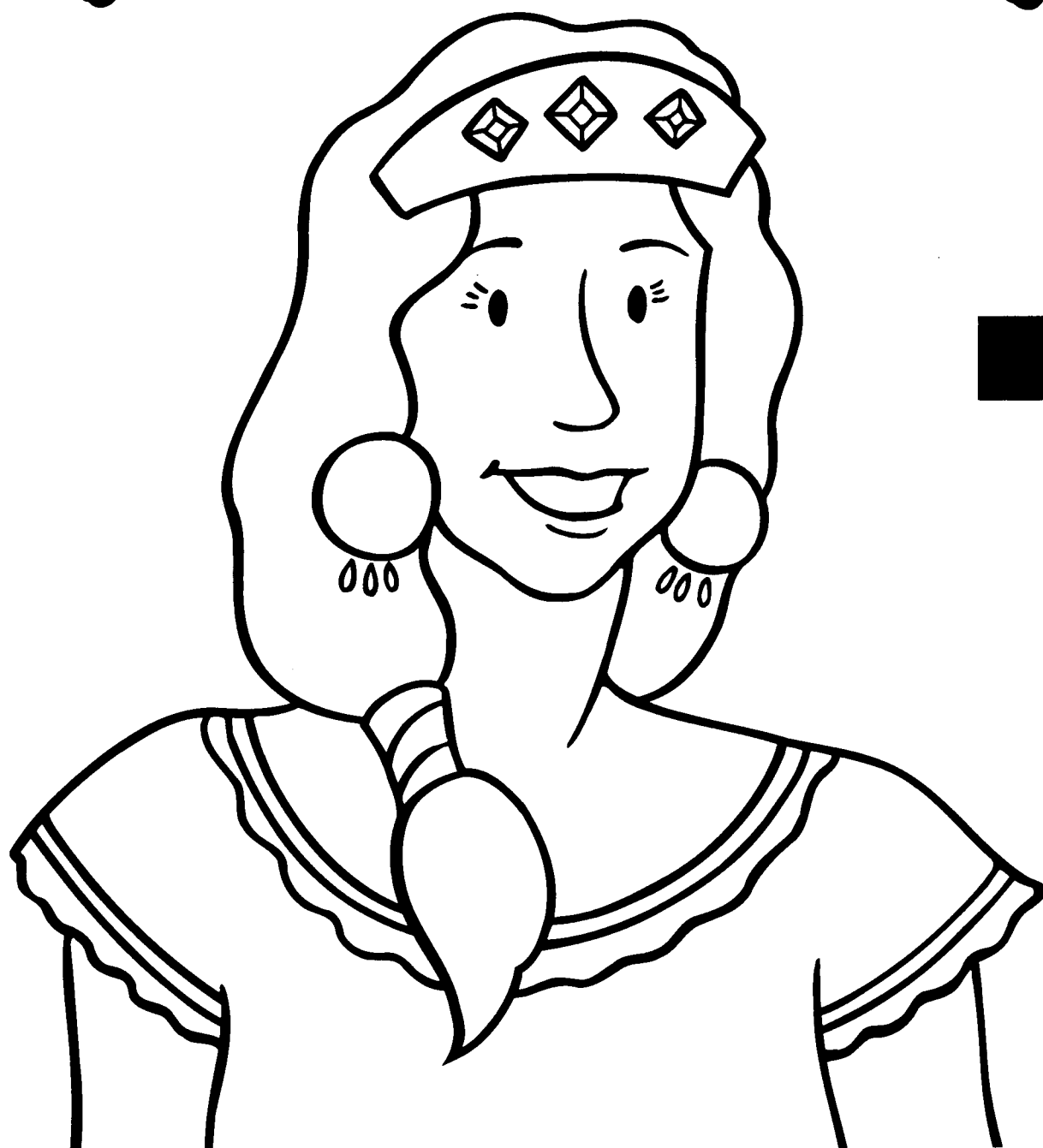


Esther is chosen queen.

Esther 2:1-18

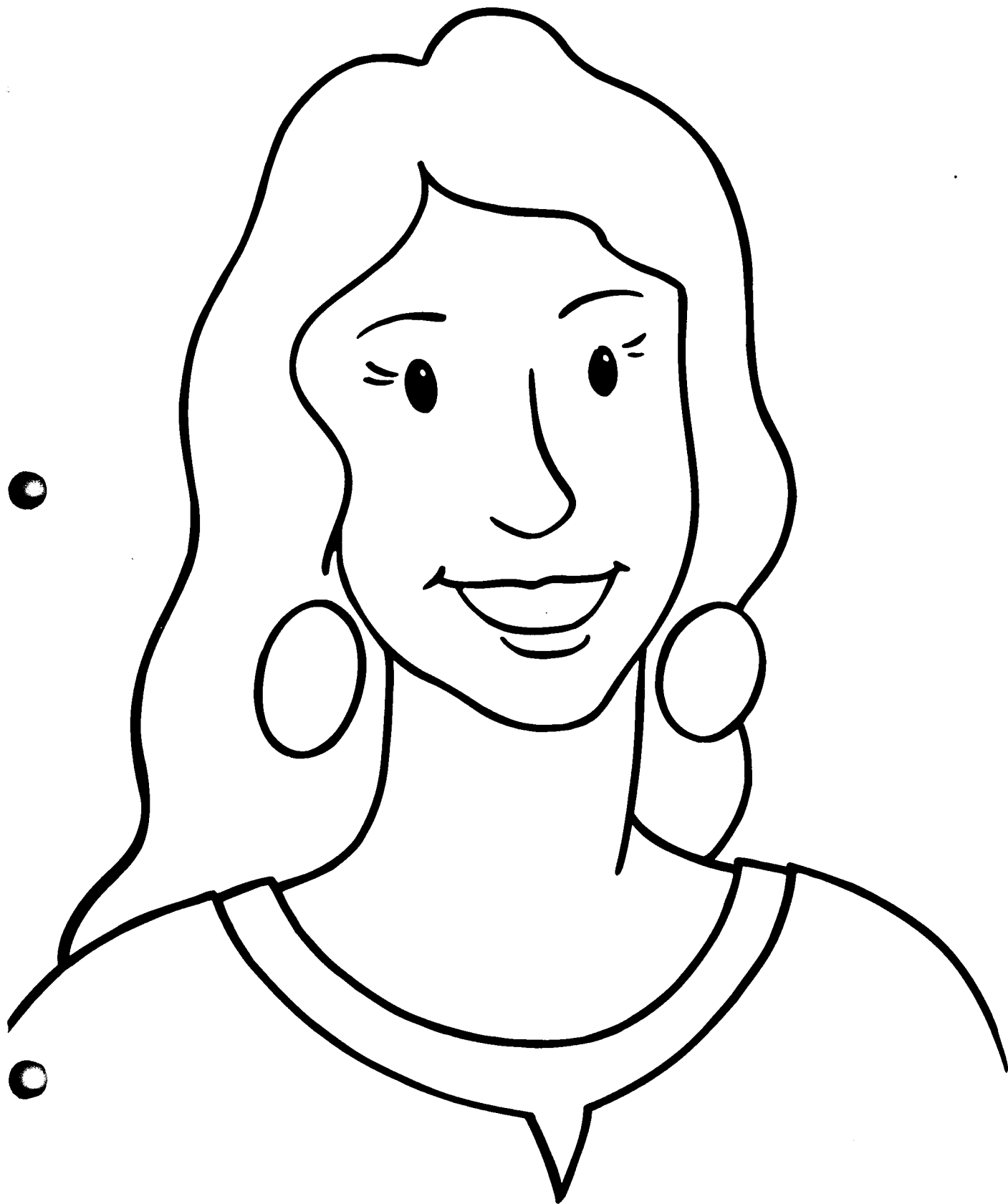


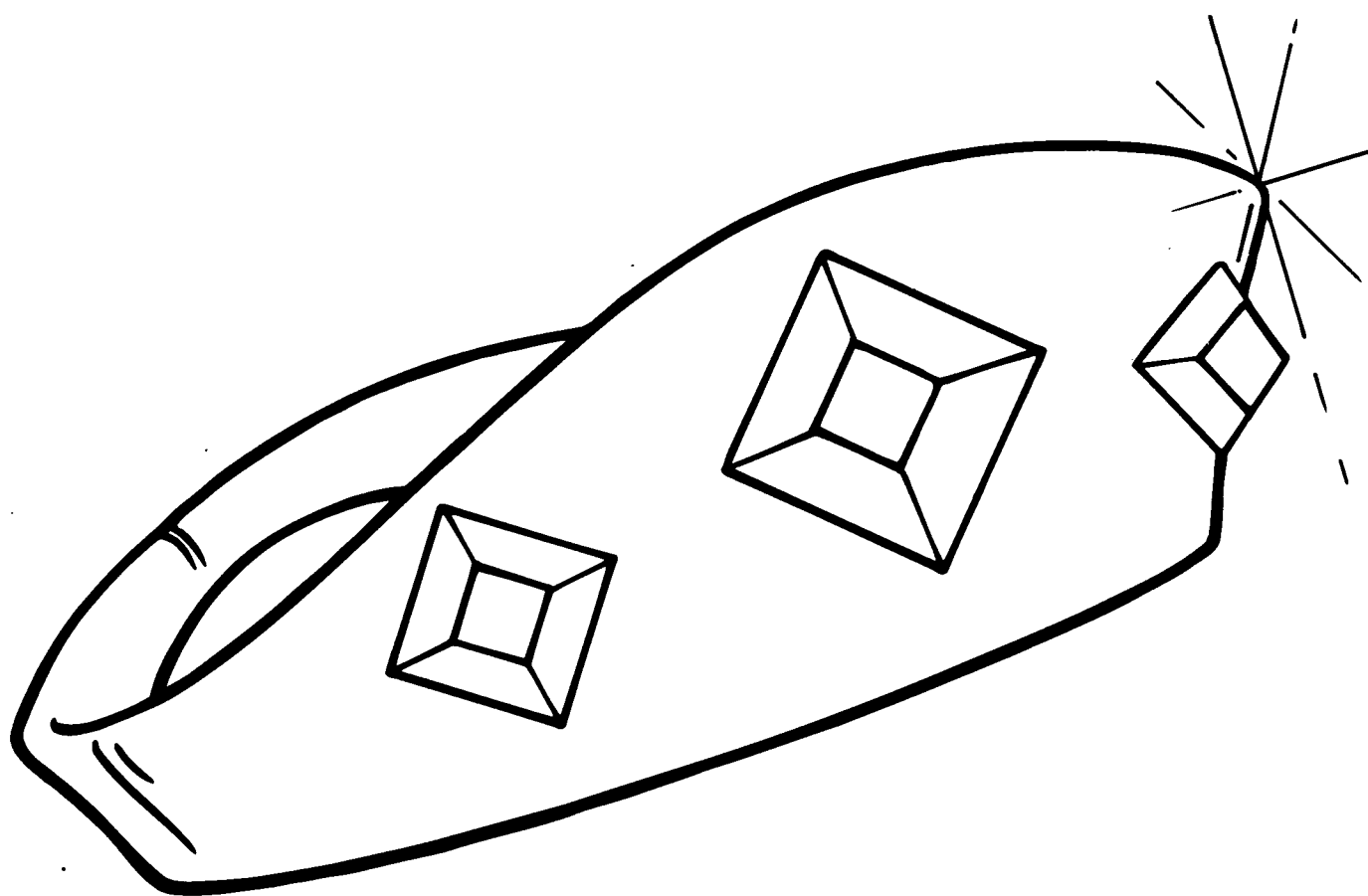
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Esther

beautiful Esther



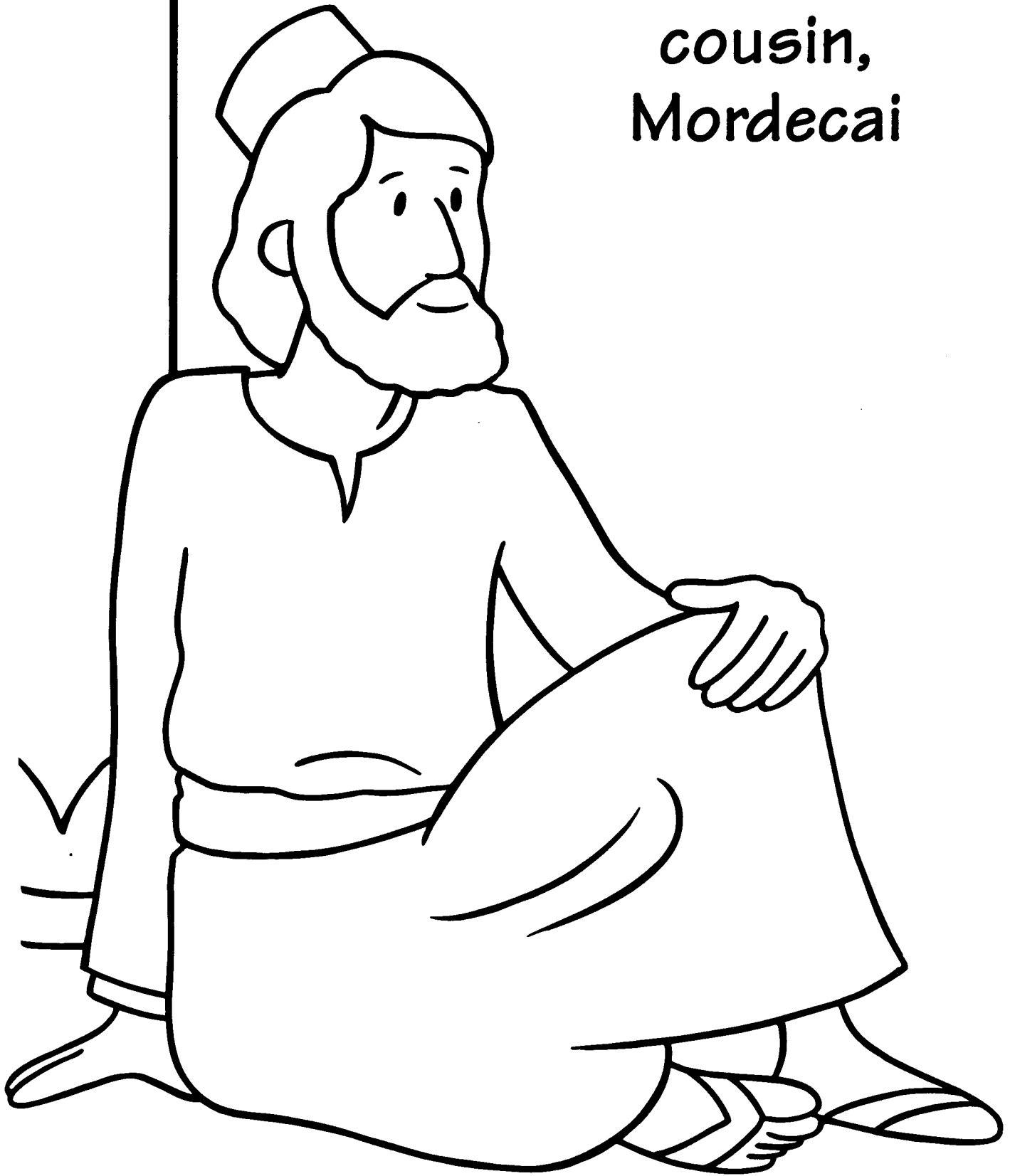


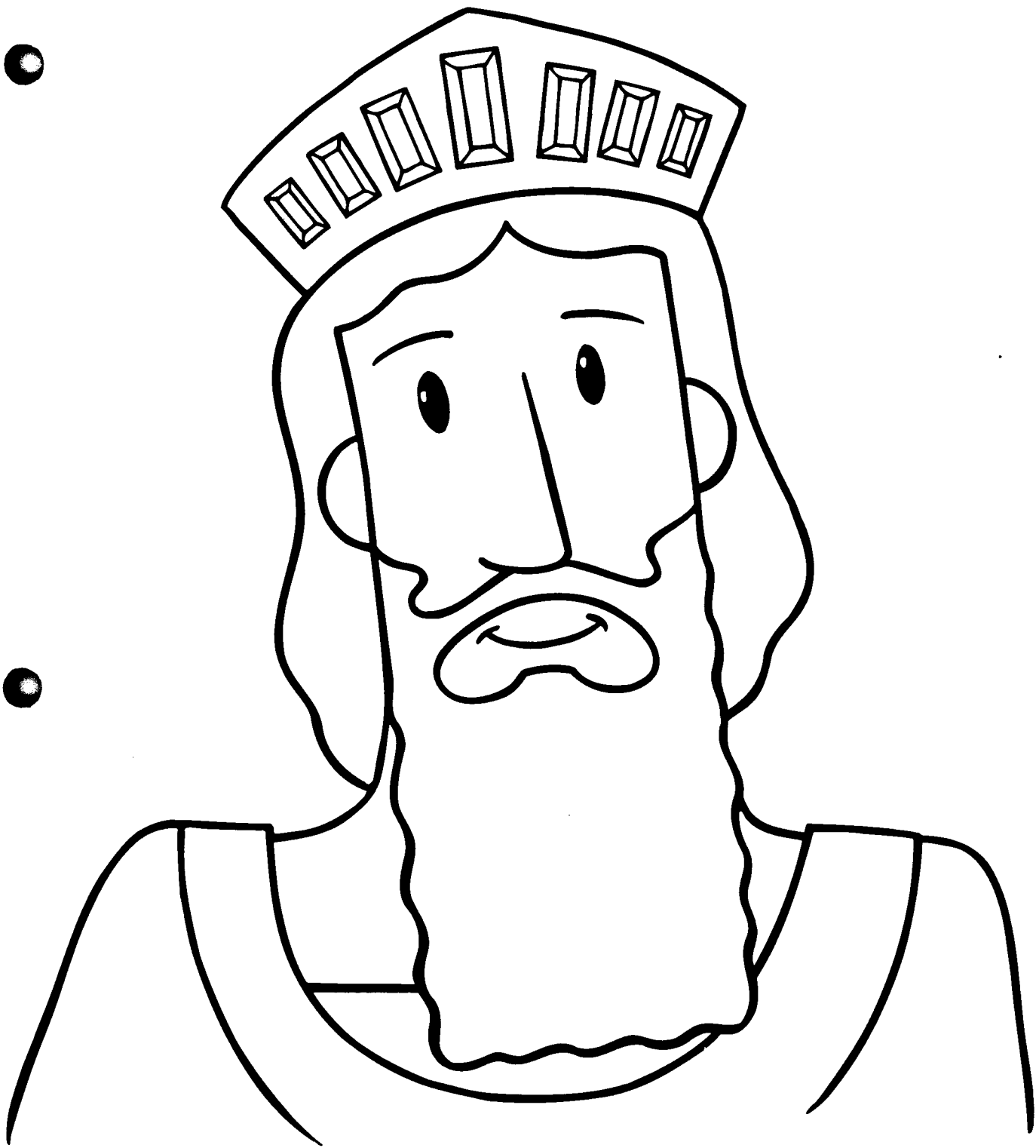
Esther's crown

the new queen

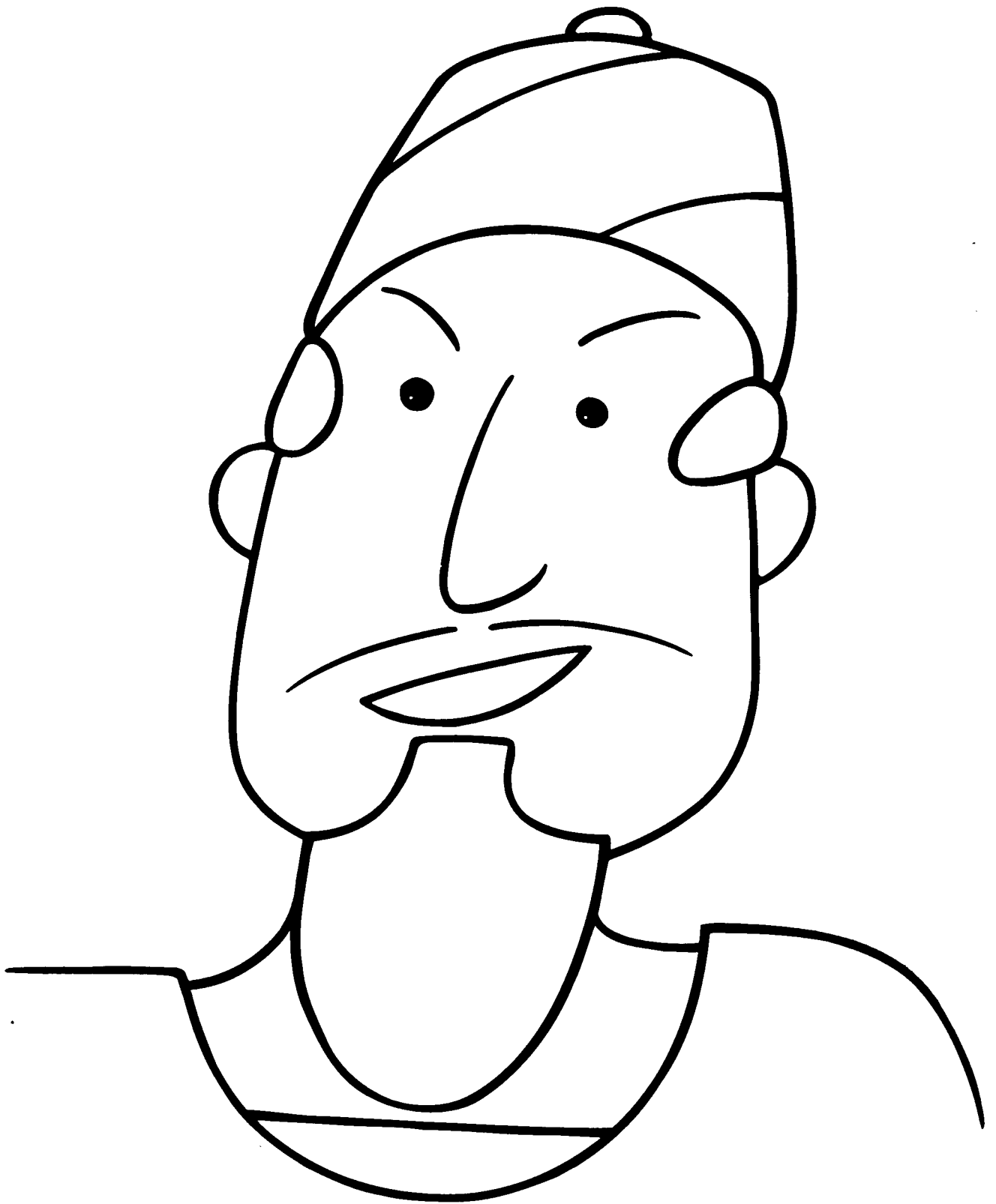


Esther's
cousin,
Mordecai



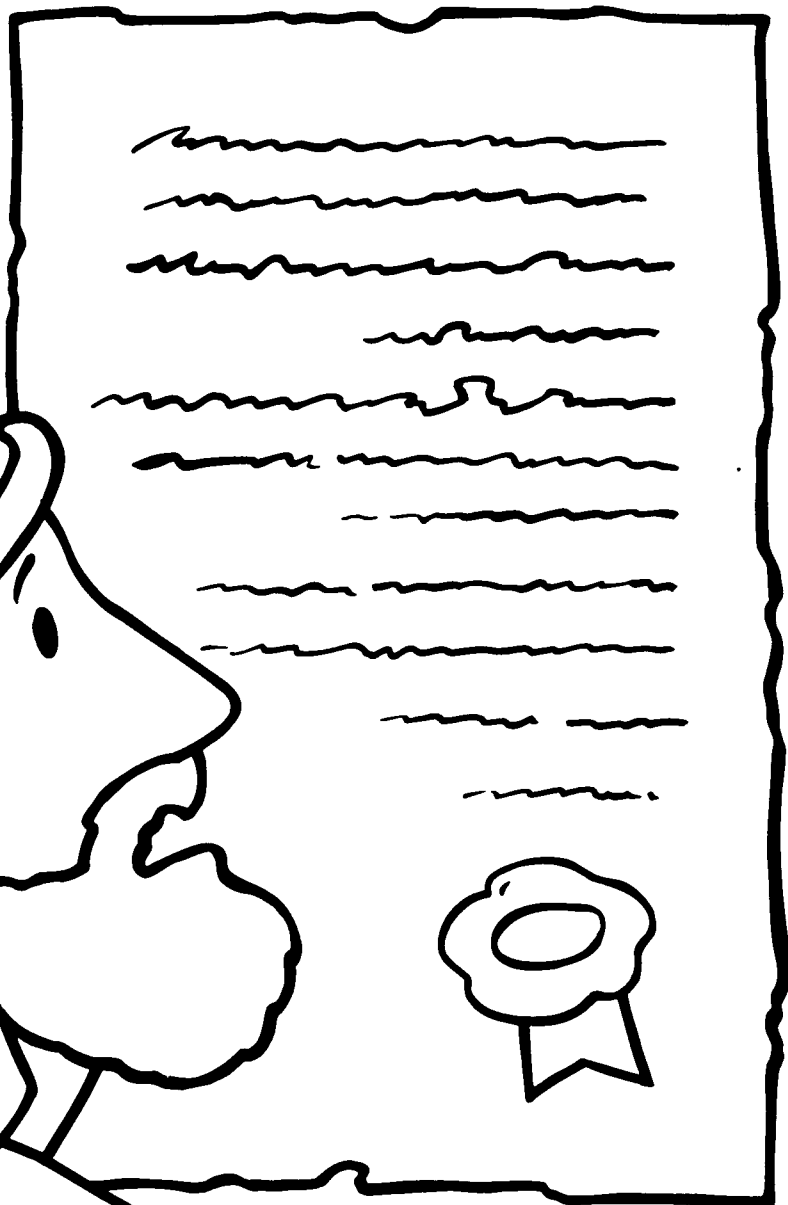


King Xerxes



evil Haman

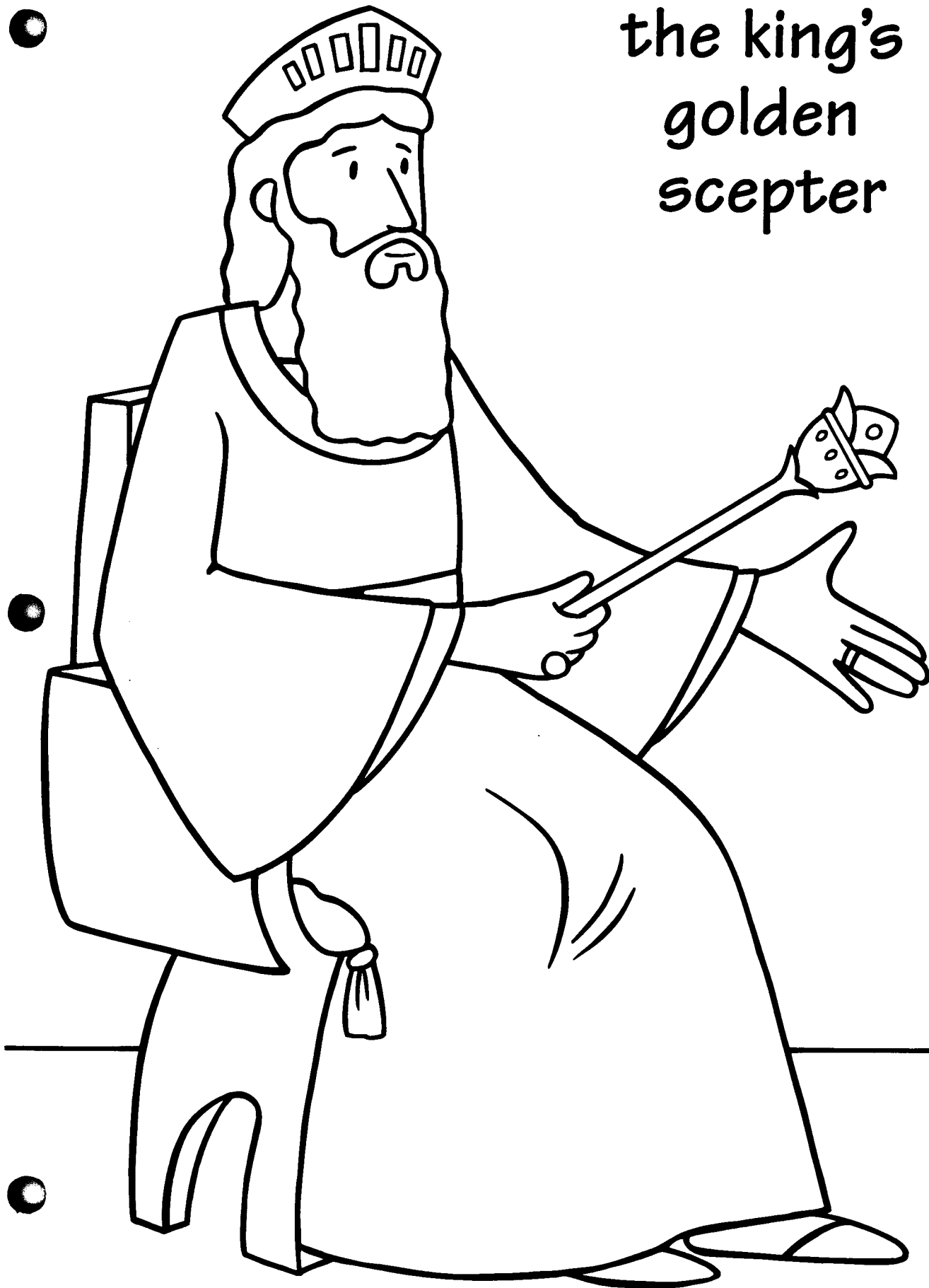
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law



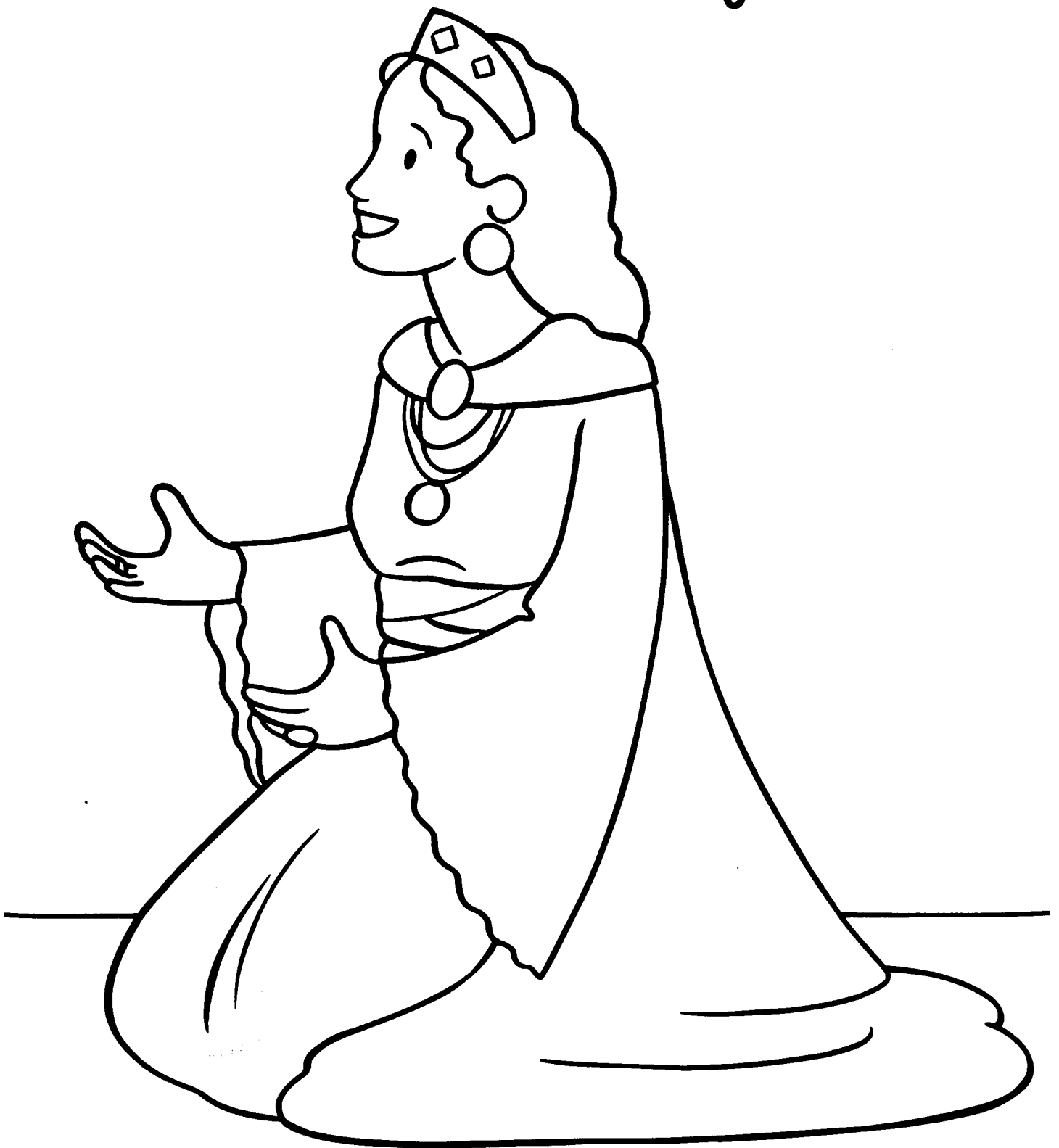


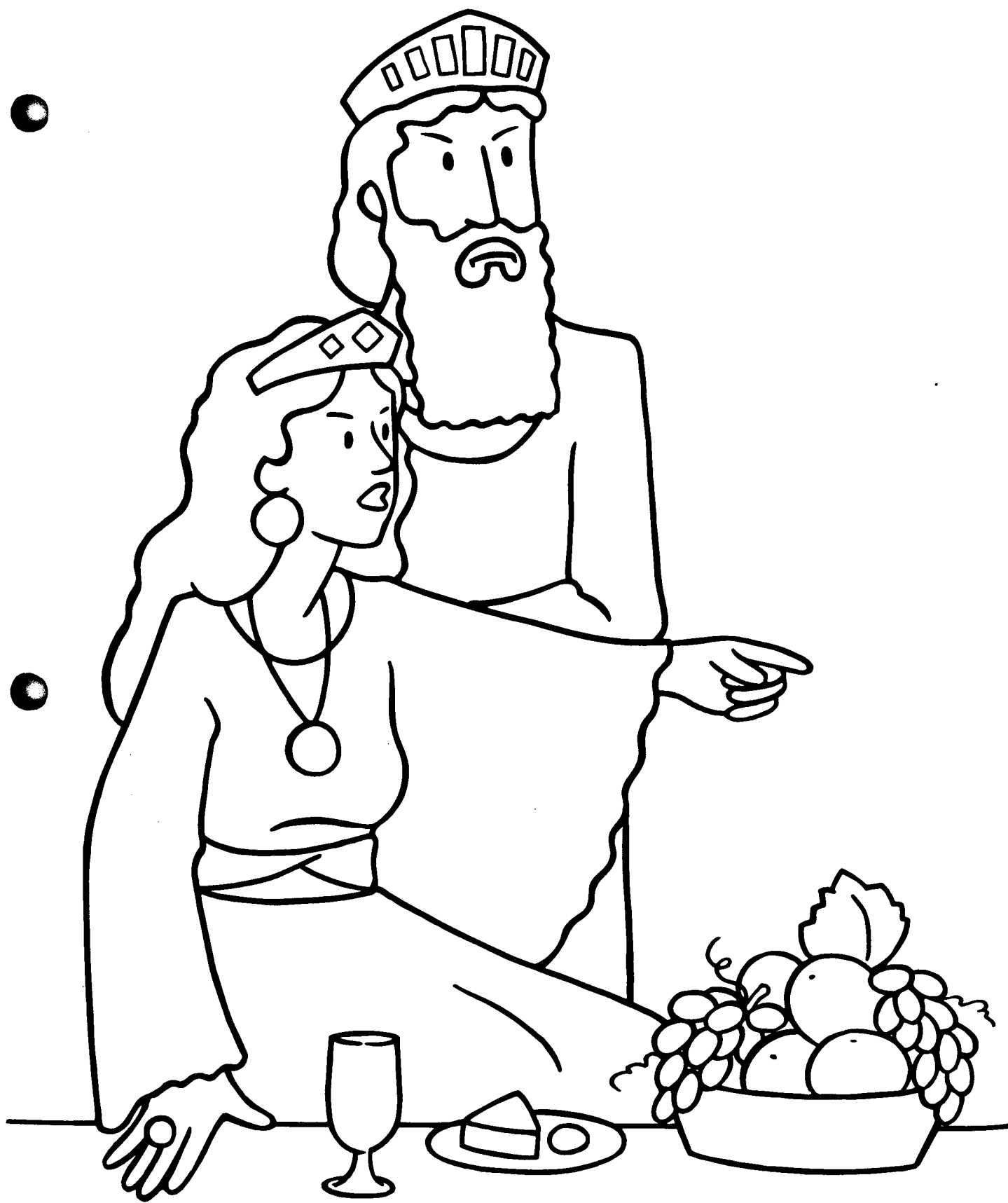
Mordecai asks for help.

the king's
golden
scepter



“Come to
my feast.”

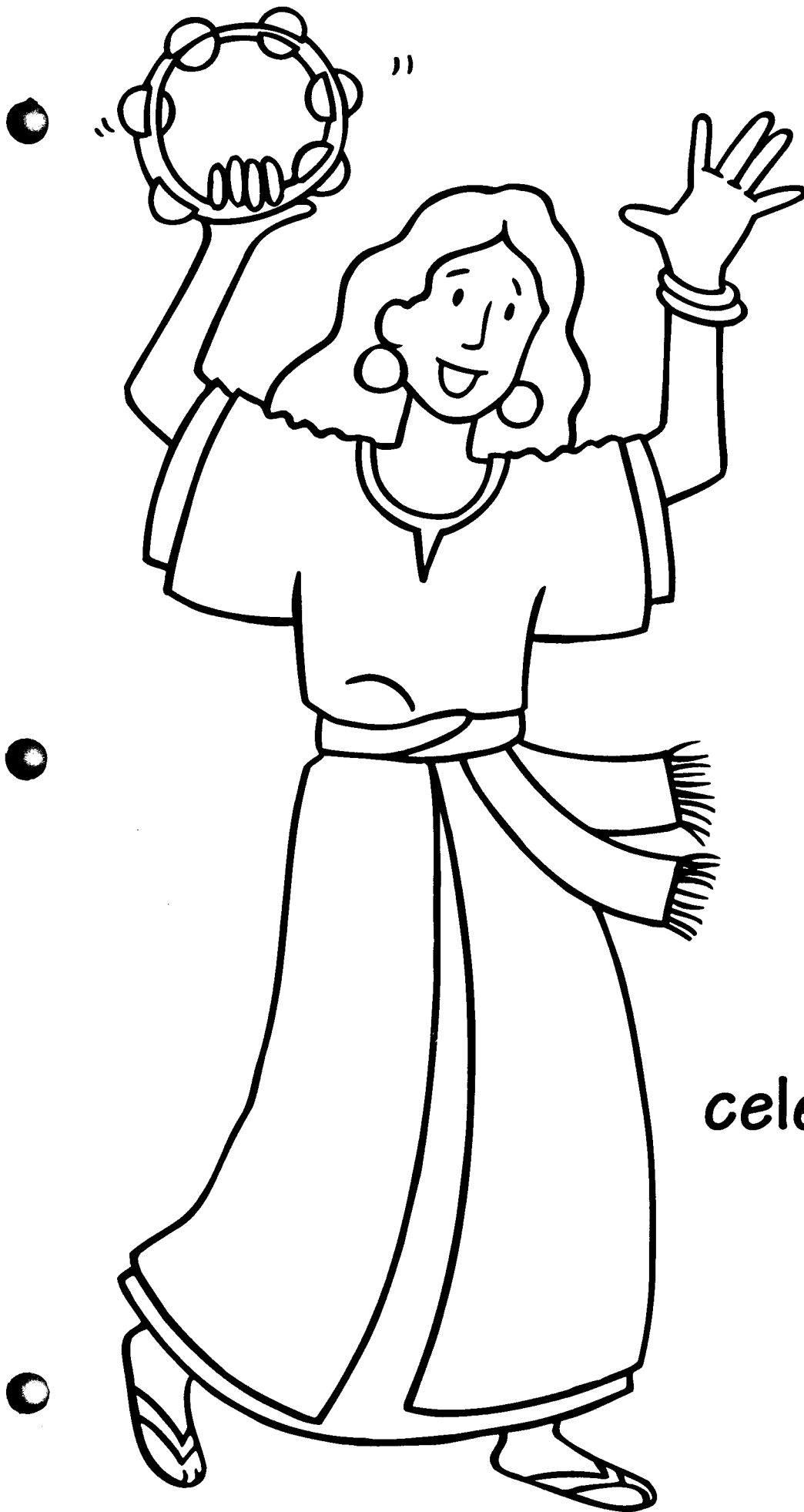




Esther reveals Haman's bad plan.



Haman



a big
celebration