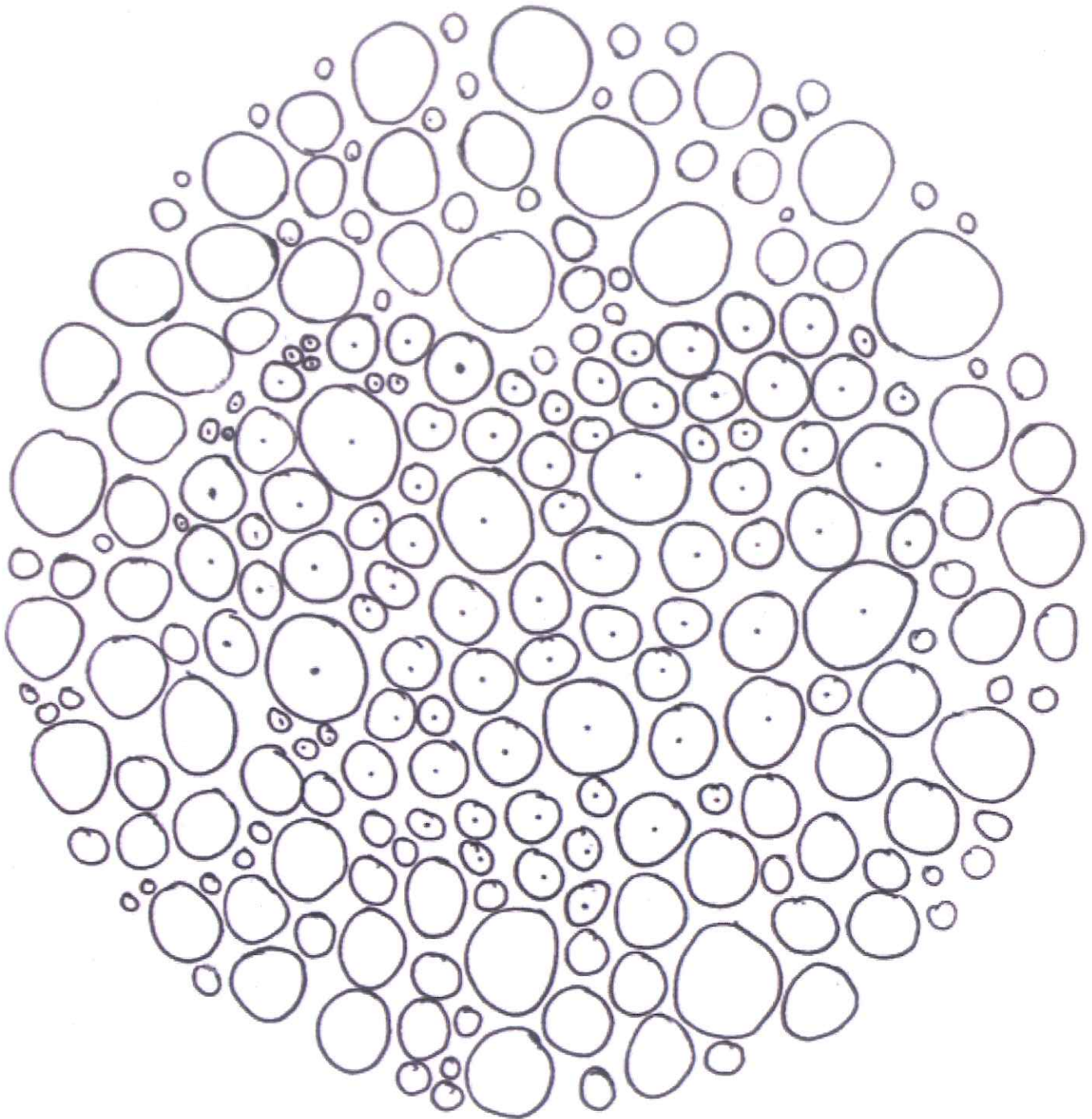


GOD IS LIKE...

HOSEA 11:1-9



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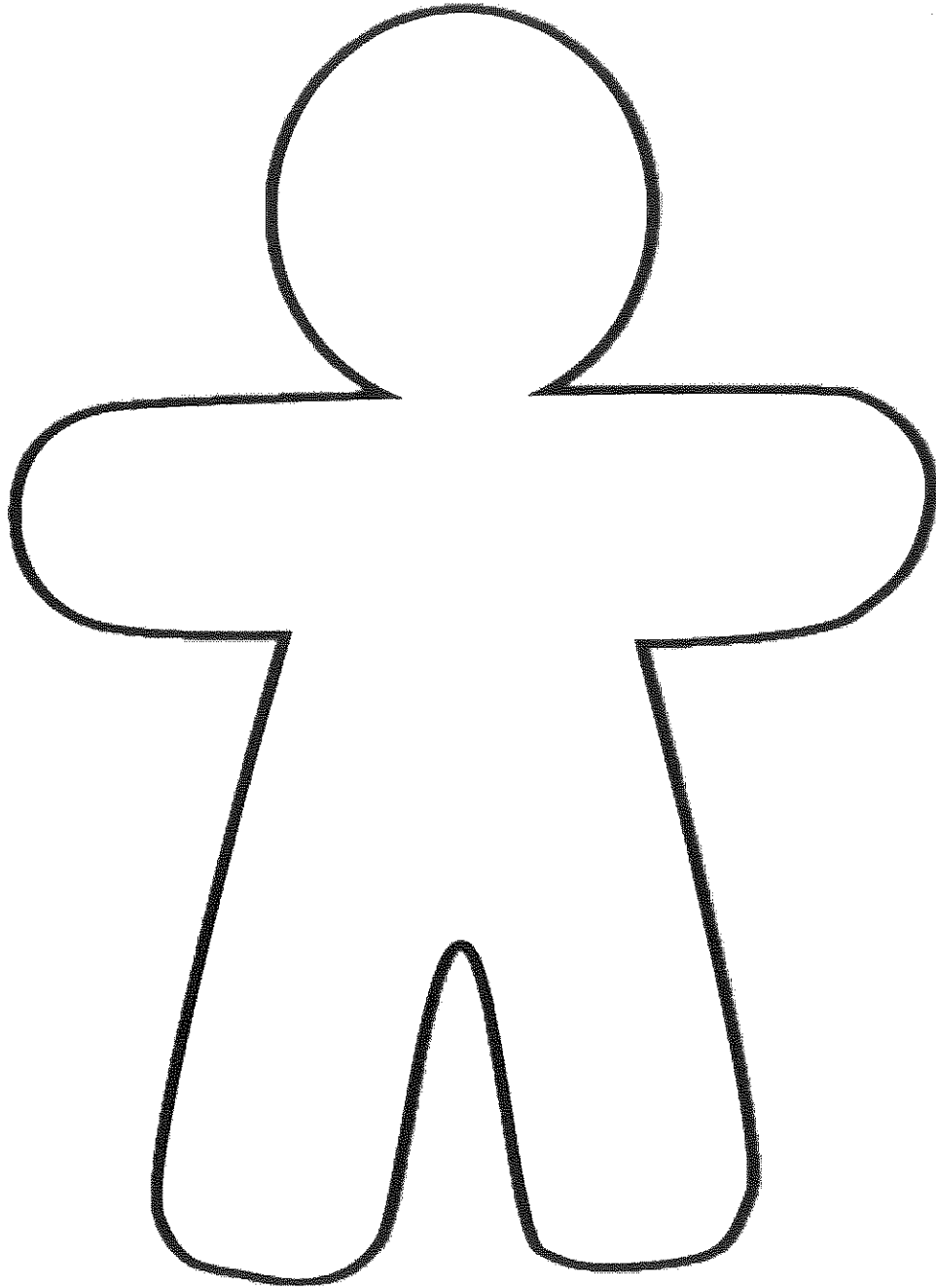
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DID YOU KNOW?

When God describes God's self in Exodus the description we get is simply **"I AM WHO I AM."**

Not boy or girl, or old or young, or anything else that would describe a person.

That's because God's not a person, but a presence. That's a really big idea in a very small sentence!



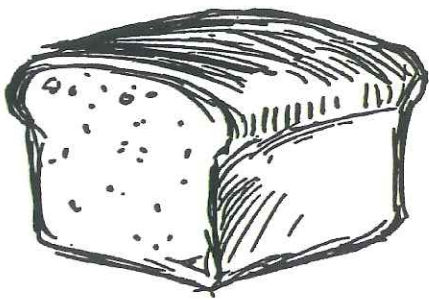
Describe or draw yourself on the outline above - things you like to do, favorite things, hair colour, height, or anything else that explains who you are.

Now think about this: All of these things help to describe you, but they aren't even close to all of the things that make up who you are. When we talk about God we have to talk about smaller pictures so that we can understand even a little bit about a God who is big enough to create and care for everything.

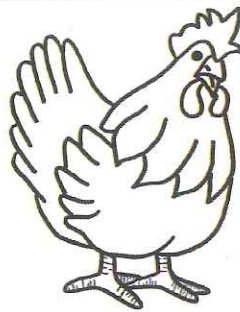
SO WHAT EXACTLY IS A SIMILE?

A simile (sim-ah-lee) is a special word that helps to describe something by bringing an image to our minds for us to compare. The Bible uses these words, pictures and symbols a lot to help describe what our very big God is like in ways that we can understand. These descriptions can't possibly give us the whole picture of God, but they can help us to relate to God.

Below are some similes that the Bible uses to help describe God. Circle the ones that make sense to you and underline any that seem strange to you. Then compare with someone else after the service!



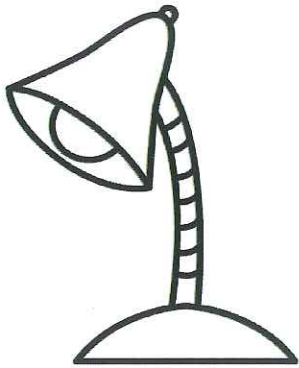
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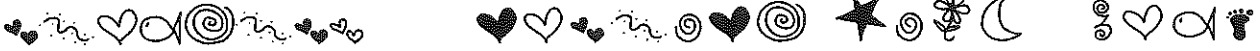
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CAN YOU THINK OF ANY OTHER SYMBOLS THAT REMIND YOU OF WHAT GOD IS LIKE?

DECODE THE MESSAGE BELOW!

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"MY _____ ARE _____"



_____, "SAYS THE LORD. "AND _____ ARE



YOU _____



-ISAIAH 55:8

Some of these ideas can feel pretty confusing sometimes. If you have some questions, please write them here so you can talk to your mom or dad, or another adult about what they know about God later on!