



**Sunday 13 September
2020**

**You can see God wherever you see
love, joy, peace, PATIENCE, kindness,
goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and
self control**

Prayer:

When I'm looking forward,
Lord, help me to wait.

When I want something now,
Lord, help me to wait.

When I don't know what is going to
happen,
Lord, help me to wait.

When I'm feeling frightened,
Lord, help me to wait for you.
You are my strength,
you are my light,
you are my hope. **Amen.**

Bath Time: Use your child's next bath
time to reenact the story of the man
at the Pool of Bethesda. Your bath
mat can serve as a mat to sit on, and
"stirring the water" can be a great
way to get a reluctant bather into
the water. Be sure to remind your
child that it was actually Jesus
himself who healed the man and not
the healing waters.

To Do:

This week think of ways you can practice
being patient:

- Colour in the picture on the next day -
it takes time to colour
- Put together a puzzle
- Wait for something to bake

Patience is about waiting without being
grumpy but being calm and cheerful. It can
be hard to wait. It is also about being
patient with people even when they do the
wrong thing.

**Read: The Healing at the Pool based
on John 5:1-9**

Once there was a man who had been
unable to walk for 38 years. Everyday he
sat on a mat beside a pool with lots of
other people who were sick, blind or
couldn't walk. If the water in the pool
began to bubble, the first people into the
pool would be healed. Because this man
couldn't walk, he had almost no chance of
being first.

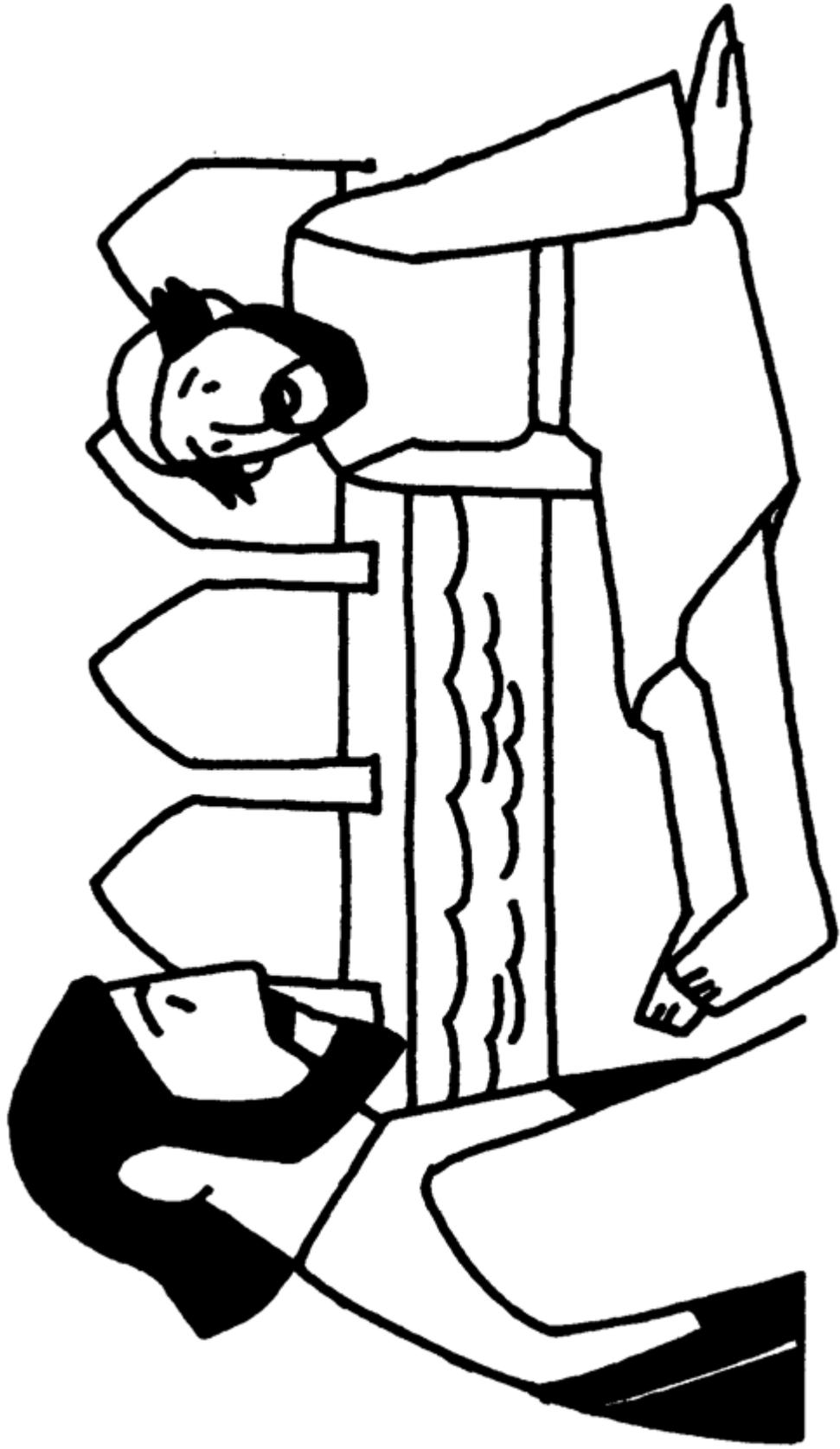
Jesus saw the man and knew that he had
been sick for a very long time. So Jesus
asked him, "Do you want to be well?"

The sick man answered, "Sir, there is no
one to help me get into the pool when the
water starts moving. I try to be the first
one into the water. But when I try,
someone else always goes in before I
can."

Then Jesus said, "Stand up. Pick up your
mat and walk." And immediately the man
was well. He picked up his mat and began
to walk.

Wow! Can you imagine how that man felt
in being able to walk?

How do you think you would be if you
weren't able to walk for 38 years?



Jesus healed the man beside the pool