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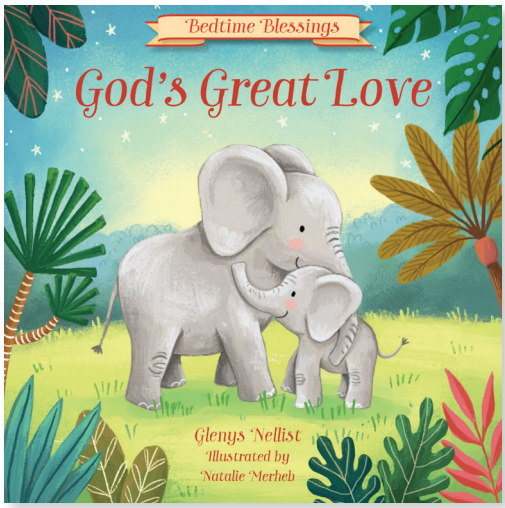

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A Note from the Author

Dear Friend, there is power in speaking a simple bedtime blessing over our children. When we say a blessing over our little ones using words of scripture, we create a truly sacred moment when our words, like seeds, take root in our children's minds and hearts. Tracing a simple symbol on their forehead or palm as you speak makes the experience tactile as well as auditory. Imagine the power of your child falling asleep every single night, secure in the knowledge that they are blessed by God and that they, themselves, are a blessing!

Here are a few 'tips' as you explore blessing your children.

- Although it's ideal to begin blessing your child when they are newborn, it's never too late to start!
- If they are older, let them choose between the shape of a cross or a heart, and if they prefer it traced on their forehead or palm.
- If desired, you may use water or an essential oil as you trace the symbol.
- Blessing your child isn't just for parents! Grandparents and caregivers can use it too.
- While this book is specifically targeted towards bedtime blessings, if you are involved in children's ministry, a powerful way to close each session is to bless each child in your care.

Ideas for Using the Blessing Cards

- Keep the 8 blessings in the Blessings Box by your child's bed. Let them choose their own blessing each night. (Remember to add their name before repeating the words.)
- Play a matching game. Print out two lots of Blessings Cards. Turn them over and see if your child can find a matching pair.
- Make a Blessings Box containing the 8 blessings as gifts for a new baby or a teacher.
- Help your child look up the different blessings in their Bibles. Or perhaps you can find other blessings to add to the collection.

Ideas for Using the Blessings Prints

- Put in a frame and give as a baby shower or baptism gift.
- Enlarge and frame to decorate baby's nursery.
- Enlarge, laminate and use in your church nursery or preschool room.
- Gift a framed print to your child's preschool or Sunday school teacher.

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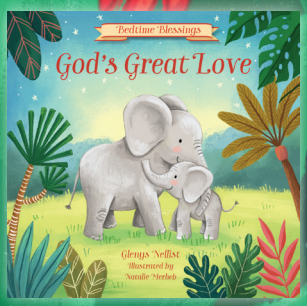

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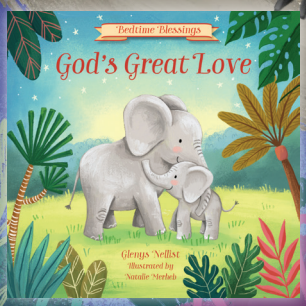

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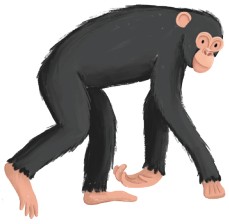
Match the Mama Animal to Her Baby

Draw a line from left to right to match the animals.



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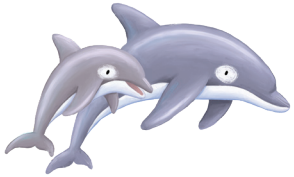
Follow the lines to take each animal to its home!



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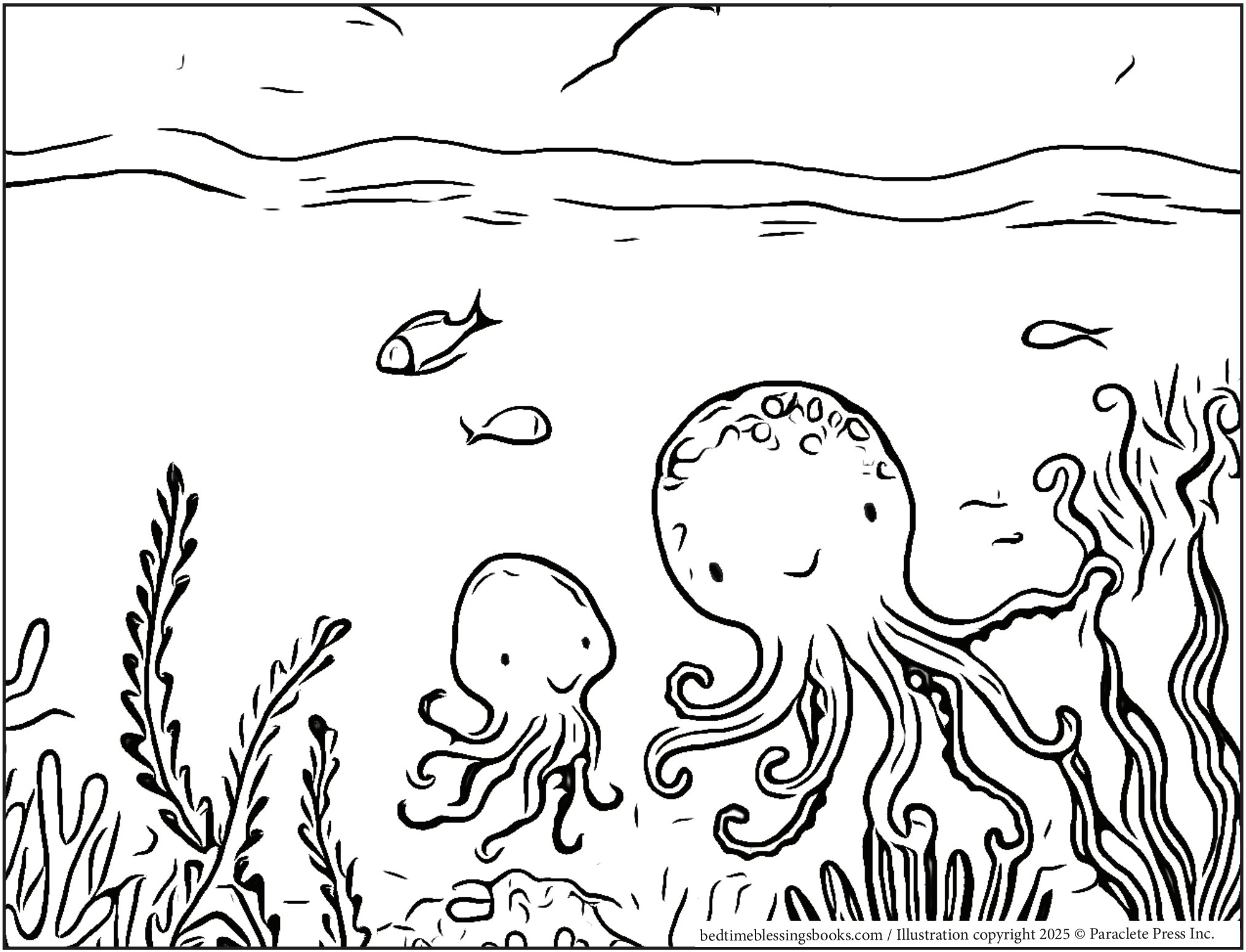
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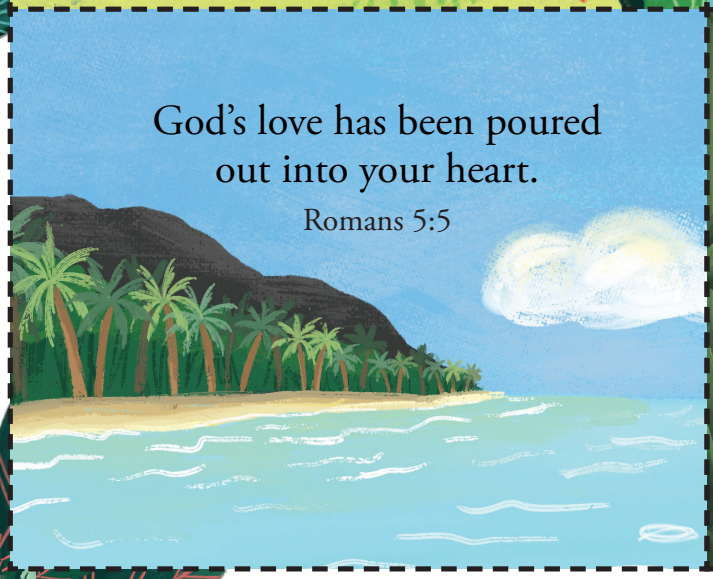
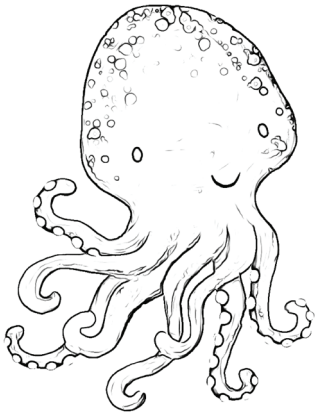


Instructions:

1. Print on cardstock.
2. Color and decorate the box.
3. Cut out.
4. Fold along the dotted lines.
5. Glue tabs inside to make the box



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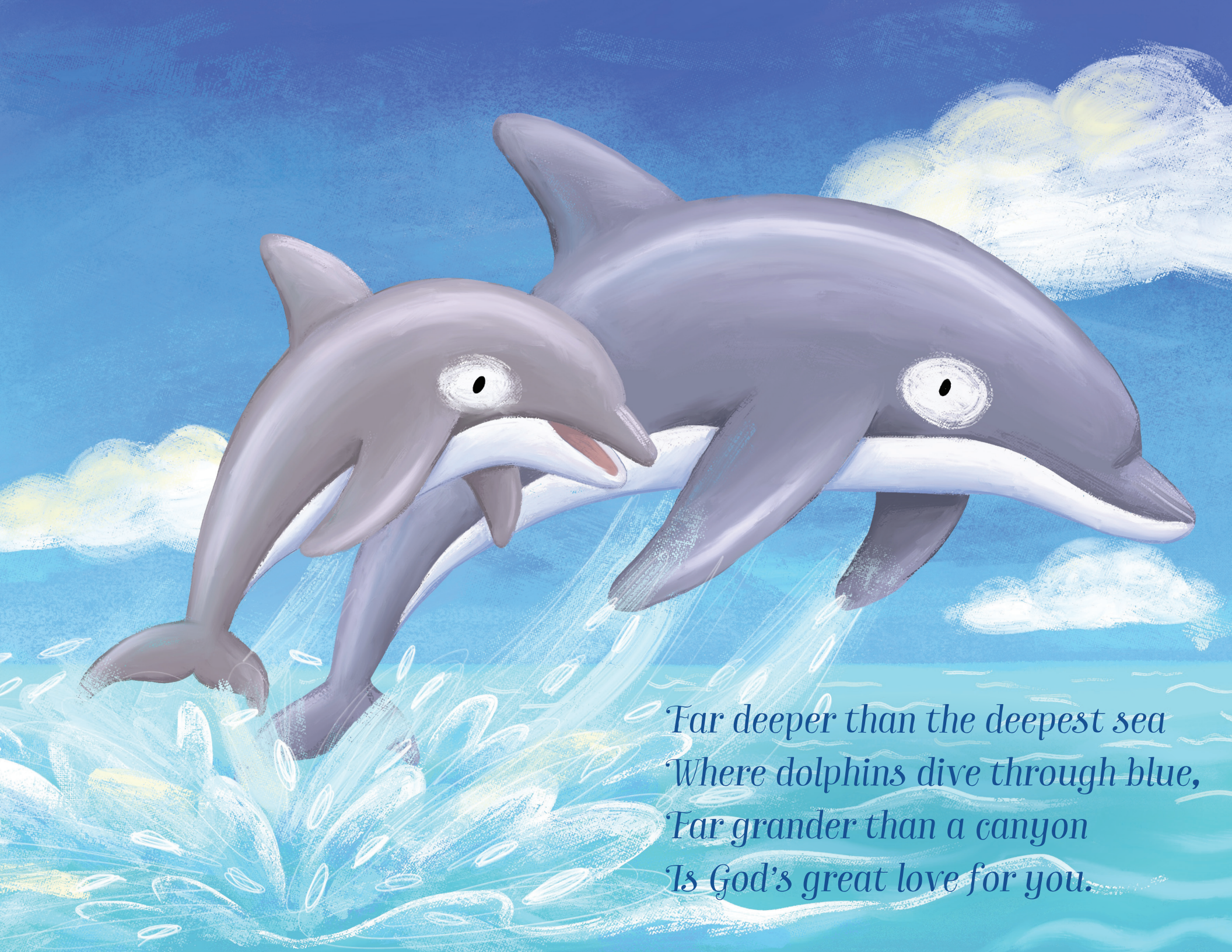
Nothing at all can ever separate
you from God's love.
Romans 8:39


Far deeper than the deepest sea
Where dolphins dive through blue,
Far grander than a canyon
Is God's great love for you.

As the nighttime closes in
And stars begin to shine,
Imagine God sings over you,
"I love you. You are mine."

There is nothing. . . nothing
That could take God's love away.
God will always love you,
Every minute – night or day.

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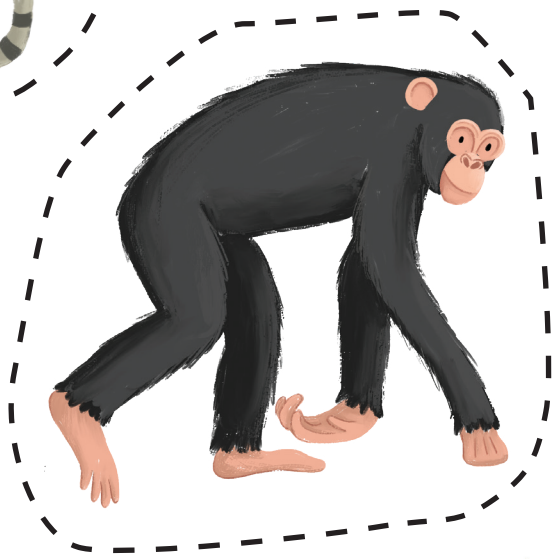
Make a Jungle Scene

Cut out the animals and glue them on the next page.



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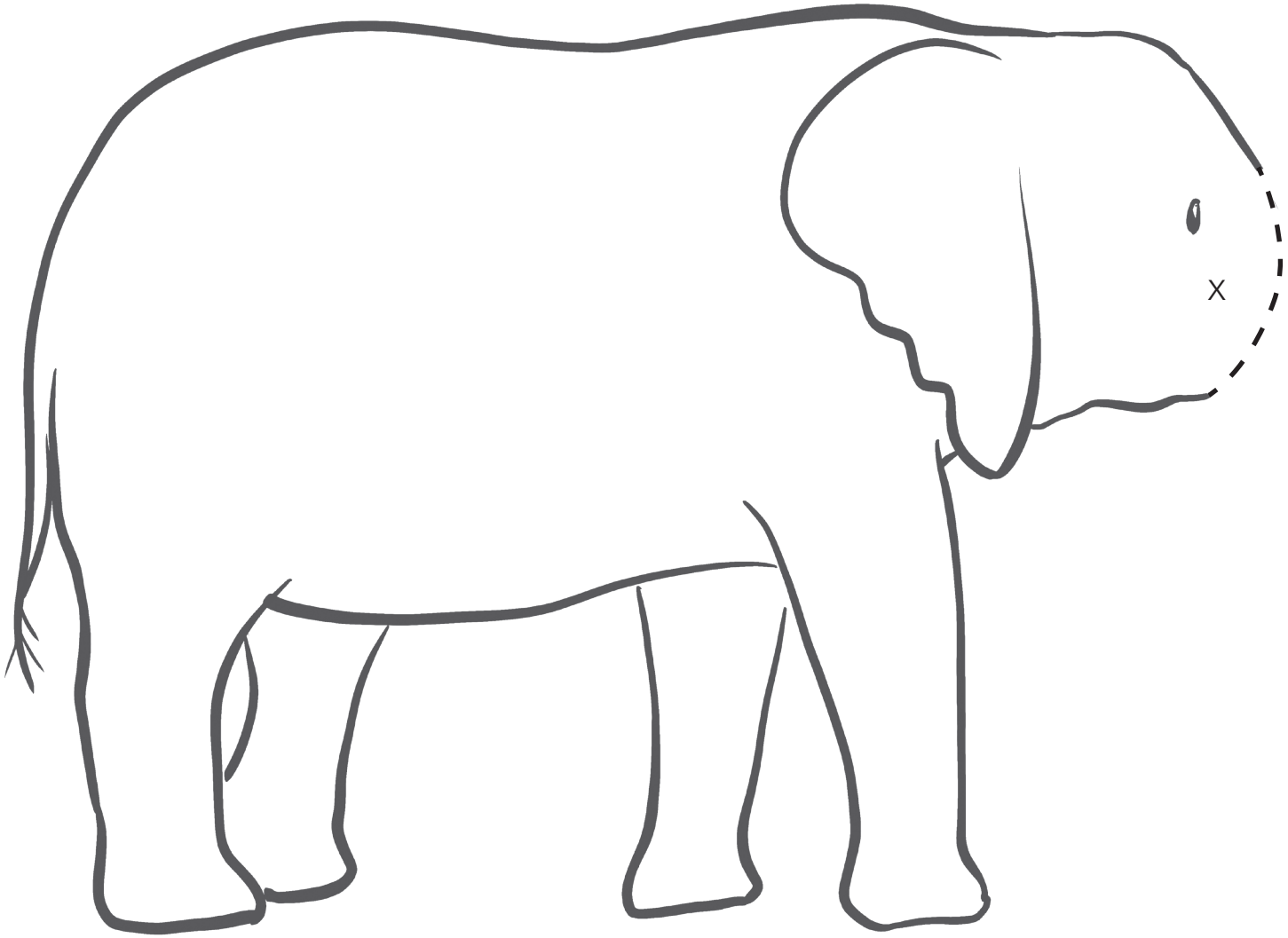
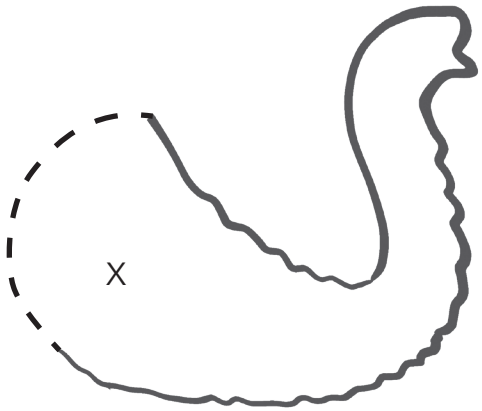
Make an Elephant with a Moving Trunk!





Instructions

1. Print on white cardstock.

2. Color & cut out elephant and trunk.

3. Place the trunk behind the elephant and line up the X marks.

4. Push a paper fastener through the X marks to move the trunk!