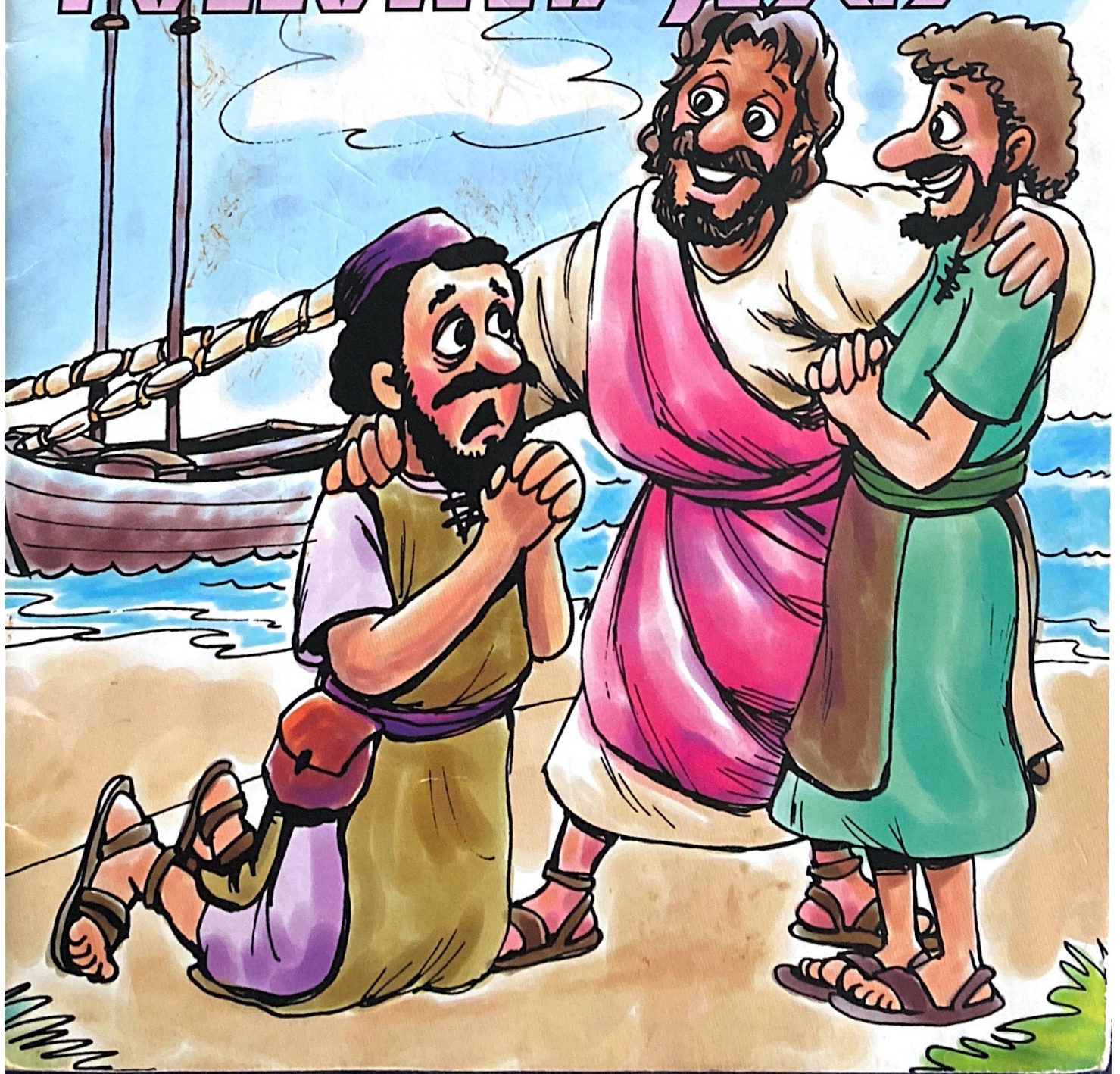


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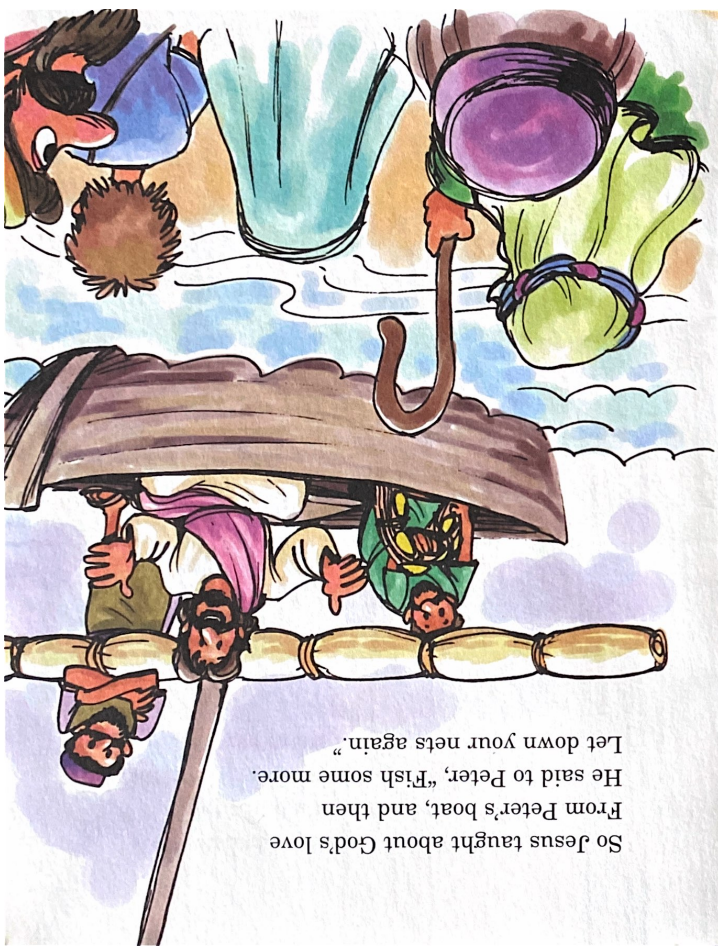
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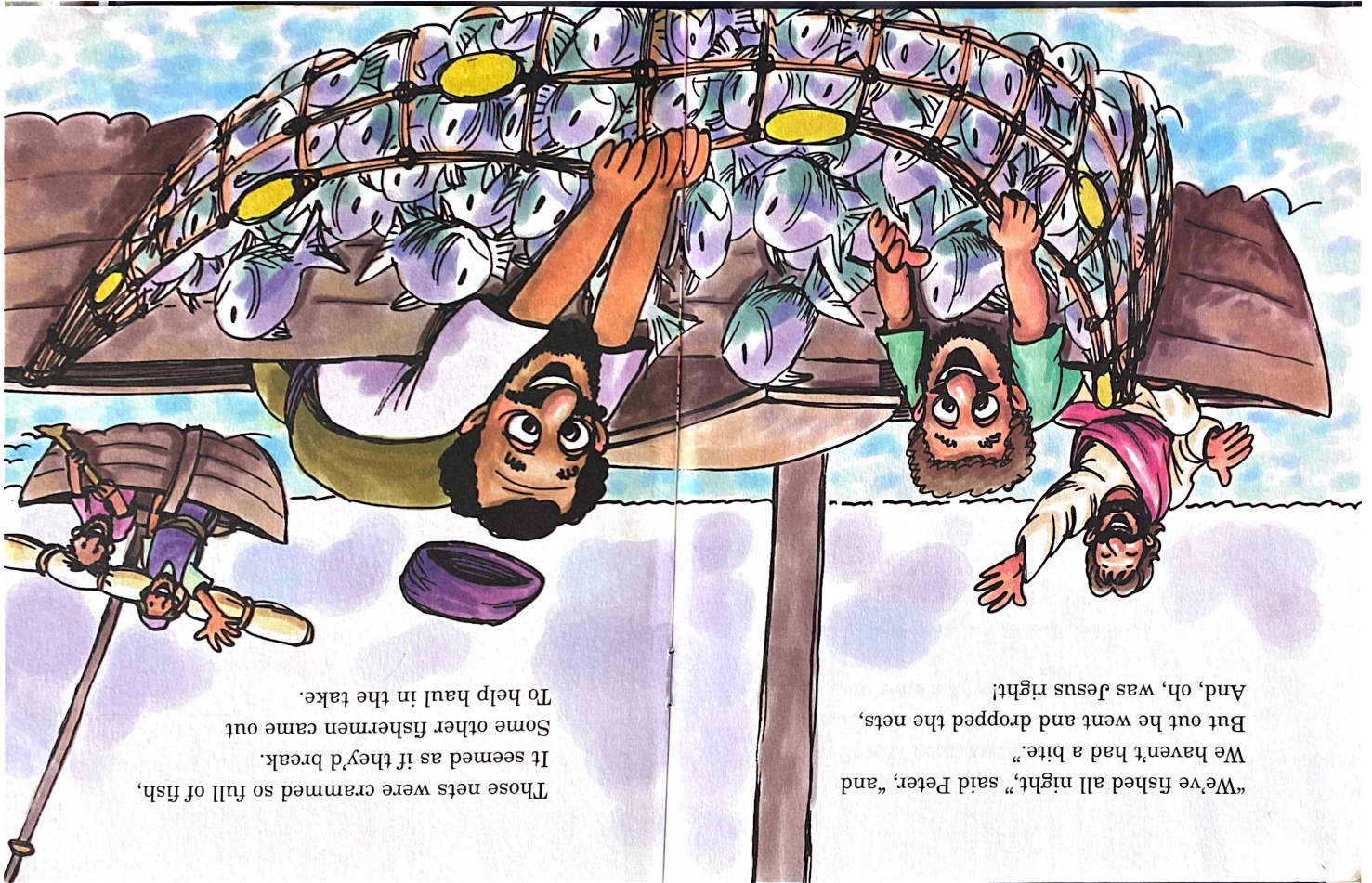
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So Jesus taught about God's love
From Peter's boat, and then
He said to Peter, "Fish some more.
Let down your nets again."

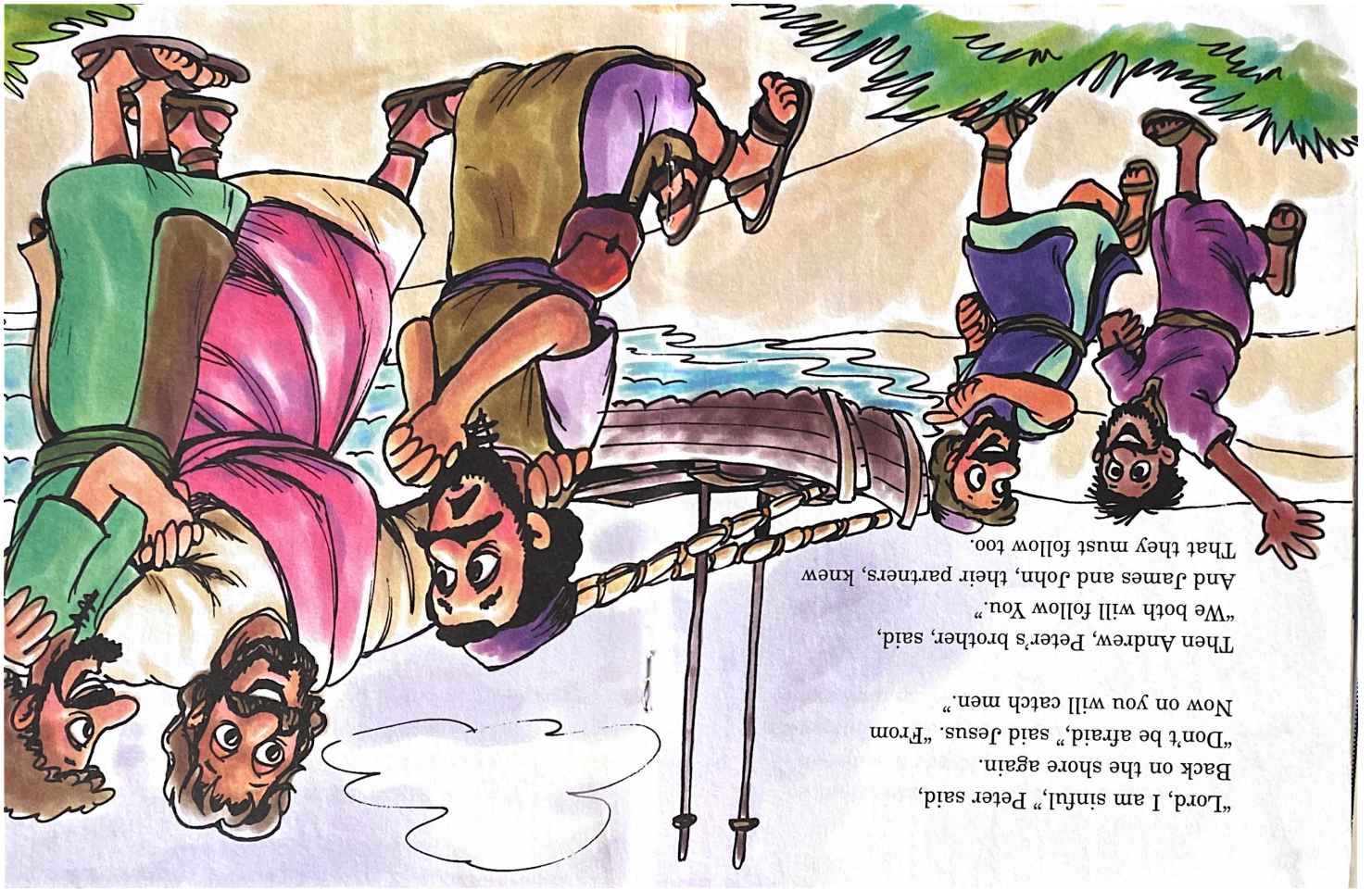


One day beside the sea He saw
A fishing boat and said
To Peter, owner of the boat,
"I'll teach from here instead."



Those nets were crammed so full of fish,
It seemed as if they'd break.
Some other fishermen came out
To help haul in the take.

"We've fished all night," said Peter, "and
We haven't had a bite."
But out he went and dropped the nets,
And, oh, was Jesus right!



"Lord, I am sinful," Peter said,
Back on the shore again.
"Don't be afraid," said Jesus. "From
Now on you will catch men."

Then Andrew, Peter's brother, said,
"We both will follow You."
And James and John, their partners, knew
That they must follow too.

A man called Matthew sat inside
His tax collector's booth.
He wasn't very popular
Or good, to tell the truth.

But Jesus said, "Come follow Me,"
And Matthew didn't blink.
He took Lord Jesus to his house
And gave Him food and drink.



His friends came in to share the meal,
A bunch of sinners all.
"Why them?" some smug folks asked the Lord.
"The lost," He said, "I call."



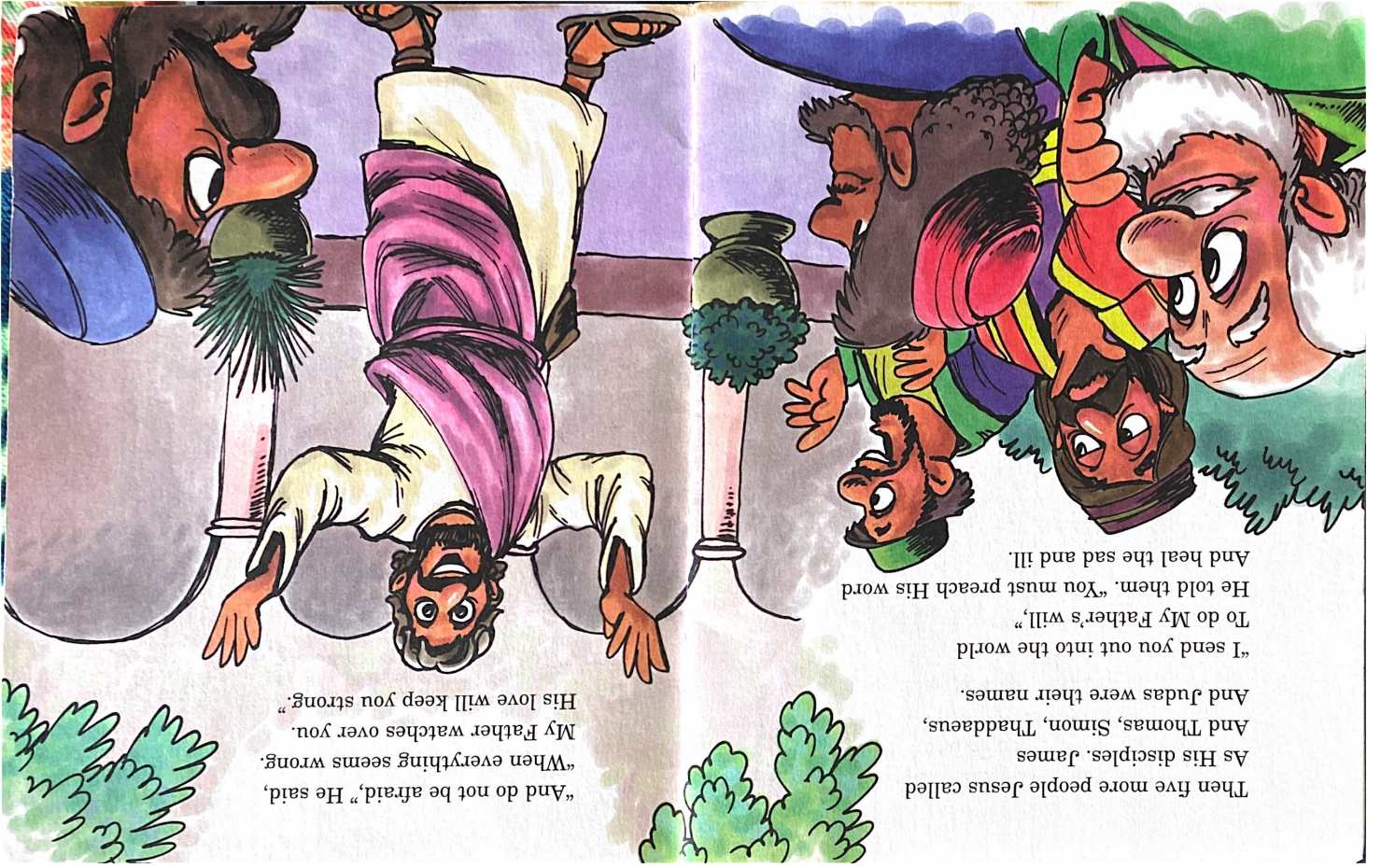
Still, Jesus saw inside his heart.
Nathanael would be true.
"Someday you'll see great things," He said.
"You'll see what God can do."



Another day He told a man
Called Philip, "Follow Me."
"I'll get my friend," Philip said
And hurried toward a tree.



"Come on, Nathanael. Come and see.
The Lord is here at last!"
Nathanael ambled over, but
He didn't move too fast.



“And do not be afraid,” He said,
“When everything seems wrong,
My Father watches over you.
His love will keep you strong.”

Then five more people Jesus called
As His disciples: James
And Thomas, Simon, Thaddeus,
And Judas were their names.
“I send you out into the world
To do My Father’s will,”
He told them. “You must preach His word
And heal the sad and ill.”

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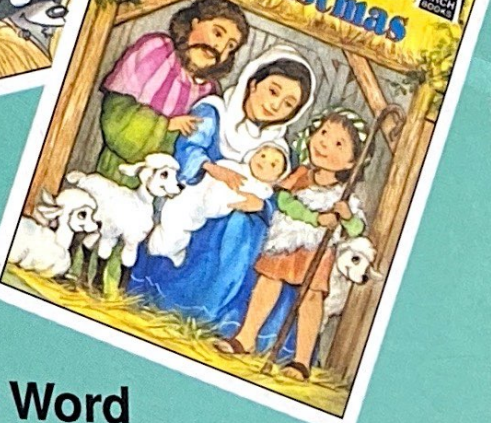
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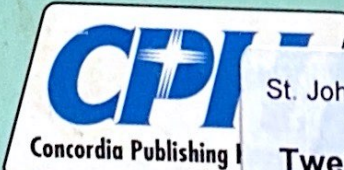


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