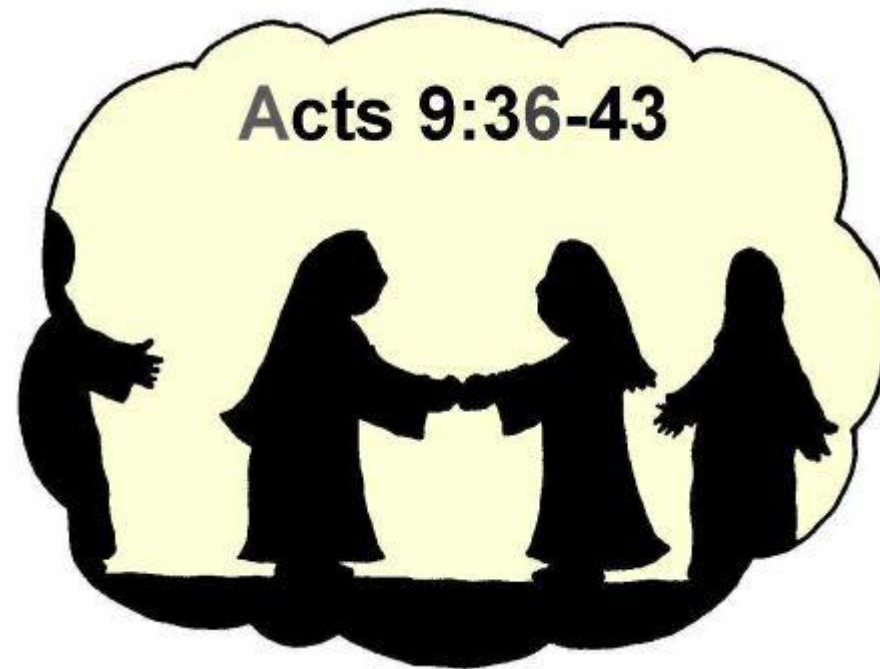


# DORCAS

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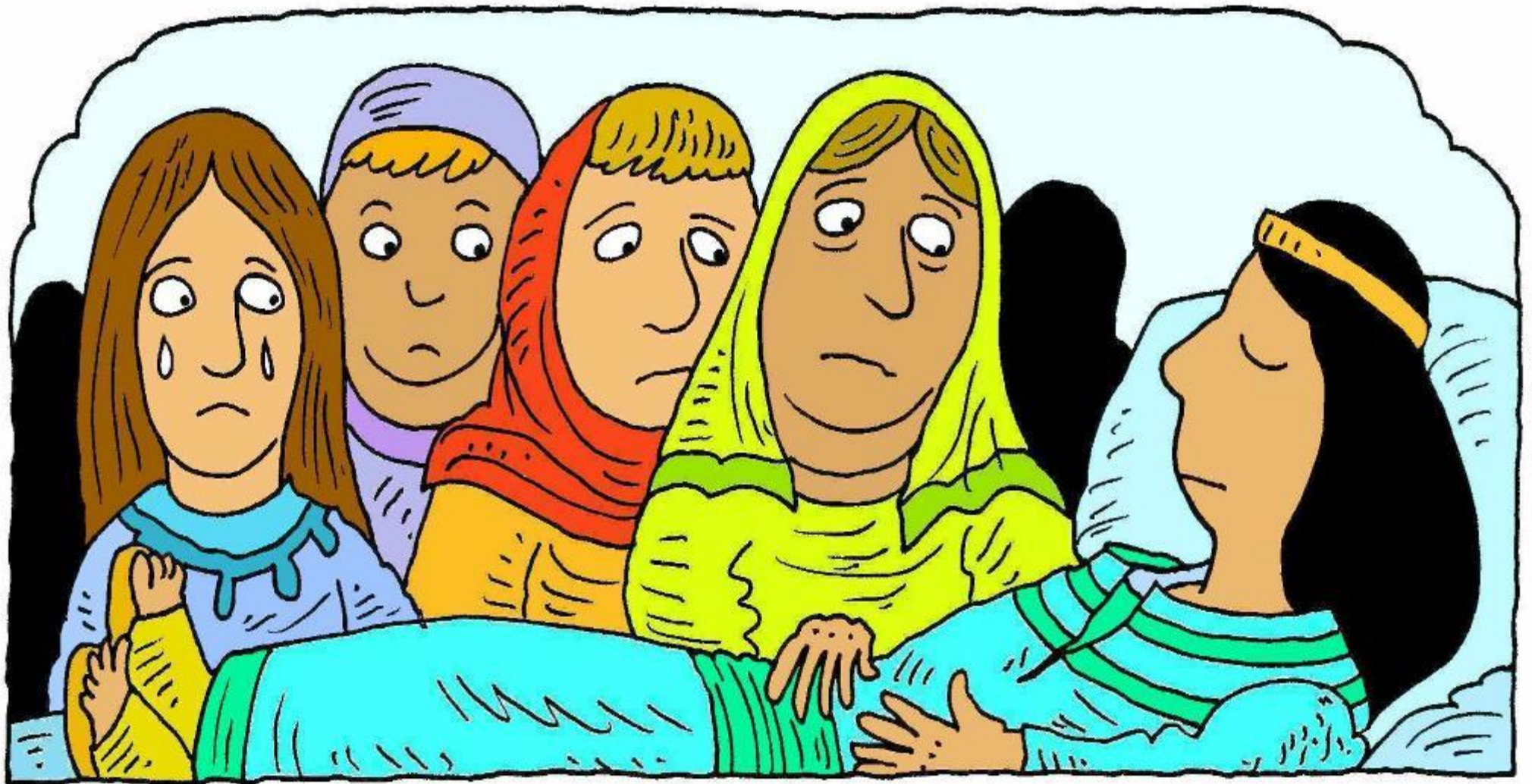
**In the Bible the story about Dorcas inspires us  
to take care of poor people.  
What can I do to help them?**



In the seaside town of Joppa  
Dorcas was always busy  
sewing coats to give to  
poor widows and their children.



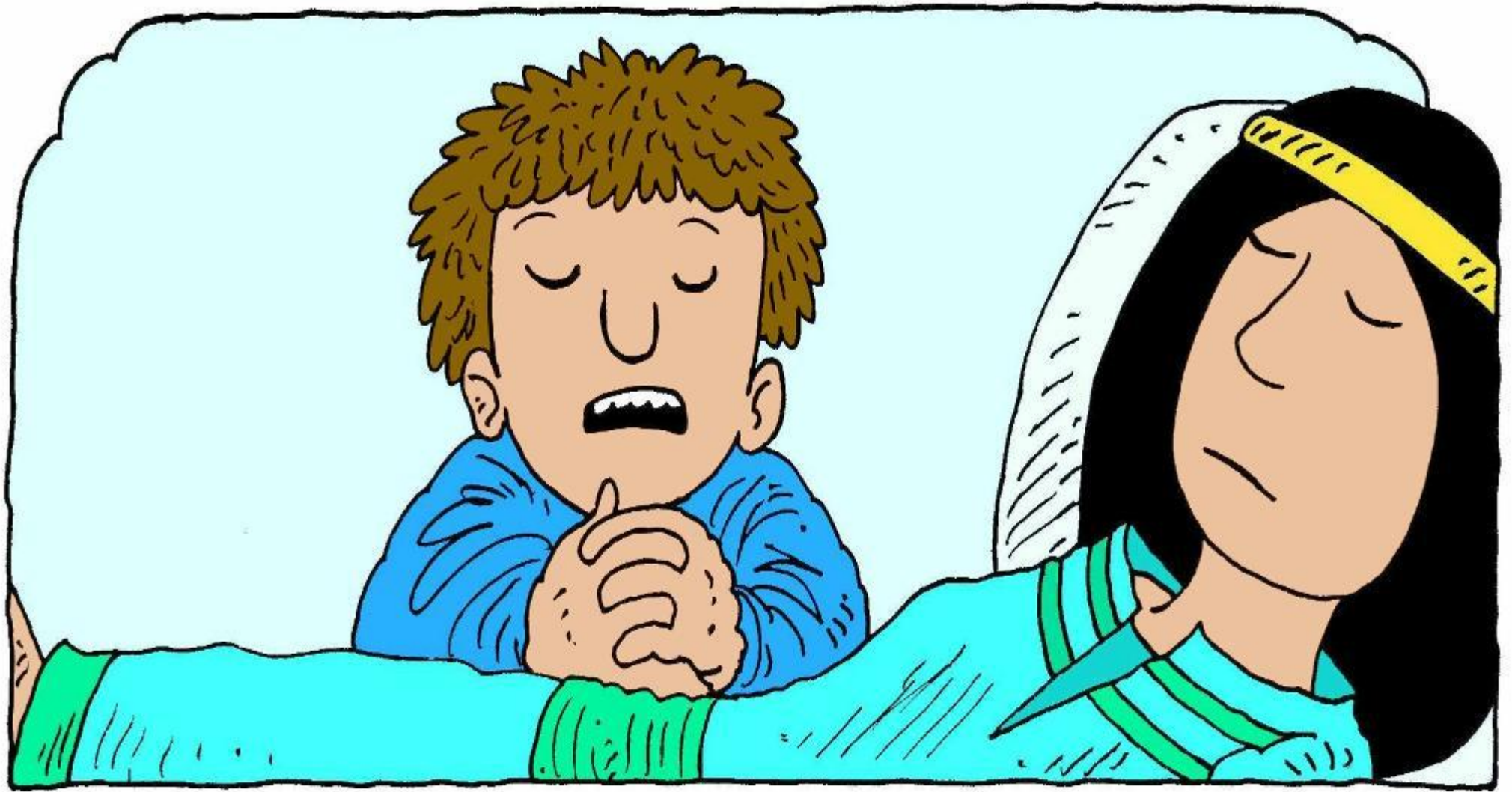
She loved to take care of them, the way Jesus had done, showing God's love by being kind and helpful.



When Dorcas got sick and died,  
her friends remembered how  
much she had helped others  
and had believed in God's son Jesus.



Jesus's disciple and helper, Peter,  
had healed a sick man in the next town.  
Her friends went and asked Peter to come  
quickly and heal Dorcas too.



Peter went to Joppa and prayed  
for Dorcas, as Jesus had shown him.  
“Father God you alone have power  
to bring Dorcas back to life.”



As Peter prayed Dorcas  
opened her eyes and sat up.  
Peter thanked God  
for answering his prayer.



Everyone was happy  
to see Dorcas alive and well.  
It was a miracle and many began  
to follow Jesus and to help poor people.