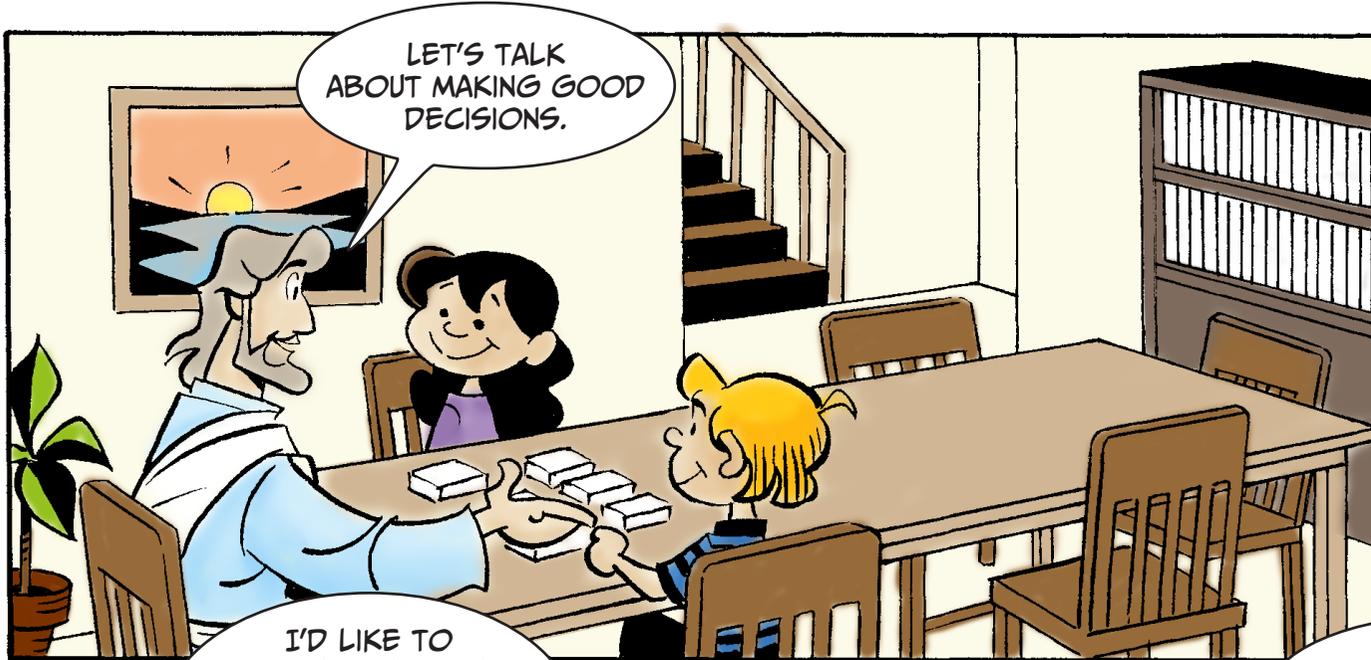
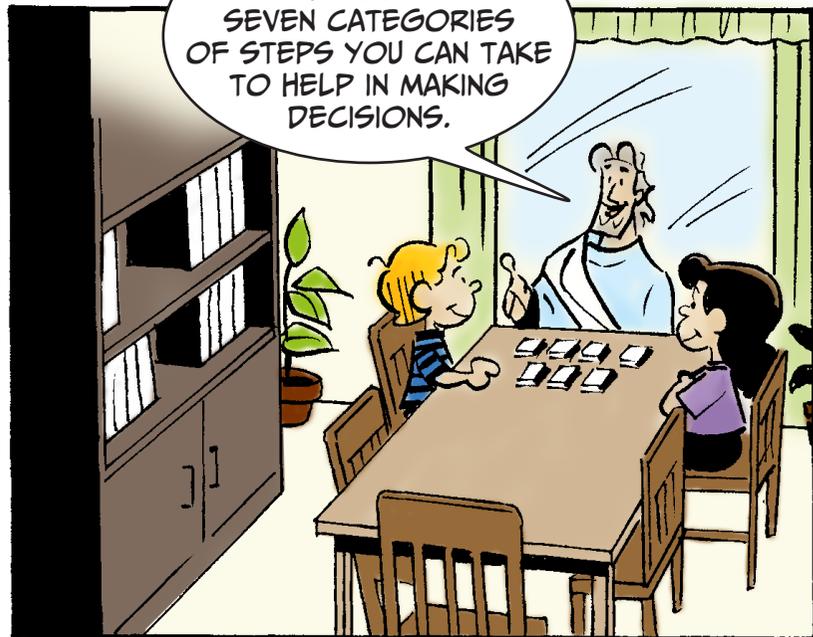


MAKING GOOD DECISIONS

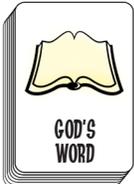


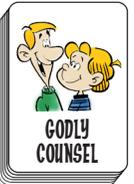
I'D LIKE TO TEACH YOU ABOUT SEVEN CATEGORIES OF STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP IN MAKING DECISIONS.



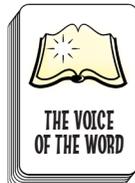
THESE CATEGORIES INCLUDE:



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GOD'S WORD
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GODLY COUNSEL
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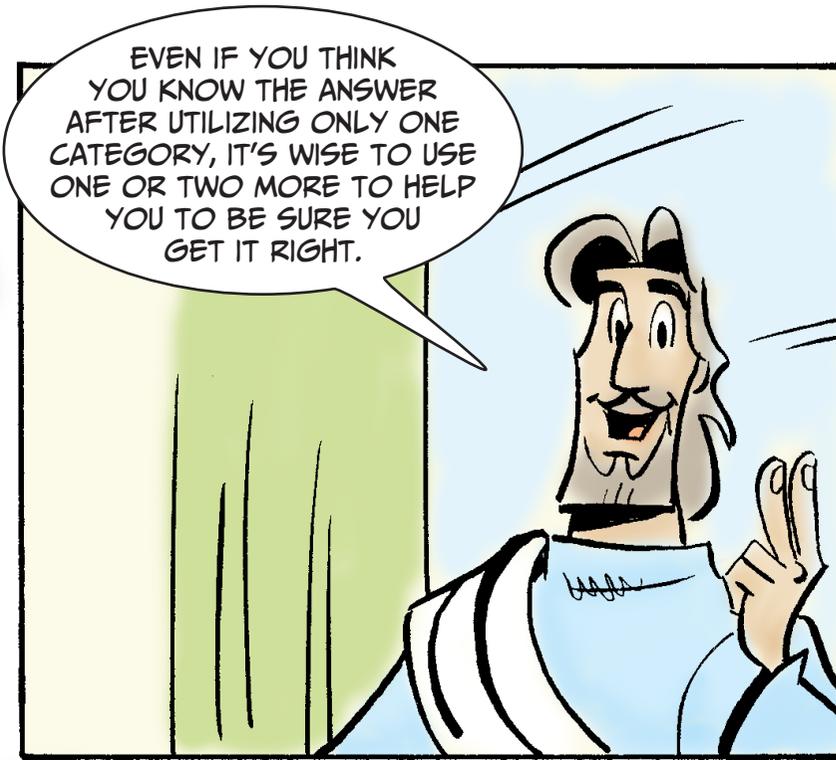
DIRECT REVELATION
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THE VOICE OF THE WORD
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OPEN AND CLOSED DOORS
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DESIRES
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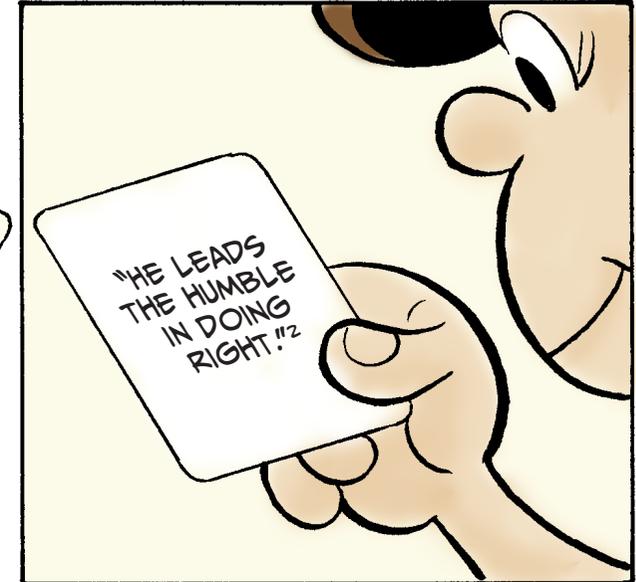
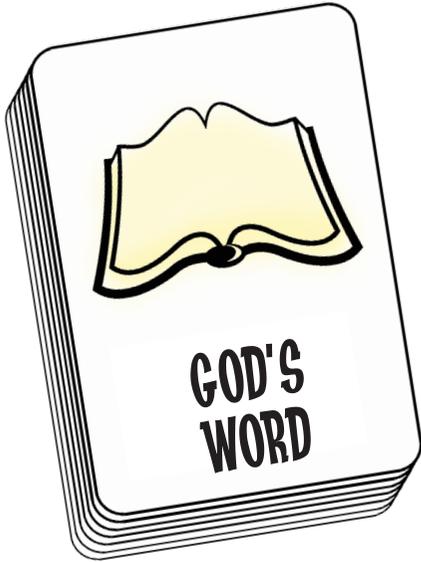
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WHAT DECISION WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECEIVE MY GUIDANCE ON?

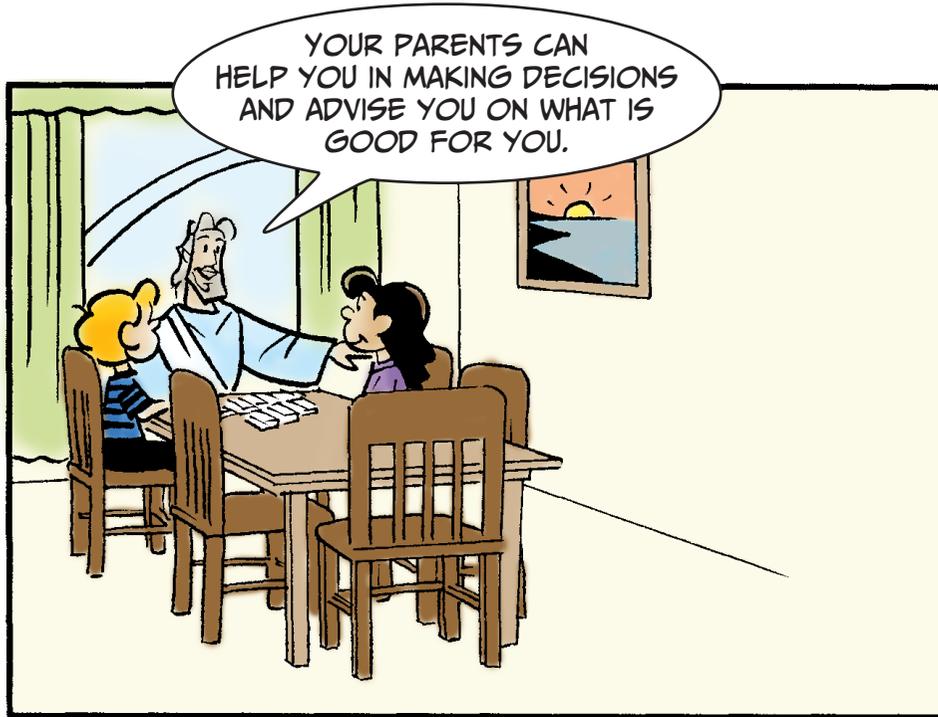
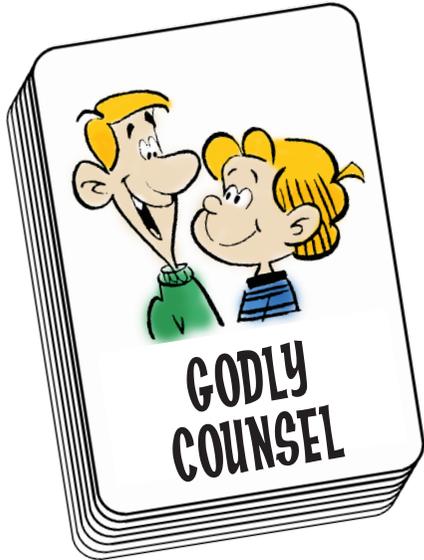


THE 1ST CATEGORY IS ...



¹ Proverbs 3:6 ERV
² Psalm 25:9 NLT

THE 2ND CATEGORY IS ...



THE 3RD CATEGORY IS ...



A PROPHECY OR HEARING FROM ME IS A DIRECT REVELATION.



Jesus, do You have advice for me?

AFTER COUNSELING WITH YOUR PARENT OR TEACHER, YOU CAN ALSO ASK ME FOR ADVICE.

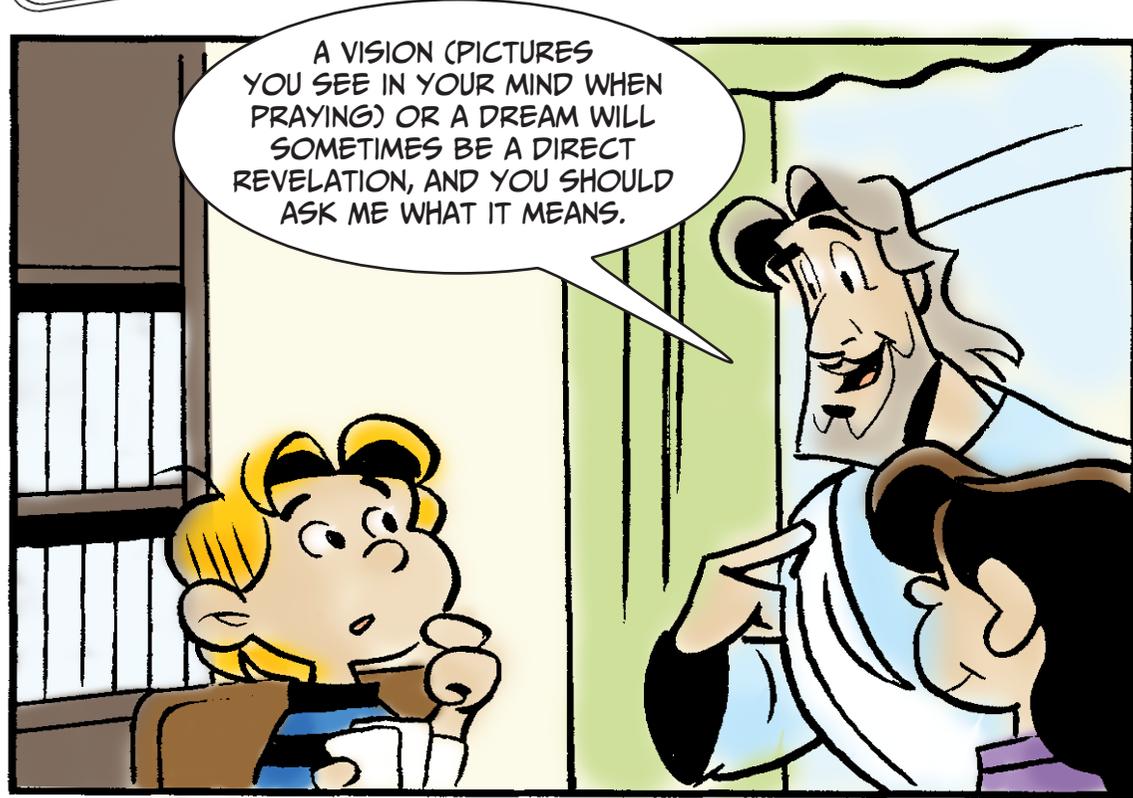
"DO ANY OF YOU NEED WISDOM? ASK GOD FOR IT. HE IS GENEROUS AND ENJOYS GIVING TO EVERYONE" (JAMES 1:5 ERV).



Lord, please give me Your counsel.



Lord, please give me Your advice.

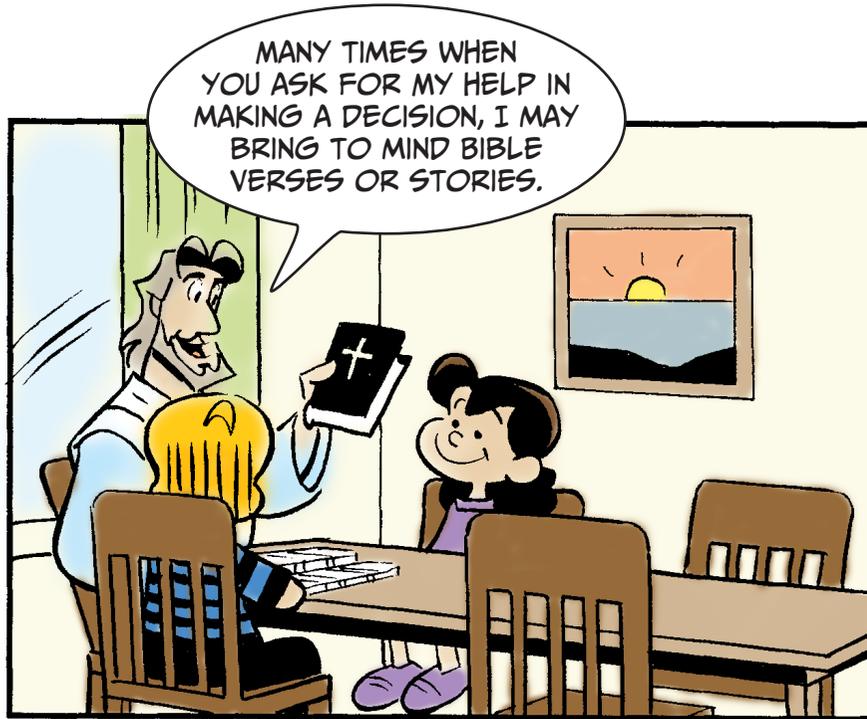
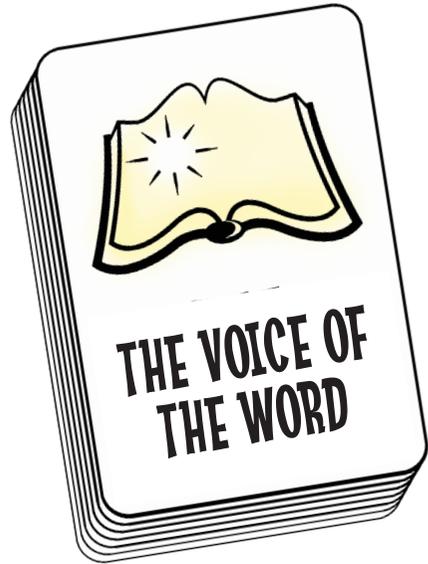


A VISION (PICTURES YOU SEE IN YOUR MIND WHEN PRAYING) OR A DREAM WILL SOMETIMES BE A DIRECT REVELATION, AND YOU SHOULD ASK ME WHAT IT MEANS.



Did that dream mean I can spend Saturday with Patricia?

THE 4TH CATEGORY IS ...

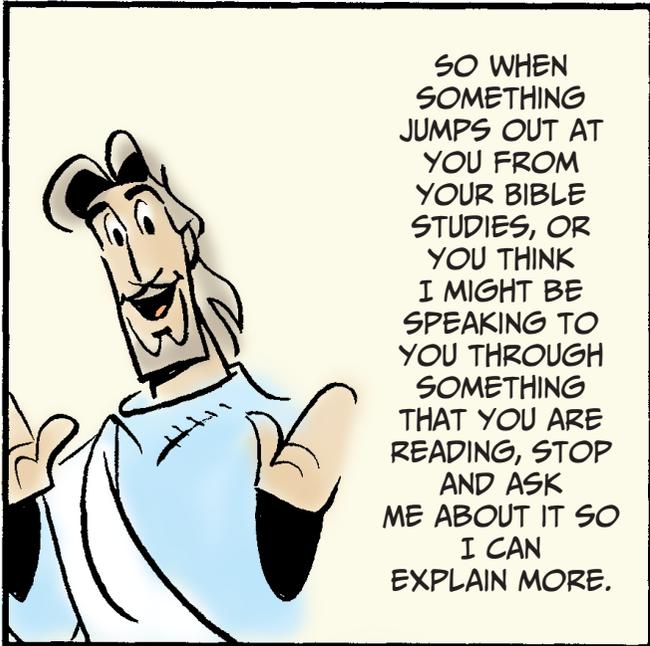


MANY TIMES WHEN YOU ASK FOR MY HELP IN MAKING A DECISION, I MAY BRING TO MIND BIBLE VERSES OR STORIES.

ALSO, WHEN YOU ARE READING THE BIBLE OR STUDYING A BIBLE-BASED CLASS, I LIKE TO POINT OUT TO YOU A CERTAIN VERSE OR SENTENCE AND TELL YOU ...



This is for you. I have more to tell you about this.



SO WHEN SOMETHING JUMPS OUT AT YOU FROM YOUR BIBLE STUDIES, OR YOU THINK I MIGHT BE SPEAKING TO YOU THROUGH SOMETHING THAT YOU ARE READING, STOP AND ASK ME ABOUT IT SO I CAN EXPLAIN MORE.

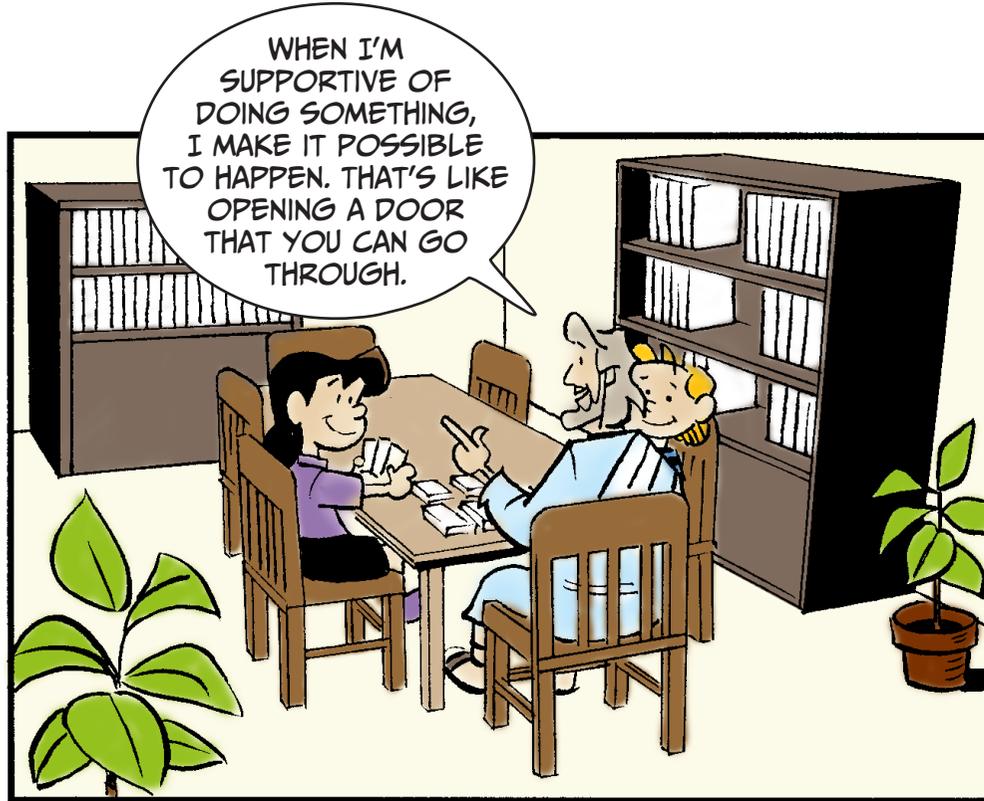
"YOUR WORD IS LIKE A LAMP THAT GUIDES MY STEPS"
(PSALM 119:105 ESV).



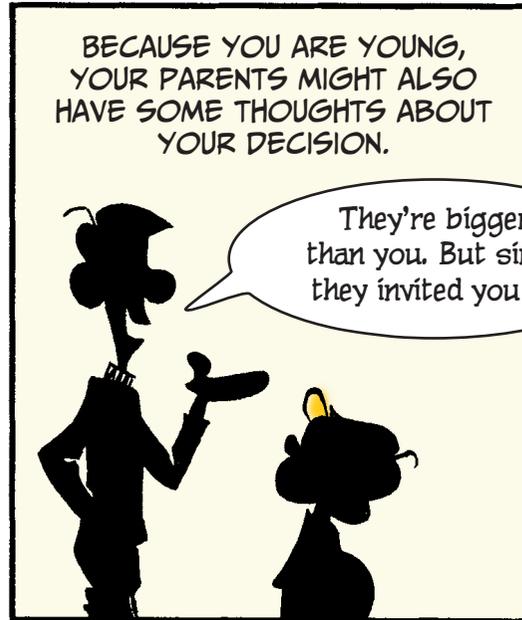
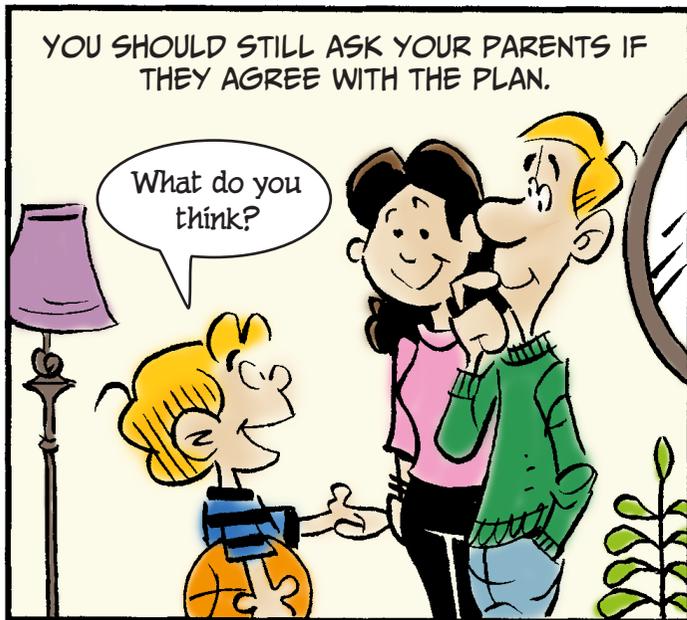
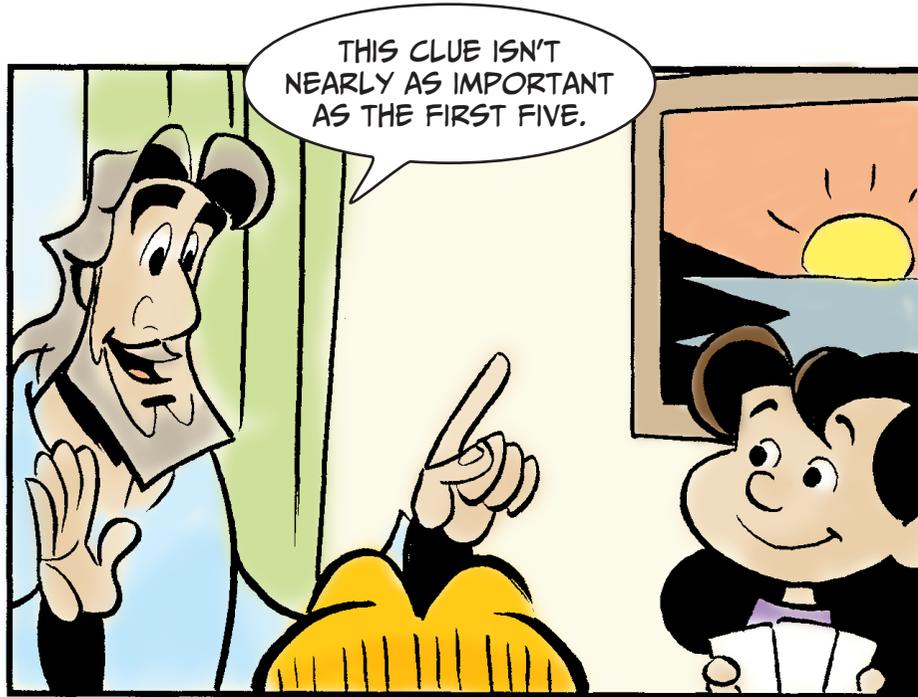
TWO ARE BETTER THAN ONE,⁴

⁴ Ecclesiastes 4:9 KJV

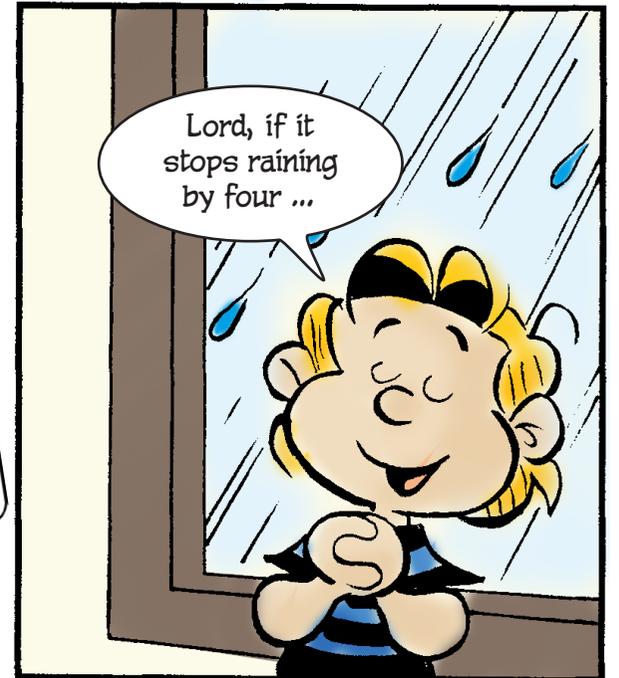
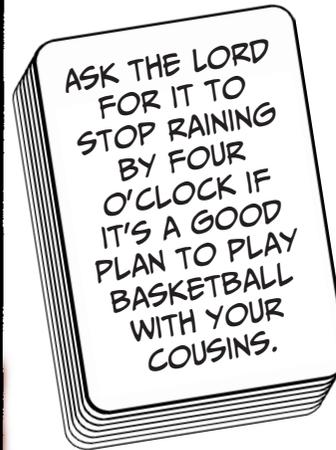
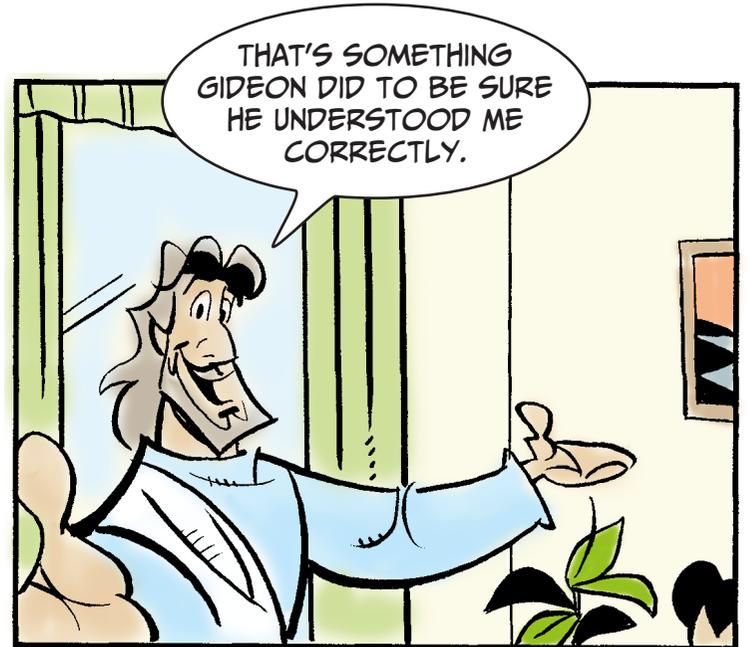
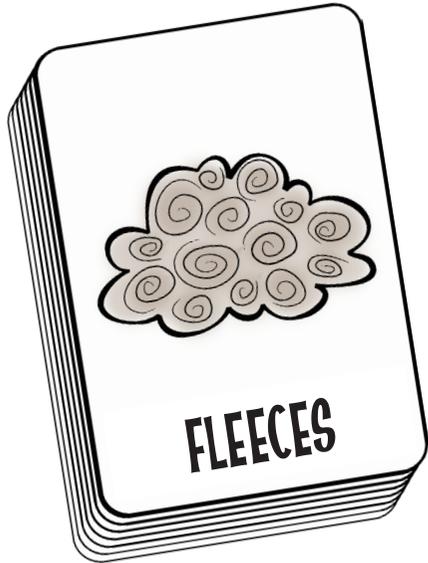
THE 5TH CATEGORY IS ...

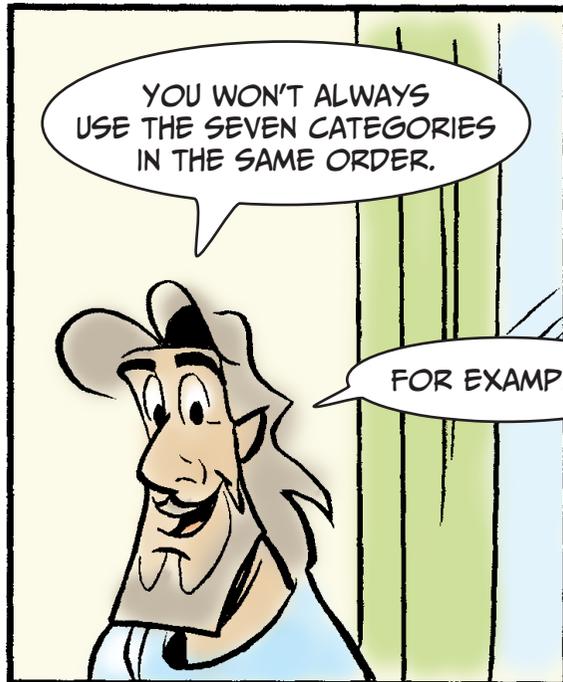
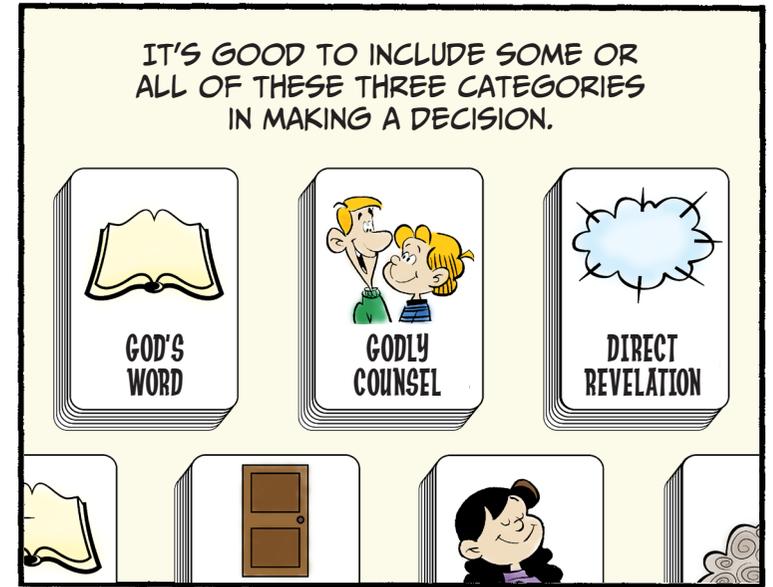
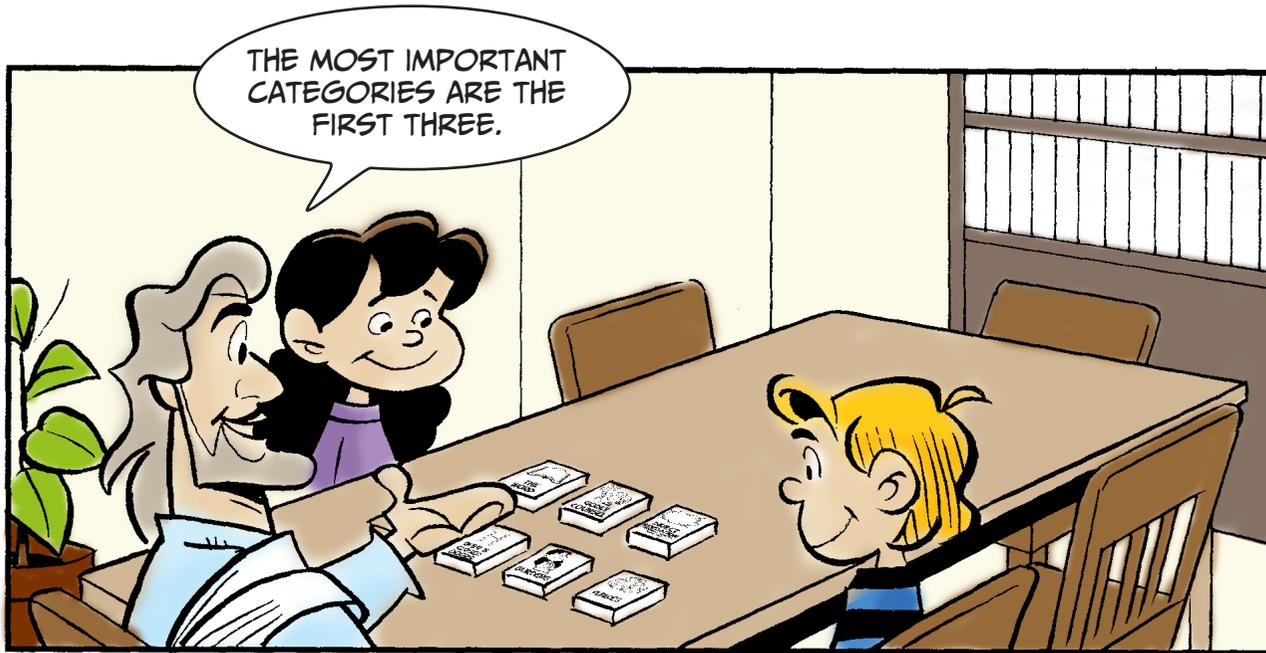


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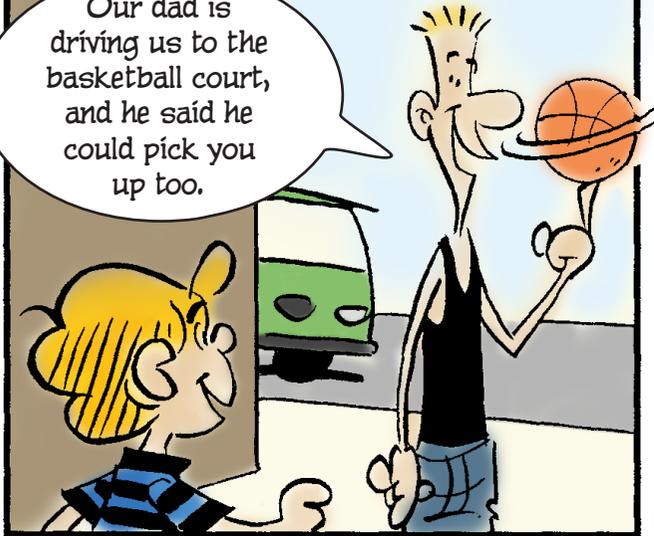
THE 7TH CATEGORY IS ...





OR MAYBE YOU KNOW OF AN OPEN DOOR FOR SOMETHING.

Our dad is driving us to the basketball court, and he said he could pick you up too.



AND THEN YOU NEED TO COUNSEL.

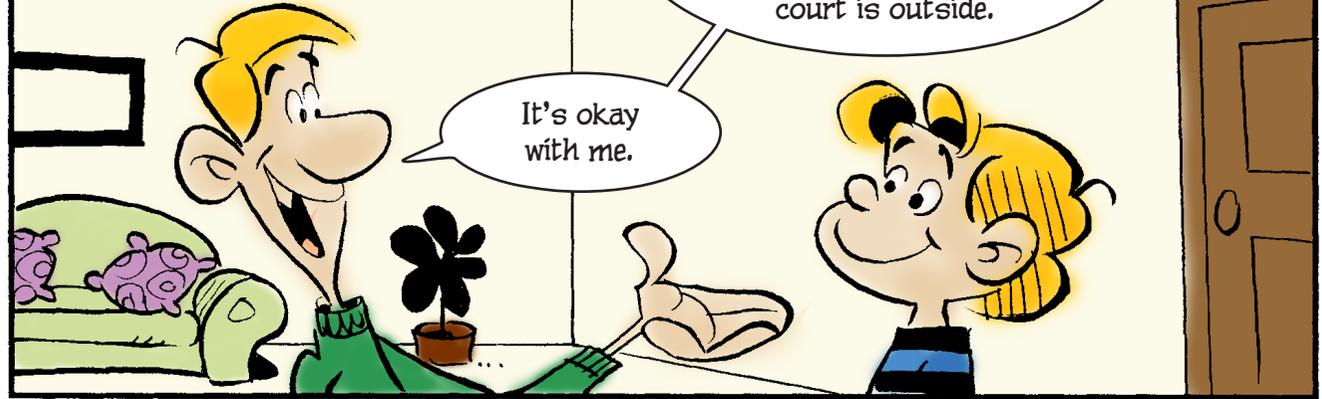
Dad, may I play basketball with my cousins?



AND SOMETIMES I'LL LEAD YOU THROUGH YOUR GODLY COUNSELORS TO USE ADDITIONAL CATEGORIES TO HELP WITH YOUR DECISION OR MAYBE EVEN TO USE ALL SEVEN.

It's okay with me.

But it's cloudy, so if it starts raining again, that would be like a closed door since the court is outside.

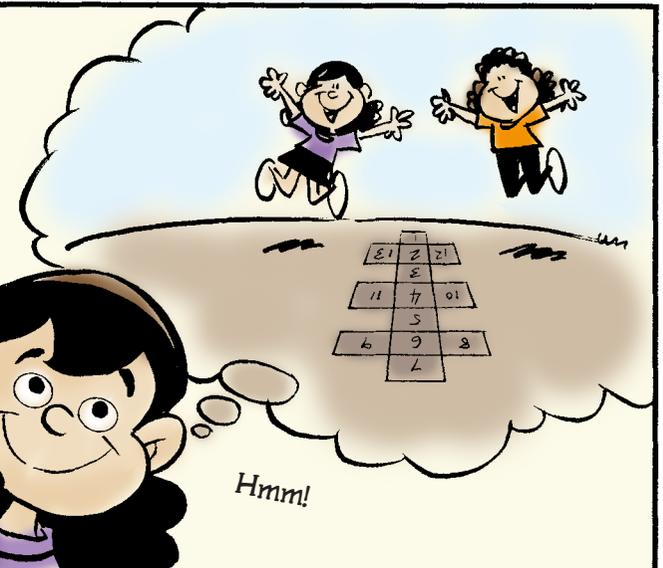
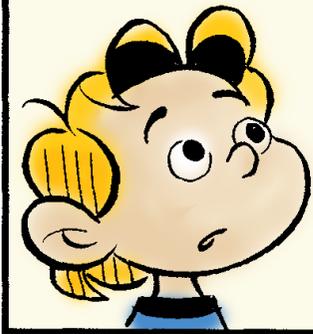


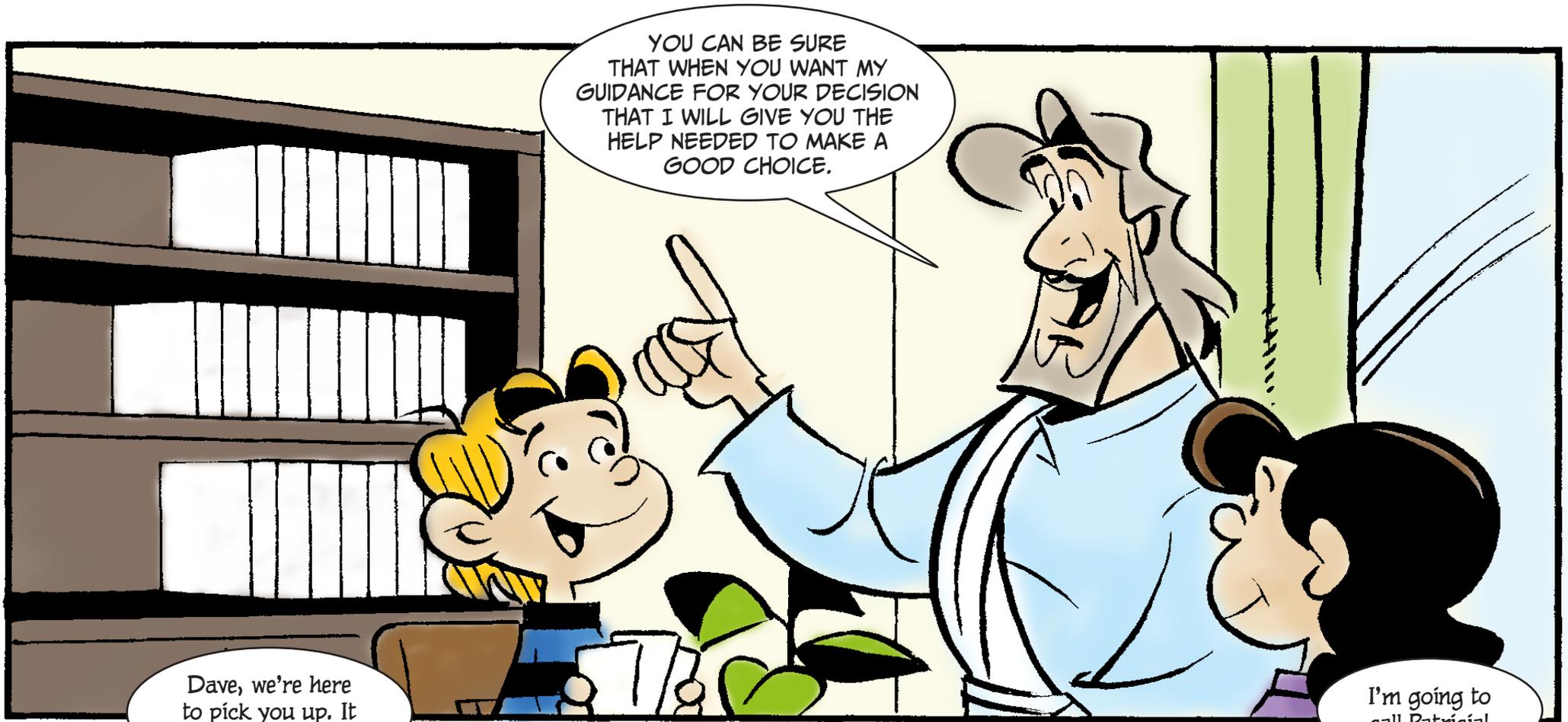
THAT WAY YOU CAN MAKE THE BEST CHOICES.





... WHEN YOU DECIDE TO CHECK IF THERE IS ANY MORE INPUT TO HELP YOU BE SURE IT'S THE RIGHT CHOICE. IT'S ALSO OKAY TO REPEAT A CATEGORY YOU'VE ALREADY USED.





Dave, we're here to pick you up. It stopped raining!

I'm going to call Patricia!



Yeah! Let's go!

"IF YOU NEED WISDOM, ASK OUR GENEROUS GOD, AND HE WILL GIVE IT TO YOU" (JAMES 1:5 NLT).



I'm going to call Patricia!

