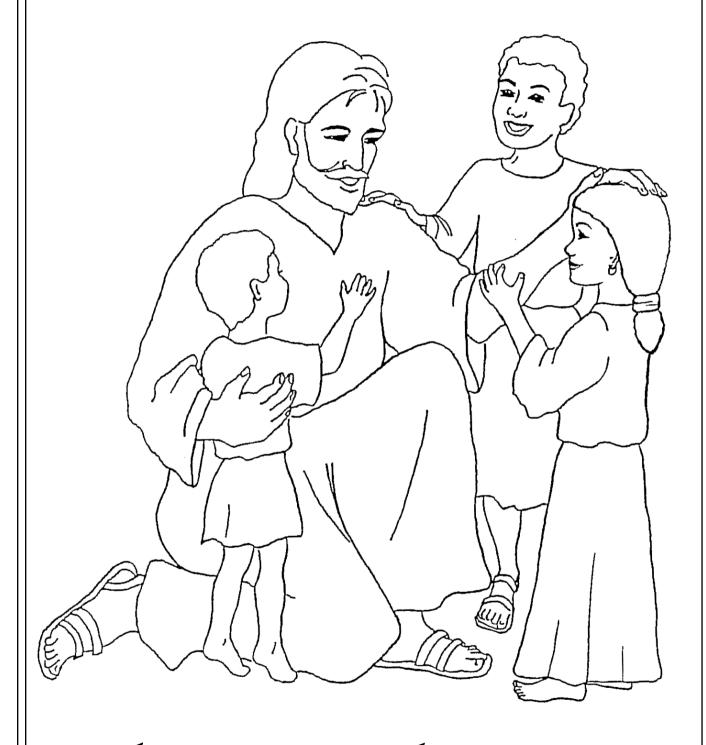
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The Good News



Naguo mweri wake wa îtandatû wakinya-rî, mûraika ûcio Jibiraili agîtûmwo, oimîte kûrî Ngai, athiî itûûra rîa Galili rîîtagwo Nazarethi, kwî mûirîtu worîtio nî mûndû wetagwo Jusufu, ûrîa warî wa nyûmba ya Daudi; nake mûirîtu ûcio etagwo Mariamu. Nake mûraika agîtonya harîa aarî, akîmûûria atîrî, Wî mûhoro, wee wî mûrathime mûno? Mwathani arî hamwe nawe. Nake agîtangîka mûno nî ûndû wa ûhoro ûcio, agîîciria ûrîa ngeithi icio itariî. Nake mûraika akîmwîra atîrî, Mariamu, tiga gwîtigîra; nî gûkorûo nîûkinyîirûo nî Wega wa Ngai. Na atîrîrî, nîûkagîa ihu, ûciare kahîî, nako nîûgagatua Jesu. Nake nîagatuîka mûnene, ningî nîagetagwo Mûrû wa Ûrîa-wî-Igûrû-mûno: nake Mwathani Ngai nîakamûhe gîtî-gîa-ûthamaki kîrîa gîa ithe, Daudi; nake nîagathamakagîra nyûmba ya Jakubu mîndî na mîndî; naguo ûthamaki wake ndûgathira o na rî. Nake Mariamu akiuga atîrî, Niî-rî, ndî ngombo ya Mwathani: ndîroekwo o ta ûguo woiga. Nake mûraika agîtigana nake, agîthiî. (Luka 1:26-33 & 38)

Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!" But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her. (Luke 1:26-33 & 38)



Nake Jusufu akiuma Galili, o itūūra rīa Nazarethi, agīthiī Judea, o itūūra rīrāa rīa Daudi rīītagwo Bethi-lehemu, nī ūndū we aarī wa nyūmba o na wa mbarī ya Daudi; nake aathiire kūu nī getha makeandīkithie hamwe na Mariamu mūirītu ūrīa orītie, nake aarī mūritū. Na gūgīkinya atīrī, hīndī īrīa maaikarīte kūu, mūthenya wake wa gūciara ūgīkinya. Nake akīrigithatha kahīī, agīkarigicīria tama wa ciana, agīgakomia mūharatī ūrīa warīagīrūo nī ūhiū, tondū nīmaagīte ha kūraara nyūmba ya ageni thīinī. (Luka 2:4-7)

Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be registered with Mary, his betrothed wife, who was with child. So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. (Luke 2:4-7)

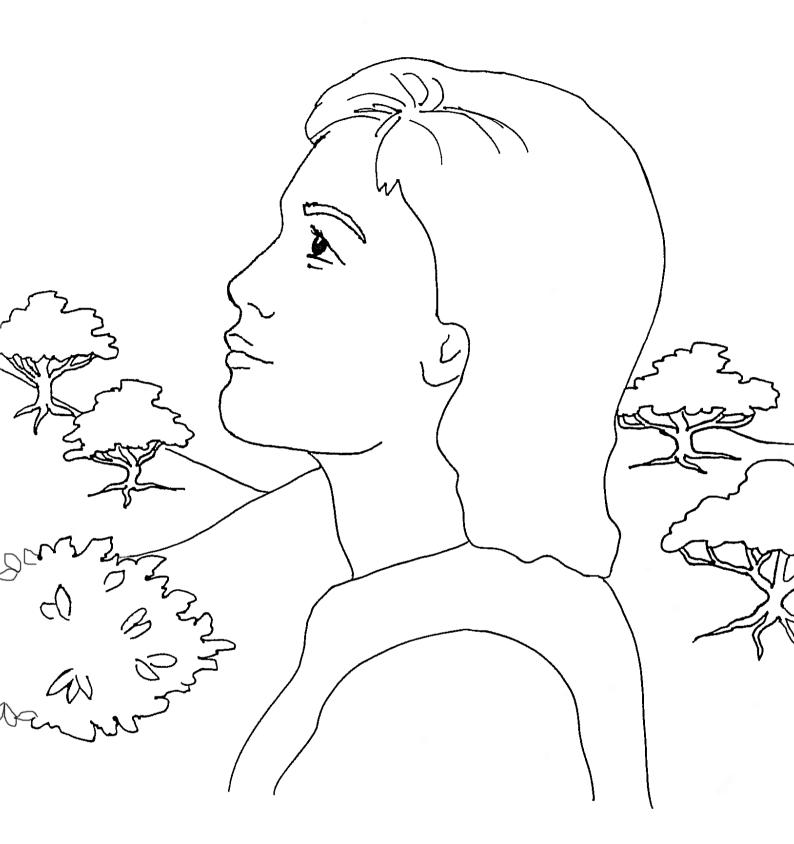


tondũ rĩrĩ, nĩndamũrehere ũhoro mwega wa gĩkeno kĩnene ũrĩa ũgatuĩka wa andũ othe: nĩ gũkorũo ũmũthĩ nĩmũciarĩirũo Mũhonokia o itũũra-inĩ rĩa Daudi, nake nĩwe Kristo ũrĩa Mwathani. Na rĩrĩ, kĩrĩa kĩrĩmũmenyithia ũndũ ũcio nĩ gĩkĩ; nĩmũrĩona gakenge karigicĩirio tama wa ciana, na gakometio mũharatĩ-inĩ. Na o kahinda kau-rĩ, hamwe na mũraika ũcio hakĩonwo haagĩa o rĩmwe araika aingĩ a Igũrũ gĩtutu kĩnene, makĩgooca Ngai makiugaga atĩrĩ, Ngai arokumagio Igũrũ o Igũrũ, Naguo thayũ ũrogĩa gũkũ thĩ kũrĩ andũ arĩa akenagĩra. (Luka 2:8-14)

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Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"

(Luke 2:8-14)



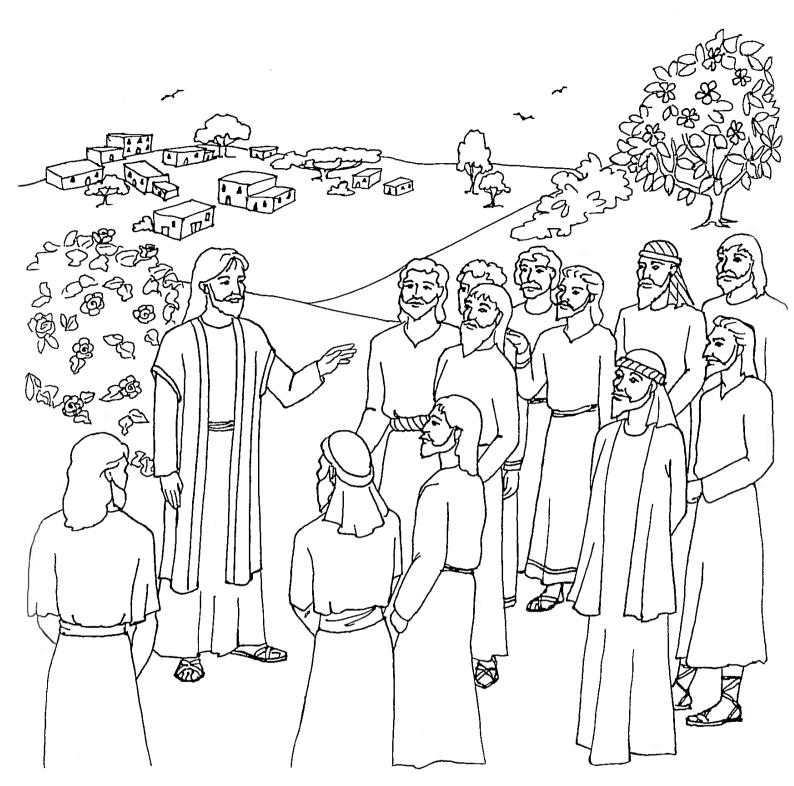
Nako kaana kau gagĩkũra, gakĩgĩa na hinya, gakĩiyũrũo nĩ ũũgĩ; naguo Wega wa Ngai watũire nako. (Luka 2:40)

And the Child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him. (Luke 2:40)



Noguo Johana okire, ũrĩa wabatithanagĩria werũ-inĩ, na akaheanaga ũhoro atĩ kũbatithagio arĩa merirîte nĩguo marekerũo mehia mao. Na kĩrĩndĩ gĩothe kĩa Judea kĩoimagaraga gĩgathiĩ kũrĩ we, o na andũ othe a Jerusalemu, na makabatithio nĩwe thĩinĩ wa rũũĩ rũa Jorodani, makiumbũraga mehia mao. Nake Johana nĩehumbaga nguo ya guoya wa ngamĩra, na akeoha kamũkwa njohero, na akarĩaga ngigĩ na ũũkĩ wa hako. Na nĩaaheanaga ũhoro, akoiga atĩrĩ, Nĩkũrĩ ũgũũka thutha wakwa ũrĩa wĩ na hinya kũrĩ niĩ, itaigaine niĩ nyinamĩrĩre njohore mĩkwa ya iratũ ciake. Niĩ ndĩmũbatithitie na maĩ; ũcio akamũbatithia na Roho Mũtheru. Na nĩgwekirũo atĩrĩ, matukũ macio, Jesu agĩũka oimĩte Nazarethi, itũũra rĩa Galili, akibatithio nĩ Johana thĩinĩ wa rũũĩ rũa Jorodani. Na kahinda o kau oimĩra maĩ-inĩ, akĩona Igũrũ rĩemũkĩte, na akĩona Roho akĩmũikũrũkĩrĩa atariĩ ta ndutura: ningĩ mũgambo ũkiuma Igũrũ ũkiuga atĩrĩ, Wee nĩwe Mũrũ wakwa nyendete mũno, nĩngenaga nĩ ũndũ waku. (Mariko 1:4-11)

John came baptizing in the wilderness and preaching a baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. Then all the land of Judea, and those from Jerusalem, went out to him and were all baptized by him in the Jordan River, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair and with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, "There comes One after me who is mightier than I, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to stoop down and loose. I indeed baptized you with water, but He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." It came to pass in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And immediately, coming up from the water, He saw the heavens parting and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove. Then a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." (Mark 1:4-11)



Agīcoka akīhaica kīrīma-inī, agīīta o arīa eyendeire we mwene; nao magīthiī harī we. Akīamūra ikūmi na erī, maikarage nake na ningī amatūme makahunjie ūhoro, na magīe na wathani wa gūtūma ndaimono ciume andū.

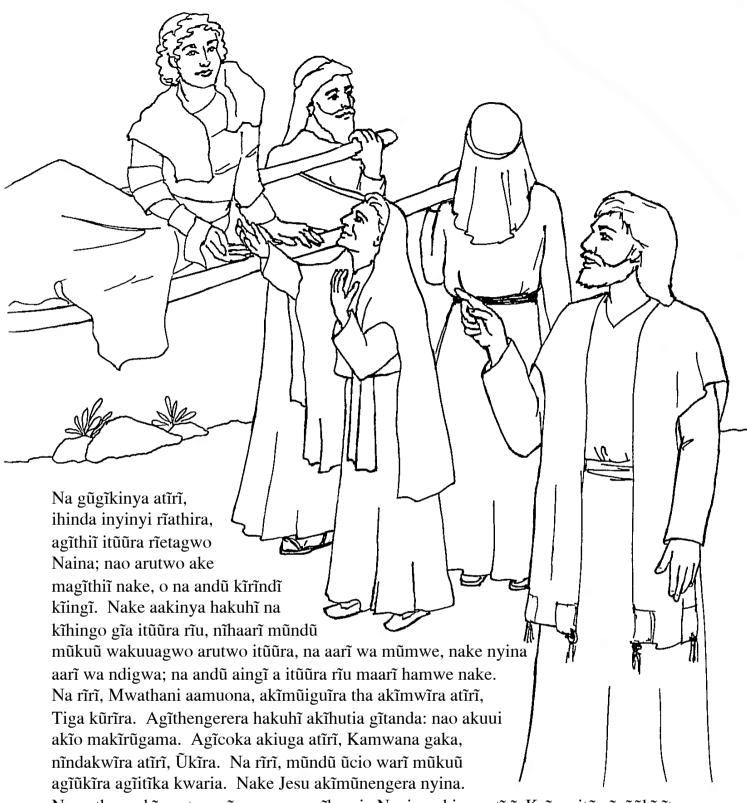
(Mariko 3:13-15)

And He went up on the mountain and called to Him those He Himself wanted. And they came to Him. Then He appointed twelve, that they might be with Him and that He might send them out to preach, and to have power to heal sicknesses and to cast out demons. (Mark 3:13-15)



Na rĩrĩ, kwarĩ mũndũ wa thiritũ ya Afarisai, wetagwo Nikodemo, na aarĩ mũnene wa Ayahudi. Ũcio agĩthiĩ kwĩ Jesu ũtukũ, akĩmwĩra, Rabii, nitũũĩ wee ũrĩ mũrutani uumĩte kwĩ Ngai; amu gũtirĩ mũndũ ũngĩhota gwĩka ciama ici wĩkaga, Ngai atarĩ nake. Nake Jesu agĩcokia akĩmwĩra, Ndakwĩra atĩrĩ, o ma, ma, Mũndũ aaga gũciarũo rĩngĩ, ndangĩhota kuona ũthamaki wa Ngai. Nake Nikodemo akĩmũũria atĩrĩ, Mũndũ ahote atĩa gũciarũo e mũkũrũ? Aahota gũtonya nda ya nyina hingo ya kerĩ, aciarũo? Nake Jesu agĩcokia atĩrĩrĩ, Ndakwĩra o ma, ma, Mũndũ aaga gũciarũo nĩ maĩ o na Roho, ndangĩhota gũtonya ũthamaki-inĩ wa Ngai. Kĩrĩa gĩciarĩtwo nĩ mwĩrĩ no mwĩrĩ, na kĩrĩa gĩciarĩtwo nĩ Roho nĩ roho. (Johana 3:1-6)

There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him." Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit." (John 3:1-6)



Nao othe makîgwatwo nî guoya: magîkumia Ngai, makiuga atîrî, Kaî gwitû nîgûûkîrîte mûnabii mûnene-î: o na makiuga atîrî, Ngai nîaceereire andû ake. (Luka 7:11-16)

Now it happened, the day after, that He went into a city called Nain; and many of His disciples went with Him, and a large crowd. And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then he came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." So he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother. Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen up among us" and "God has visited His people." (Luke 7:11-16)



Jesu aagītiira maitho, ona atī gwī kīrīndī kīingī gīgūūka kūrī we, akīūria Filipu atīrī, Tūkūgūra mīgate kū, andū aya makīrīe? Akīmūūria ūguo atī amūgerie; amu we mwene nīoī ūrīa egwīka. Filipu akīmūco-keria atīrī, Mīgate ya ciringi magana merī ndīngīmaigana, atī nīguo o mūndū one kanini. Na mūrutwo wake ūmwe, wetagwo Andarea, mūrū wa nyina na Simoni Petero, akīmwīra atīrī, Haha he kahīī ke na mīgate ītano ya ngano ya cairi, na ciūngūyū igīrī; īndī tūirio tūu-rī, tūkīrī kī, andū maigana ūū? Nake Jesu akiuga, Īrai andū maikare thī. Na rīrī, handū hau haarī na nyeki nyingī. Arūme nagīgīikara thī, mangī-hinga ta ngiri ithano. Nake Jesu agīkīiyūkia mīgate īo, na aarīkia gūcokeria Ngai ngatho, akīgaīra andū acio maaikaire thī; o na ciūngūyū nacio o ūndū ūmwe, akīmahe ciigana o ūrīa mekwenda. Na maahūna, akīīra arutwo ake, Oyai cienyū iria itigarīte, gūtikore kīndū. Magīkīoya, makīiyūria ciondo ikūmi na igīrī cienyū cia mīgate īo ītano ya cairi, iria ciatigirio nī andū acio maarīire. Nao andū maakīona kīama kīu aaringire, makiuga atīrī, Ti-itherū, ūyū nīwe mūnabii ūrīa wa gūūka gūkū thī. (Johana 6:5-14)

Then Jesus lifted up His eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?" But this He said to test him, for He himself knew what He would do. Philip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little." One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Him, "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?" Then Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and when He had given thanks He distributed them to the disciples, and the disciples to those sitting down; and likewise of the fish, as much as they wanted. So when they were filled, He said to His disciples, "Gather up the fragments that remain, so that nothing is lost." Therefore they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, "This is truly the Prophet who is come into the world."



Na gũgĩkinya hwaĩ-inĩ, arutwo ake magĩikũrũka kinya iria-inĩ; magĩtonya marikabu, makĩgwata kũringa iria makinye Kaperinaumu. Na hĩndĩ ĩo nĩgwatukĩte, na Jesu ndarĩ aramacokerera. Narĩo iria rĩkĩenda kũgĩa makũmbĩ mũno nĩ ũndũ wa rũhuho rũnene rũahuhũkanagia. Na maarĩkia gũtwara marikabu handũ haigana ta mairo ithatũ kana inya-rĩ, makĩona Jesu agĩũka agĩkinyaga maĩ igũrũ agathengerera marikabu; magĩĩtigĩra. Nake akĩmera atĩrĩ, Nĩ niĩ; tigai gwĩtigĩra. Magĩgĩtĩkĩra atonye marikabu-inĩ, na kahinda o kau marikabu ĩgĩkinya rũtere kũu maathiaga. (Johana 6:16-21)

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Now when evening came, His disciples went down to the sea, got into the boat, and went over the sea toward Capernaum. And it was already dark, and Jesus had not come to them. Then the sea arose because a great wind was blowing. So when they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and drawing near the boat; and they were afraid. But He said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they willingly received Him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land where they were going.

(John 6:16-21)



Ningĩ andũ makĩmũtwarĩra twana, atĩ atũhutie: nao arutwo makĩmakaania. Nake Jesu ona ũguo akĩrakara, akĩmera atĩrĩ, Rekei twana tũũke kũrĩ niĩ, mũtige gũtũgiria: amu ũthamaki wa Ngai nĩ wa arĩa matariĩ tatuo. Ngũmwĩra atĩrĩrĩ na ma, Mũndũ o wothe ũtakaamũkĩra ũthamaki wa Ngai ta kaana, ndagatonya guo o na atĩa. Agĩcoka agĩtũiyũkia moko-inĩ make, agĩtũrathima agĩtũigagĩrĩra moko. (Mariko 10:13-16)

Then they brought little children to Him, that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought them. But when Jesus saw it, He was greatly displeased and said to them, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. Assuredly I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." And He took them up in His arms, laid His hands on them, and blessed them. (Mark 10:13-16)



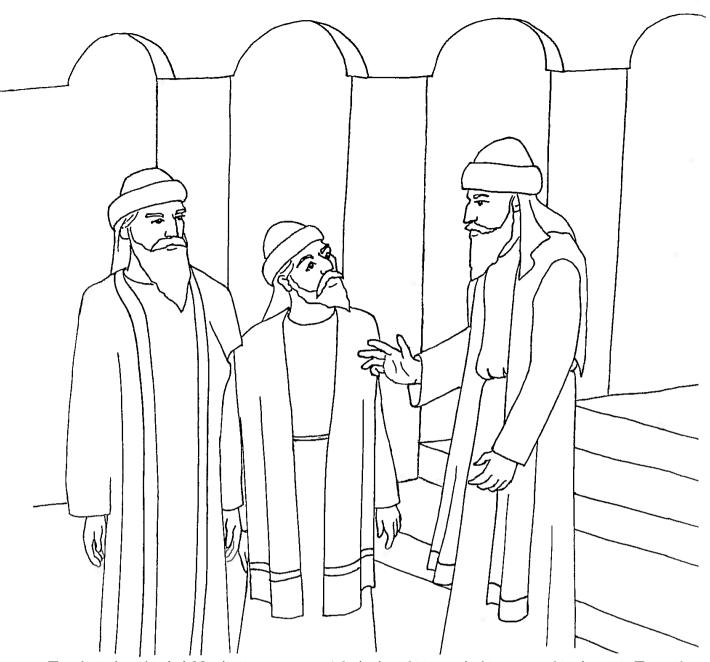
Nĩ niĩ mũrĩithi ũrĩa mwega. Mũrĩithi ũrĩa mwega nĩarutaga muoyo wake nĩ ũndũ wa ng'ondu. (Johana 10:11)

Ng'ondu ciakwa-rī, nīciiguaga mūgambo wakwa, na niī nīndīciūī, nacio ikanūmīrīra; na niī ngacihe muoyo wa tene na tene, na itirī hingo ikora, o rī, o rī, na gūtirī ūngīgacihuria ciume moko-inī makwa. (Johana 10:27-28)

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep." (John 10:11)

"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand."

(John 10:27-28)



Tondũ ũcio athĩnjĩri-Ngai arĩa anene na Afarisai makĩũngania kĩama, makĩũria atĩrĩ, Tũgwĩka atĩa? amu-rĩ, mũndũ ũcio nĩekaga ciama nyingĩ. Twakĩmũtiga o ũguo-rĩ, andũ no metĩkie ũhoro wake othe, nao Aroma moke matũtunye handũ haha haitũ, o na ũhoro witũ wa gũtuĩka rũrĩrĩ. No rĩrĩ, ũmwe wao wetagwo Kaiafa, warĩ mũthĩnjĩri-Ngai ũrĩa mũnene mwaka ũcio, akĩmera atĩrĩ, Inyuĩ mũtirĩ ũndũ mũuĩ; na mũtigũgĩtarania atĩ ũndũ ũrĩa ũngĩmwagĩrĩra no mũndũ ũmwe akuĩre kĩrĩndĩ, nĩguo rũrĩrĩ ruothe rũtigathire. Na rĩrĩ, akiuga ũguo ndaaririe etaarīte we mwene, no tondũ aakĩrĩ mũthĩnjĩri-Ngai ũrĩa mũnene mwaka ũcio, nĩ kũratha aarathire atĩ Jesu nĩagakuĩra rũrĩrĩ rũu; na ti rũrĩrĩ rũu ruiki, no ningĩ akue nĩ getha acokererie ciana cia Ngai iria itũire ihurunjũkĩte. Na kuuma mũthenya ũcio maathugundanagia nĩ getha mamũuragithie. (Johana 11:47-53)

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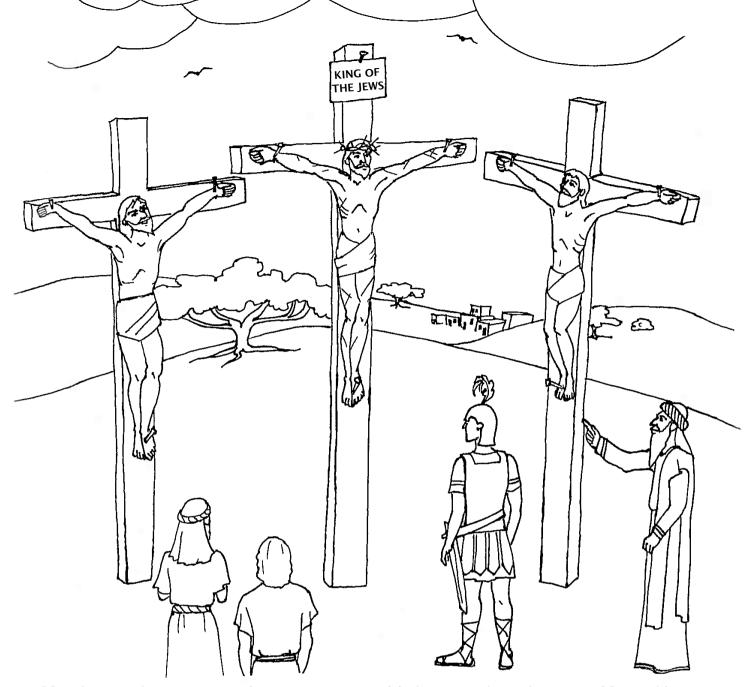
Then the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered a council and said, "What shall we do? For this Man works many signs. If we let Him alone like this, everyone will believe in Him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and nation." And one of them, Caiaphas, being high priest that year, said to them, "You know nothing at all, nor do you consider that it is expedient for us that one man should die for the people, and not that the whole nation should perish." Now this he did not say on his own authority; but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, and not for that nation only, but also that He would gather together in one the children of God who were scattered abroad. Then, from that day on, they plotted to put Him to death. (John 11:47-53)



Na gwakinya hwaĩ-inĩ, agĩkorũo aikarĩte irio-inĩ hamwe na arutwo acio ikũmi na erĩ: na makĩrĩa-rĩ, akĩmera, Ngũmwĩra atĩrĩ na ma, atĩ ũmwe wanyu nĩarĩngunyanĩra. Nao makĩigua kĩeha kĩnene, na magĩitĩka kũmũũria o mũndũ atĩrĩ, Nĩ niĩ, Mwathani? Nake agĩcokia akĩmera atĩrĩ, Ũrĩa waikanĩria guoko na niĩ thani-inĩ, nĩwe ũringunyanĩra.

(Mathayo 26:20-23)

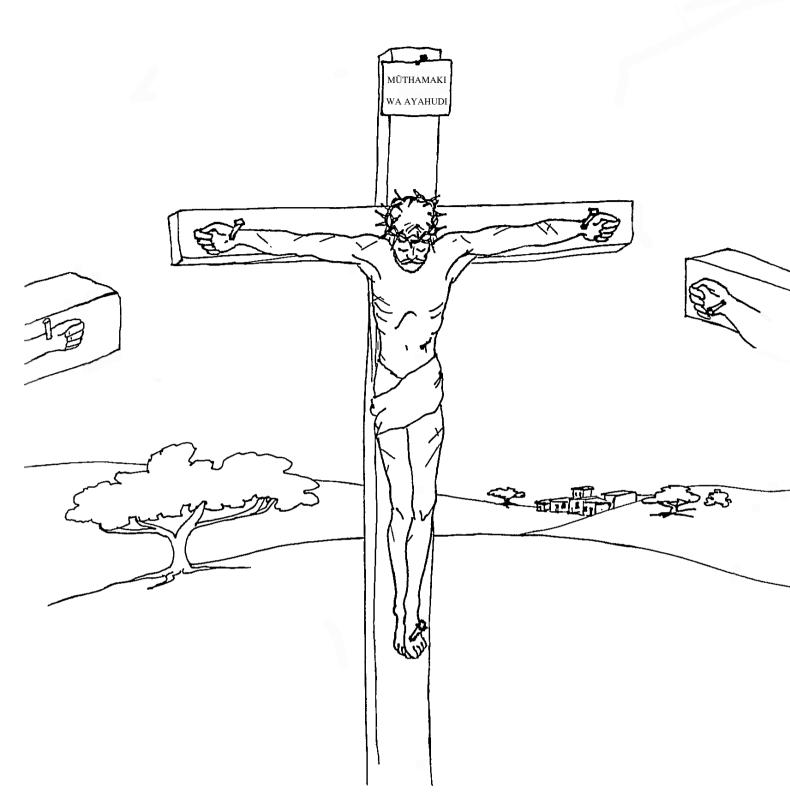
When evening had come, He sat down with the twelve. Now as they were eating, He said, "Assuredly, I say to you, one of you will betray Me." And they were exceedingly sorrowful, and each of them began to say to Him, "Lord, is it I?" He answered and said, "He who dipped his hand with Me in the dish will betray Me." (Matthew 26:20-23)



Na nîhaarî andû angî erî, ageri ngero, maatwaranîirio hamwe nake makoragwo. Na maakinya handû hetagwo Kîbuuri, hau nîho maamwambîire mûtî igûrû, nao acio ageri ngero, ûmwe guoko-inî gwake kwa ûrîo, na ûrîa ûngî guoko-inî gwake kwa ûmotho. Na mûndû ûmwe wa acio ageri ngero maacuurîtio mîtî-inî akîmûruma, akiuga atîrî, Githî tiwe Kristo? Wîhonokie wee mwene, na ûtûhonokie ithuî. Nake ûrîa ûngî agîcokia akîmûkaania, akîmûûria atîrî, Anga o na Ngai ndûngîmwîtigîra, kuona atî wee o nawe nîûtuîrîirûo ituîro o take? Na ithuî-rî, nî kîhooto tûtuîrîirûo nakîo: amu nî kûrîhio tûkûrîhio maûndû marîa twaneka: no mûndû ûyû-rî, ndarî ûndû mûûru ekîte. Nake akiuga atîrî, Jesu, îtîkîra gûkandirikana rîrîa ûgoka ûgwatîte ûthamaki waku. Nake akîmwîra atîrî, Ngûkwîra na ma, atî ûmûthî nîûrîkorûo ûrî hamwe na niî kûrîa maroho ma arîa metîkîtie mathiaga. (Luka 23:32-33 & 39-43)

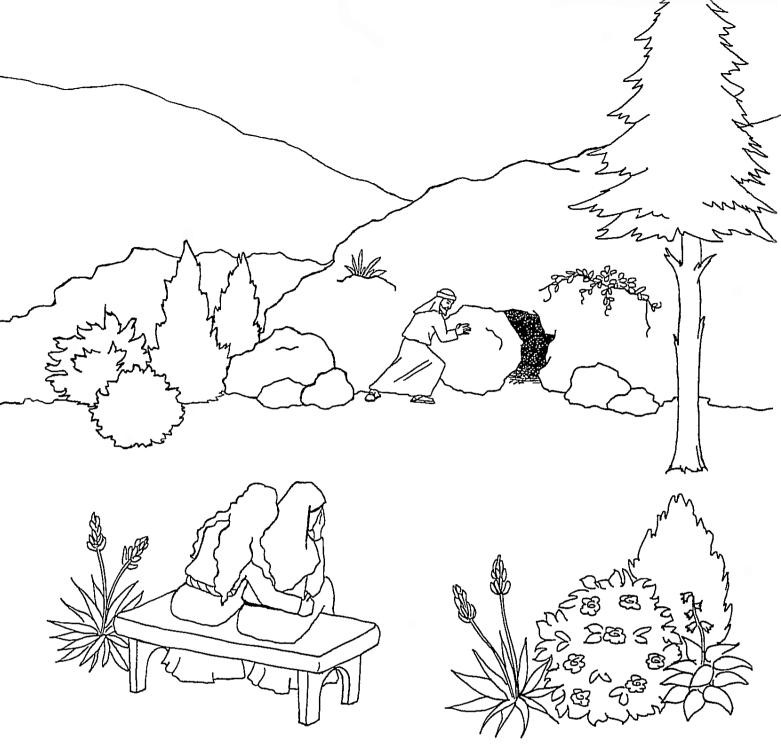
There were also two others, criminals, led with Him to be put to death. And when they had come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on the right hand and the other on the left. Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us." But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong." Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom." And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

(Luke 23:32-33 & 39-43)



Na gwakinya ta thaa thita, gũkĩgĩa na nduma bũrũri wothe o kinya thaa kenda, naguo ũtheri wa riũa ũgĩthira: nakĩo gĩtama kĩa hekarũ gĩgĩatũkana na gatagatĩ. Nake Jesu akĩanĩrĩra na mũgambo mũnene akiuga atĩrĩ, Awa, nĩndakũnengera roho wakwa o mokoinĩ maku: na aarĩkia kuuga ũguo, agĩtuĩkana. Nake mũnene ũrĩa wa athigari igana ona ũrĩa gwekĩka, agĩkumia Ngai, akiuga atĩrĩ, Kaĩ ti-itherũ mũndũ ũyũ oima mũthingu-ĩ! (Luka 23:44-47)

Now it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. Then the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was torn in two. And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, "Father, into your hands I commit My spirit." Having said this, He breathed His last. So when the centurion saw what had happened, he glorified God, saying, "Certainly this was a righteous Man!" (Luke 23:44-47)



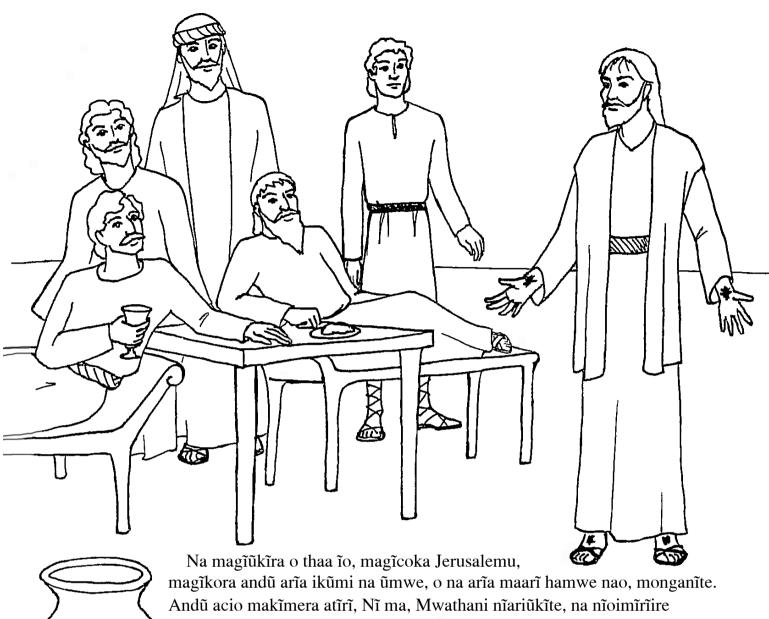
Na hwaĩ-inĩ wakinya-rĩ, hagĩũka mũndũ warĩ gĩtonga wa itũũra rĩa Arimathea, wetagwo Jusufu, nake we mwene aarĩ mũrutwo wa Jesu: ũcio agĩthiĩ kwĩ Pilato, akihoya aheo mwĩrĩ wa Jesu. Hĩndĩ ĩo Pilato agĩathana atĩ ũkaneanwo. Nake Jusufu agĩkuua mwĩrĩ, akĩũthaya na tama mũtheru wa gatani, akĩũiga mbĩrĩra yake njerũ ĩrĩa enjithĩtie rũaro-inĩ rũa ihiga ta muungu: na akĩgaragarĩria mũromo wa mbĩrĩra ĩo ihiga rĩnene, agĩīthiĩra. Nake Mariamu Mũmagidali aarĩ ho o na Mariamu ũrĩa ũngĩ, maikaire thĩ mang'etheire mbĩrĩra. (Mathayo 27:57-61)

Now when evening had come, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who himself had also become a disciple of Jesus. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be given to him. When Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his new tomb which he had hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a large stone against the door of the tomb, and departed. And Mary Magdalene was there, and the other Mary, sitting opposite the tomb. (Matthew 27:57-61)



No mũthenya wa kwambĩrĩria kiumia, o gũgĩkĩa-rĩ, magĩthiĩ mbĩrĩrainĩ, makuuĩte mĩnyamũ mĩnungi wega ĩo marathondekete. Na magĩkora ihiga rĩrĩa rĩarĩ ho rĩgaragarĩtio, rĩgathengio mbĩrĩra-inĩ. Magĩgĩtonya thĩinĩ, na matianakora mwĩrĩ wa Mwathani Jesu. Na gũgĩkinya atĩrĩ, hĩndĩ ĩrĩa maarigĩtwo nĩ ũndũ ũcio, makiumĩrĩrũo nĩ arũme erĩ mehumbĩte nguo ciahenahenagia, marũgamĩte hakuhĩ nao; na rĩrĩa atumia acio metigĩrĩte mũno, makĩinamĩrĩra maroretie mothiũ thĩ, arũme acio makĩmoria atĩrĩ, Nĩ kĩ gĩgũtũma mũcarie ũrĩa wĩ muoyo kũrĩ arĩa akuũ? Ndarĩ haha, no nĩariũkĩte: ta ririkanai ũhoro ũrĩa oigire rĩrĩa aratũire Galili, atĩrĩ, Mũrũ wa mũndũ ndarĩ hingo atakaneanwo moko-inĩ ma andũ ehia, na aambwo mũtĩ igũrũ, na mũthenya wa gatatũ nĩakariũka. Nao makĩririkana ciugo ciake. (Luka 24:1-8)

Now on the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they, and certain other women with them, came to the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared. But they found the stone rolled away from the tomb. Then they went in and did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. And it happened, as they were greatly perplexed about this, that behold, two men stood by them in shining garments. Then, as they were afraid and bowed their faces to the earth, they said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but is *risen!* Remember how He spoke to you when He was still in Galilee, saying, 'The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.'" And they remembered His words. (Luke 24:1-8)

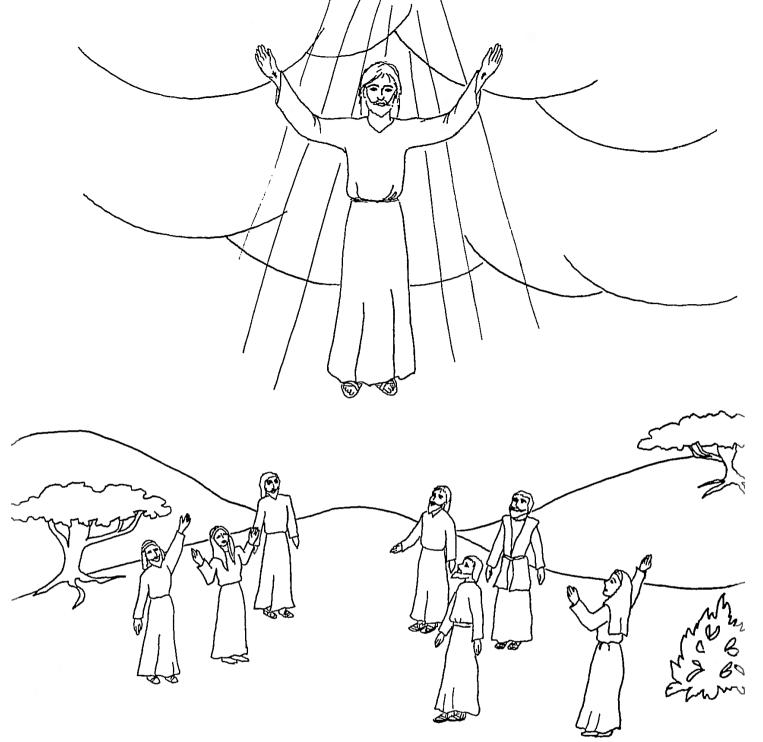


magîkora andû arîa ikûmi na ûmwe, o na arîa maarî hamwe nao, monganîte. Andû acio makîmera atîrî, Nî ma, Mwathani nîariûkîte, na nîoimîrîire Simoni. Nao makîheana ûhoro wa maûndû marîa moneire njîra-inî, na ûrîa emenyithirie kûrî o na ûndû wa kwenyûra mûgate. Ningî o makîaragia maûndû macio-rî, We mwene akîrûgama gatagatîinî kao, akîmera atîrî, Mûrogîa na thayû. Nao magîtuîka nda magîîtigîra mûno, makîîgereria atî nî ngoma mekuona. Nake akîmera atîrî, Mûgûtangîka nîkî? Na nî kî gîgûtûma mûgîe na mathangania ngoro-inî cianyu? Rorai moko makwa, o na magûrû makwa, atî nî niî mwene; 'hambatai, mwîonere; nî gûkorûo ngoma ndîrî mwîrî na mahîndî ta ûû mûkuona ndî nacio. Na aarîkia kuuga ûguo, akîmonia moko make, o na magûrû. (Luka 24:33-40)

who were with them gathered together, saying, "The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" And they told about the things that had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of bread. Now as they said these things, Jesus Himself stood in the midst of them, and said to them, "Peace to you." But they were terrified and frightened, and supposed they had seen a spirit. And he said to them, "Why are you troubled? And why do doubts arise in your hearts? Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself. Handle Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see I have."

So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven and those

When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet. (Luke 24:33-40)



Agîkîmera atîrî, Ũũ nîguo ũhoro wandîkîtwo Maandîko-inî atîrî, atî no mũhaka Kristo anyarirîke, na acoke kũriûka oime kũrî arîa akuũ mũthenya wa gatatũ, na ningî atî ũhoro wa kwîrira na wa kuohanîrũo mehia ũkahunjîrio ndũrîrî ciothe na rîîtwa rĩake, na kwambîrîrio o kũu Jerusalemu. Na inyuĩ nĩ inyuĩ aira a maũndũ macio. Agîcoka akĩmaruta hau maarĩ, akĩmatongoria o kinya handũ haringaine na Bethania: akĩambararia moko make na igũrũ akĩmarathima. Na gũgĩkinya atĩrĩ, o akĩmarathimaga, agĩtigana nao agĩtwarũo Igũrũ. (Luka 24:46-48 & 50-51)

And He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And you are witnesses of these things." And he led them out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them. Now it came to pass while He blessed them, that He was parted from them and carried up into heaven. (Luke 24:46-48 & 50-51)

Amu Ngai, tondũ wa ũrĩa endete kĩrĩndĩ gĩa gũkũ thĩ, nĩaarutire Mũrũ wake wa mũmwe, nĩ getha mũndũ o wothe ũmwĩhokete ndakore, no agĩe muoyo wa tene na tene. Amu Ngai ndaatũmire Mũriũ thĩ acirithie kĩrĩndĩ, tiga kĩrĩndĩ kĩhonoke nĩ ũndũ wake. Ũrĩa ũmwĩhokete ti wa gũcirithio; ũrĩa nake ũtamwĩhokete nĩarĩkĩtie gũcirithio tene agagĩtuwo mwĩhia, nĩ ũndũ ndehokete rĩitwa rĩa Mũriũ wa Ngai wa mũmwe. (Johana 3:16-18)

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. (John 3:16-18)

Twoiga tũtirĩ na wĩhia nĩ kwĩhenia tũkwĩhenia, na ũhoro-ũrĩa-wa-ma tũtirĩ naguo ngoro ciitũ. Twakiumbũra mehia maitũ, we nĩ mwĩhokeku, o na nĩ mũthingu, agatuohera mehia maitũ, na agatũtheria tũgathirũo nĩ maũndũ marĩa mothe matarĩ ma ũthingu. (I Johana 1:8-9)

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (I John 1:8-9)

Nake Jesu akîmwîra atîrî, Nî niî njîra, na nî niî ûhoro-ûrîa-wa-ma, na nî niî muoyo; gûtirî mûndû ûkinyaga gwî Ithe witû, atokîire harî niî. (Johana 14:6)

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." (John 14:6)

Ūkai kũrĩ niĩ inyuothe anogu, na inyuĩ mũtitikĩte mĩrigo mĩnene, na nĩngũmũhurũkia. Oyai icoki rĩakwa mwĩikĩre, na mwĩrute na niĩ: nĩ ũndũ ndĩ mũhoreri, na mwĩnyihia ngoro-inĩ: nacio ngoro cianyu nĩikũhurũkio. Nĩ gũkorũo icoki rĩakwa nĩ rĩnyoroku, o na mũrigo wakwa nĩ mũhũthũ.

(Mathayo 11:28-30)

"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

(Matthew 11:28-30)

Gwĩ ciama ingĩ nyingĩ Jesu ekire arutwo me ho, itaandĩkĩtwo mbuku ĩno; no icio nĩciandĩkĩtwo nĩ getha mwĩtĩkie atĩ Jesu nĩwe Kristo, Mũrũ wa Ngai; na tondũ wa gwĩtĩkia mũgĩe na muoyo na ũndũ wa rĩĩtwa rĩake.

(Johana 20:30-31)

And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name. (John 20:30-31)

Nĩ niĩ Alifa o na Omega, ũrĩa wa mbere o na wa kũrigĩrĩria, ningĩ kĩambĩrĩria o na kĩrĩkĩro. (Kũguũrĩrio 22:13)

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last."
(Revelation 22:13)





Ihoya rîrî nîrîkuonania wendi wa ngoro yaku? Angîkorûo nîrîkuonania, hoya ihoya ta ûû na Kristo nîegûtonya ngoro-inî yaku ta ûrîa eranîire:

Mwathani Jesu, Nîndamenya atî ndî mwîhia nanî-mbatairio nîwe ngoro-inî yakwa, nîndagûcokeria ngatho nî ûndû wa kûnguîra mûtharaba-inî nîguo ûnjehererie mehia makwa. Nîwega nîûndû wa kûnjohera mehia makwa na ûkahe muoyo wa tene na tene. Tonya ngoro-inî yakwa ûrî mûhonokia na mwathani. Tuîka mwathani na mûtongoria wa muoyo wakwa.

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