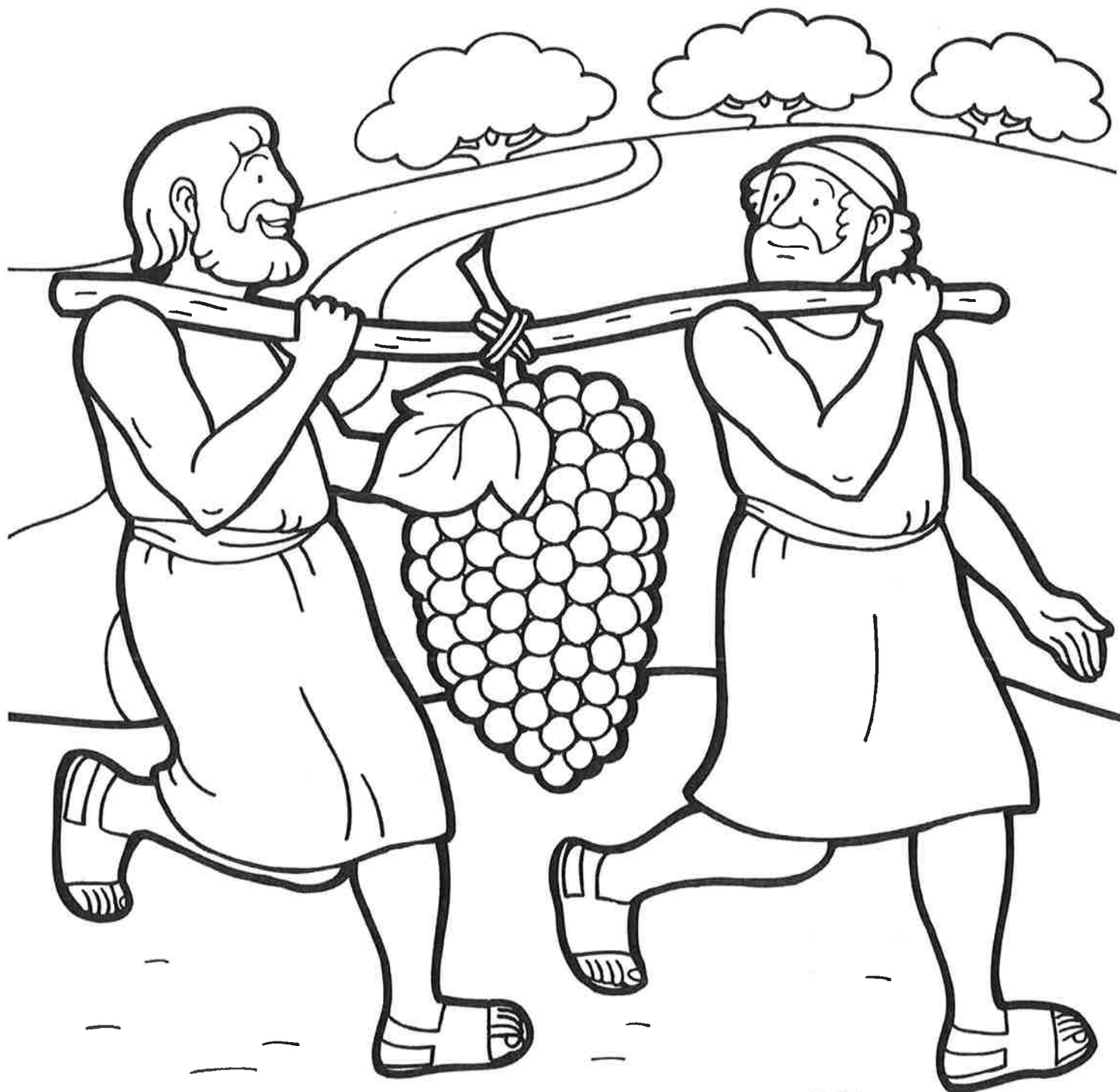


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Moses sent twelve men to explore the land God promised to give the Israelite people. The men looked at the cities and towns. They saw the good food that grew in the land. They saw the people who lived there.

The twelve men came back to Moses. They brought back some of the good food from the Promised Land. Ten of the men were scared. They said the people who lived in the land were too strong for them. They did not trust God to help them live in the land.

But two of the men, Joshua and Caleb, knew that God would keep His promise to give them the land. "Don't be afraid," they told the people. But the Israelites didn't believe Joshua and Caleb.

God said that because the people did not trust Him they would not be able to go to the Promised Land for a long time. The people would have to live in the desert for many years. But God promised that Joshua and Caleb would get to go to the Promised Land because they trusted God.