





Do you see the man writing?

His name is John.

Long ago he had run with Peter  
to the empty tomb.

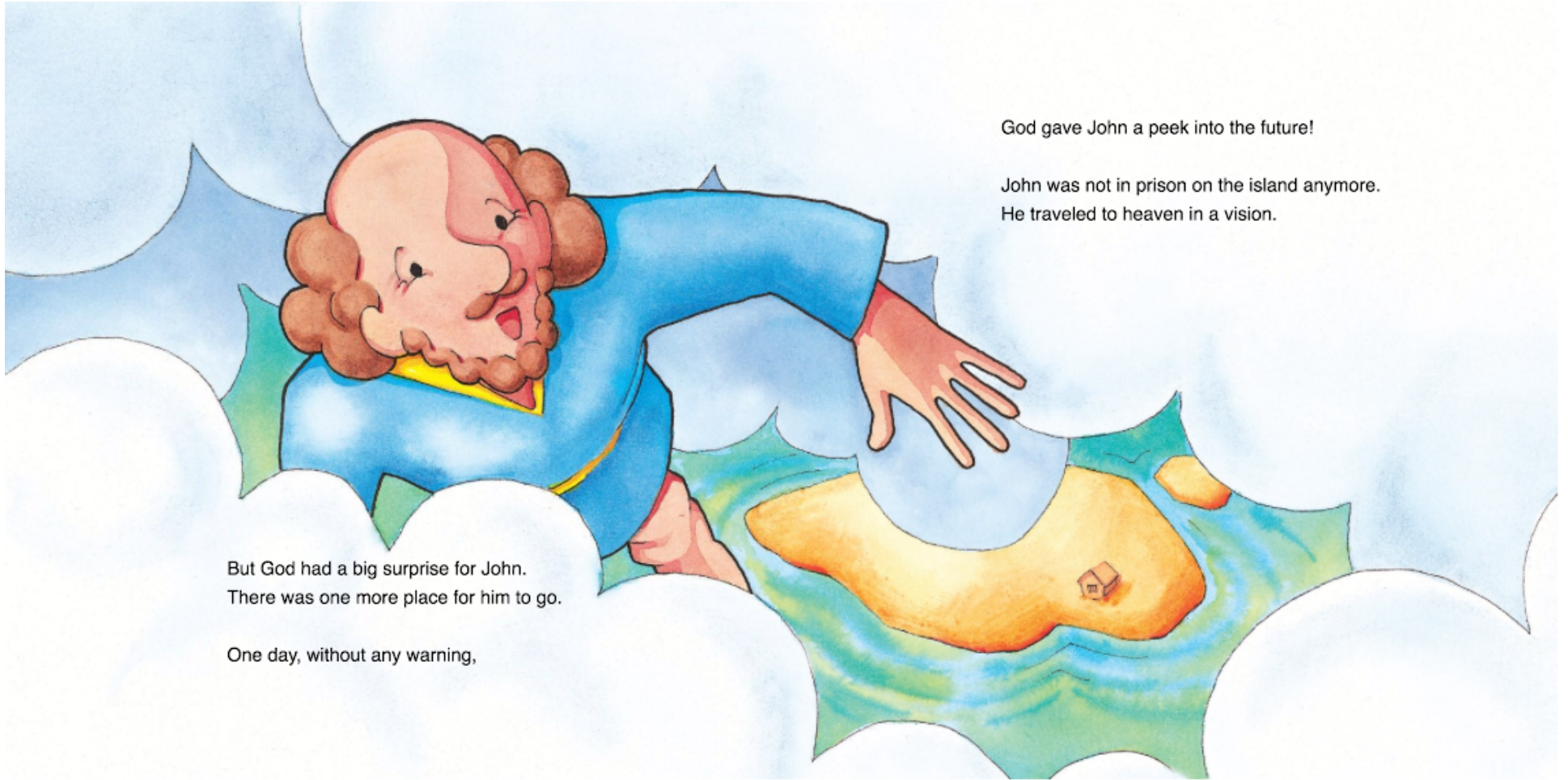
Later he had traveled far and wide,  
telling others of God's king.

But now John was very old.

He would not be doing much  
traveling or speaking anymore.

People who didn't believe his  
message had seen to that!

They were keeping John here  
as a prisoner.



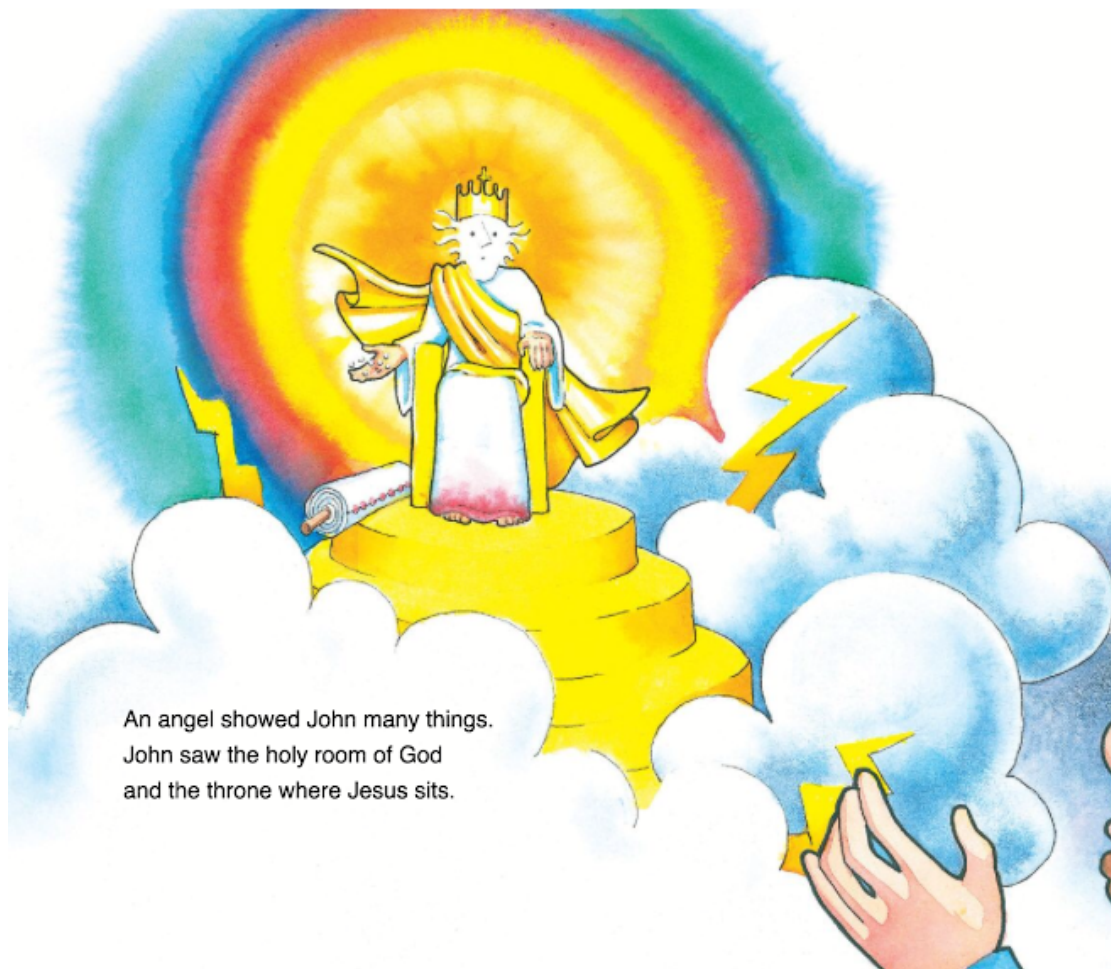
God gave John a peek into the future!

John was not in prison on the island anymore.  
He traveled to heaven in a vision.

But God had a big surprise for John.  
There was one more place for him to go.

One day, without any warning,

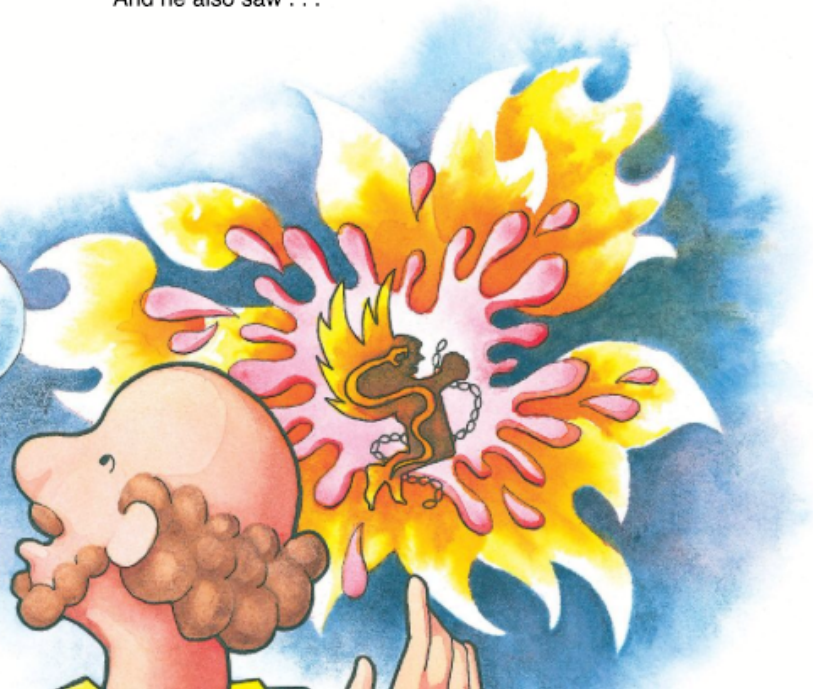




An angel showed John many things.  
John saw the holy room of God  
and the throne where Jesus sits.

He saw the place of hell  
for everyone who rejects Jesus as God's king.  
He even saw Satan crushed forever!

And he also saw . . .







A new heaven and a new earth.

And then he heard something wonderful.  
A loud voice came from the throne saying,  
"Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man.  
He will dwell with them,  
and they will be his people. . . .  
He will wipe away every tear from their eyes,  
and death shall be no more,  
neither shall there be mourning  
nor crying nor pain anymore,  
for the former things have passed away. . . .  
I am making all things new. . . .  
Write this down, for these words  
are trustworthy and true."



After hearing this, John  
saw a garden inside a city.  
A river as clear as crystal  
was flowing from the throne,  
and on either side was the tree of life.

And then . . .



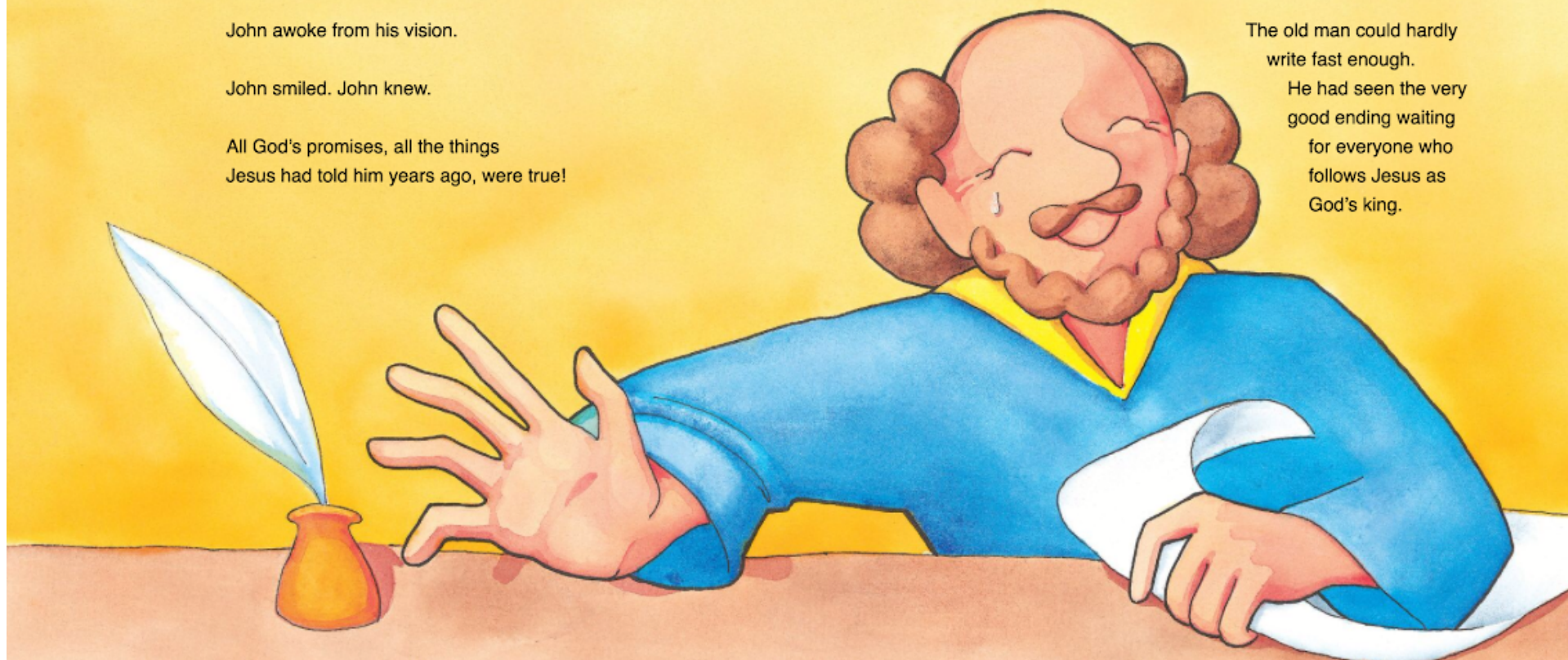
John awoke from his vision.

John smiled. John knew.

All God's promises, all the things  
Jesus had told him years ago, were true!

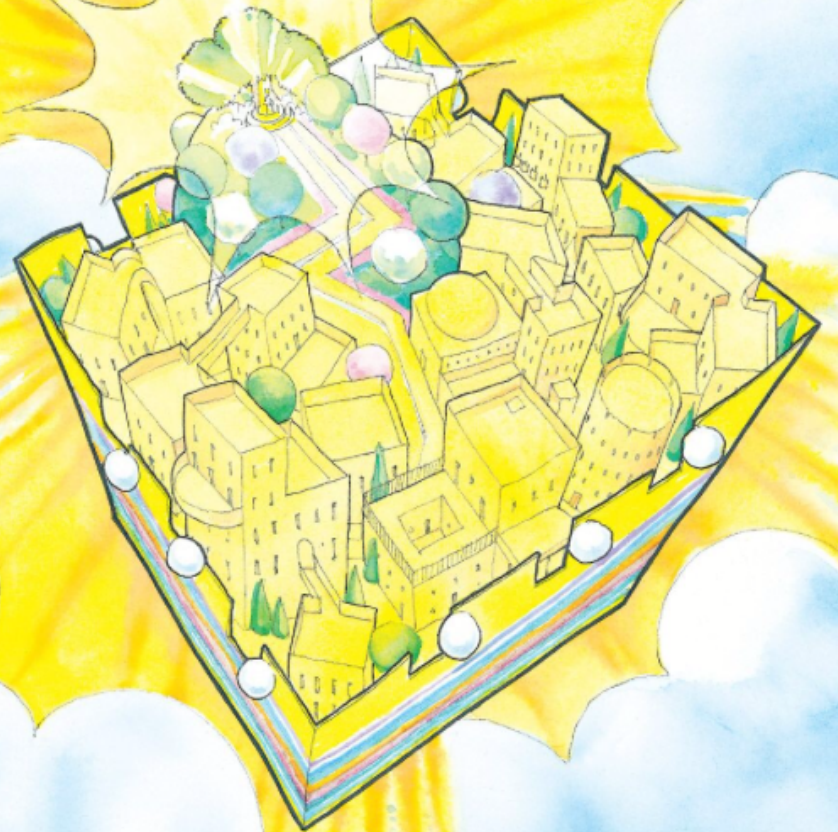
The old man could hardly  
write fast enough.


He had seen the very  
good ending waiting  
for everyone who  
follows Jesus as  
God's king.





God's forever people  
will one day  
live in God's forever place  
under God's forever rule.





Can you believe it?

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!