

The Church is not a Building.

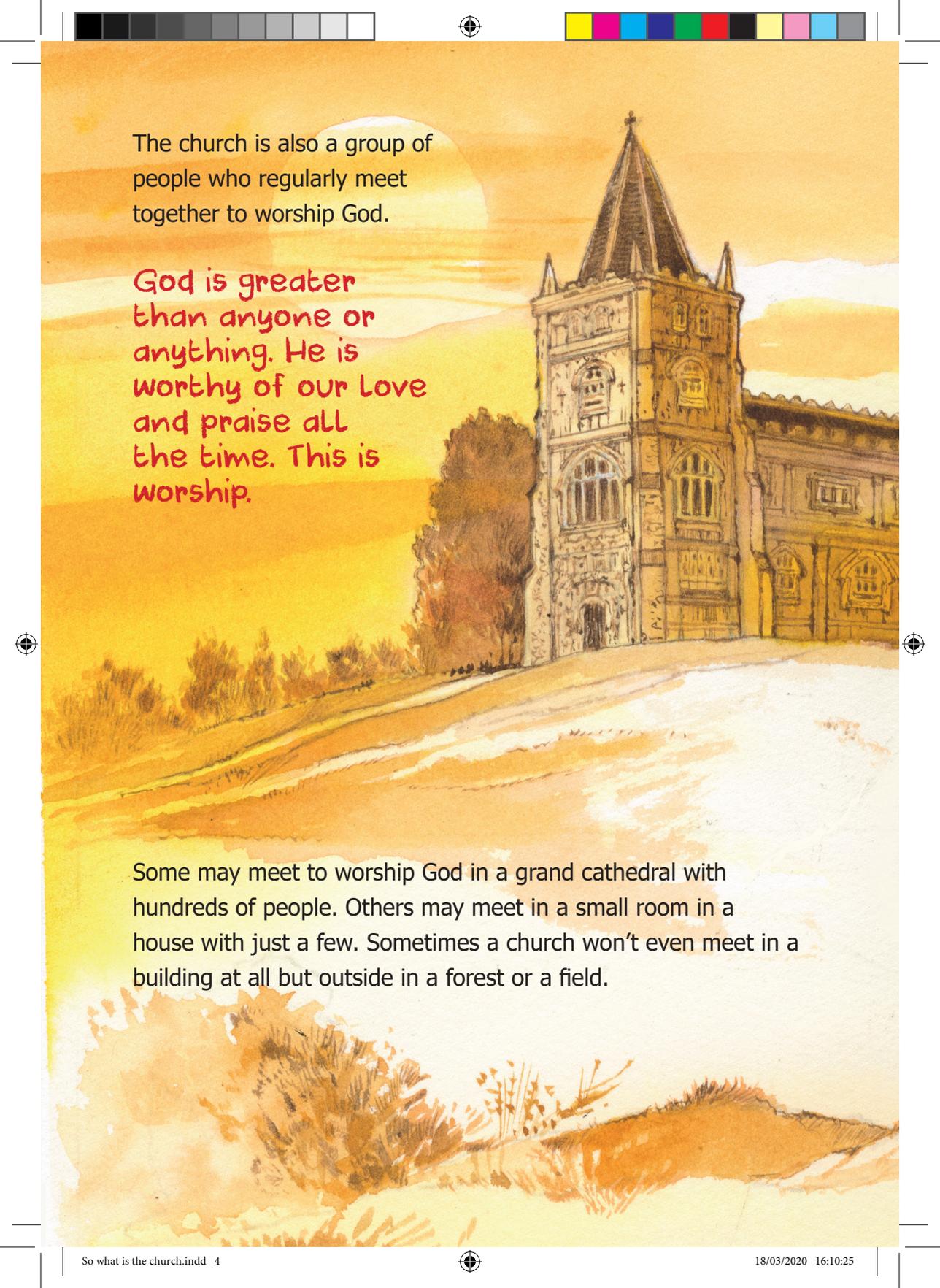
When God speaks in the Bible about the church, he does not mean a building where services are held. The real church is the people of God – those who trust in his Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.



When you trust in Jesus, you are adopted into God's family. Your sins are forgiven because Jesus took the punishment for them instead of you.

Sin is doing, saying or thinking anything that is against God's will. It is not doing, saying or thinking what pleases God.

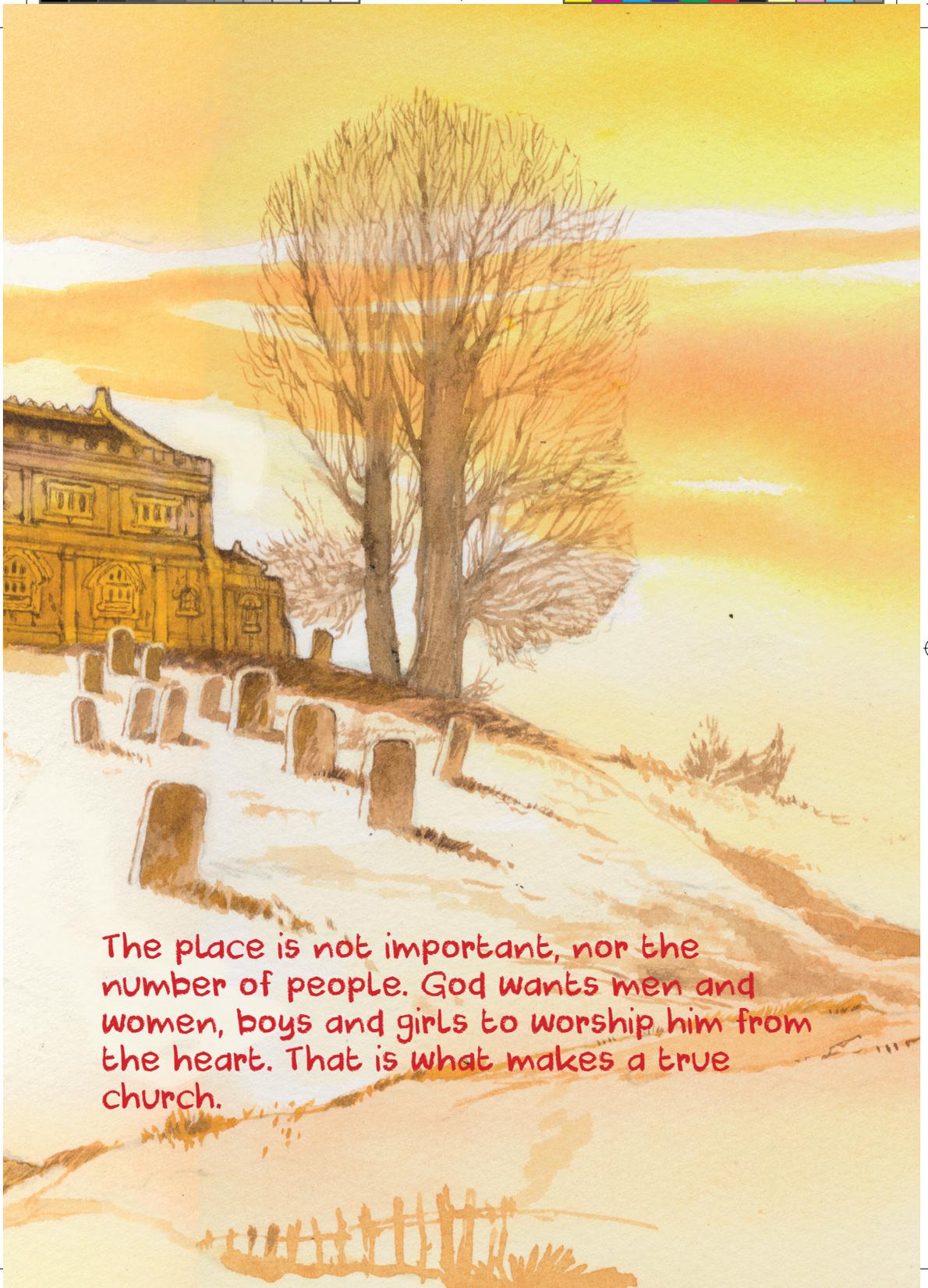




The church is also a group of people who regularly meet together to worship God.

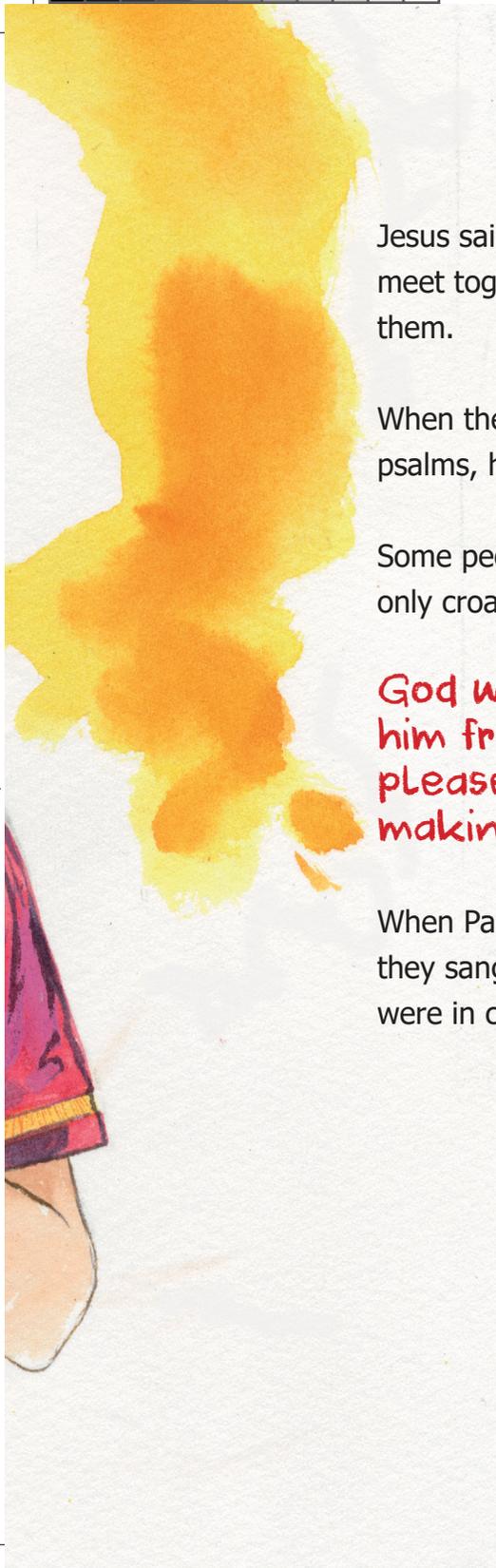
God is greater than anyone or anything. He is worthy of our love and praise all the time. This is worship.

Some may meet to worship God in a grand cathedral with hundreds of people. Others may meet in a small room in a house with just a few. Sometimes a church won't even meet in a building at all but outside in a forest or a field.



The place is not important, nor the number of people. God wants men and women, boys and girls to worship him from the heart. That is what makes a true church.





Jesus said that where two or three people meet together in his name, he is there with them.

When the church meets together people sing psalms, hymns or songs in praise to God.

Some people can sing beautifully: others can only croak out of tune.

God wants us to praise him from the heart. God is pleased to hear his people making a joyful noise to him.

When Paul and Silas were in prison together, they sang praises to God even when they were in chains.

