

The Twelve Apostles

From FishEaters

Peter
Andrew
James the Greater
John
Philip
Bartholomew
Matthew
Thomas
James the Less
Jude (Thaddeus)
Simon
Judas Iscariot

The word "apostle" means "one who is sent." In the case of the Twelve Apostles, it means "one who is sent by Christ."

Notice that two of the 12 Apostles -- Matthew and John -- also belong to the group of the 4 Evangelists -- the men who each wrote one of the four Gospels (the other two Evangelists -- Mark and Luke -- were students of Simon Peter and Paul, respectively, and were not sent directly by Christ).

Paul is often referred to as "Apostle Paul" -- specifically the "Apostle to the Gentiles" -- because he, too, was sent directly by Christ, but he is not one of the original 12 Apostles.

When Judas Iscariot killed himself after betraying Christ, Matthias took his place.

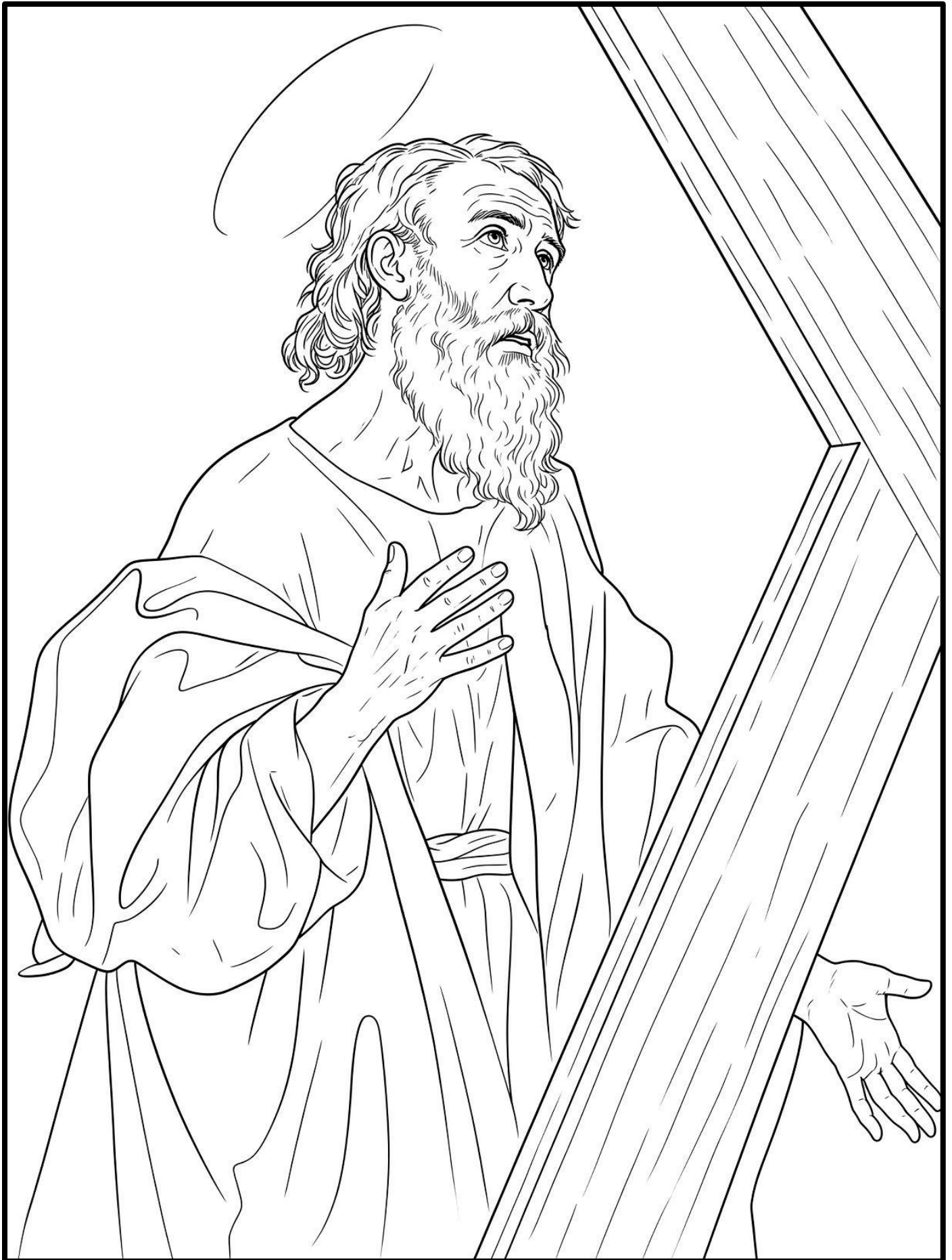
A mnemonic device to help you remember the original twelve apostles:

Peter, Andrew, James, and John
Phil and Bart and Matt and Tom
James the Less and Jude and Simon
Then Judas who betrayed the God-man.

Peter

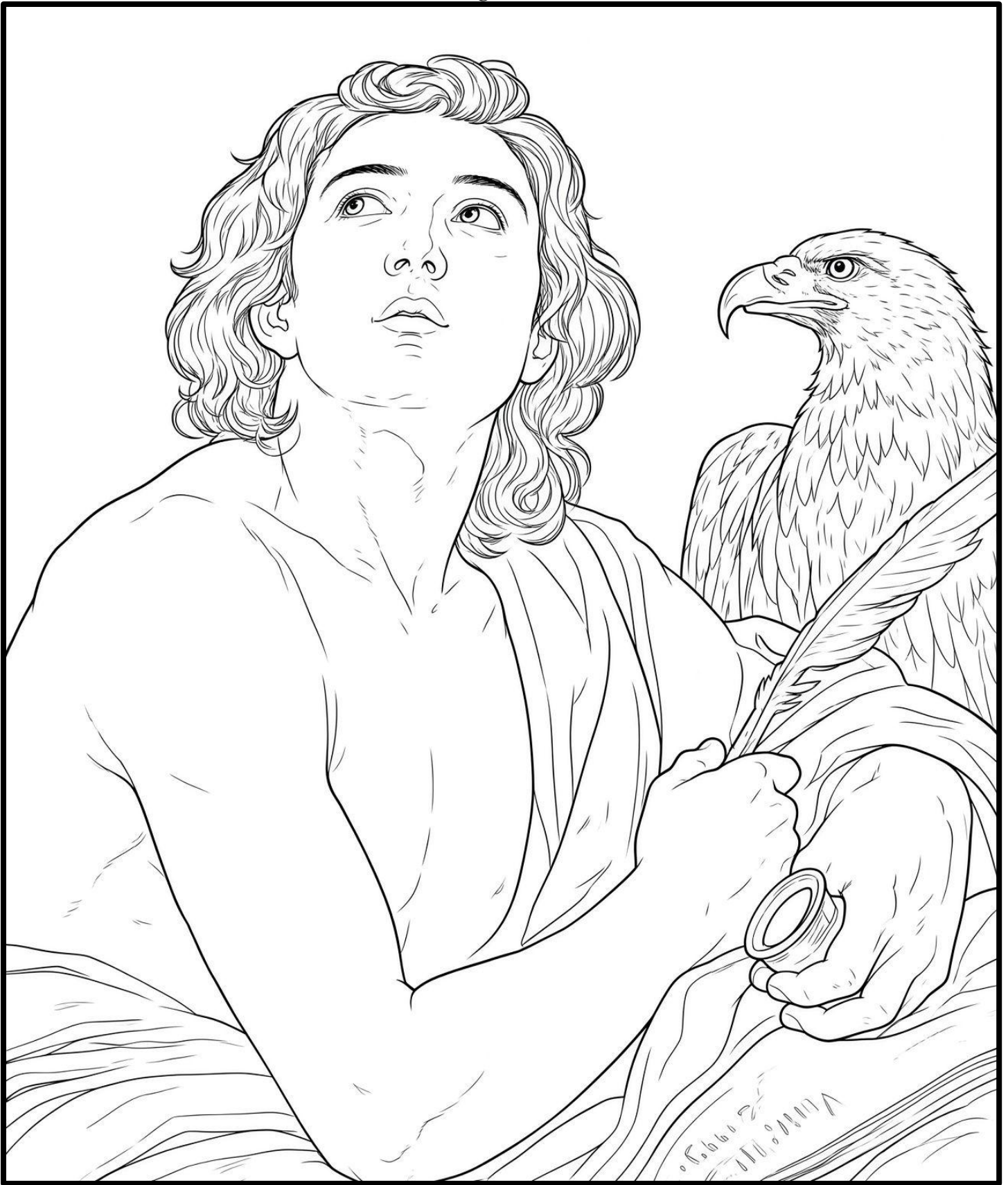


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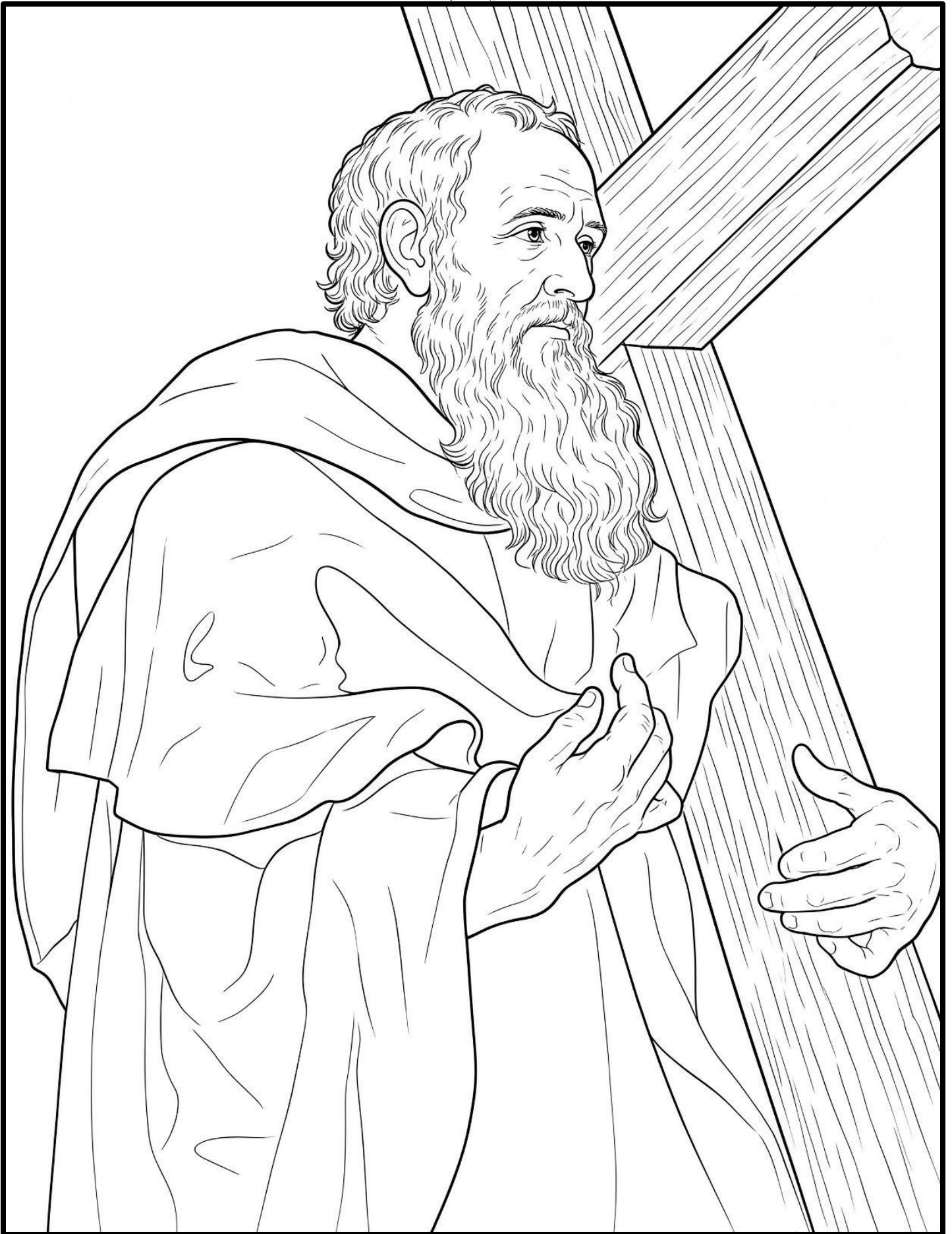


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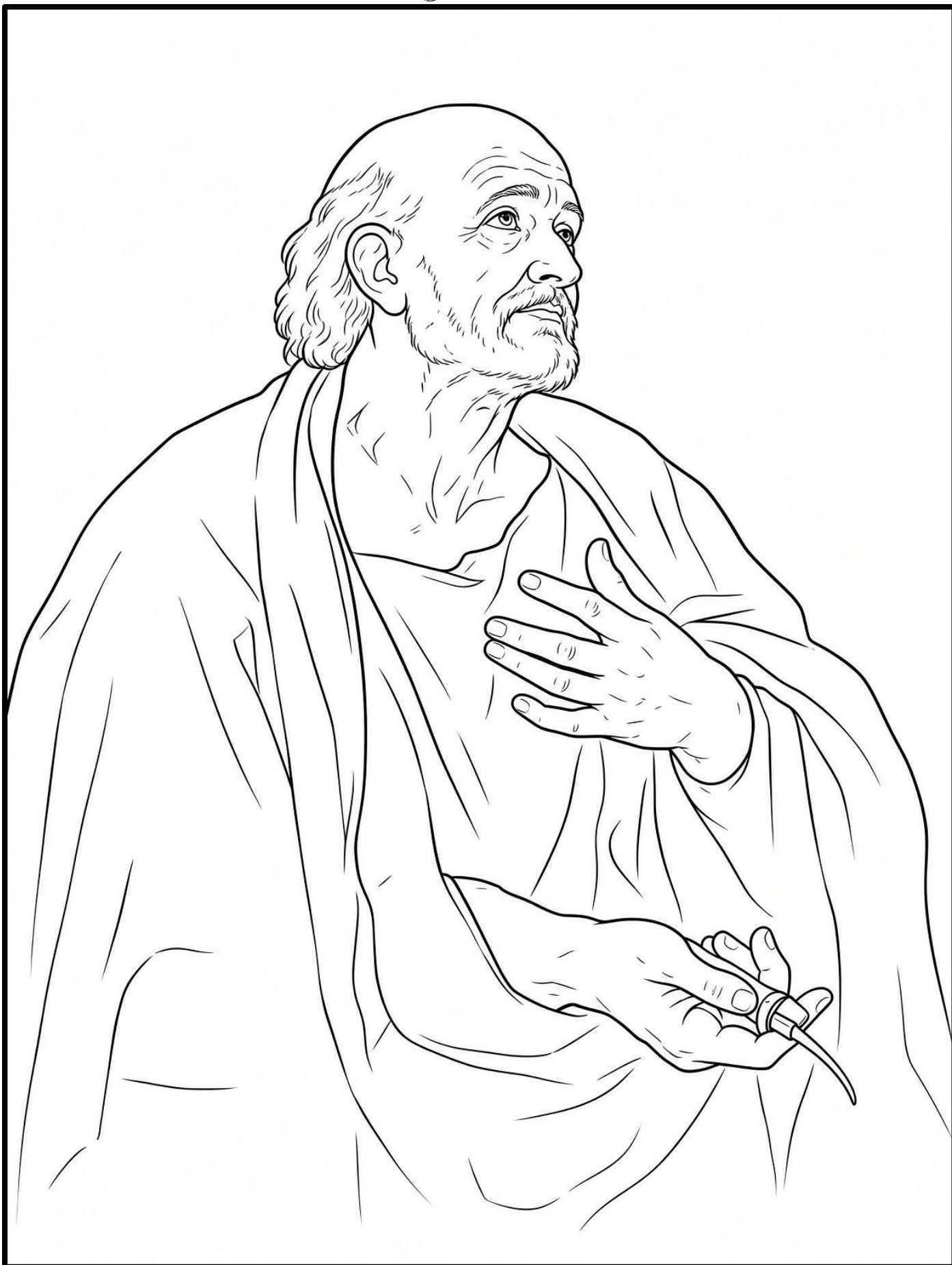


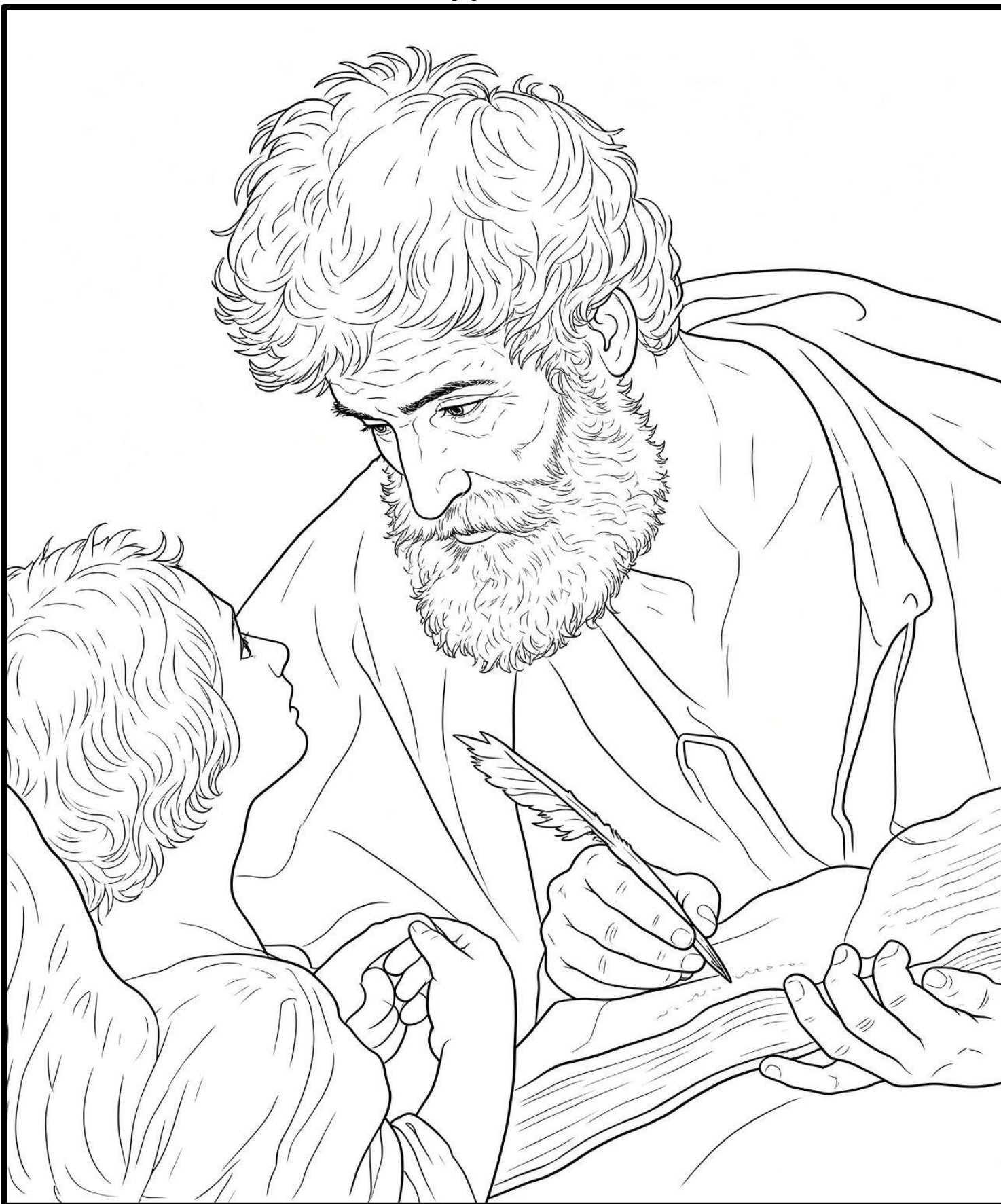


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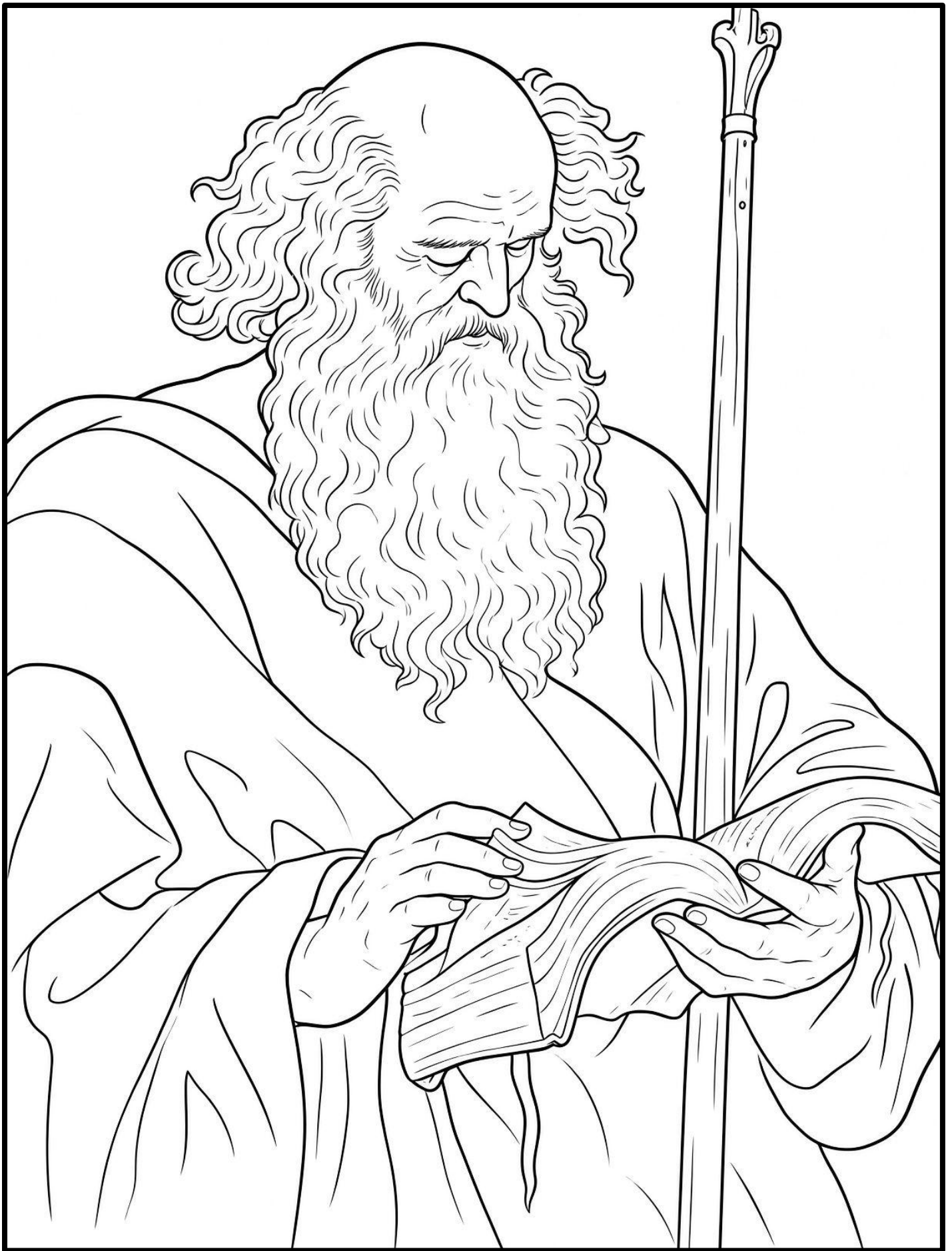


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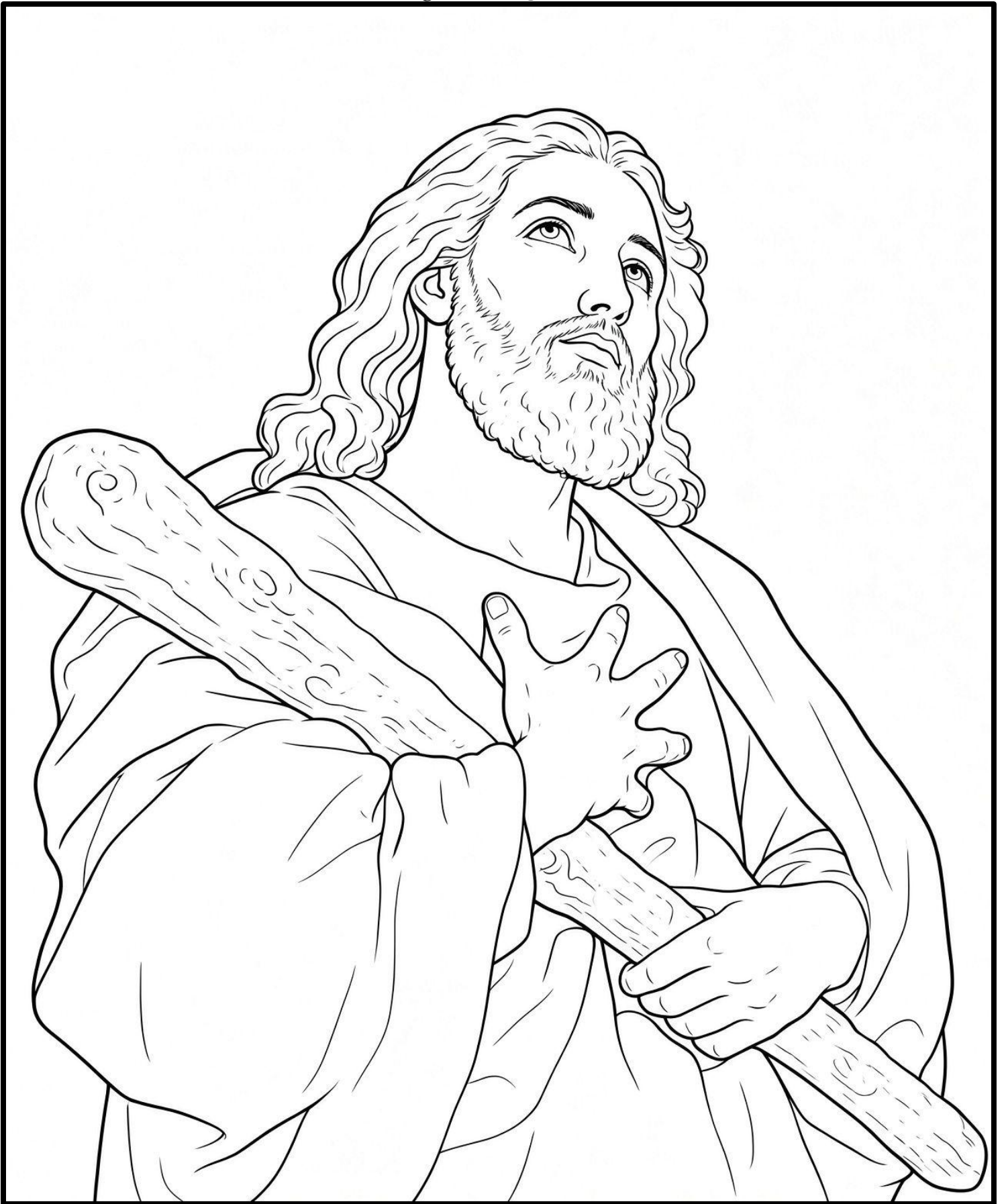




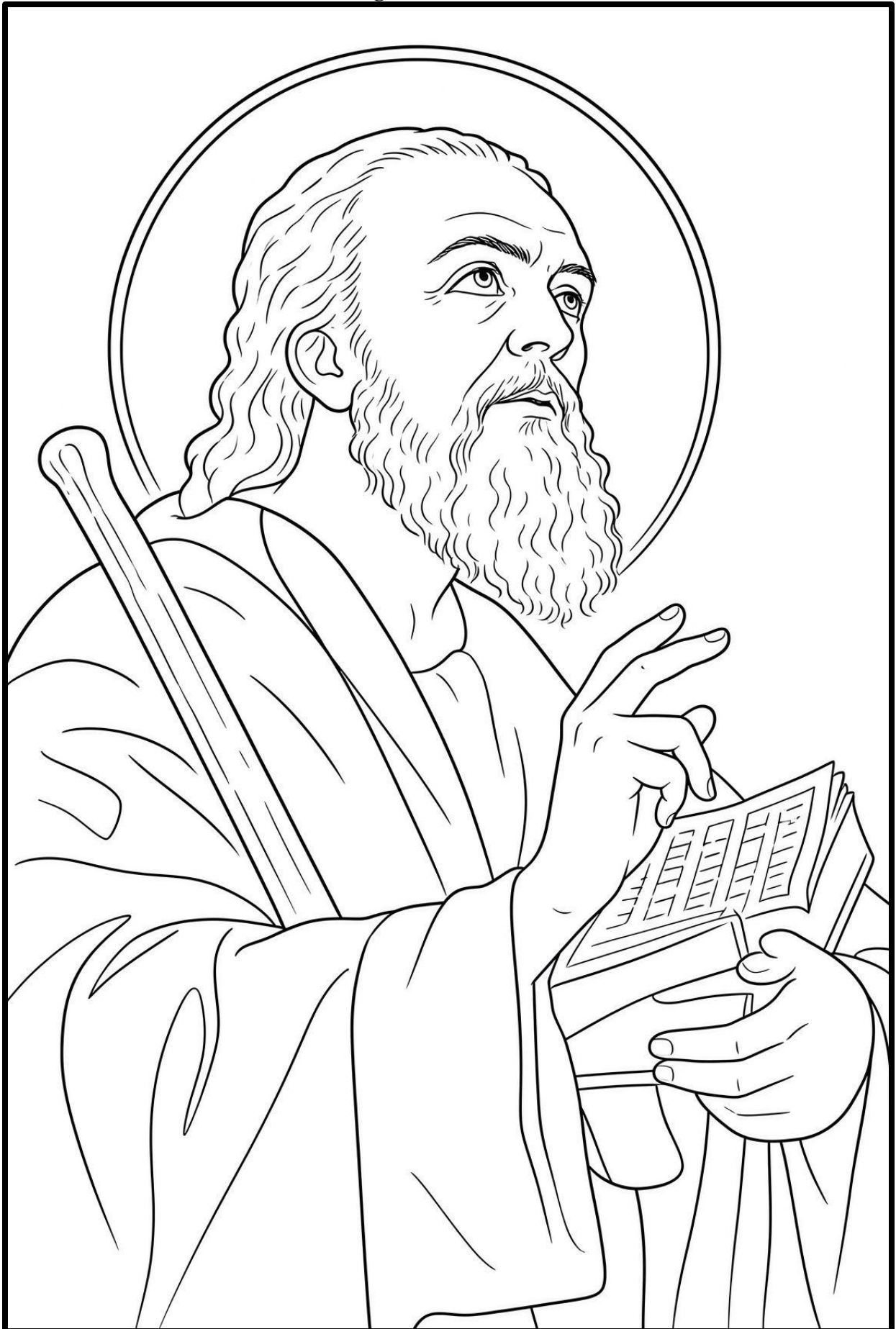
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James the Less



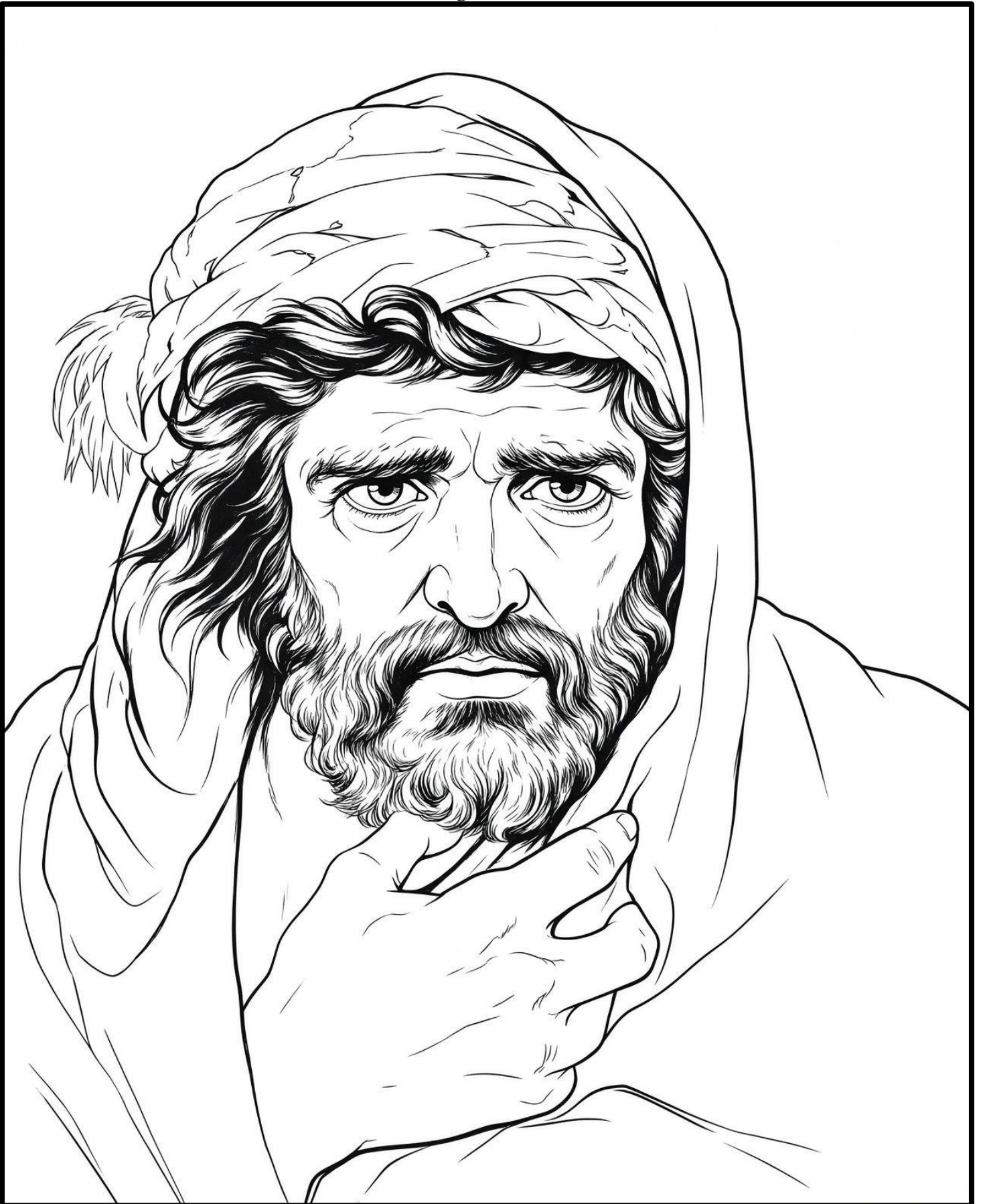
Jude (Thaddeus)



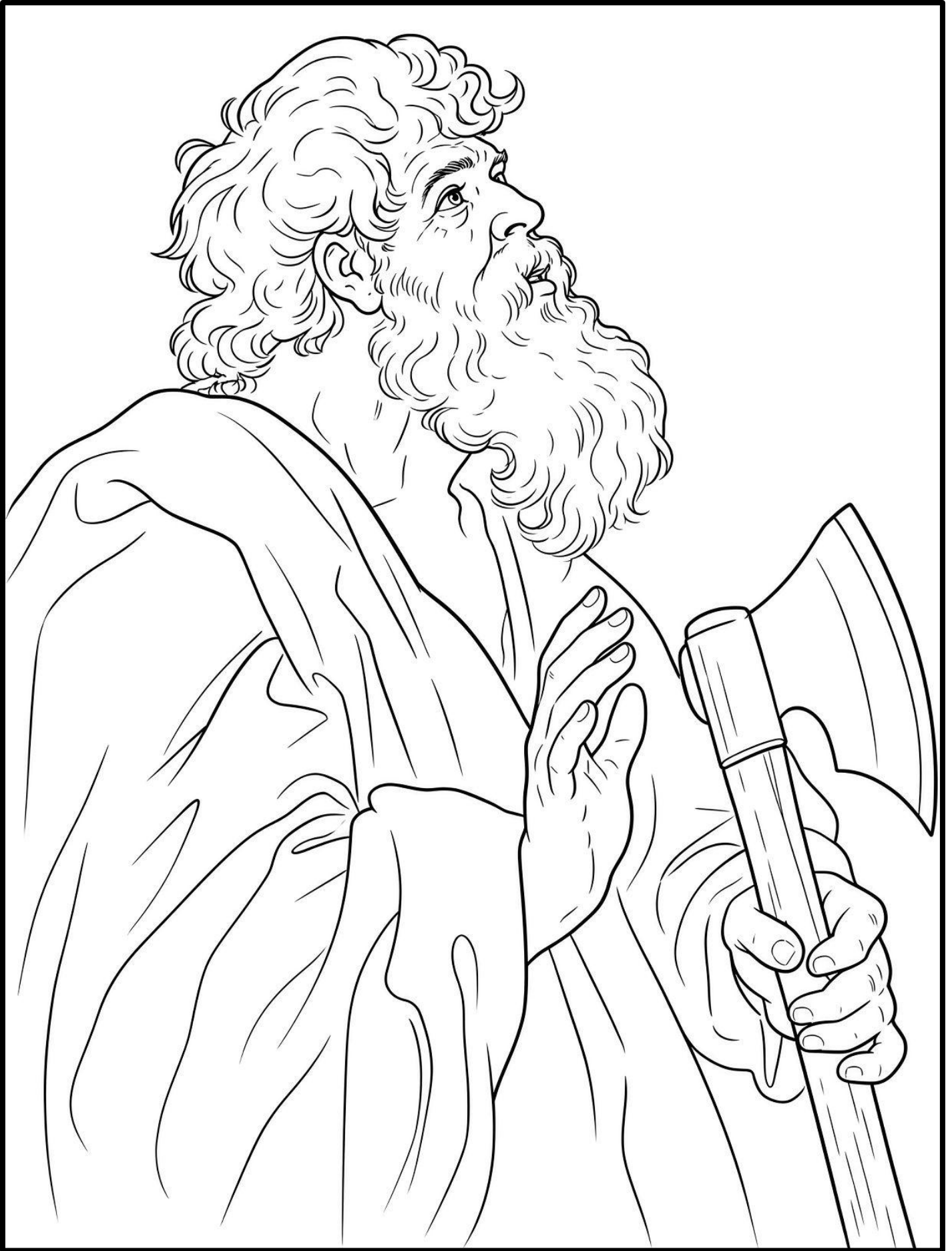
Simon



Judas



Matthias (Judas's replacement)



Paul (called by Christ after the Resurrection)

