Prayers for When You Feel Anxious COLORING PAGES

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We hope that these coloring page prayers will help you in times when you might feel anxious. Through the words, images, shapes, and opportunities to color and reflect, we hope you will find peace and calm in your life.

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Blessings,

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TEXT OF THE PRAYERS

Below you can find the full text included in each of the coloring page prayers:

Coloring Page 1 Prayer:

Holy God,

You are with us from the spinning planets in our sky to the tiniest microbe that lives on the tiniest paw of the tiniest mouse.

You care for creation and you care for us.

Whether we are out in the world or tucked inside at home, we know that you are as close as the air we breathe. Thank you for being our friend and comforter. Amen.

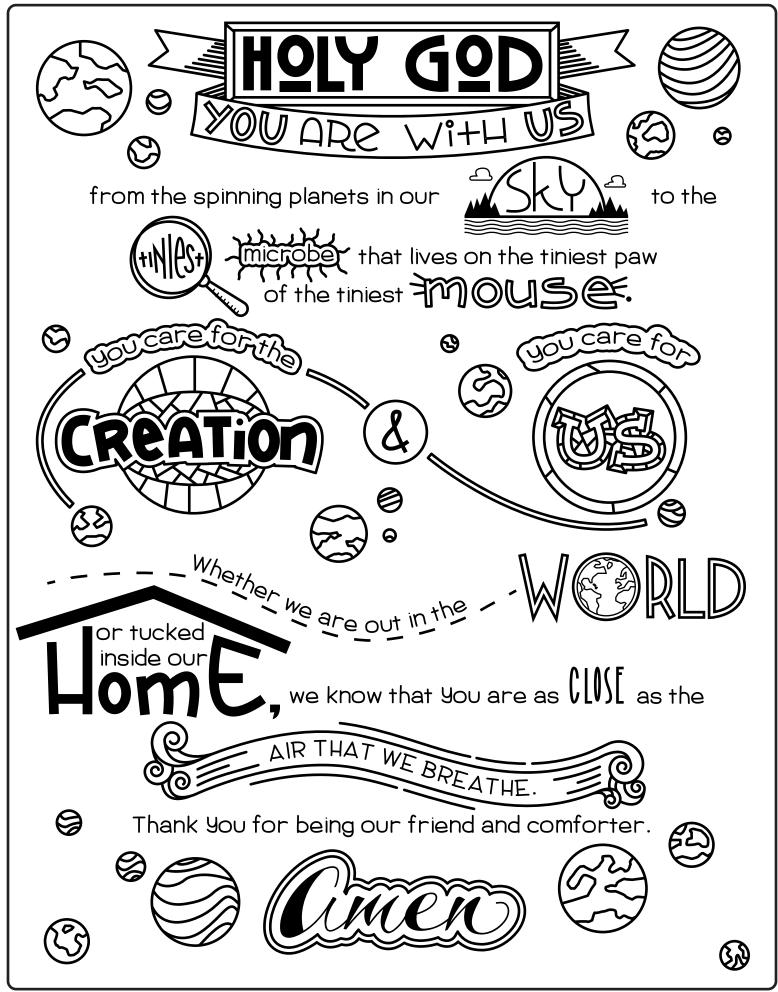
Coloring Page 2 Prayer:

Into your spacious heart and loving hands, dear God, I place my fears, my "what ifs," my spinning world and mind... Comfort me with the truth no fear is too big for the Great One, who is always with me. I am never alone. Calming God, bring courage. Tender Spirit, breathe peace. Gentle Jesus, be close. Amen.

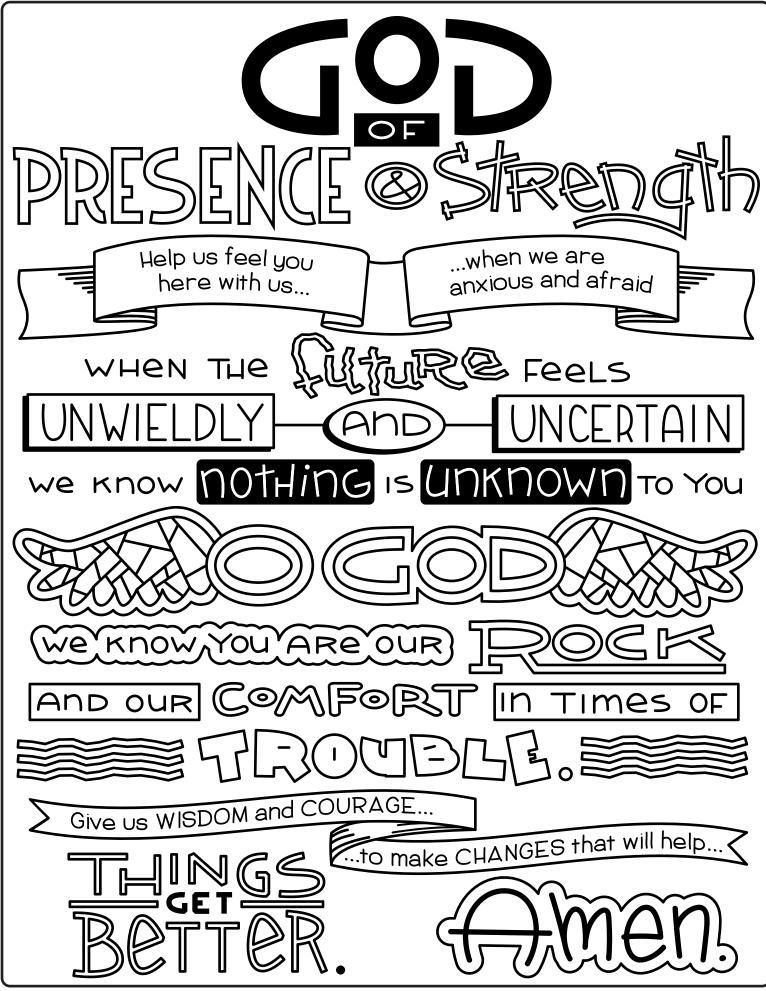
Coloring Page 3 Prayer:

God of presence and strength, Help us feel you here with us when we are anxious and afraid, when the future feels unwieldy and uncertain. We know nothing is unknown to you, O God, and we know you are our rock and our comfort in times of trouble. Give us wisdom and courage to make changes that will help things get better. Amen.

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