Refugees

by Brian Bilston

They have no need of our help
So do not tell me
These haggard faces could belong to you or me
Should life have dealt a different han d
We need to see them for who they really are
Chancers an d scroungers
Layabouts an d loungers
With bombs up their sleeves
Cut-throats an d thieves
They are not
Welcome here
We should make them
Go back to where they came from
They cannot
Share our food
Share our homes
Share our countries
Instead let us
Build a wall to keep them out
It is not okay to say
These are people just like us
A place should only belong to those who are born there
Do not be so stupid to think that
The world can be looked at another way

(now read from bottom to top)

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The Bible talks about refugees.

“The Spirit of the LORD is upon me,
for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor.
He has sent me that the oppressed will be set free,.” Luke 4:18

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.” John 15:12

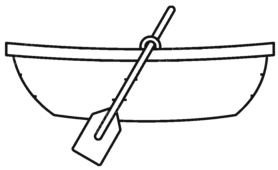
Read the poem and follow the instruction.

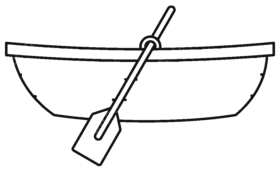
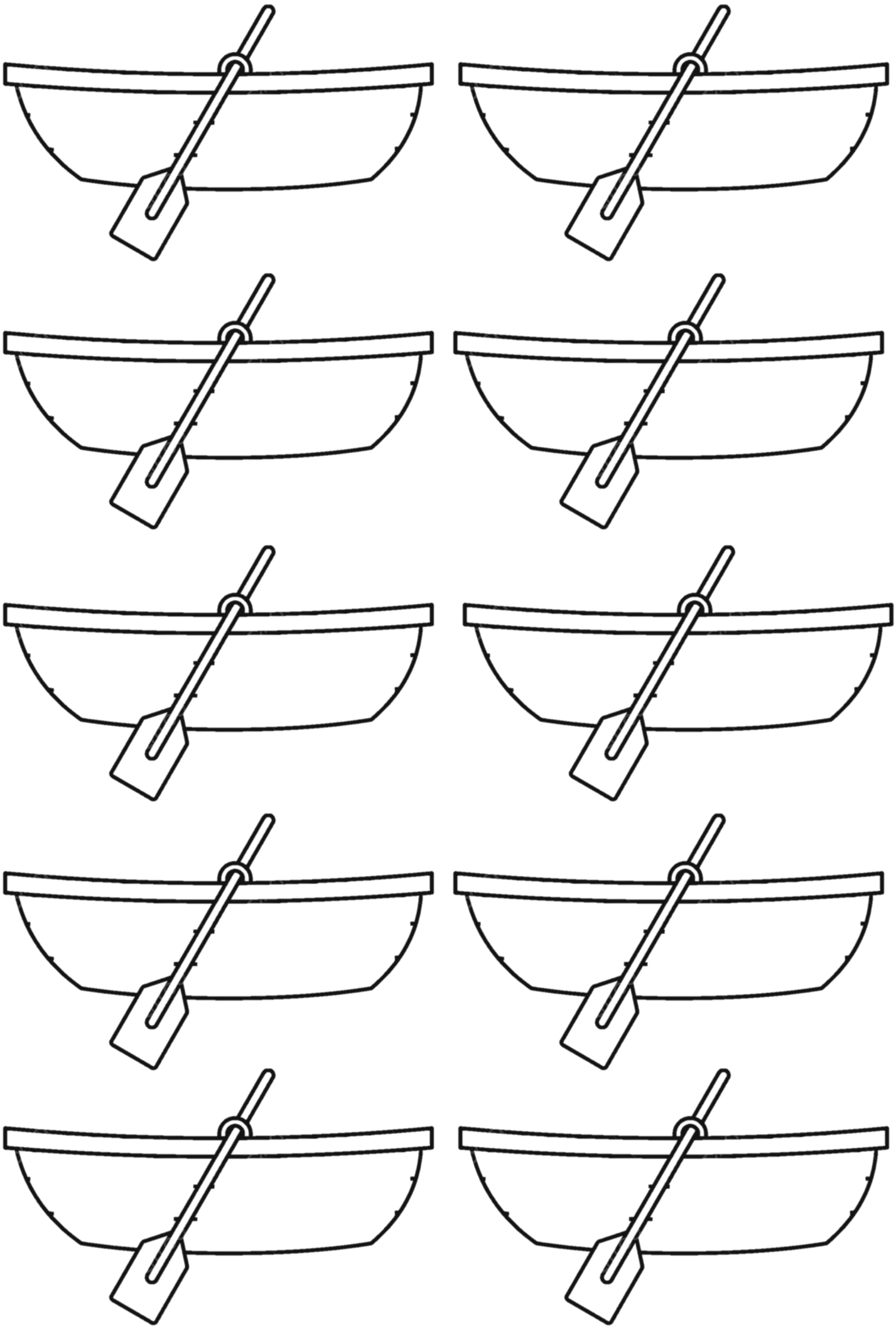
How does it make you feel?

- **How would you feel if you were in the situation of having to leave your home because you were too afraid to stay?**
- **Would you hope that others would help you?**

Take a ‘boat’ and write a message or prayer of hope

Place it at the foot of the cross

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ASKS US TO
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OUR BROTHER AND SISTER
MIGRANTS AND
REFUGEES
WITH ARMS
WIDE
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