

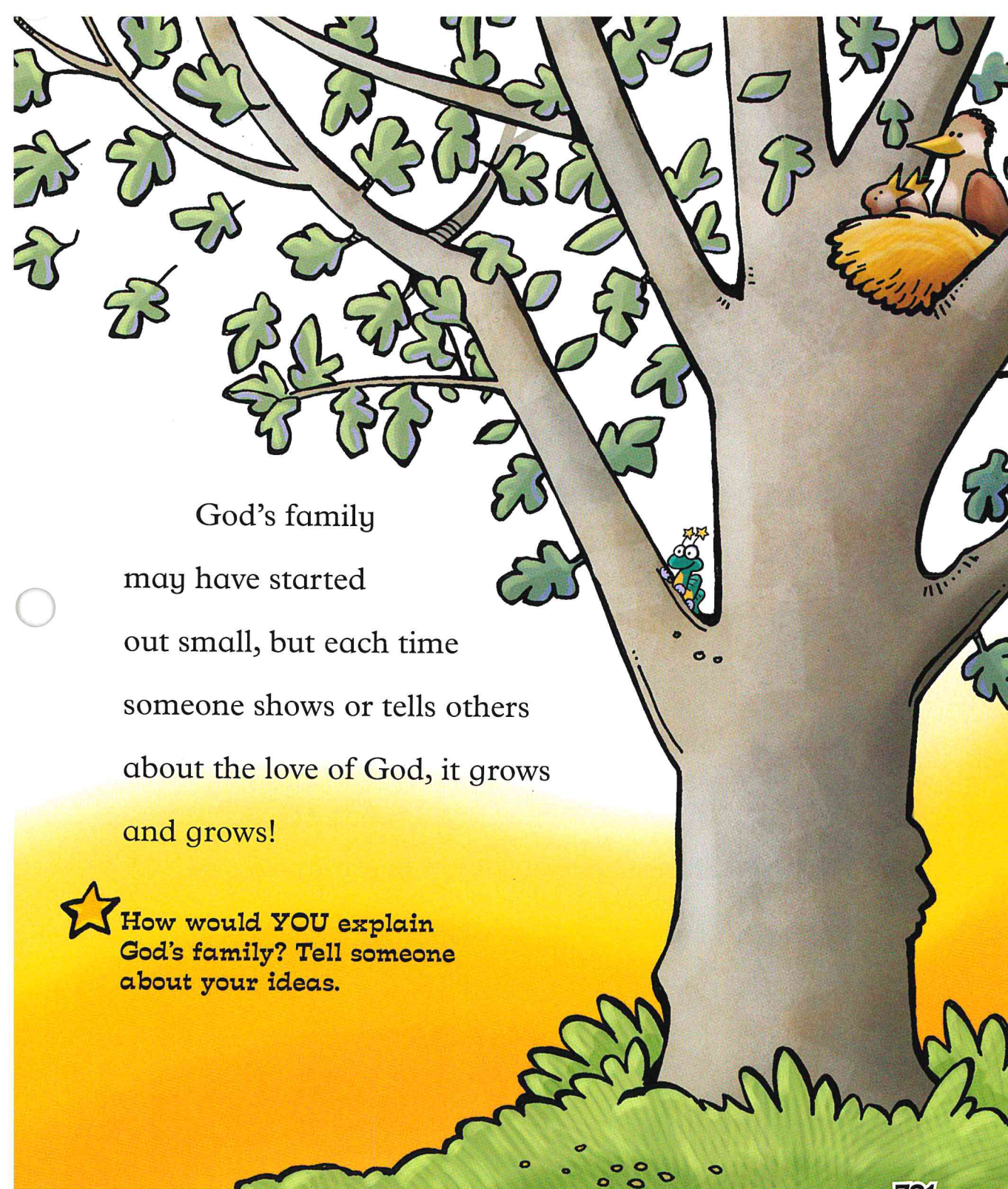
Parable of the Mustard Seed

“Hmmm . . .” Jesus said one day to a crowd of listeners. He tapped his chin. “How can I describe the family of God to you? Aha! God’s family is like a mustard seed.”

“But mustard seeds are tiny!” the crowd exclaimed.

Jesus scooped some round, black seeds from the ground and rolled them in his palm. “When they grow, the mustard seeds turn into the largest, strongest plants around. Even birds put nests in their branches.”

The crowd was starting to nod. They were getting it! “It starts small, but the tiny seed grows into something great!” He stepped back to show a full-grown mustard bush, as tall as two people!



God's family
may have started
out small, but each time
someone shows or tells others
about the love of God, it grows
and grows!

★ How would YOU explain
God's family? Tell someone
about your ideas.