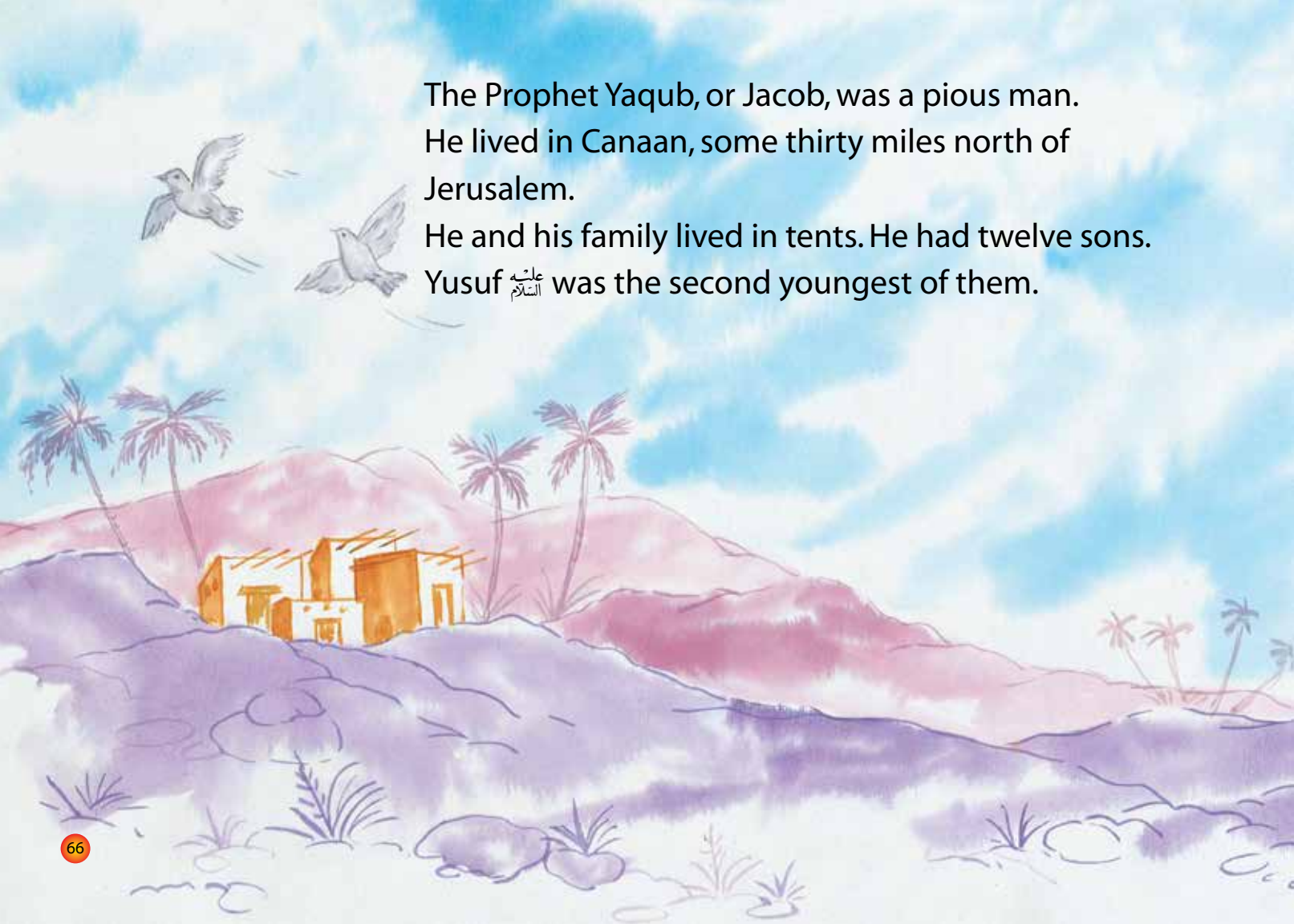


The Prophet Yaqub, or Jacob, was a pious man.  
He lived in Canaan, some thirty miles north of  
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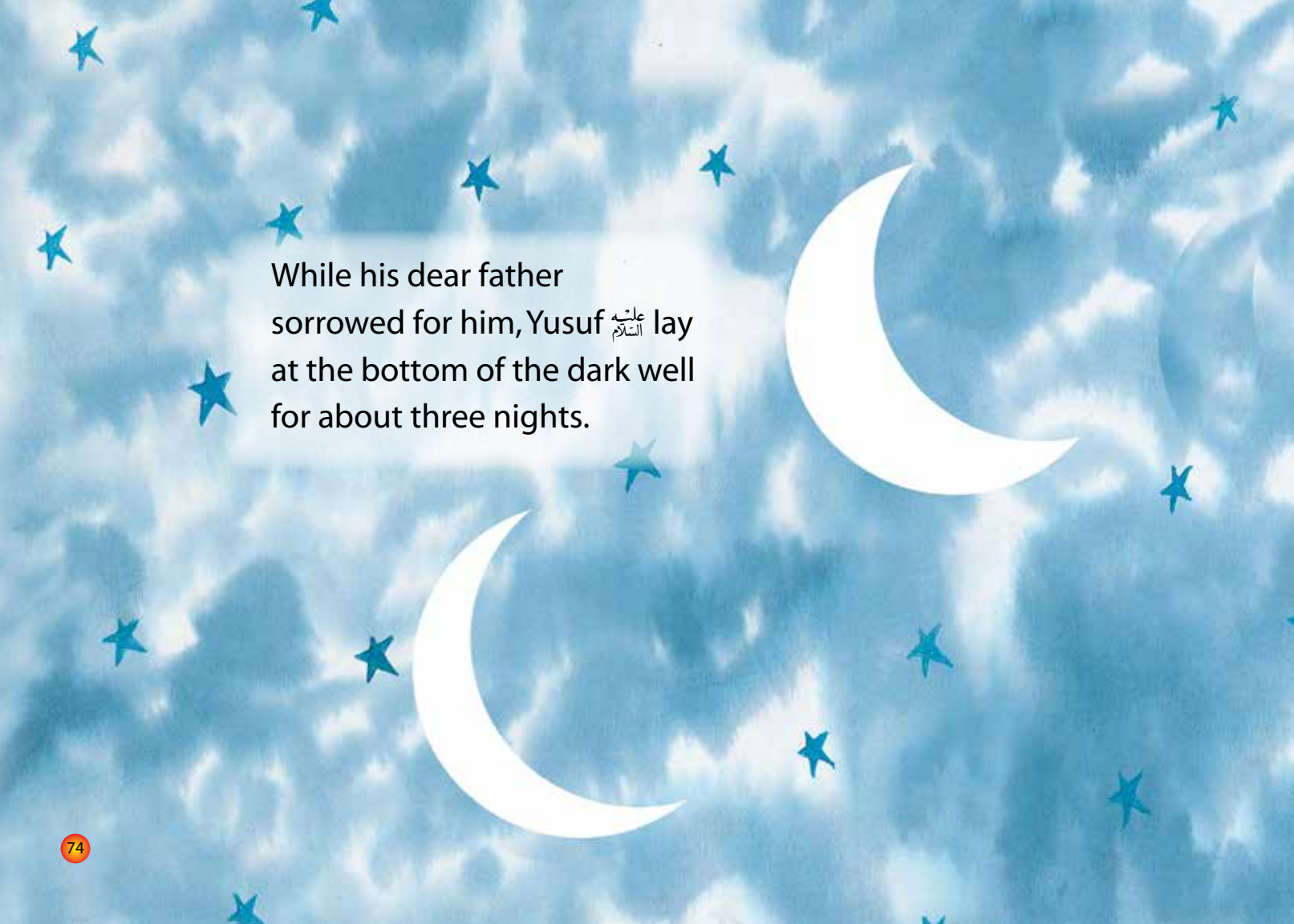
He and his family lived in tents. He had twelve sons.  
Yusuf عليه السلام was the second youngest of them.



When his father heard about this dream, he understood that great things lay in store for his young and best-loved son.

For their part, being aware of their father's love for Yusuf عليه السلام, the ten big brothers became so resentful that they began to hate him.





While his dear father  
sorrowed for him, Yusuf عليه السلام lay  
at the bottom of the dark well  
for about three nights.

But, to his surprise, when he pulled up his bucket, there was a good looking boy clinging to it. The caravan people took him to Egypt and sold him to an Egyptian prince, who was called the Aziz. The Aziz took this innocent and good natured boy to his wife and told her to take good care of him.

