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Sometimes coloring is just coloring. To put crayons to paper and create a rainbow of marks and swaths is relaxing, playful, and maybe even artistically satisfying. But sometimes coloring is more. To put colored crayons, markers, or pencils to paper is to create a pathway to the numinous. Coloring invites the body and the senses into an experience of inner stillness. While the hand moves, the mind and the body slow down. The heart and the ears open carving a space for rich silence and an opportunity for God to speak.

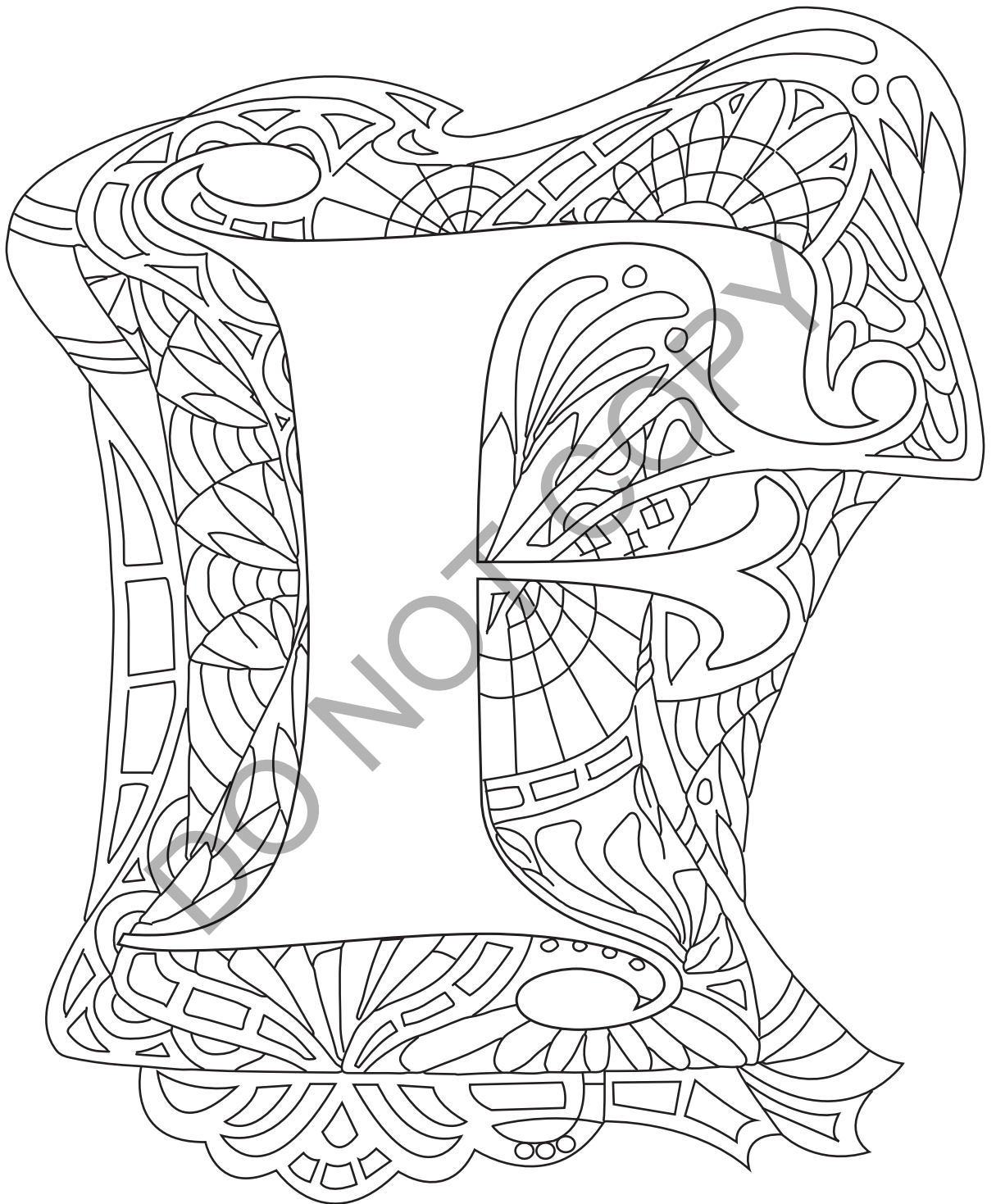
—SYBIL MACBETH,
author of *Praying in Color: Drawing a New Path to God*

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We live by faith, not by sight.

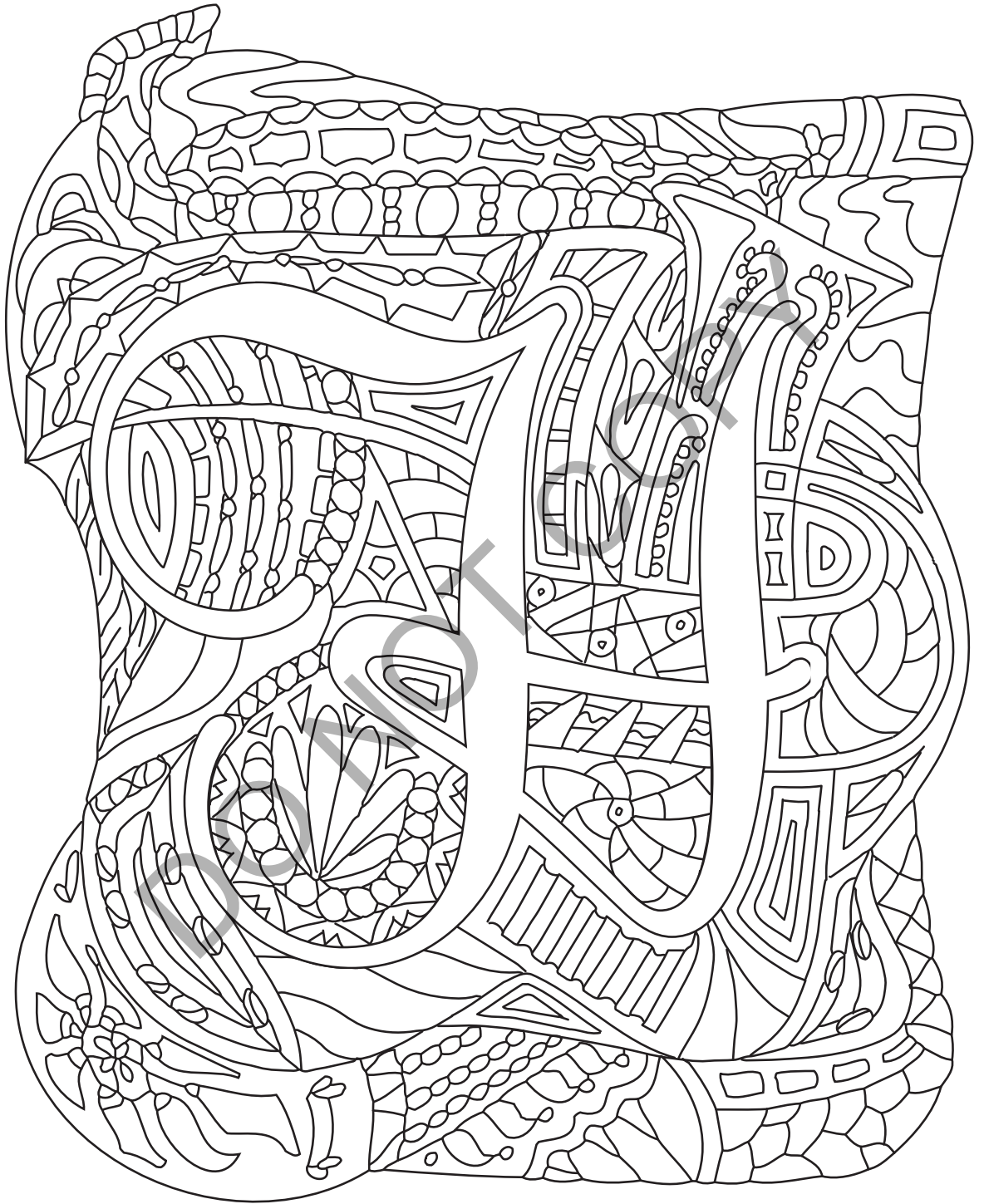
2 CORINTHIANS 5:7 [NIV]



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Rejoice

Rejoice in hope.
ROMANS 12:12A [NRSV]

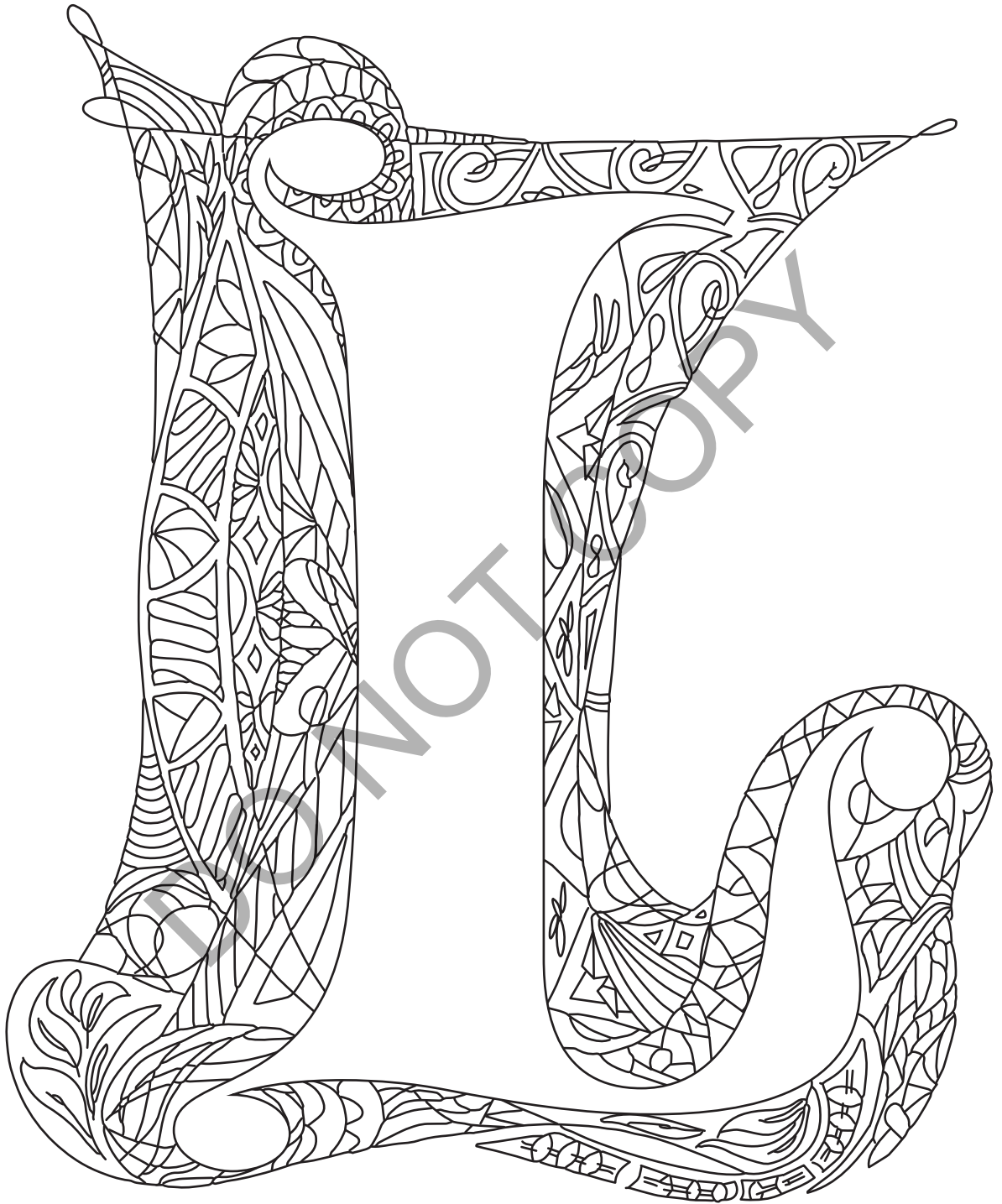


Love

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Faith, hope, and love abide, these three;
but the greatest of these is love.

1 CORINTHIANS 13:13 [ESV]



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May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace.

—ROMANS 15:13A [ESV]