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God's Giant Garden And How He Repairs It

“Is It Okay To Just Get Tired Of Trying?”

This is a story about how Jesus fixes a Broken World, and how God is like a farmer who wants to get a good harvest from Earth.

It's some Good News for Sick Children!

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I think Enoch was very lucky to be able to go to Heaven early, don't you? I think He felt very happy and blessed that he could always live so close to God.

Enoch knew God loved him very much, and I think he was tired of all the bad things that are in our world.

He left Earth earlier than other people, but he'd already seen a lot of bad stuff.

After 365 years of life down here, he was probably very tired of having to live in the Messy Garden on Earth!

The Bible says that Abraham and Lot were “tormented day and night” by all the evil things they had to see around them every day. That was back in the days of two evil cities called Sodom and Gomorrah.

I’m sure that same thing was true for Noah too, in an even earlier time, when God’s garden world turned really wicked. It’s not easy to do what God wants, and to stay innocent in a world that is so broken as the Messy Garden we have on Earth.

Did you know that the Bible says God once got so disgusted about all the bad things the Devil had planted in His

garden that He wanted to just get rid of everything and start all over?

The Bible says that people got so bad and violent and mean that God was sorry He ever even made the world. So God decided to try washing away the garden, and all the bad stuff growing in it, with a lot of water.

God tried starting all over again with just Noah, an innocent man that God loved A LOT, and the members of his family.

But the bad seeds that the Devil had planted long ago, when that bad person decided to destroy God's garden, were still there. They were deep under the ground, and all the water that flooded the world hadn't even touched them. They

kept right on growing, just like they did before.

Soon after that, His garden looked just as bad and messy and ugly as it did before. But God already had a Plan in His mind about how He was going to repair this Messy Garden. It was a good plan too, that would some day fix the Broken World.

It was a very wise Plan that would one day create a beautiful New Garden for a lot of children and some nice grown-ups.

A lot of grown-ups will be allowed to go there too, but only if they are innocent. God wants them to be as innocent as Jesus was, and then they can come join the fun in the New Garden of His Son Jesus.

But kids are really lucky and blessed, since they get to go to Heaven *just because they are kids*. I guess it has something to do with being “innocent about what is evil.”

Our world today is that Big Messy Garden that Jesus told us about, but Jesus is coming back some day to finish fixing the Broken World for us.

I think it's okay for us to get a little tired of living in the Broken World. Even the Apostle Paul once said that while he wanted to stay and do God's will in the world, he knew that to go on to Heaven and be with God would be easier, and that it would be a wonderful reward for him.

But even if you get a little tired sometimes—even if you get *a lot* tired—you still need to remember that God's not finished with you yet.

He keeps using you to bless other people while you are here on Earth. God lets you start growing into a strong and fruitful tree for Him, one that will look very

beautiful in His New Garden, which is yet to come.

God is the only one who ever knows when it's time for you to join Him in Heaven. One day He might decide to take you to Heaven early, just like He did for Enoch, so that He can show you His Palace in Heaven... the New City of Peace. But you don't know which day that

will be. So for now, you have to stay here as a very brave and patient person.

Yes, even if it takes a very long time to reach the place that we're going.

“Are we there yet? Are we there yet?”

Nope, we're not there yet. You still haven't reached the end of your story. It's still not finished, and it's just...

NOT THE END!

ABOUT OUR OTHER LITTLE BOOKLETS

If you liked this story booklet, you might also like to have your mom or dad or grandparent, or any other friend who cares a lot about you, read for you the stories from some of my other little booklets.

On our web sites I have three or four series of these little booklets that older children, in particular, might like. There is one series of stories that are partly about the Native American Indians, for example, and another that is partly about the tribesmen of Africa. There is one series of little booklets that is partly about my own youthful travels in South Asia, a time when I spent several months visiting Nepal, India, and Sri Lanka.

There's also a series of little booklets called "Godly Warfare" or "Higher Battles" or "The Highest Service," which is all about Christian soldiers and how they can fight against the forces of Darkness. Those are mostly for teenagers and older folks, but I hope they can bless a lot of little children too, as they go through life, and as they keep on growing up.

All of my little booklets are partly about other stuff, but they are all mostly about Jesus and my Secret Friend.

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NOT THE END NOTES!

These little booklets were all written for you by Ken Street, a Christian believer of the great Lord Jesus, and by his Secret Friend. I'm a baptized follower of the Way of Jesus, and my Secret Friend was even there at the baptism of Jesus Christ!

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me, and don't try to stop them, because the Kingdom of Heaven is made of such as they."

– Taken from the book of Matthew [19:14], written by a devoted follower of Jesus who was an eyewitness to the resurrection of Jesus.. After the torture of the cross, Jesus came back to life again! Matthew then saw Jesus many more times in His glorified new

Resurrection Body, along with crowds of up to 500 people. This continued for a period of 40 days after the Resurrection, as Jesus often returned to visit with them !

Jesus said, "If anyone is tired and weary, struggling with heavy burdens on his back, let him come to Me, and I will give him rest."

– Taken from the book of Matthew [11:28].

Jesus said to grown-ups, "Truly I tell you, unless you are converted and become like little children, you cannot see the Kingdom of Heaven."

– Taken from the book of Matthew [18:3].

That means your parents and other adults need to have childlike innocence

and trusting hearts, so that they can see Heaven and someday live there with God for all of their eternal lifetimes. So please remember to pray for all of the adults around you, because sometimes the worries and troubles of this world make them forget to trust in Jesus.

The Bible says that the whole Universe was made through God The Son, but that

God's Enemy—the Devil—messed it all up. It was a perfect world at first, and Jesus wants it to be that way again.

That's why Jesus came to Earth as the Son of God and sometimes called Himself "the Son of Man." He was willing to lay down His life for His friends, just so He could start to get everything fixed for us.

Jesus is still busy, even now, working hard to get everything fixed and completely right again. It all gets fixed completely on some day that is still ahead of us, when Jesus comes back down to Earth again.

That happens in the future, when Jesus comes down from the sky and takes total control of the Earth. Then the whole world

gets a lot happier and a lot brighter, because then He becomes the Divine King of all the Earth!

It's important for all of us to remember, as we pray and seek God's will, these simple facts:

- 1) **WE SPEAK TO GOD** by our prayers.
- 2) **GOD SPEAKS TO US** by the words of Holy Scripture.

3) **TO HEAR GOD SPEAK TO US**, we must listen to His words and read His Book just as often as we possibly can !

God wants to bless you for all your long efforts to understand this very confusing and difficult Universe in which we live— so let Him reward your struggle with the grace of His peace and the strength you need to keep going !

THIS LITTLE GUIDE WAS WRITTEN FOR YOU BY...
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as His long-range plan for the Earth's
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