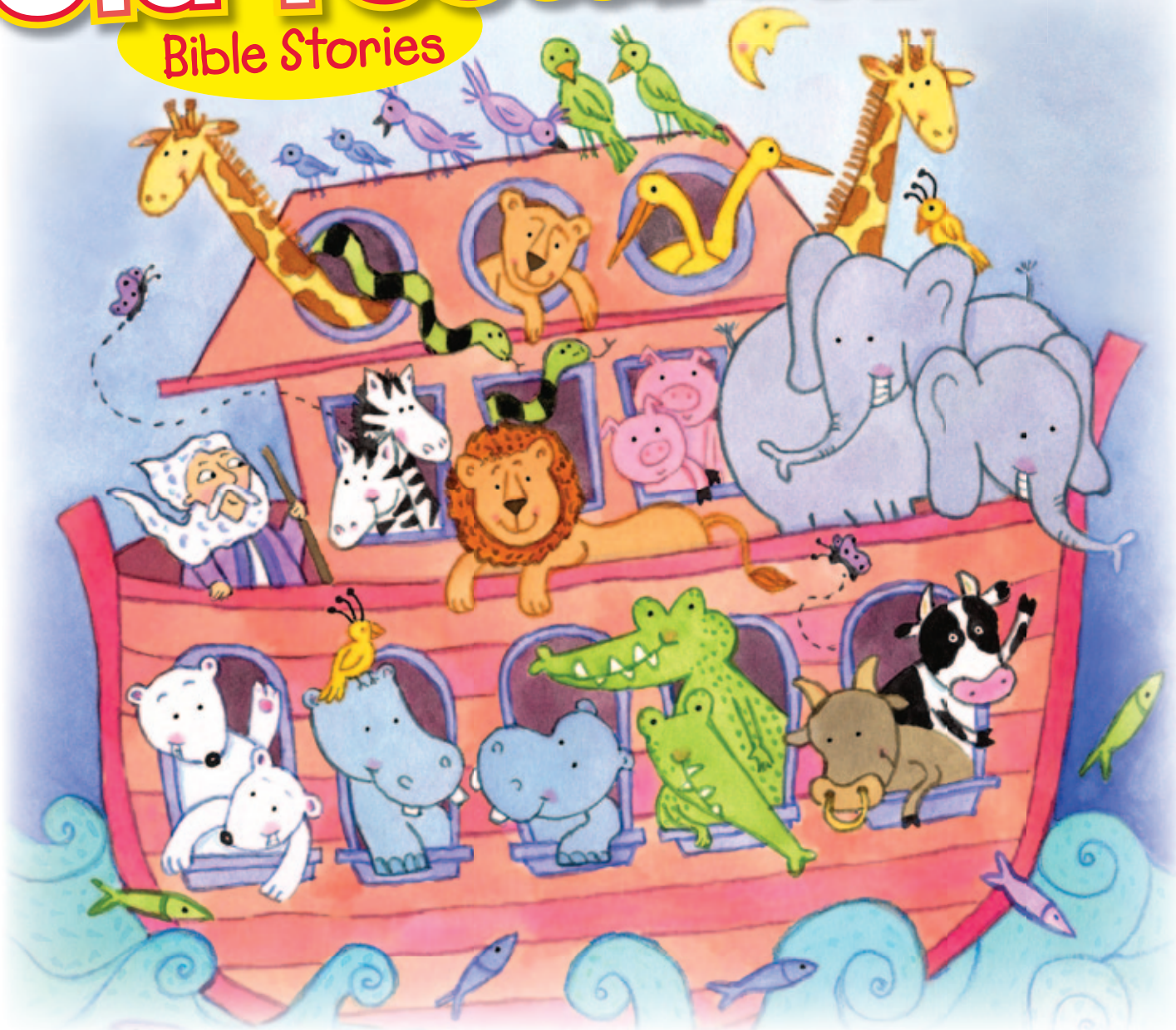


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God Made Me

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

God made everything in the world. He made the skies and the stars. God made the beautiful flowers and tall trees. God made the hopping kangaroo and the huge elephant. From the fish in the sea, to the flying bumble bee...God made everything. God made me. Isn't God wonderful?



God Made Me

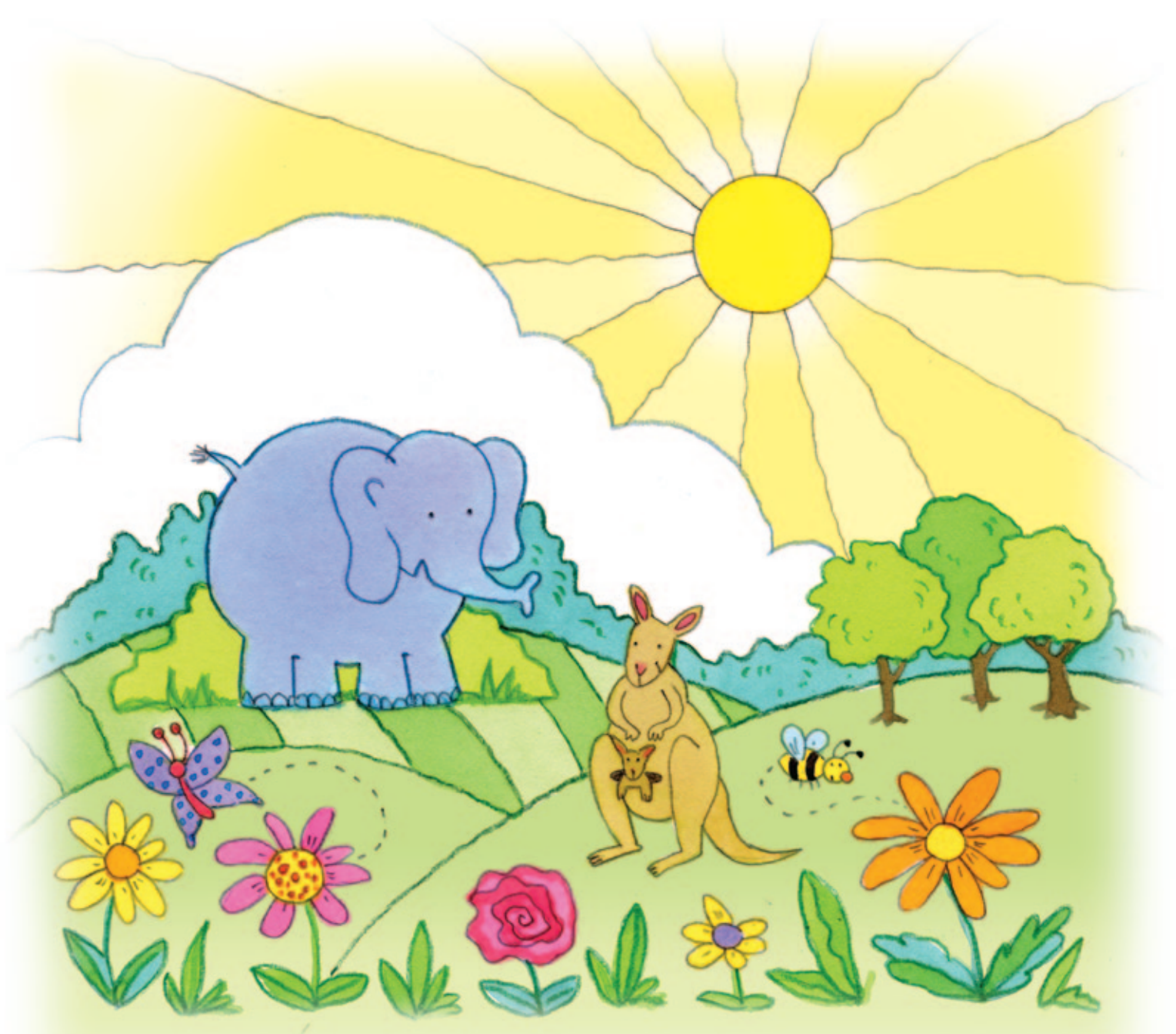
God made me.

God made me.

In my Bible book it says that

God made me.





God is the creator. That means He made everything that you see in the whole world. God made you too.



God knows what's best for me. I will listen to God.

Adam And Eve

Genesis 3:3 God did say, "You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden..."

Adam and Eve were the first man and woman on earth. They lived in a beautiful place called Eden. God let them eat everything in the garden except for the fruit from one tree. This tree was in the middle of the garden. One day Eve took a bite of the fruit and then gave some to Adam. They knew that they had not listened to God. God was sad that they had not obeyed Him. God told Adam and Eve to leave the garden.



Oh Be Careful Little Eyes

Oh be careful little eyes what

you see,

For the **Father** up above is

looking down with **love**.

Oh be careful little eyes what


you see.



The Story of Noah

Genesis 6:9 Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked with God.

Noah was a good man who listened to God. The other people on earth were mean and did not listen to God. God was angry. So God told Noah to build a big boat called an ark. Noah, along with his three sons, built a huge ark. Then God told Noah to take two of every kind of animal aboard the ark. It rained for forty days and forty nights. Water covered the earth. Noah, his family, and all the animals were safe inside the ark.



Who Built the Ark?

Who built the ark? **Noah, Noah.**

Who built the ark?

Brother **Noah** built the ark.

In came the animals two by two,
Hippopotamus and kangaroos...



God loves when we listen to him. I will listen to God.



God's Beautiful Rainbow

Genesis 9:13 I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

When the rain stopped, a dove brought Noah an olive branch. This meant it was finally safe to leave the ark. Noah and his family thanked God when they left the ark. The animals found new homes. God promised to never flood the earth again. He placed a rainbow in the sky to show His promise.



The Animals Came in Two by Two

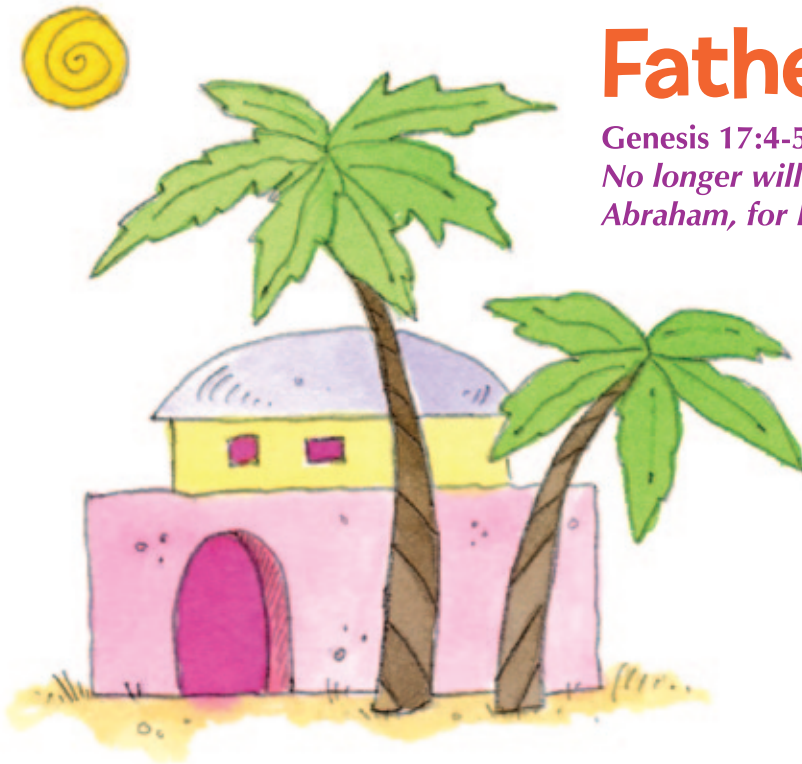
When the rain had stopped,
Noah prayed,
Thanking God for all He'd done.
A **rainbow** appeared and
everyone cheered,
Then the animals came out
two by two.



The rainbow is God's promise to never flood the earth again.



**There is nothing that God cannot do.
God keeps His promises.**



Father Abraham

Genesis 17:4-5 "...You will be the father of many nations. No longer will you be called Abram; your name will be Abraham, for I have made you a father of many nations."

One day the Lord spoke to Abraham saying, "Leave your country and go to a land I will show you. I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing... and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you." Abraham and his wife Sarah were very old. They did not have children, but one day God did bless Abraham and Sarah. When Abraham was one hundred years old, Sarah had a son they named Isaac. Nothing is too hard for God to do.

Father Abraham

Father Abraham had many sons.

Many sons had Father Abraham.

I am one of them, and so are you!

So let's just praise the Lord.





The Red Sea

Exodus 14:15-16 Then the Lord said to Moses... "Raise your staff and stretch out your hand over the sea to divide the water so that the Israelites can go through the sea on dry ground."

Moses was guiding the Israelites to the Promised Land. But as soon as they left the country of Egypt, Pharaoh changed his mind and wanted them to come back. The people were afraid. But Moses said, "Do not be afraid. Stand firm." Then the Lord said to Moses, "Tell the Israelites to move on. Raise your staff and stretch out your hand over the sea to divide the water so that the Israelites can go through the sea on dry ground." Moses did what the Lord had said, and the Israelites were saved!

How Great Is Our God

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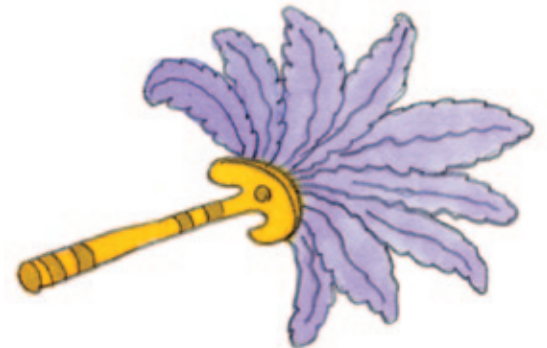
How great is His name.

How great is our God,
forever the same.

He rolled back the waters
of the mighty Red Sea.

And He said, "I'll never leave you.

Would you trust in Me?"

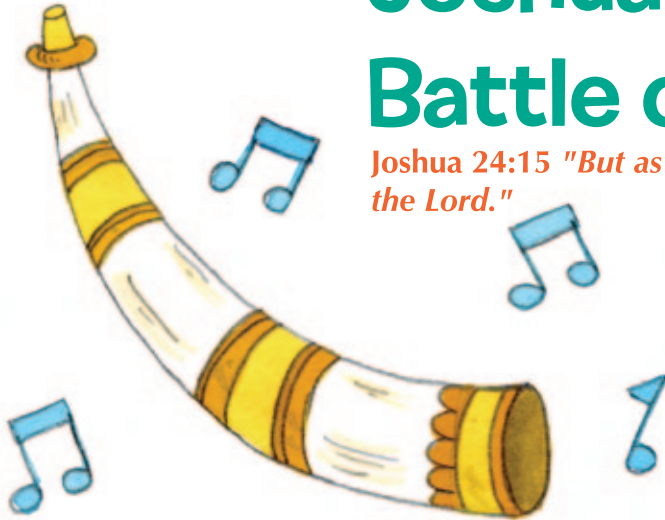




God made a special way for Moses and his people.
God will make a way for me.

Joshua Fought the Battle of Jericho

Joshua 24:15 *"But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."*



A very tall wall surrounded the city of Jericho. God told Joshua to get his soldiers ready to fight the city. But how would they get through the large stone wall? God had a plan. He told Joshua to have his army march around the city each day. His army marched around the city for six days. On the seventh day, God told Joshua to have his army march around the wall seven times. On the seventh time the priests sounded the trumpet blast. Joshua commanded the people, "Shout! For the Lord has given you the city!" The walls of Jericho came tumbling down. Joshua's army had won the battle.



Joshua Fought the Battle of Jericho

Joshua fought the battle of
Jericho, Jericho, Jericho.
Joshua fought the battle of Jericho,
And the walls came tumblin' down!



**God knows what is best. Joshua listened to God
and won the battle.**



God blessed Ruth because she showed Naomi kindness.
God wants us to love and be kind to one another.



The Story Of Ruth

Ruth 1:16 "...Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God."

Naomi and her husband Elimelech lived in Judah, but there was no food. They decided to take their two sons and move to the land of Moab. In Moab, both of Naomi's sons married, but then Naomi's husband and both of her sons died. She was very sad. She missed her family back in Judah. Naomi's daughter-in-laws Orpah and Ruth felt sorry for Naomi. Ruth was very tender-hearted and wanted to stay with Naomi. She followed Naomi back to her home in Judah. She took care of Naomi and made sure she had food to eat. God blessed Ruth for her kindness and provided her with a husband named Boaz. Soon they had a baby boy named Obed. They were happy. God took care of Naomi and Ruth.



**What A Mighty God
We Serve**

What a mighty God we serve.

What a mighty God we serve.

Angels bow before Him.

Heaven and Earth adore Him.

What a mighty God we serve.

David and Goliath

1 Samuel 16:7 "...The Lord does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart."

Jesse was an old man with eight sons. David was his youngest son. David was a shepherd boy who liked to play his harp and look after his father's sheep. David also loved God and was brave. One day, David took food to his brothers out in battle. When David arrived, someone shouted, "There is Goliath, the giant!" Goliath was over nine feet tall. Goliath's voice boomed, "Who will fight me?" All the soldiers were afraid, but David said, "I will fight the giant!" The king decided to let David fight Goliath. When David walked out to fight the



Little David Play On Your Harp

Little David, play on your harp,
Hallelu, Hallelu

Little David, play on your harp,
Hallelu, Hallelu

Little David, play on your harp,
Hallelu, Hallelu

Little David, play on your harp,
Hallelu, Hallelu

David was a shepherd boy.
He killed Goliath and he
shouted for joy!





giant he said, "Even though you fight with a sword and a spear, I am not afraid. I fight you in the name of the Lord." David then placed a stone in his slingshot. He swung it

around and around. The stone flew through the air and hit Goliath on his head. Goliath fell down. Everyone cheered because David had defeated the giant.

If you call on the Lord, He will help you. God is on my side.



**Job praised God in bad times.
God wants us to trust Him always.**



The Story of Job

Job 19:25 "I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth."

Job lived in the land of Uz with his wife, seven sons and three daughters. Job was a good man and thanked God everyday for all of his blessings. He loved his family and all the wealth that God had graciously given him. He owned seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five thousand oxen and five hundred donkeys. He had servants and everything he could ever

want. Job also loved God very much. One day Job lost everything he owned. His animals had been stolen and all of his children died. Job said, "The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away; may the name of the Lord be praised." Then Job got painful sores from the soles of his feet to the top of his head. He was very sad, yet he still did not blame the Lord. God was very happy with Job and blessed him with more children, land and animals. Even though Job did not understand why everything had happened, he trusted God. God blessed Job for his faithfulness.

**Bless The Lord,
Oh My Soul**

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**Let all that is within me
bless His holy name.**





Daniel in the Lions' Den

Daniel 6:22 "My God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me..."

Daniel loved God and prayed to Him everyday. King Darius liked Daniel and wanted to put him in charge of his entire kingdom. But other leaders did not want Daniel to be in charge, so they came up with a plan. They told the king, "O King Darius, we think you should make a law. It should say if anyone prays to a god other than your god they



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will be thrown into the lions' den." The king agreed. When Daniel heard about the new law, he went home and prayed to God. The other leaders found Daniel praying and told King Darius. The king liked Daniel and was very upset. But he had made the law and ordered Daniel to be thrown into the lions' den. The king said, "May your God save you!" All night the king worried about

Daniel. The king did not eat or sleep. God sent an angel to protect Daniel. God shut the mouths of all the lions. The next morning, King Darius ran to the lions' den. He found Daniel safe and unharmed. Daniel shouted, "My God sent His angel and He shut the lions' mouths." King Darius was happy and ordered everyone in the kingdom to pray to Daniel's God.

**Daniel trusted God. He prayed to God when he needed help.
God answered his prayer.**

Jonah and the Whale

Jonah 4:2 "...You are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love..."

One day God said to Jonah, "I want you to go to the city of Ninevah and tell the people to stop doing bad things." But Jonah was afraid. He did not want to go to Ninevah. So Jonah ran away. Jonah boarded a ship that would sail far from Ninevah. While Jonah was sleeping, God sent a forceful



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Who did swallow **Jonah**,

Who did swallow **Jonah**

Who did swallow **Jonah** down?



storm. The sailors were afraid. Jonah knew that the storm was his fault because he did not obey the Lord's command. Jonah told the sailors to throw him overboard. The sailors did not want to, but the storm was getting worse. As soon as the sailors threw Jonah into the water, the sea grew calm. God sent a big fish to swallow Jonah. Jonah was inside the big fish for three days and three nights. He was sorry he did not listen to God. He prayed and asked God for

forgiveness. God told the fish to spit Jonah out onto dry land. Jonah immediately went to the city of Ninevah. He told the people about God. They were sorry for the bad things they had done. The people asked God to forgive them and God did!



**Jonah learned that he should listen to God.
I will obey God.**



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