



He Is Risen

The Resurrection: Jesus Lives
John 20:1-20

Delbert and Lello ran toward the farmhouse. Today was Easter and they couldn't wait to see Granny B and Pops. Granny B always made special Easter cookies and Pops would tell them the Easter story. As they neared the house, Delbert could smell the cookies baking. Pops walked out onto the porch just as they arrived.

"Happy Easter!" Pops said joyfully.

"Baa. Happy Easter to you, too!" Lello replied.

"Pops, are you going to tell us about Easter?" Delbert asked hopefully.

"Of course." Pops called into the house, "Granny B, are the cookies ready?"

"Yes. I'll be right out," Granny B replied.

Pops, Delbert, and Lello all sat down. Pops opened up his Bible. It wasn't long before Granny B opened the screen door and walked out carrying a tray of warm cookies and cold milk.

"Let's begin with the cross," Pops said. "Jesus died on the cross."

"Oh, no. That's so sad," Lello remarked softly.

"Yes, my little one," Granny B replied, "but it was also good."

Lello looked confused. "Why was it good?" she asked.

Delbert smiled. "Haw, I know! Jesus loves us so much; He died so we can be forgiven."

Pops nodded. "That's right, Delbert. When Jesus died on the cross, He paid for all of our wrongdoings."

"Baa, Jesus loves us a lot! But, I'm sad He is gone," Lello said.

"Lello, Jesus is not gone," Granny B said.

"He's not?" Lello asked, as she bit into her cookie.

"On the first Easter morning, Jesus' friends went to the place where He was buried, but Jesus was not there," Pops began.

"Haw! He wasn't?" Delbert gasped.

"God had brought Jesus back to life," Pops continued.

Delbert jumped up and began to dance around the porch exclaiming, "Jesus is risen! He will always be with us!"

Lello watched her friend with a big smile on her face, then she remembered something. She quickly ran down the porch steps. Soon, she returned carrying something in her mouth.

"What do you have?" Granny B asked, carefully removing the paper from Lello's mouth.

"It's my craft! I finished it with Delbert's help," Lello said proudly. "It's the tomb where Jesus was buried. His friends are coming to see Him, but now I know Jesus wasn't inside."

Granny B showed Pops the tomb. Then, they noticed there were two crafts. Pops asked why Lello made two crafts.

Lello smiled and explained, "I want to share the Easter story with others."

"What a lovely idea," Granny B replied.

"Haw! Lello, why don't we go around the farm and tell all our friends about Jesus?" Delbert suggested.

"Great idea. Take some of Granny B's cookies to share," Pops suggested.

Granny B got a bag and put a handful of cookies in it. She and Pops waved goodbye as Delbert and Lello set off to tell everyone that Jesus is risen.