



We Will Obey

King Josiah Obeyes
2 Kings 22:1-2, 18-19; 23:1-4, 25

Granny B could hear voices coming from the barn. She knew at once who was coming; it was Delbert and Lello. She paused outside the door to listen. Delbert was pretending to be a king and Lello was cheering for him. Granny B slowly opened the door and smiled when she saw her two friends.

"Granny B!" Lello cried, running over to give Granny B a hug.

"Hello, my little ones. Why Delbert, look at your crown!" Granny B said.

"Haw! Do you like it? Lello and I just made it. We figured if I am going to be a king in the play, I need a crown," Delbert explained excitedly.

"That's very true. Do you know which king you're going to be?" Granny B asked curiously.

"No, not yet. I was going to ask Pops today, but I can't find him anywhere," Delbert said sadly.

Granny B nodded and said, "Pops had to run errands today in town. He'll be gone most of the day. But don't you worry; you'll find out soon."

"Haw! I hope I get to be a wise king like King Solomon," Delbert replied.

"Baa, yes," Lello agreed, "I like King Solomon, too. He was very wise."

"There were so many wonderful kings," Granny B said as she sat down.

Lello nodded, "Yeah, there was King David, and King Solomon, and..."

"Don't forget King Josiah," Granny B offered.

"Haw! Who was that?" Delbert asked, walking over to Granny B and sitting on the seat beside her.

Granny B pulled her Bible out of her apron pocket and said, "King Josiah became king when he was only 8 years old!"

"Haw! He was just a kid!" Delbert exclaimed.

"That's right. One day he found out he wasn't obeying all of God's rules," Granny B explained, looking at her Bible.

"Oh no! Why was King Josiah disobeying God?" Lello asked surprised.

"Well, there were some rules he had never heard before. He didn't know he wasn't following them," Granny B answered.

Delbert and Lello wanted to know what King Josiah did. Granny B explained that King Josiah wanted to obey God with all his heart. "As soon as he heard the rules, he obeyed," Granny B told them.

"Haw! What did God think?" Delbert wanted to know.

"God was very happy that King Josiah obeyed," Granny B answered with a smile. Then she added, "I have a great idea. Why don't you two practice obeying? We can play a game!"

"Baa, what game?" Lello asked happily.

"It's called '*Granny B Says*.' I will tell you something to do and we'll see how well you can obey my directions," Granny B explained.

Delbert and Lello played '*Granny B Says*' with Granny B all afternoon and did a wonderful job obeying Granny B just like King Josiah did obeying God.