

Worship Illustration: Storybook

The Adventures of Delbert and Lello

Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts through Revelation

Unit 1, Lesson 4

Serve Others

Stephen Serves Others Acts 6:1-8

Granny B spotted Lello sitting by the stream. She walked over and sat down next to her.

"Hello, Lello. Where is Delbert?" Granny B asked.

"Baa, he should be here soon. He had something to do before he could meet me for a game of hide and seek," Lello explained.

"I see. Would you like me to share a Bible story with you while you wait?" Granny B asked.

Lello nodded excitedly. She loved for Granny B to teach her about God's Word. Lately, Granny B had been teaching about the Holy Spirit and Lello was excited to learn more.

Granny B pulled her Bible out of her apron pocket. "Why don't I tell you about a man named Stephen? Stephen was chosen to serve others. That means to help people."

"That's a nice thing to do. Delbert and I like to help people, too," Lello added with a smile.

"I know you do. With the help of the Holy Spirit, Stephen did many wonderful things to help other people," continued Granny B.

Lello asked, "The Holy Spirit lets us know what God wants us to do and helps us tell others about Jesus, right?"

"That's absolutely right, Lello! You have been learning a lot about the Holy Spirit, haven't you?" Granny B asked, proud of her little friend.

"Baa. Yes. You and Pops have been teaching Delbert and I so much. I wish Delbert were here. He would like this story," Lello said.

Granny B looked around and smiled. She spotted someone quickly coming their way. Granny B pointed at the path. Lello looked at where she was pointing and jumped up. Delbert was running toward them.

"Haw! Hello, Lello. Hello, Granny B," Delbert called.

"Delbert, you're here!" Lello shouted happily.

Delbert sat down next to Granny B and took a moment to catch his breath. Lello sat on his other side, curious to learn where he had been.

"I'm sorry I'm so late. I ran all the way here. I was helping the beaver family collect wood. They are building a new house in the stream," Delbert explained.

"Delbert, that's wonderful. You are being just like Stephen," Granny B said with a wink to Lello.

Delbert looked confused and asked who Stephen was. Lello explained that Granny B had just taught her about Stephen and how he served others with the Holy Spirit's help.

Granny B added, "Stephen knew just how to serve others, and Delbert, you knew just how to help the beaver family. When you helped them build their house, you were serving them. Each of us can serve someone in our own special way. The Holy Spirit helps us do that!"

Lello and Granny B told Delbert more about Stephen. As they continued to sit by the stream, they made a list of ways they could serve others.

Then, Lello remembered she and Delbert were going to play hide and seek. "Granny B, would you like to play?" she asked.

"I'd love to. I'll count first. One, two, three ..." Granny B said and Delbert and Lello quickly ran off to find a hiding spot.