

Worship Illustration: Storybook

The Adventures of Delbert and Lello

Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts through Revelation

Unit 6, Lesson 28

God is mighty

A Letter About Weakness 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Lello ran to the mailbox where she had promised to meet Delbert. As she hurried past the garden, she bumped right into Granny B and fell down.

"Whoa, slow down little one," Granny said gently. "Are you all right?"

Lello stood up and brushed the dirt off while she nodded, "Yes, Granny B, I'm all right. Sorry I ran into you, but I was in a hurry!"

"Are you in a hurry to get to the mailbox?" Granny B asked. Lello nodded. Granny B asked if she could come along. Soon the two were hurrying to the mailbox, hoping Posty hadn't delivered the mail yet.

"Haw! There you are, Lello. I thought you forgot," Delbert called when he saw Lello and Granny B hurrying toward him.

"Baa. Sorry, Delbert. I was telling some of the baby lambs about Jesus," Lello explained.

Granny B smiled proudly at Lello and said, "That's great, Lello!"

Lello looked down at her feet and kicked at the ground. "Oh, well, um ... I told them all about God's love, but I don't think I did it very well."

"Lello, I'm sure you did great!" Delbert encouraged her.

"Maybe, but I didn't use very fancy words. I hope the lambs understood," Lello added meekly.

Suddenly the sound of flapping wings grabbed their attention. Looking to the sky, they all saw Posty as he swooped down.

"You've got mail. I deliver without fail!" Posty squawked.

"Haw! A letter from Uncle Donny. I can't wait to read it," Delbert shouted. He opened the letter excitedly and cleared his throat. "Ahem...

Dear Delbert and Lello,

Did you know that even though we are weak, God is strong? Here is a letter from the Bible showing us God is mighty.

Love,

Uncle Donny

"Haw! I can't wait to hear the next part," Delbert said, passing the letter to Granny B.

Granny B glanced briefly at the letter then smiled at Lello. "Lello, I think this letter will help you feel better about the time you just spent telling the lambs about Jesus."

"Can I read it?" Lello asked. Both Delbert and Granny B nodded and Lello began.

Dear brothers and sisters,

When I came to you, I didn't come with fancy words or great wisdom. I preached to you the truth about God's love. When I came to you, I was weak and afraid and trembling all over. As I preached, the Holy Spirit showed His power. That was so you would believe, not because of human wisdom, but because of God's power.

Love,

Paul

"Baa ... Paul was afraid?" Lello asked.

"Yes, Lello. Paul felt just like you did. When we are weak, we see God's mighty power," Granny B explained.

Posty squawked loudly, "May I speak? We are weak, but God is strong and we can't go wrong."

Granny B smiled as she reached into her pocket and pulled out some seeds for Posty to eat. "That's right, Posty, and that reminds me of a song: 'We are weak, but He is strong...'"

Lello and Delbert both smiled and began to sing, "Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong; they are weak, but He is strong."

With that Posty began flapping. As he flew up into the sky, he called, "So long and goodbye! It's time to fly."

They all waved goodbye. Once Posty had flown out of their sight, Granny B invited Delbert and Lello back to the farmhouse for a snack. As they walked, they began singing again, remembering God is mighty.