



Obey the Lord

Jeremiah in the Well
Jeremiah 38:5-14, 17, 20

"Granny B?" Delbert hollered, as he and Lello continued their search, "Granny B?" He stood by the garden gate and looked around. She was not rocking on the porch or weeding in the garden.

"Delbert, there she is!" Lello called from the backyard. Granny B was chatting with Pops, as he lowered the old wooden bucket by its ropes into the well.

"Hello, little ones," Pops greeted them.

Granny asked, "Have you two been telling others God loves them?"

"Yeah," Lello sighed, "but sometimes they don't seem to be listening."

"Haw. We tried telling a friend of ours, but I don't think he understood what we were saying," Delbert explained sadly.

Pops tied the ropes carefully, "Sometimes that happens." He sat down on the side of the well and asked, "Did you two know that happened to Jeremiah?"

"Really?" Delbert and Lello asked together.

"Jeremiah was chosen and sent to tell others about God." Pops shook his head.

"Jeremiah obeyed, but they didn't want to listen."

"That's sad," Delbert sighed. "I guess Jeremiah couldn't deliver his message about God."

"Oh, but he did. But, then the people put him into a deep muddy well," Pops said.

"Oh, no!" Lello peeked over the side into the deep dark well. "That wasn't nice."

"No, it wasn't, but remember, God had promised to be with Jeremiah," Granny B added.

"Haw!" Delbert agreed, "And, God is faithful to keep all His promises!"

"But, what happened to Jeremiah?" Lello asked fearfully.

Granny B took her Bible from her apron pocket and began to read, "One of the king's officials told the king that Jeremiah was down in the well."

"Yeah," Lello bleated. "Did the king rescue Jeremiah?"

"Yes, he sent his men to pull Jeremiah from the well. Then, the king asked Jeremiah to tell him about God," Granny B answered, as she closed her Bible.

"Haw!" Delbert cheered. "Look at all the great things that happened when Jeremiah obeyed God!"

"Yeah!" Lello shouted, as she kicked up her heels.

Pops smiled, "God has told us to tell others about His love, and He will help us do just that!"

"Even if people don't seem to be listening?" Delbert asked.

"Yes, even if people don't seem to be listening." Lello nudged Delbert. "Come on, Delbert, let's obey God and tell more of our friends that He loves them."

"Haw! Everybody needs to know that! Let's go, Lello!" Delbert swished his tail as if to wave goodbye to Pops and Granny B.

Pops chuckled and waved, as Delbert and Lello trotted away. He gently squeezed Granny B's hand and together, they headed back toward the farmhouse.