A Sweet-Dreams Storybook

## **Animal Tales**

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## The Giraffe's sneeze

Sad-sack Sally A tall and slender calf Slumped under a tree She was a sick giraffe

"A-A-Achoo Me-o-my What can I do?" She said with a sigh.

Billy Buzzard Flew to the tree "How'z it going? My friend, Sally."

When she tried to answer She could only sneeze "You got chilly?" Said Billy "From the evening breeze?" "I think I was silly Got first wet, then cold" Said Sally to Billy "I didn't do what I was told."

"Well, you've learned that now" Said her Buzzard friend. "It won't be long Till your sneezes end."

"How 'bout we try Something else to do We'll praise away the sigh Till you're as good as new"

Cheer up, and laugh Not everything is wrong You're still a giraffe Your neck is still long

Sally thought that was funny So starting to tell A joke then a praise And soon she felt swell

"A few more days And then you'll run But while you wait, You can still have fun."

"I'll do my best And take my rest But I can laugh I'm still a giraffe"

Buzzard Billy Prayed for his friend The girraffe Sally, For her sneezes to end!

Sally was soon well Without a sneeze She felt swell Eating leaves off the trees

#### The Frog and the Mud

Hop hop Stop stop! Oh uck It's muck

Freddie, Francis, Freeda and Frog Then hopped up to a nice dry log They were mess With mud, oh yes! They saw the dirt But didn't get hurt "I feel very muddy." Said Frog to his buddy.

"Let's hop off this log" Said the hoppers to Frog "There's a pond near by So we needn't cry"

They jumped and leapt They danced and crept They splashed and washed They sang and sloshed

They were clean They were green They could hop They could bop

They jumped on the log To spy the muddy bog They stopped to pray And find a better way

They said, "Dear Jesus From mud free us Please help and keep us A clean path show us" Freddie, Francis, Freeda and Frog Found a hole through the log It was a path dry and hollow In the mud they didn't wallow

Hearing a woodpecker's peck Frog stuck out his neck A pretty place they found Where they could leap and bound

#### Toddy, Timmy & Tiny Termite

Toddy, Timmy & Tiny Termite Were funny little bugs They didn't crawl on walls Or hide under the rugs Their favorite tasty treat For breakfast, dinner & lunch Was having wood to eat Yum yum, munch, munch

They were not big and long Without tools so strong They just chomped on a tree Working faithfully Taking bites, many times Then what a surprise! The tree went kerplunk From leaves to the trunk

Though your job's not trees Though you seem small When you use the keys You can do it all!

What Jesus says to do Just step out and try It may seem hard for you And make you want to cry But the keys bring ease When you say "Jesus please, Help me over the hump." Then you will triumph!

### **Singing Geese**

"Aaaah, aaah, uuh!" "To sing is just so tough We've sung at night and in the sun And when we walk, fly and run" The geese friends we're trying And then they started sighing

Goosey said in dismay Before she went and "hit the hay" "I just can't seem to make a song Sound just like a songbird But I'm sure it won't be long Till a lovely song is heard"

She fell asleep and dreamed that Wanting to be more than a cat The farmer's kitten thought she could be Like a lion roaring fearlessly

It looked so funny And Goosey said "Honey, The farmer wants a cat He just likes you like that Soft, gentle, and fluffy A pet, not a toughie"

"Okay, I'll 'Meow' Not moo like a cow Or bark like a dog Or leap like a frog Or graze like a lamb I'll just be who I am"

Then Goosey awoke And to the others spoke "I had a dream, and I'm guessin' It was for a lesson The farmer wants me Not a songbird in a tree Or a colorful parrot Or rabbit with a carrot Not big brown moose He wants a goose"

Though she couldn't sing She flapped her wings She could really fly A long way in the sky

And before the winter weather Brought snow all white They took a trip together God made them just right

# A buffulo's story

Barty-Bobby-Buffulo Was trying to lift a log He didn't have a crane He asked his friend the dog

"Can you get Ellie-phant, The one with the nose That is so long and strong It reaches to his toes?"

So friendly dog scampered To get help right away When a friend needed his help He chose to not delay

And Ellie was soon found Taking a muddy splash "Can ya help us Mr. Phant?" Said Dog with a dash

Sure, I'll come and help And with my trunk that's long I'll lift the log for Barty That's why God made me strong

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Ellie-phant kept his word And with native-bird And friendly dog Lifted the log And so a cheer was heard!

If your friend needs you And it's what you should do Take the hike Or Ride a bike To go and help him through

You may need to run Or it may be easy and fun But do it in style And help him to smile You'll be glad you got it done!

Sometimes you'll hear the "I can't's" Each one has a different talents Be what you are Help friends near and far Just like the team-working ants

## The ants that could dance

Larry and Lance Were two little ants Who liked to dance, And play and prance. "Please put on your pants, Then you'll have a chance To play and dance." Mom said with a glance, To Larry and Lance. So they put on their pants And started to dance And play and prance. You could see at a glance That Larry and Lance Who put on their pants Were happy little ants.

#### **Grumble Bumble Bee**

Grumble, bumble bee Was sad and not happy As he flew from flower to tree Making his sweet honey. Then he stopped to think On a rose that was pink "Why should I cry, and sigh. When I can fly, oh my, I should be glad And not sad Cause I can see the pretty things I am a bee and I have wings."

#### **Big Eared Ellie-Phant**

There was a lonely calf Who seldom seemed to laugh An elephant no doubt Who had a long long snout

He sat under a tree Watching peacefully The wildlife around Listening to each sound

Then his mom came near "Calf, what do you hear" She said in a loving tone As Ellie sat alone.

"I hear the buzzing bees The rustling in the trees I hear the running herds And squawking jungle birds"

"But mom I cannot run Out in the shinning sun It's not because of heat But it's my aching feet."

"I'll rest until I'm well And then I will feel swell As I run again beside The herd, or play and hide."

His mum whispered to her calf "Though you aren't tall like Giraffe Or stripped like the zebra Or fast like the cheetah Besides your big size and nose Strong body and large toes There's something else that's special Just what can you tell?"

She said, "I'll give a clue It's something you can do Even while you sit to heal Your feet and all better feel.

His ears began to flap As a flies were on his lap "Oh! I know," he said "These big ears on my head."

"Yes! That is it! While you sit You'll hear the sounds Of these jungle grounds"

So he tried to listen And be a friend To those who came by "How happy am I For this time I have spent Being a listening Elephant"

"I sure want to try To be a friendly guy To listen more than talk Be quiet more than squawk To hear what others say Before I speak to pray To not be rude and rough Stop when I've said enough To use my ears much more Than I ever did before"

Soon he was well And he felt swell And he was glad For the quiet time he had He learned the listening game And he was not the same More friends than he could count Had this creature with a snout Cause he would hear them out What they told him about He quietly heard Then shared a kind word He was nice to be around And happiness he'd found.

### **Happy Creatures**

The anteater scowled The bear cub growled The tiny bee cried The deer fawn signed A sad antelope The chick began to mope The frog had a grumble The ostrich had a mumble A sulky bird crane The lizard would complain A murmur was heard From the song bird

Oh what is this? I cannot tell Is there something they miss? Things aren't going well.

Then an angel fairy Came to make things cheery. Don't be sad, or down And only wear a frown There's something better to do Come, I'll show you.

She took each creeping bug From ant to sliding slug The galloping horse And pony, of course The furry hopping bunny The monkey acting funny The toad and frog The cat and the dog The spiky hedgehog The deer and the moose The duck and the goose The owl too And the kanaaroo The smelly pig And the hippo so big The lion with a roar And so many more Led the angel Fairy With smile so cheery All who wanted to go See a special video

They saw Adam there In a place so fair A beautiful garden Its name was "Eden" He was naming all Creatures great and small

Each beast that he found From giraffe to hound Liked living in this place And wore smiles on their face Each animal knew God cared for them too

Then the big black crow Who watched the animal show Said, "I think I know What we all should do When we're feeling blue Instead of getting down We can turn around And look a different way --Up To Heaven and then sav We know You, God made and care For every kind of bear For every cockatoo For every kangaroo For every around hoa For every kind of frog For every praire dog For every beast so big For every guinea pig For every large iguana For every stripped zebra For every chicken The peacock and peahen For every guinea fowl For every kind of owl For every cheetah And gorilla For the monkeys And the donkeys For the fish with a tail And big arev whale For every wild cat And every wombat For every ostrich and emu The Woodpecker too And the bird called a "crane" For every orangutan And chimpanzee too And all we find in a zoo We're alad God made us all He loves us big and small

#### Walking and Squawking

There once was a kid called Azar He had a toy guitar He'd grab that thing When he wanted to sing And played it like a star

He had a brother called "Stede" Who was a friend indeed Wherever the day They liked to play Or draw or run or read

One day on a walk They heard a loud bird "squawk" They looked to see, There were twenty –three In the cockatoo's flock

With ease it seemed they flew Through the sky so blue "Wish I could fly" "So do I" They wanted to join them too.

"But we can do things, you know Though we are here below Without a wing, We still can sing Joyful wherever we go

Though the birds could fly The brothers wouldn't sigh Cheering and singing, Laughing and bringing Smiles to others nearby

### God made us great

Bobcat Billy Climbed and played On a mountain Where he stayed

He didn't hop, Or dance for fun But he could climb and prowl The moonlight was His only sun Just like his friend the owl

Awake in the night He slept in the day "I'm nocturnal" Is what he'd say

Each creature is Made just right To be just what they must Brown or grey, Black or white Beige or tan or rust

Fast or slow Above or below In sea or air In tree or lair In ponds or land On rocks or sand Large or small Short or tall Speckled or plain With shell or mane Fur or skin Fat or thin Eggs or not In cold or hot Noisy or quiet All kinds of diets Bold or shy They walk, swim and fly On mountains steep In oceans deep Crawling or leaping In gardens creeping

Each one has what they need To live and grow and feed God made us great, also From head down to our toe

#### No trouble, if you are a Bubble

The large tail of a blue whale Can splash down on a wave But it's no trouble, if you are a bubble, You'll float up and be safe. The loud boom you hear in your room Of a thunder storm outside Won't do you harm, won't cause alarm In your house you safely hide.

The barking dog on a jog Might give a little fright If he comes near you, oh what will you do? With a prayer, you'll be alright

Rise above like a bubble, after some trouble And hide in Jesus' care You have nothing to fear when Jesus is near And He is everywhere!