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Have you ever heard the expression- *Busy as a bee*? Each bee was created with an important assignment. Some pollinate blossoms as they go from plant to plant- enabling us to have delicious fruit to eat.

Worker bees are female and live a few weeks up to a few months. In their short lifetime, they can travel up to five hundred miles, buzzing around and pollinating blossoms.

Drone bees are male and have a very short lifespan of only a few weeks. Their assignment is to keep their colony populated.

The queen bee, who is very well protected by the worker bees, can live several years. Her job is also to populate her colony.

Bees are one of the most important insects responsible for pollinating our fruits, vegetables and nut crops. One third of the world's food production depends on bee pollination.¹

GOD created bees to also give us sweet honey. **Psalm 119:103** tells us that His Word is even sweeter.

GOD made bees with purpose, and He also has a purpose for people. Do you know some of the purposes for which He made us? (Allow response time.) There are some other *be's* in The Bible, written for people. Let's look at those- (Discuss each one as time allows.)

The Word of GOD tells us in **Ephesians 4:32** to **be kind** to each other, and **tenderhearted**. What does *tenderhearted*² mean? This same Bible verse tells us to **forgive** each other. Why does GOD instruct us to do this? People will see that we are children of GOD when we are kind, tenderhearted and forgiving, just like He is to us.

Sometimes we get so busy working, going to school, playing sports and other activities that we forget GOD. It's during these stressful times we are prone to get tired and cranky. **Psalm 46:10** tells us to **Be still and know that I am GOD**. Stop all the **busy-buzzing** and take the time to remember GOD and His goodness to you and all the times He has helped you. Yes, we are *busy as a bee* sometimes. Being still and resting in the goodness of GOD keeps HIM on the throne of our hearts and keeps the **cranky** days away.

Our Creator has dressed the bees beautifully. Can you describe some features of a bumblebee? In the same way, He has fashioned each of us with special features. Sparkly eyes, a bashful smile, and a variety of pretty skin and hair colors. GOD gives some an extra portion of muscles, and others He gives a beautiful singing voice. (For a classroom setting) *Look at the one seated next to you and find something special that GOD has given them. Maybe their pretty skin, dimpled cheeks, eye-color or hair.* GOD has fashioned each of us in a marvelous way. He has blessed us with needed clothes, as well. **Hebrews 13:5** tells us to **be content** with how GOD has made us and what He has given to us. In a world that says buying the latest fashion will bring

¹ Irescuebees.com

² *Easily moved to love, pity or sorrow. Compassionate.* Merriam-Webster Dictionary

happiness, or changing your unique features will make you prettier- count your blessings by being thankful for who you are and what you already have. This is *being content*.

GOD promises never to leave His children who are in His family. When scary times come, He will help. Sometimes He will remove the thing that is making us afraid, and sometimes He will be so close that we pay attention to HIM instead of what is frightening us. **Isaiah 41:10** tells us- ***Don't be afraid*** -He is with us. Trusting GOD when we are afraid takes a lot of practice. What do you do when you are afraid? Here are some things that can help. Remember GOD loves you, talk to HIM. Recite a Bible verse like **Psalms 56:3**- *What time I am afraid, I will trust in You.* **Joshua 1:9**- GOD tells Joshua to be strong and brave; He gave Joshua **courage** to go in with his army and take the land promised to the Israelites.

When we trust GOD, we are saying that we have **faith** in what He is doing. The enemy likes to use fear to stop us from trusting. Faith and fear cannot be in the same heart; when one comes, the other leaves.

The last **be** is the most important one of all. **John 3:7** tells us- You must ***be born again***. Are you born again; are you a part of the family of GOD? He wants to protect and watch over you, but you need to ask HIM into your heart and life. GOD will never come without being invited.

- Do you know that you are a sinner and need to be forgiven? **Romans 3:23, 6:23**
- Do you understand that Jesus was sent by His Father to pay for the sins of mankind and whoever repents (turns from their sins to GOD) will be born again, or saved? **John 3:16,17**
- Would you like to pray and ask Him to forgive your sins, and welcome Him into your heart? **Romans 10:13**

GOD will give you all that you need to walk with HIM on this earth and then a beautiful place in Heaven, where there will be no more sin- and no fear- forever. He will dress us in the finest clothes. It will be a place where we will not remember any hurt. All is forgiven and forgotten- forever.

(Invitation)

Questions-

Can you name the five **be's** of the Bible written for us? Be kind, tenderhearted, forgiving, be still, be content, don't be afraid and be born again.

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God, help me be kind,
just like You;
content and
tenderhearted, too.
Forgiving those
who cannot see
the many times
You've forgiven me.

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Busy as a bee.



Sweeter than Honey



GOD
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a
plan

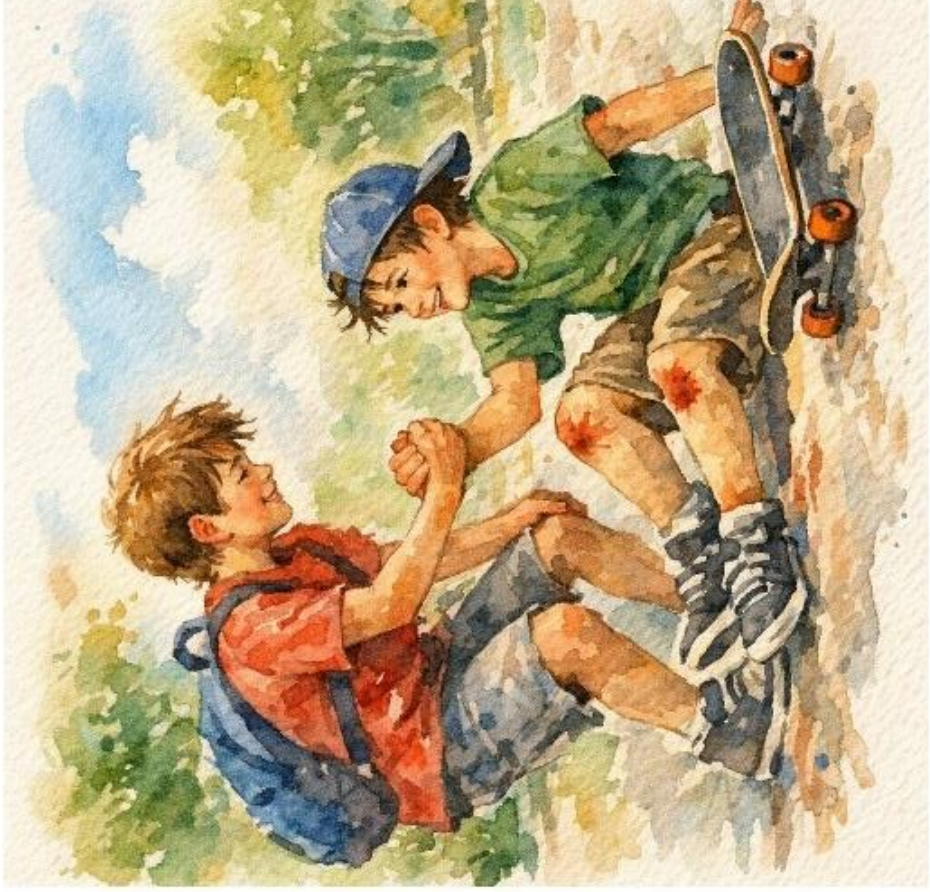
for
me.

Jeremiah 29:11



*And be kind to one another,
tenderhearted, forgiving one
another, even as GOD in Christ
forgave you.*

Ephesians 4:32





*Be still and know
that I am GOD.*

Psalm 46:10

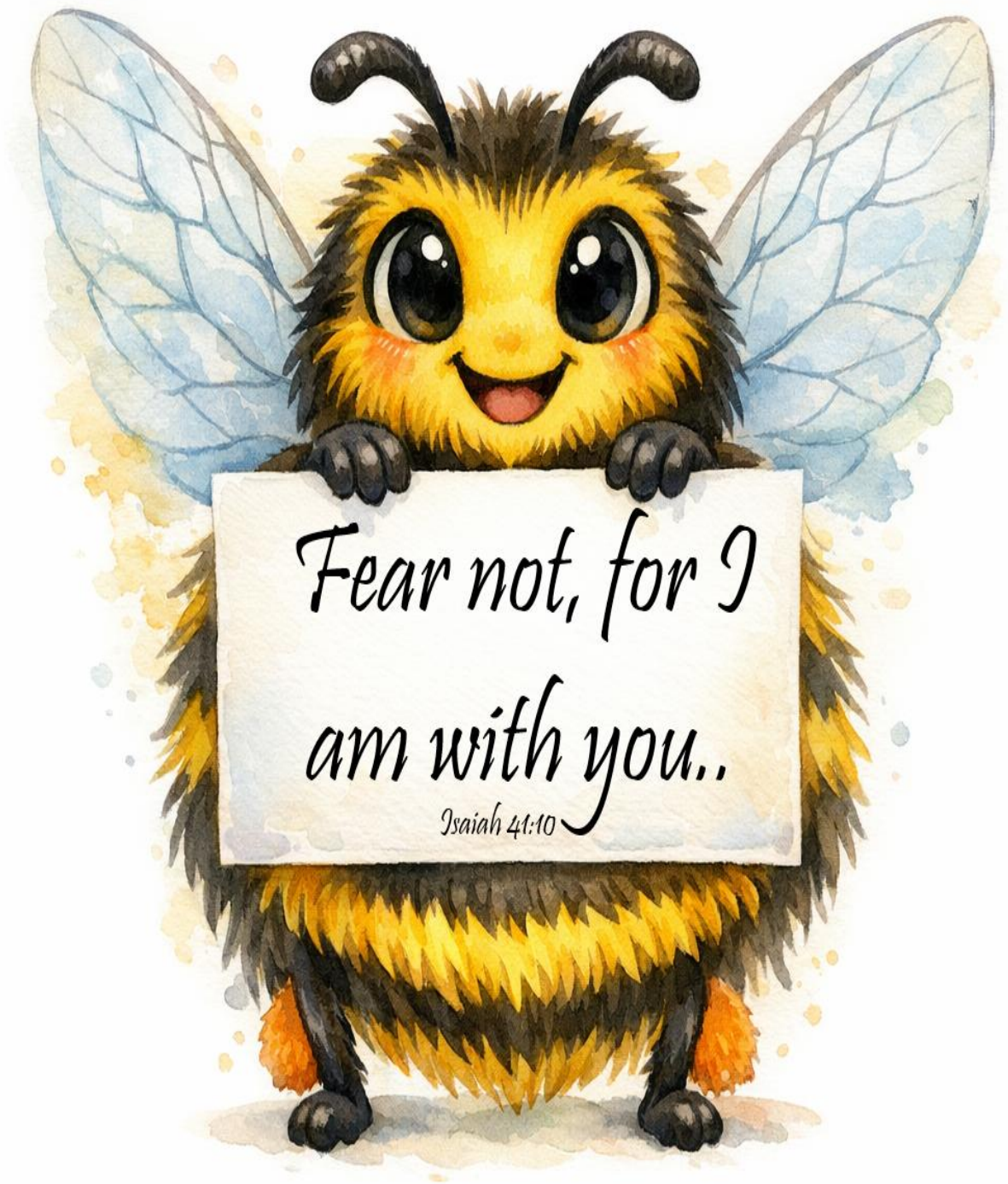




*..be content with
what you have..*

Hebrews 13:5





*Fear not, for I
am with you..*

Isaiah 41:10

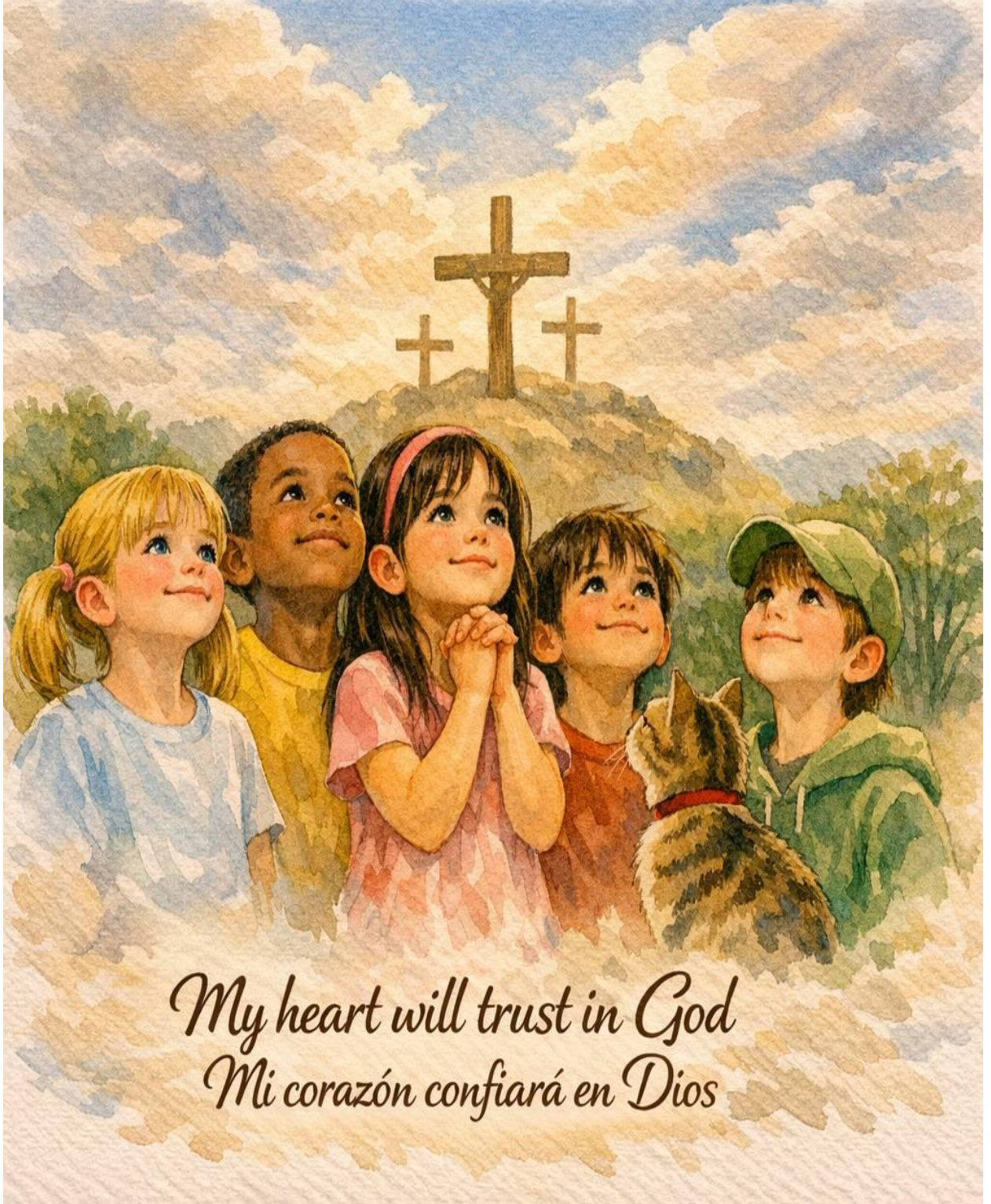


Dios está conmigo
GOD is with me.



.. Ye must be born
again.

John 3:7



*My heart will trust in God
Mi corazón confiará en Dios*