



**Loving the Saint**

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Life Change: We make daily progress as saints

Selected scriptures

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“Summer brings us many things...”

**Sainthood brings us so many things more:**

A new designation

2 Cor. 1:1-2

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A new identity

2 Cor. 5:21

New citizenship

Col. 1:13

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A new way of life

Rom. 6:10-11

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Do I accept God’s words as definitive for living my new lifestyle?

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A new Spirit

1 Pet. 1:1-2

New progress

2 Cor 3:18

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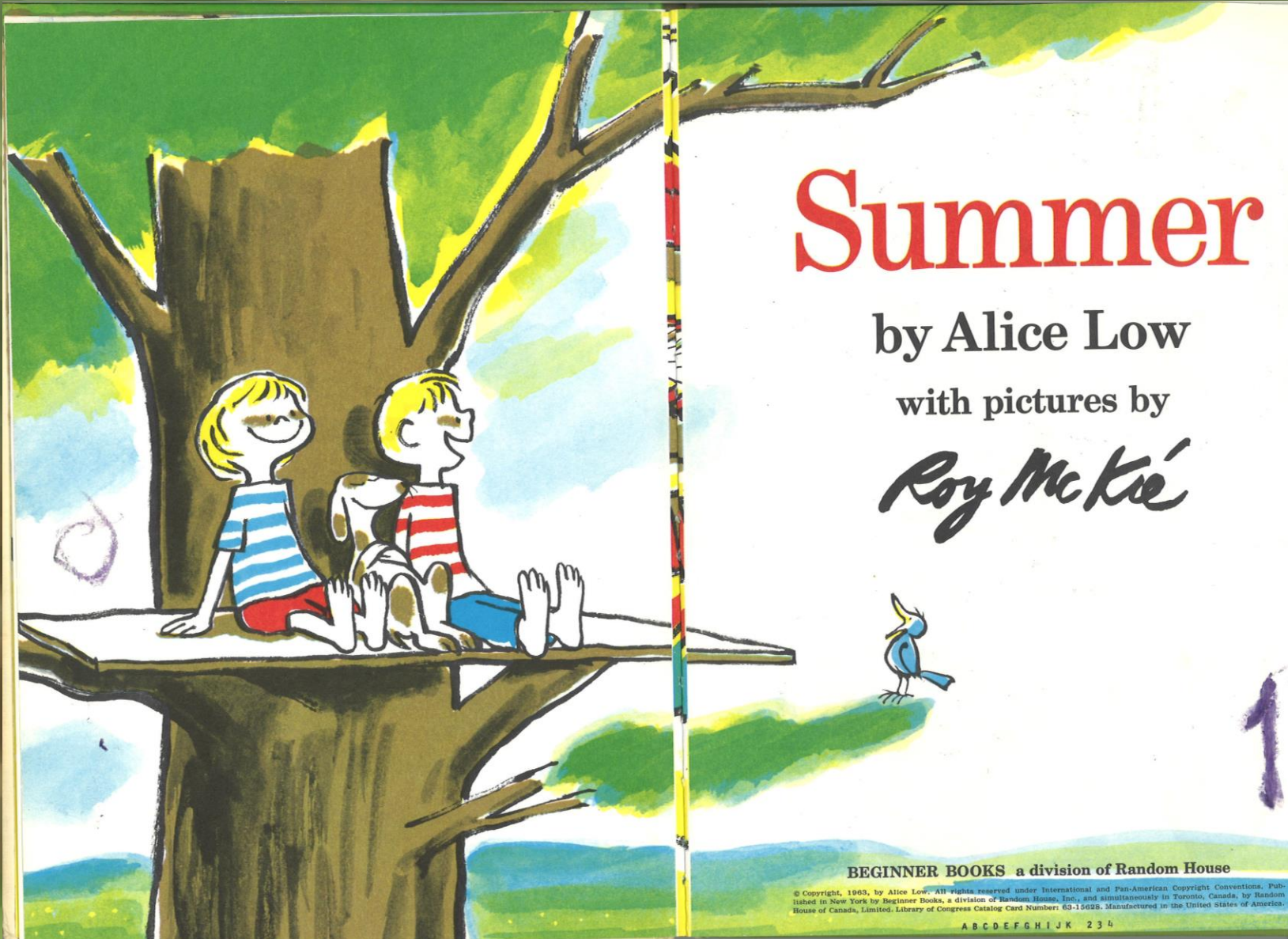


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# FINDING JOY IN LOVING PEOPLE

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courtesy Random House

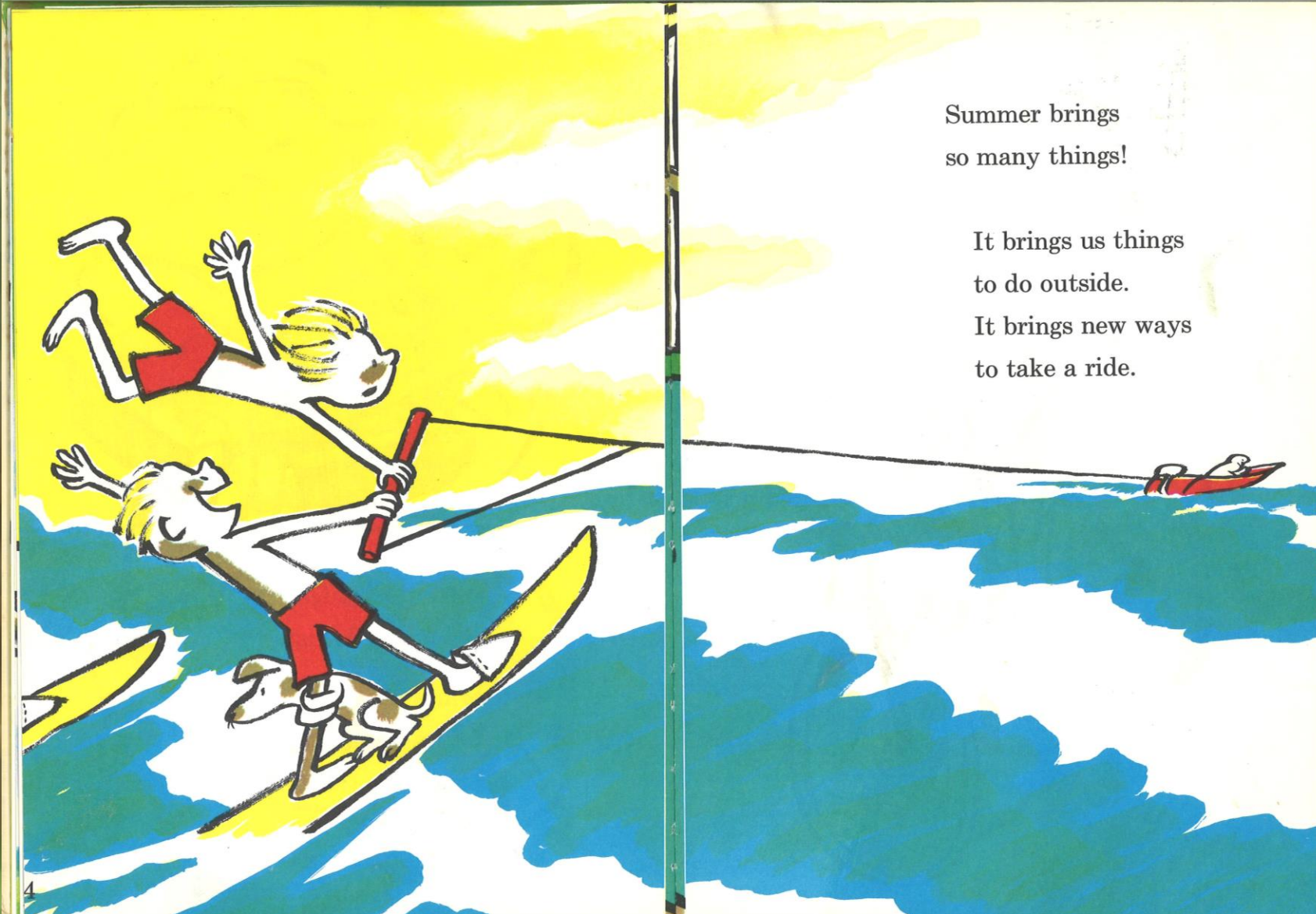


We like the things  
that summer brings.

It brings the sun.

It brings the heat.

It brings the things  
we like to eat.

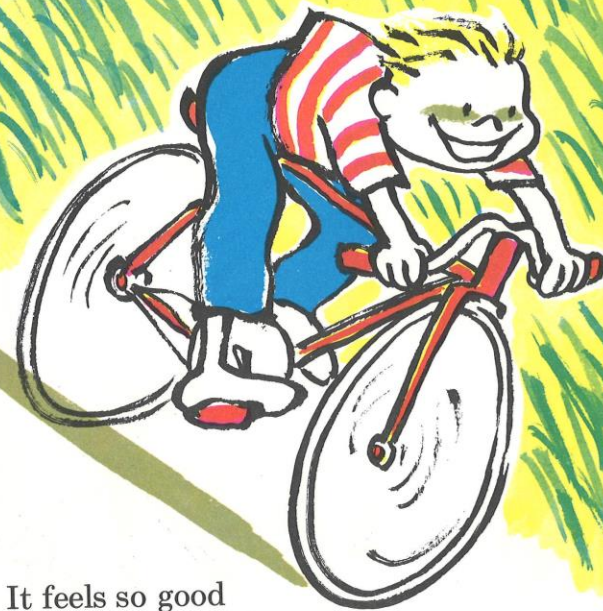


Summer brings  
so many things!

It brings us things  
to do outside.  
It brings new ways  
to take a ride.

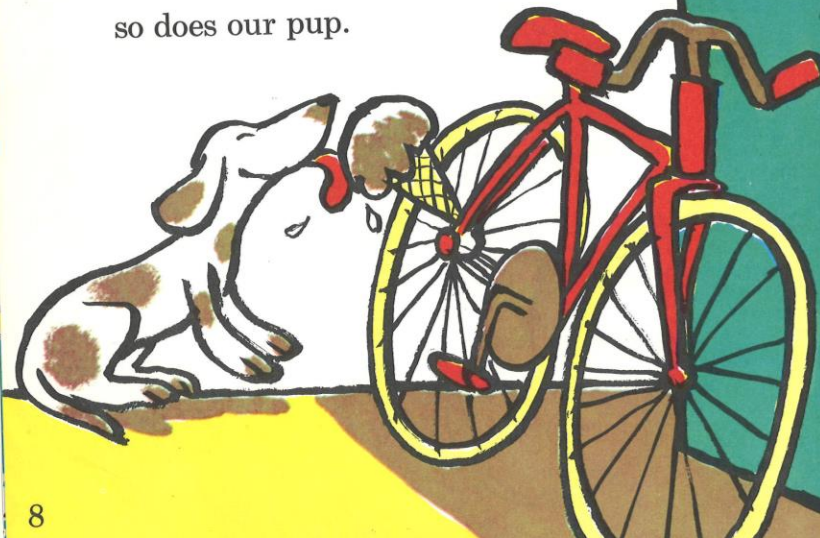


We like to ride  
way out of town.  
We like to ride  
up hill and down.



It feels so good  
when we go fast.  
We like to feel  
the breeze go past.

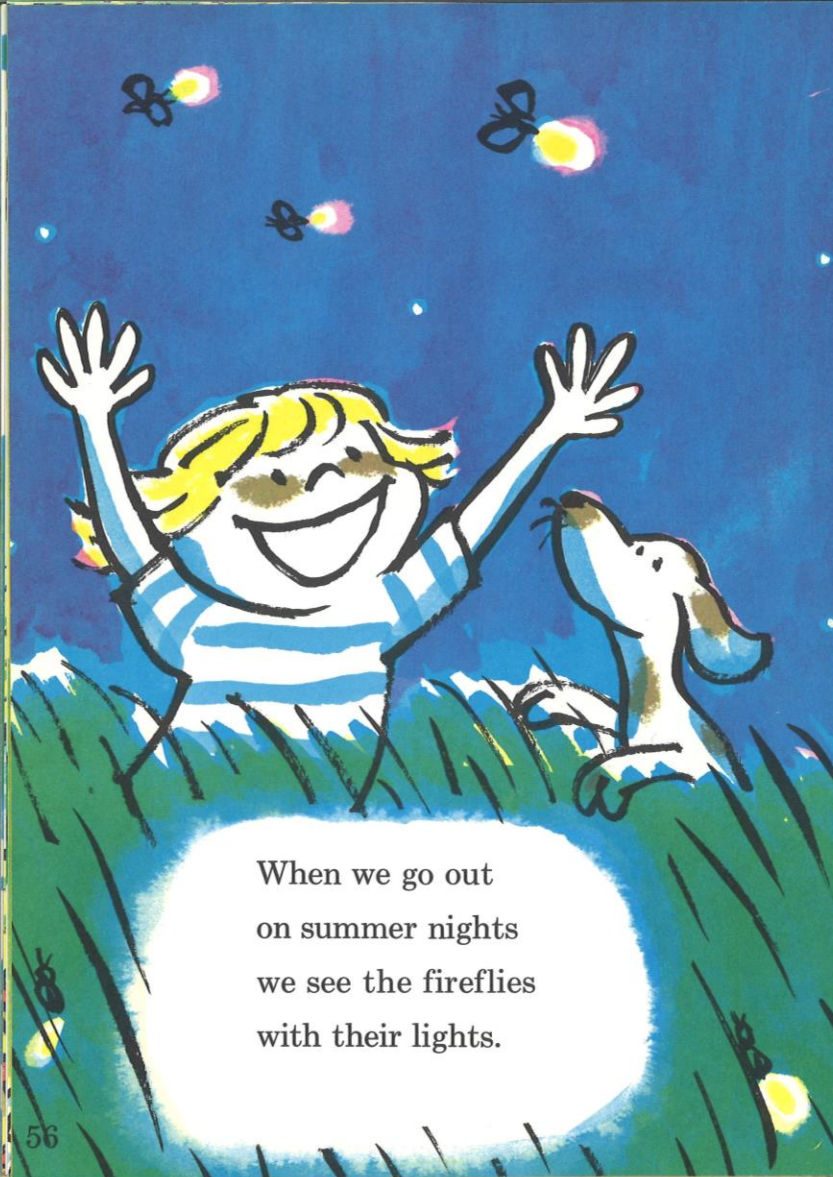
We ride and ride  
about a mile  
and then we stop  
and eat a while.  
We like cold things.  
We eat them up.  
And when we eat  
so does our pup.



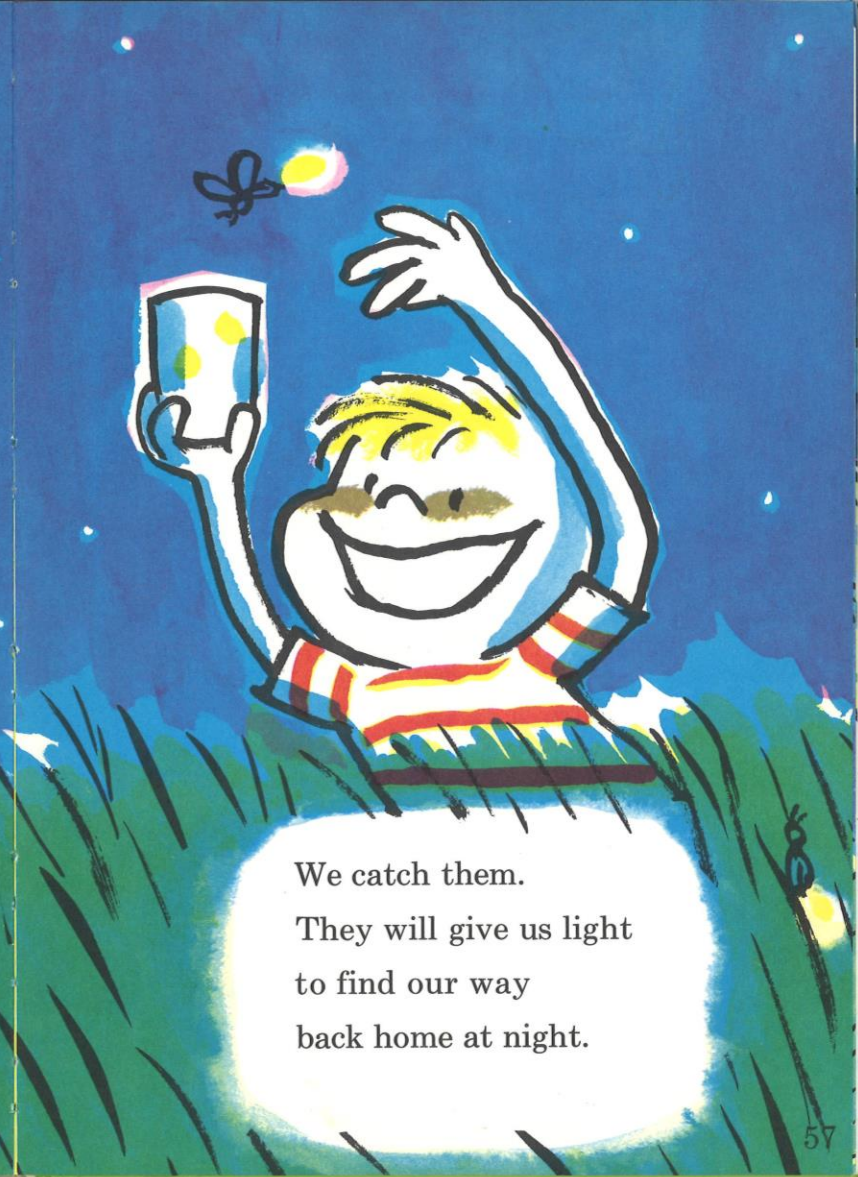
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When we go out  
on summer nights  
we see the fireflies  
with their lights.



We catch them.  
They will give us light  
to find our way  
back home at night.



We ask a farmer,  
"Will you stop  
and let us ride  
back home on top?"



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We let the fireflies go away.  
The moon is out.  
It lights our way.  
We hear the horse  
go clop - clop - clop.  
Our pup goes  
fast asleep on top.



We stay awake  
and think of things . . .  
the happy things  
that summer brings!

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**To the church of God at Corinth, with all the saints who are throughout Achaia.**

**<sup>2</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**

**2 Corinthians 1 CSB**

## MAP OF ACHAIA



**Messed up, the  
Corinthians gave  
God every  
reason to  
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1. *hagios* originally a term for holding someone/thing in awe.
2. The Athenian dramatists used *hagios* for something made clean.
3. Then, *hagios* was used to describe pulling away (like from heat).
4. That third sense never appears in scripture. In the Bible, *hagios* is used of something/one made clean & or held in awe, never something separate to shrink away from.

## 2 Corinthians 1 CSB

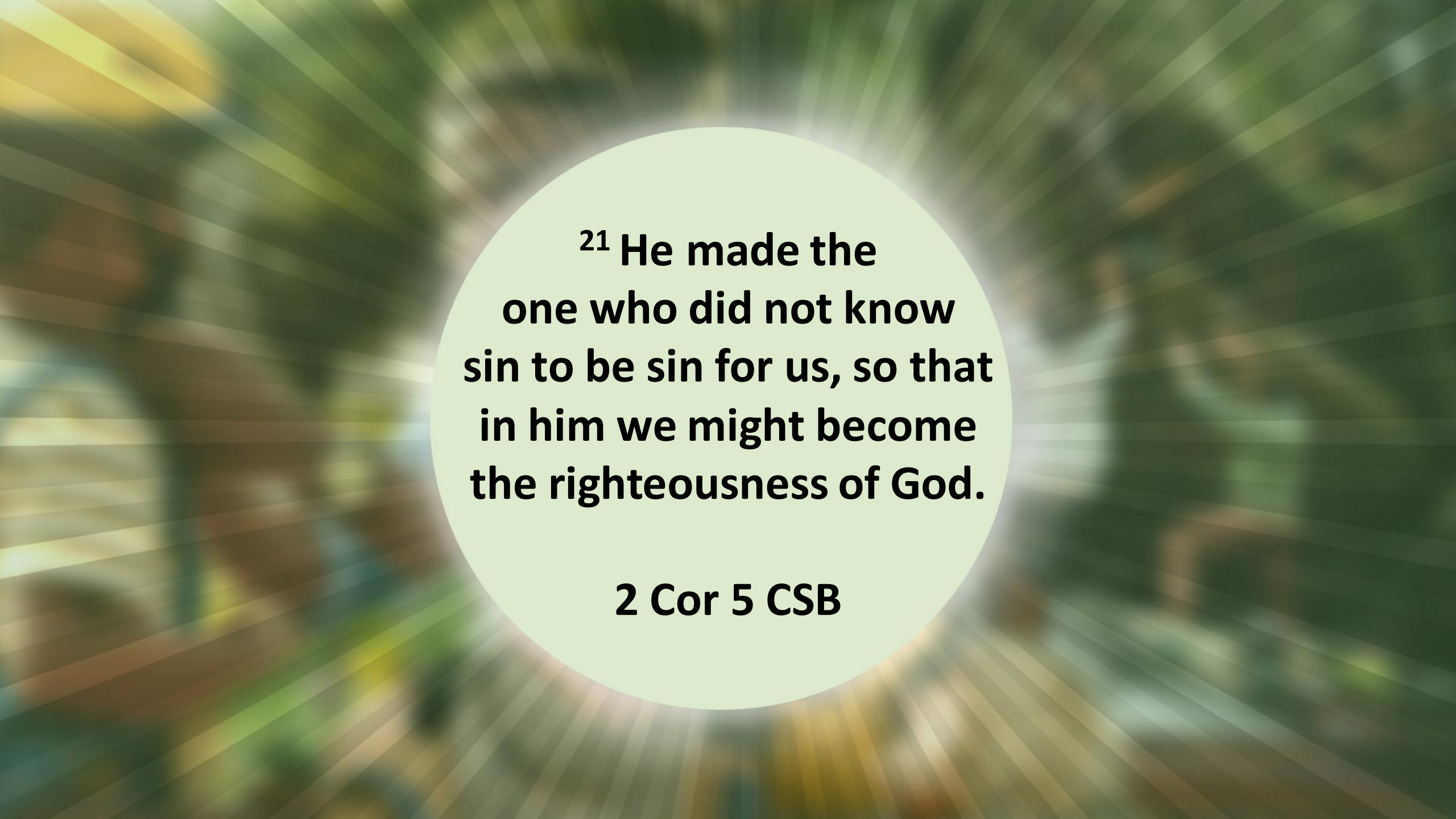
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**2 Corinthians 5 CSB**

**<sup>14</sup> He gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness  
and to cleanse for himself a people for his own possession,  
eager to do good works.**

**Titus 2 CSB**



COLOSSIANS 1:13-14

**He has delivered us from  
the domain of darkness**

and transferred us to the kingdom  
of his beloved Son, in whom we have  
redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Woof. Ruff? [Which kingdom? There are many different ones referenced in the NT. Which is in mind here?]



*Our pup*  
**Roy McKie**  
**1963**

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**<sup>10</sup> For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. <sup>11</sup> Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.**

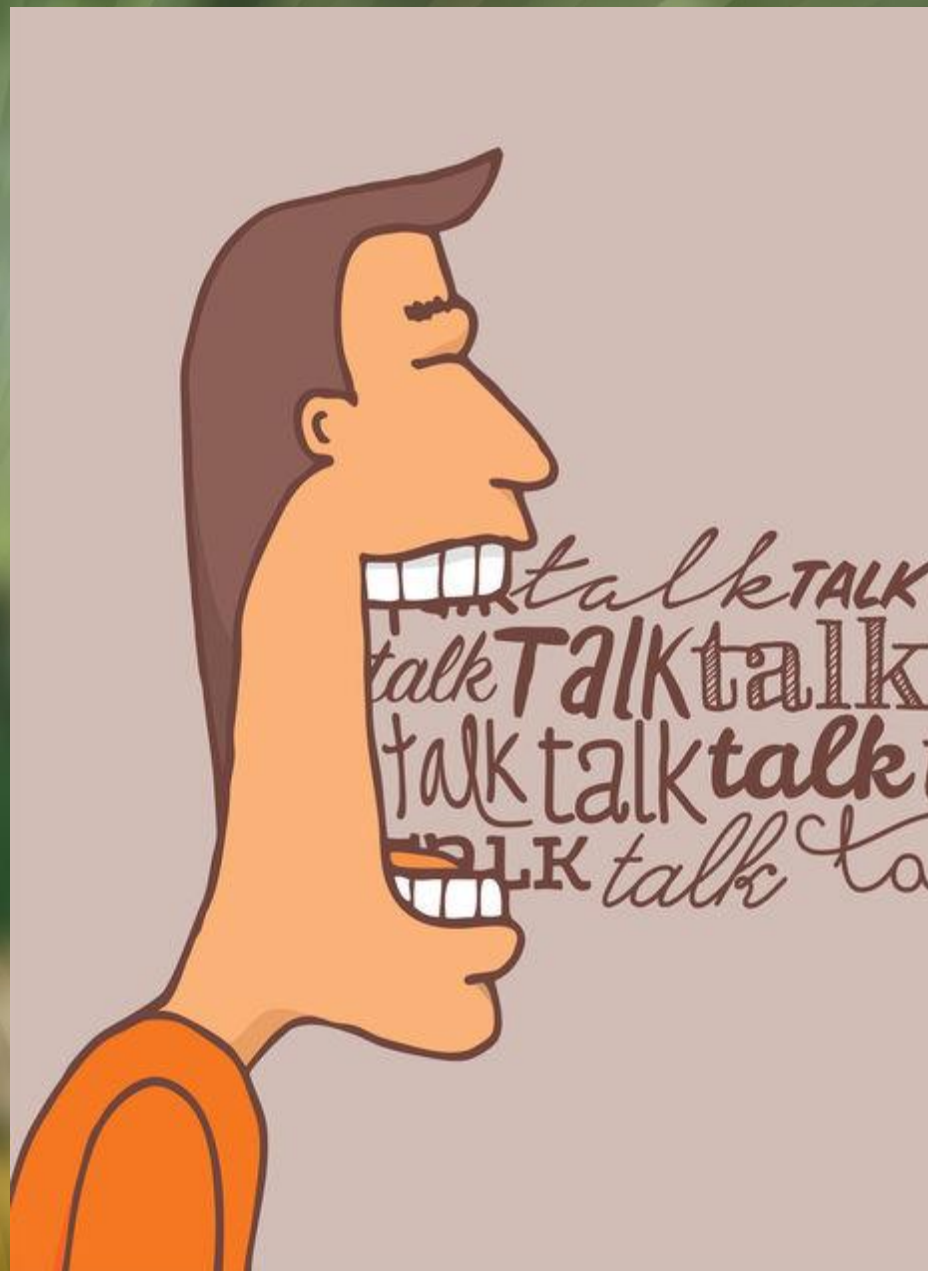
**Romans 6 NASB**

## Inside Voice/ Outside Voice





**Mommy, you should  
teach that man about  
using an inside voice.**



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- **What is my view of my regular sin patterns? Wretched.**
- **Accept God's words as definitive for living my new lifestyle? Always.**



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**Titus 2 CSB**



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**May grace and peace be multiplied to you.**

**1 Peter 1 CSB**

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17 "This is what I command you: Love one another."

John 15

# FINDING JOY IN LOVING PEOPLE





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- **New designation**
- **New identity**
- **New citizenship**
- **New way of life**
- **New Spirit**



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**2 Corinthians 3 CSB**

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**Greek: μεταμορφούμεθα metamorphoumetha = an inside-out change**



**[To a church leader in another city] What an honor it has been to help. You and the team have grown so strong and wise that I am very excited for your future.**

**[To a friend] Yes, you were a stinker in many ways. But rather than focus on that, look at how well you have grown up to resemble Jesus! You are humbler and bolder than ever, and that's a powerful combination.**

**[To a missionary] That is a fantastic idea! You keep knocking it out of the park, which is especially funny considering how ill-prepared you felt. It's a blessing to watch you grow in Christ.**



**<sup>9</sup> You have stripped off your old sinful nature and all its wicked deeds. <sup>10</sup> Put on your new nature, and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator and become like him.**

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## **Colossians 3 NLT**



Rough leather armor

Secret apprentice robe

Shirt and leather pants

Robin armor

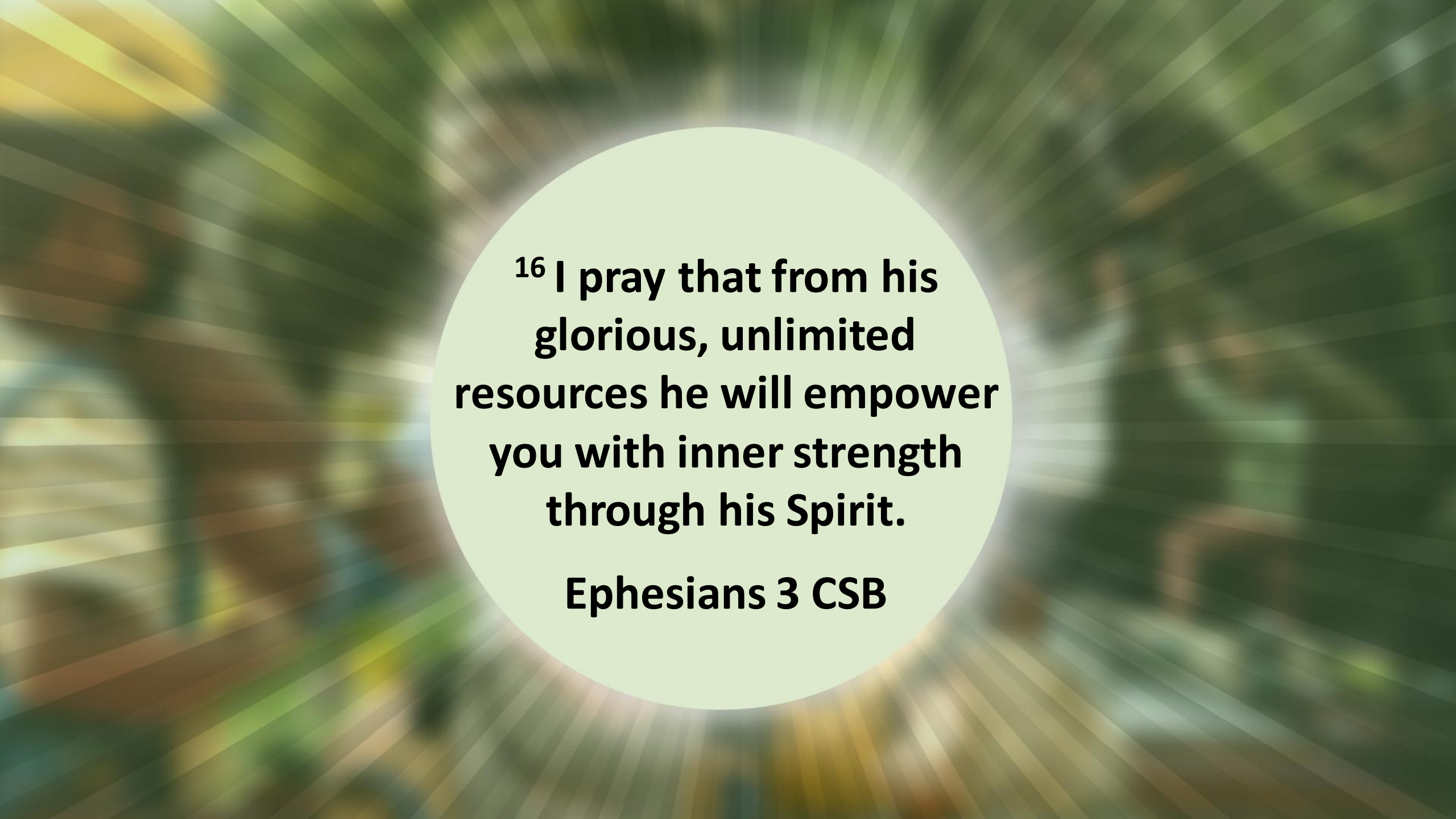
Riddlemaster robe

courtesy Bethesda

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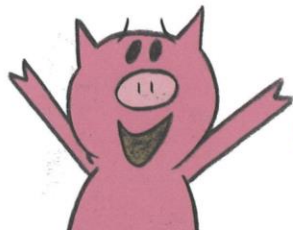
**<sup>16</sup> I pray that from his  
glorious, unlimited  
resources he will empower  
you with inner strength  
through his Spirit.**

**Ephesians 3 CSB**

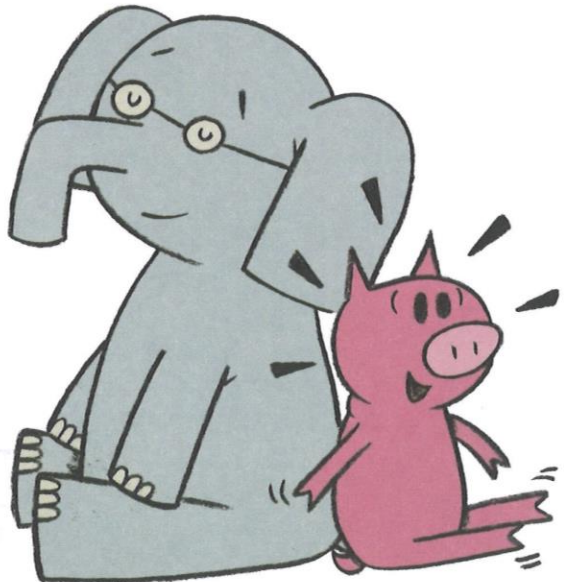


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Fly!

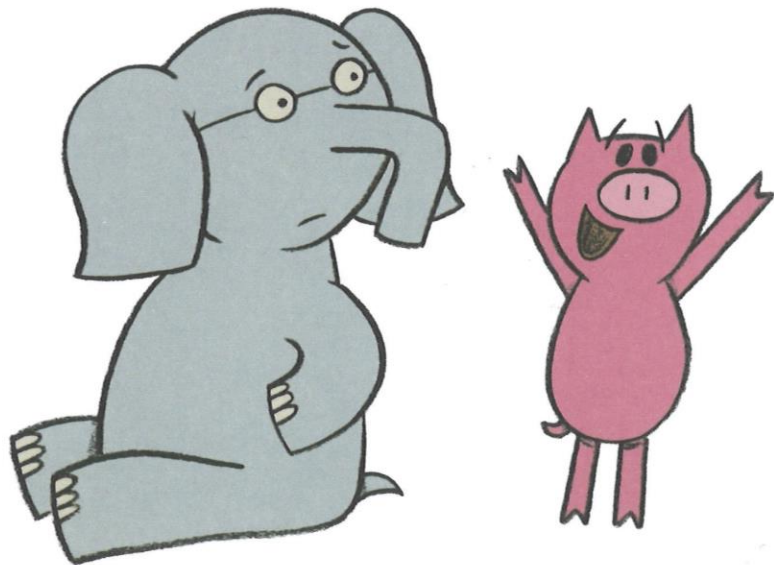
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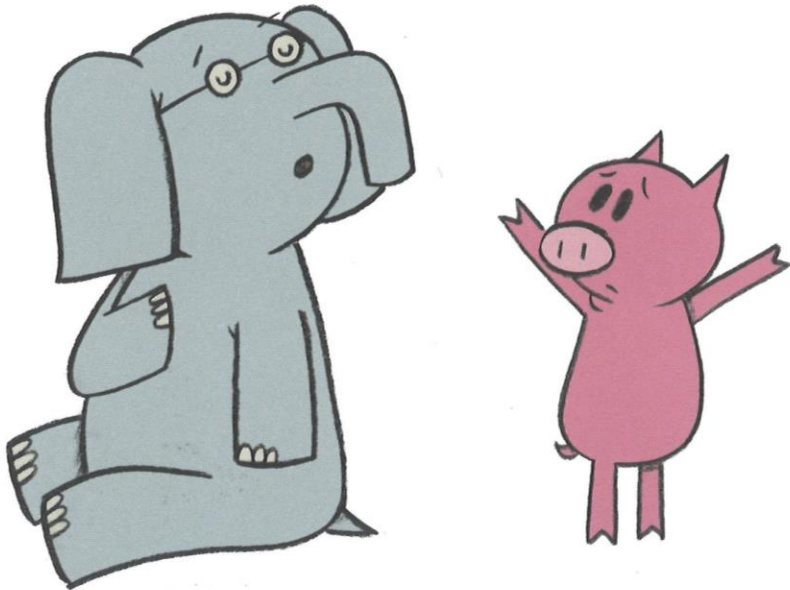
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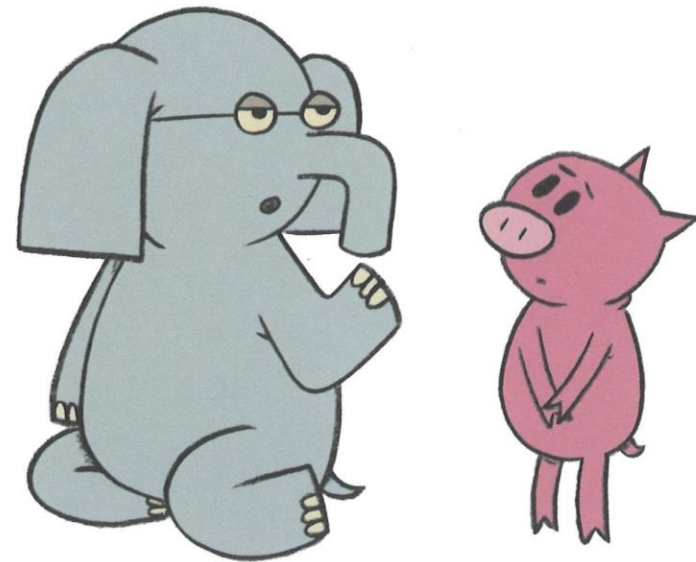
Today I will fly!



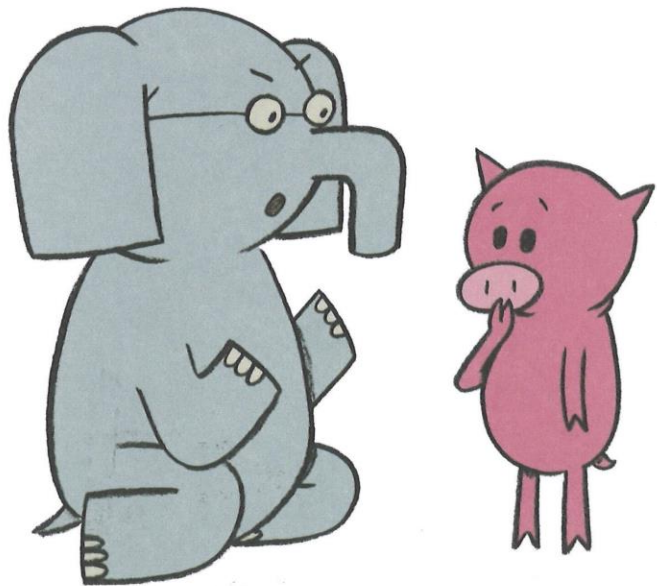
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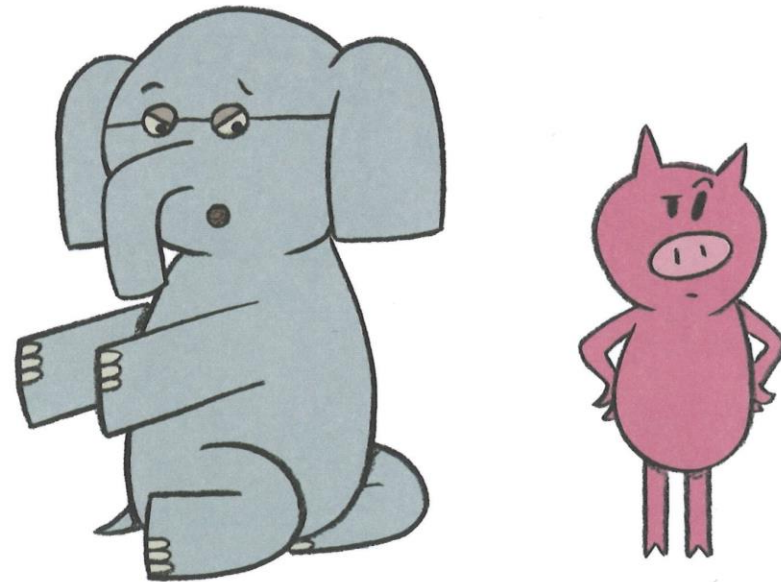
You will not fly today.



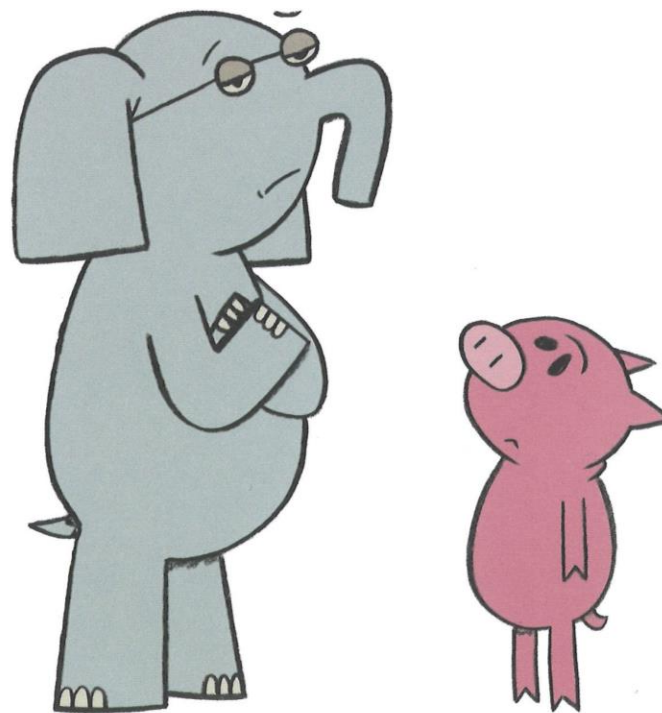
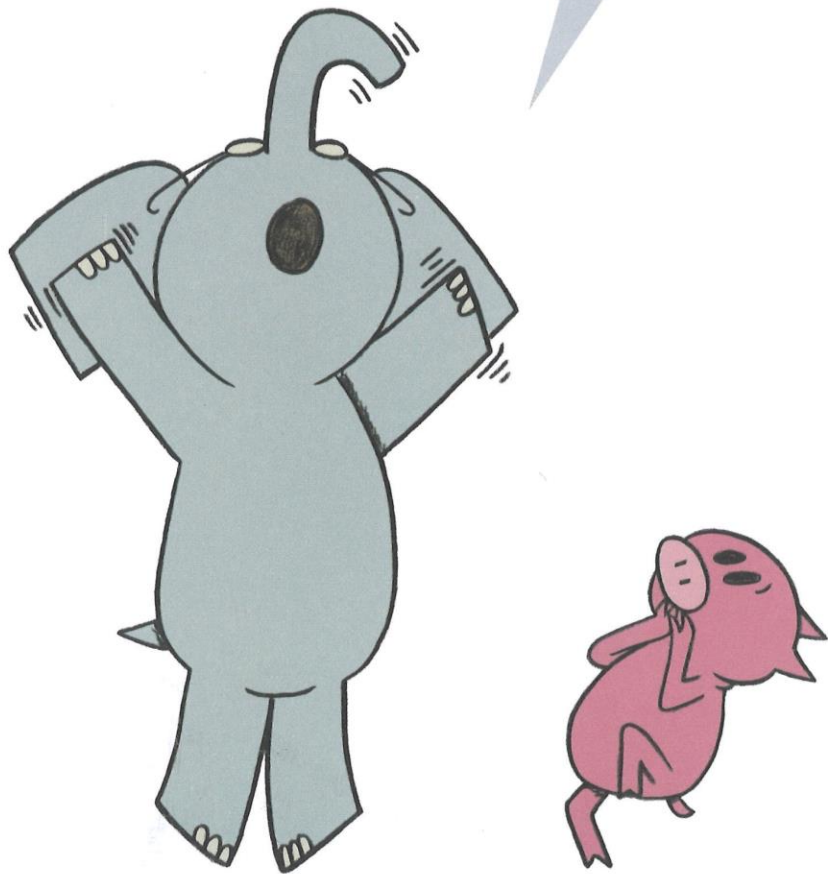
You will not fly  
tomorrow.



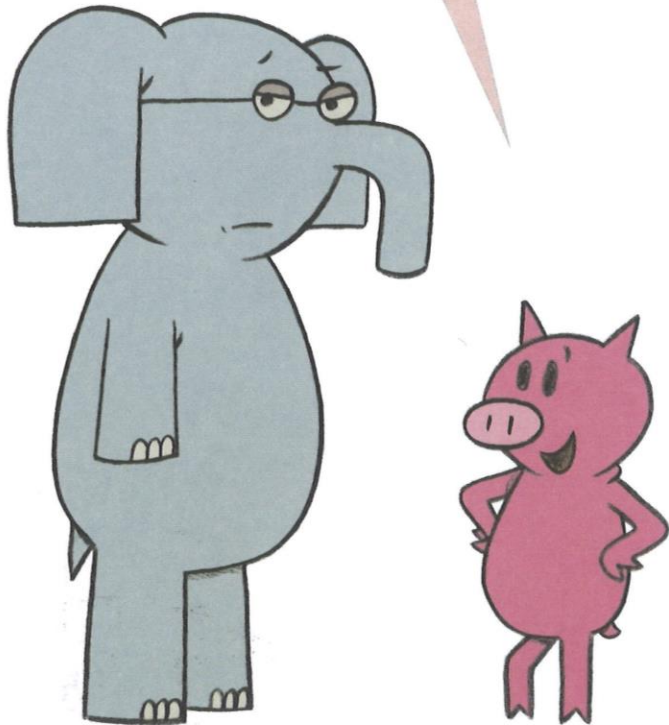
You will not fly  
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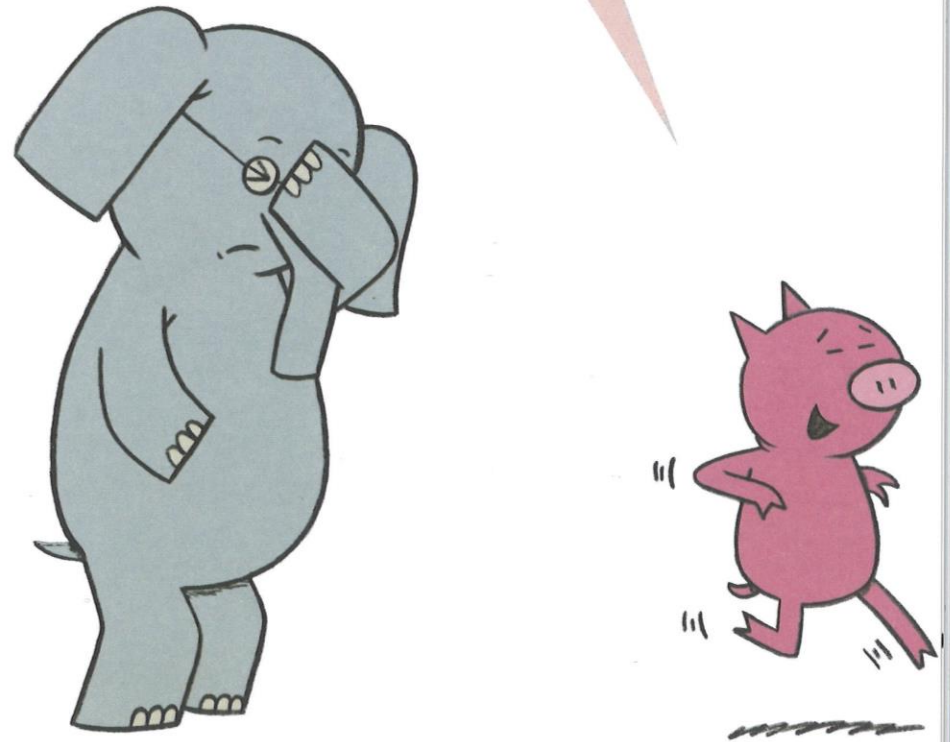
YOU WILL  
NEVER FLY!



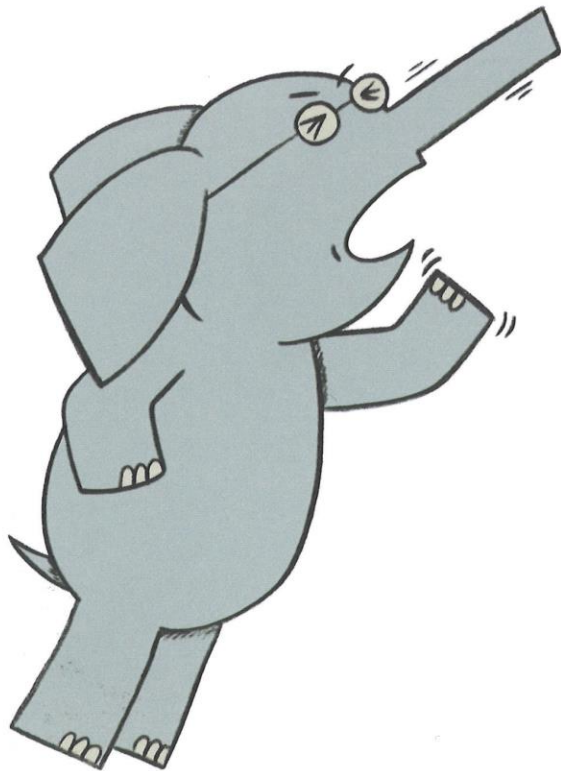
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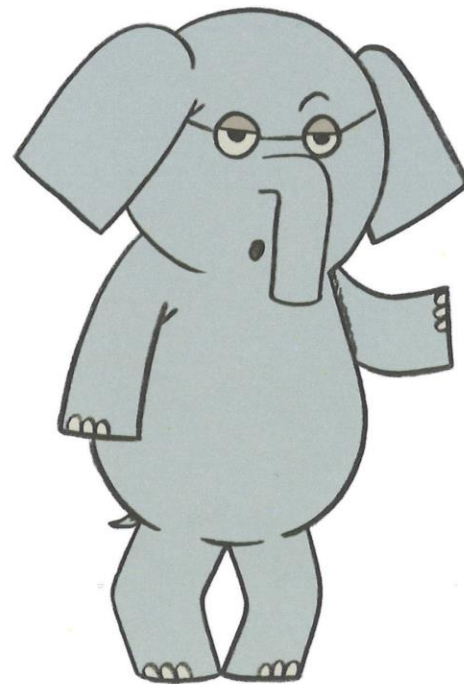
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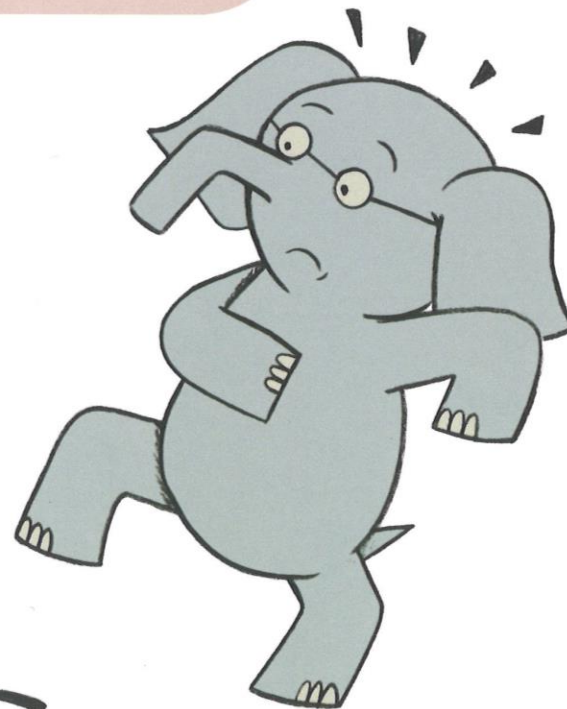
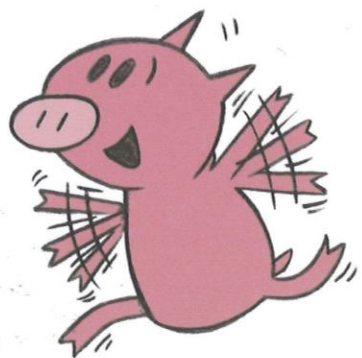
YOU WILL  
NOT FLY!



She will not fly.

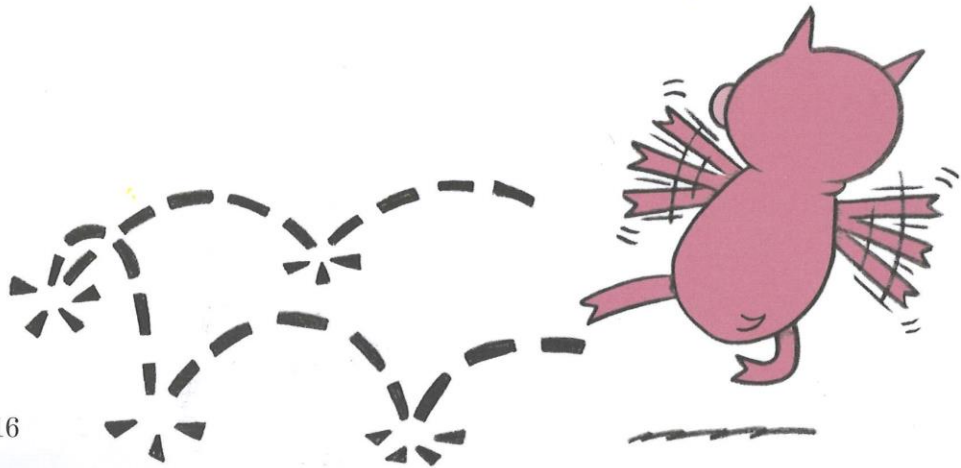


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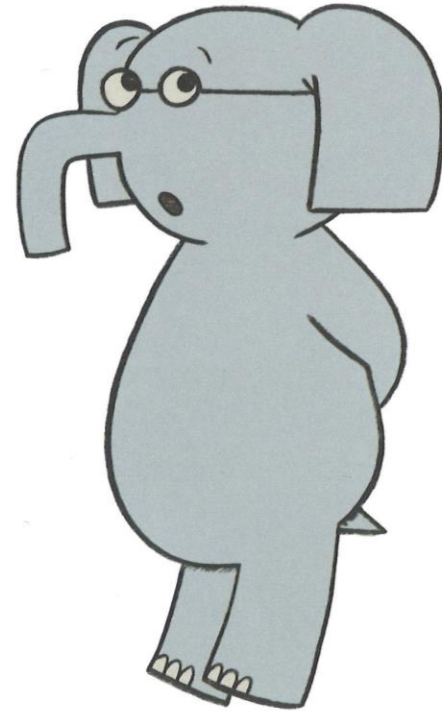




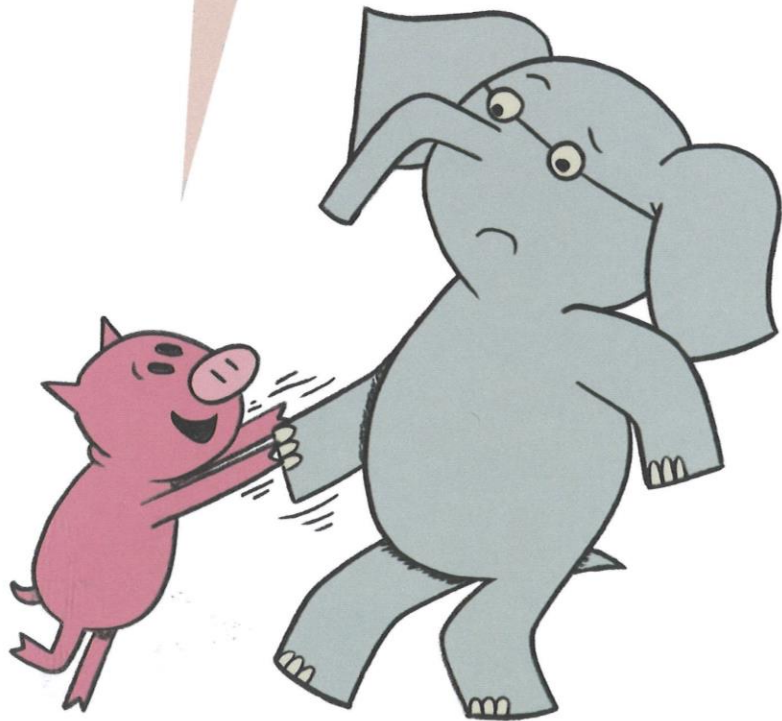
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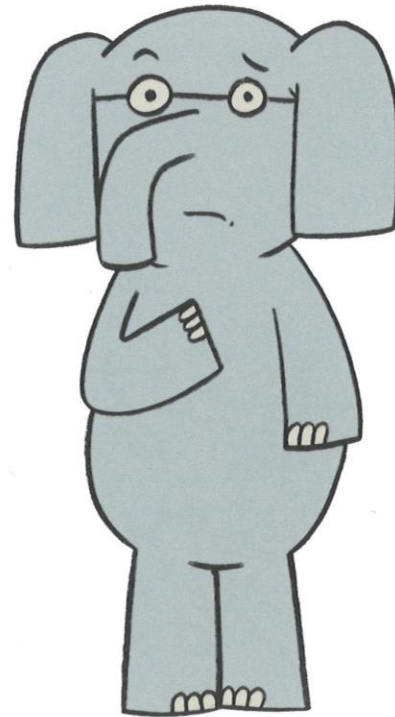
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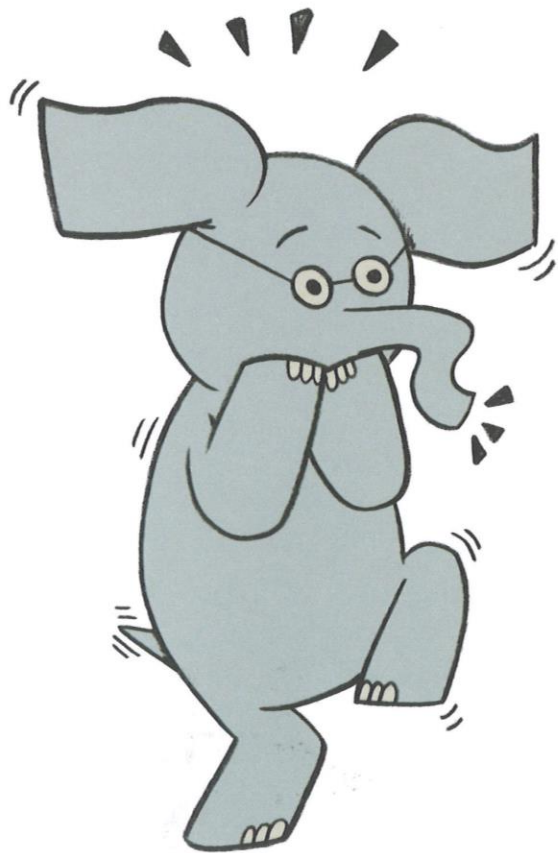


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I *do* need help!

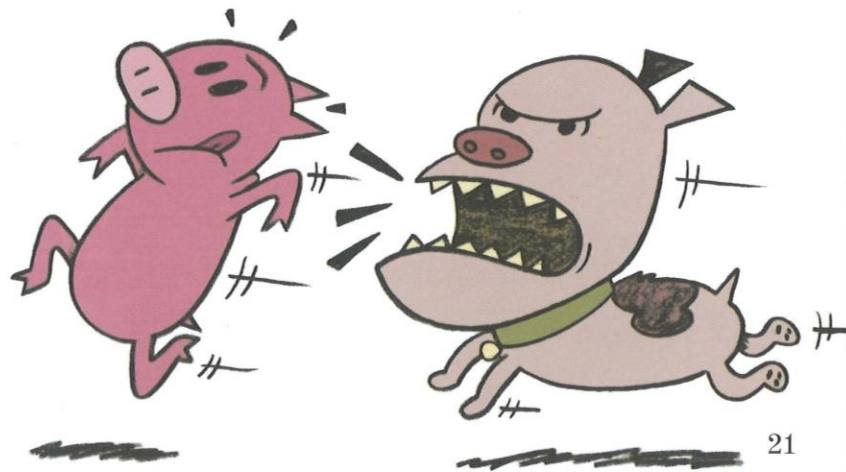


I will get help!

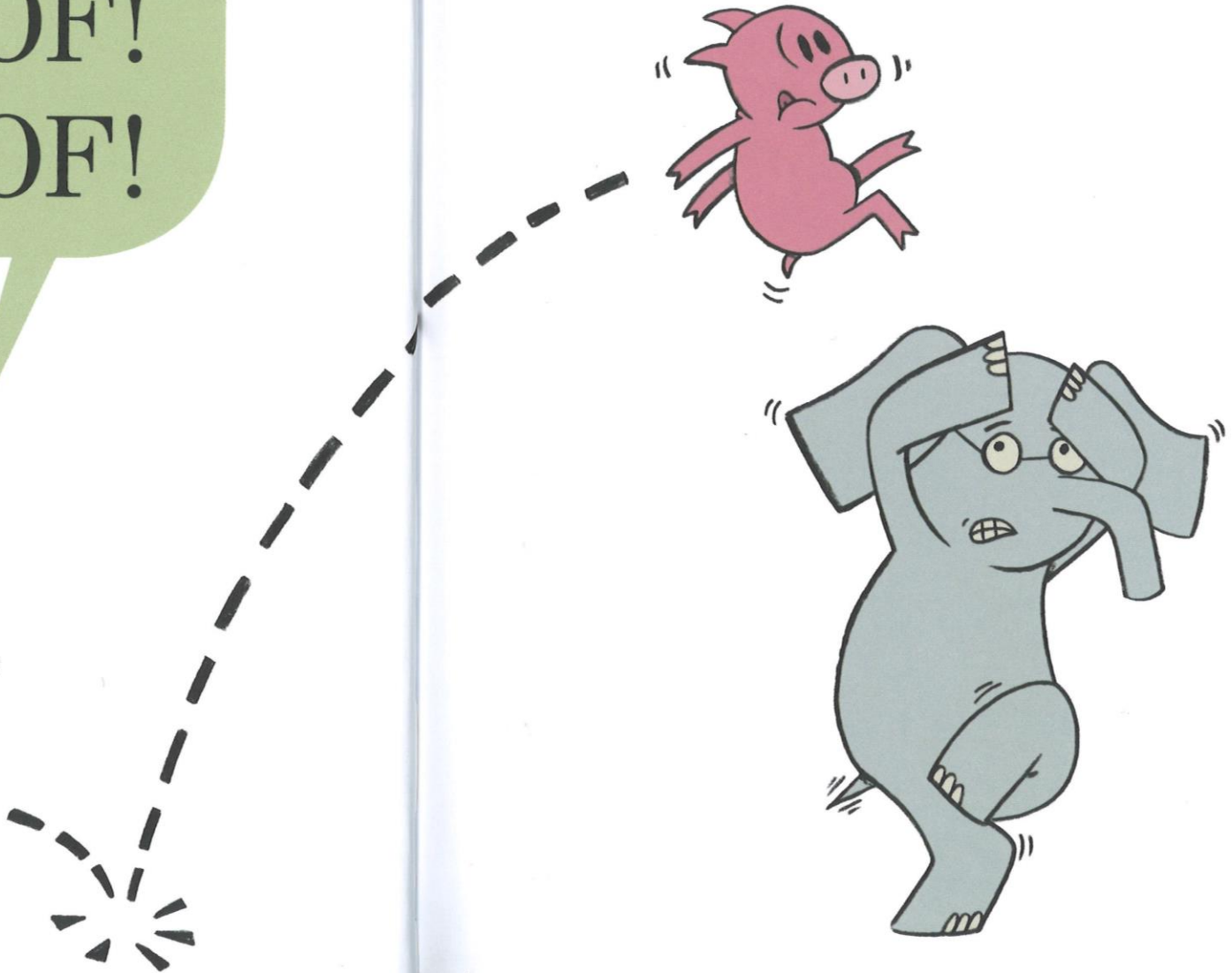
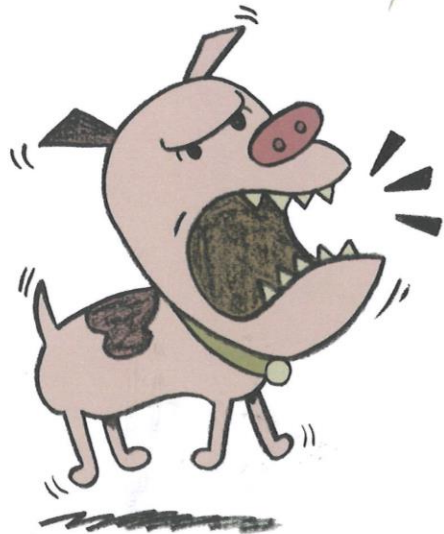




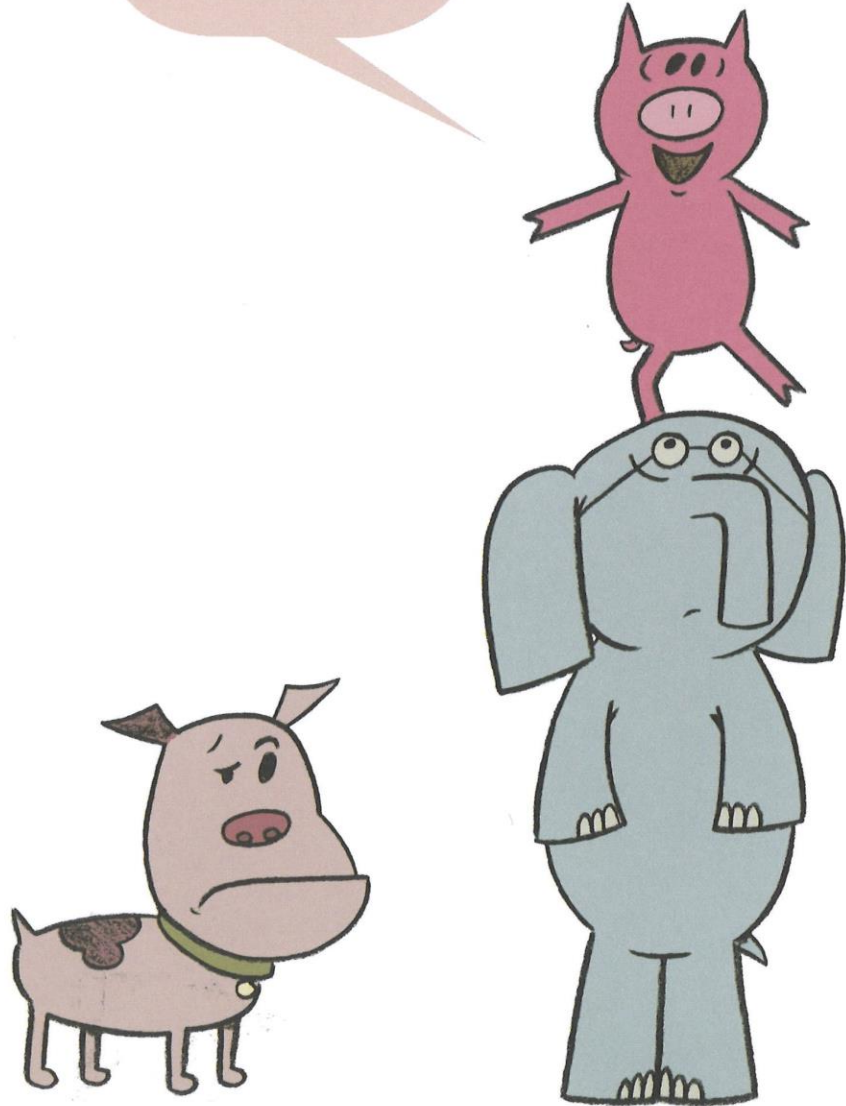
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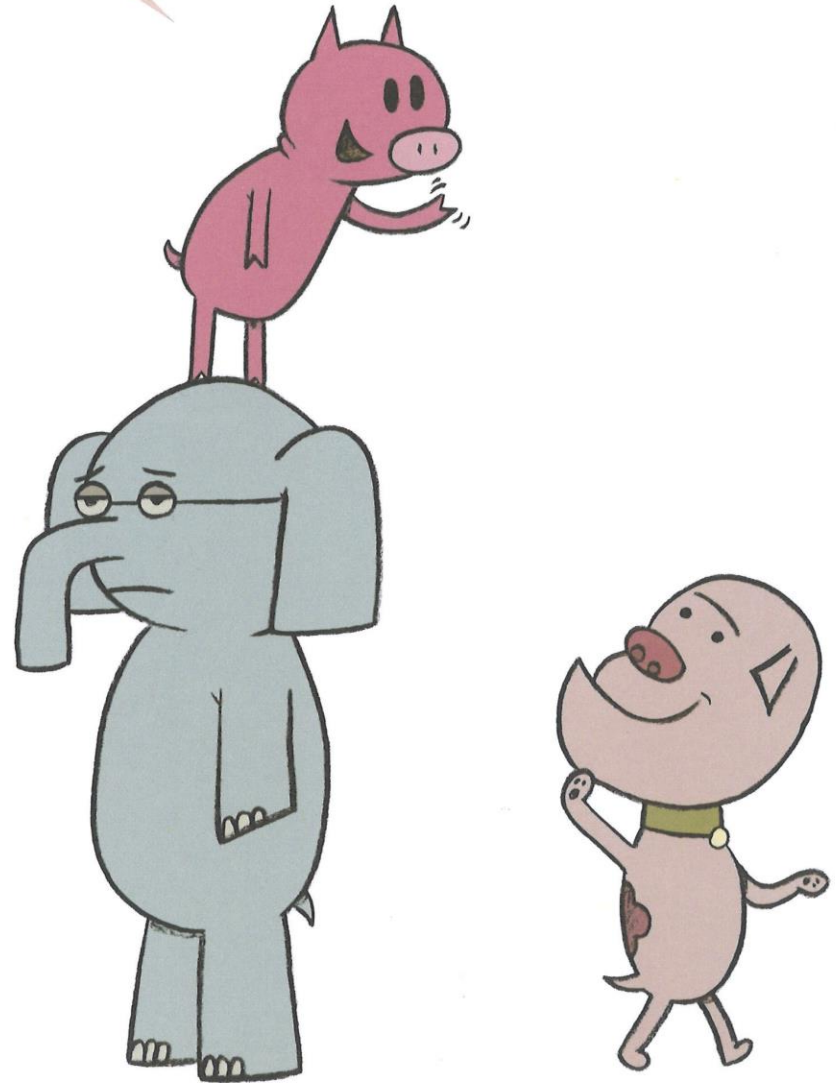
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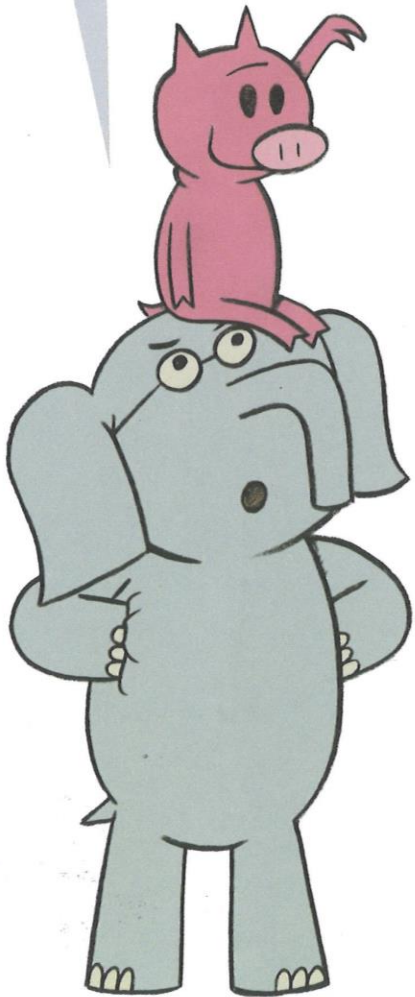
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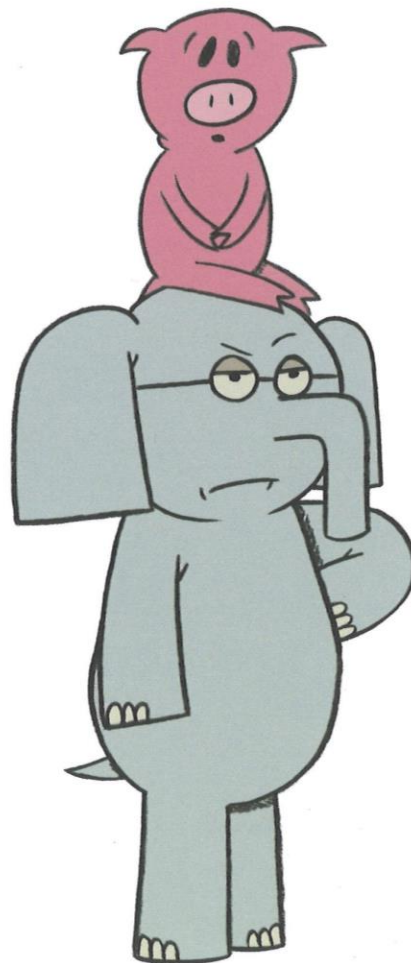
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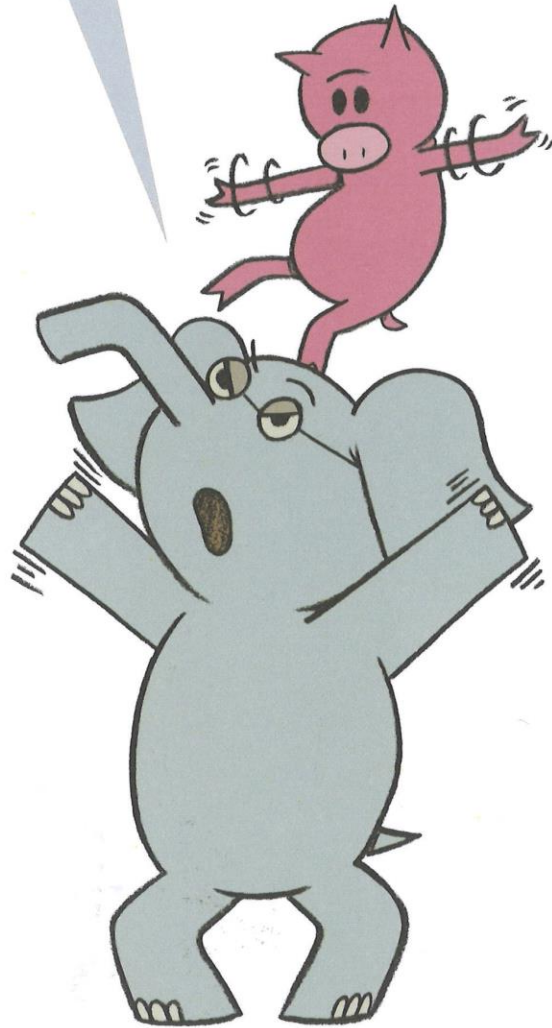
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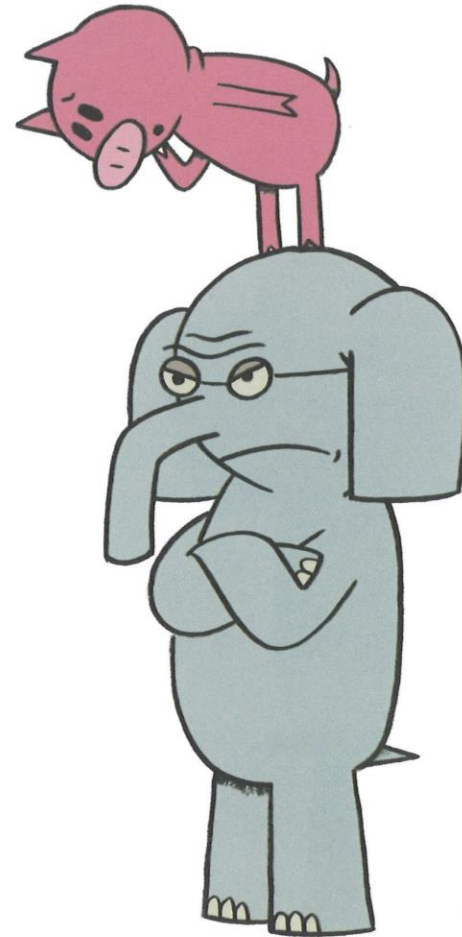
I did not fly?

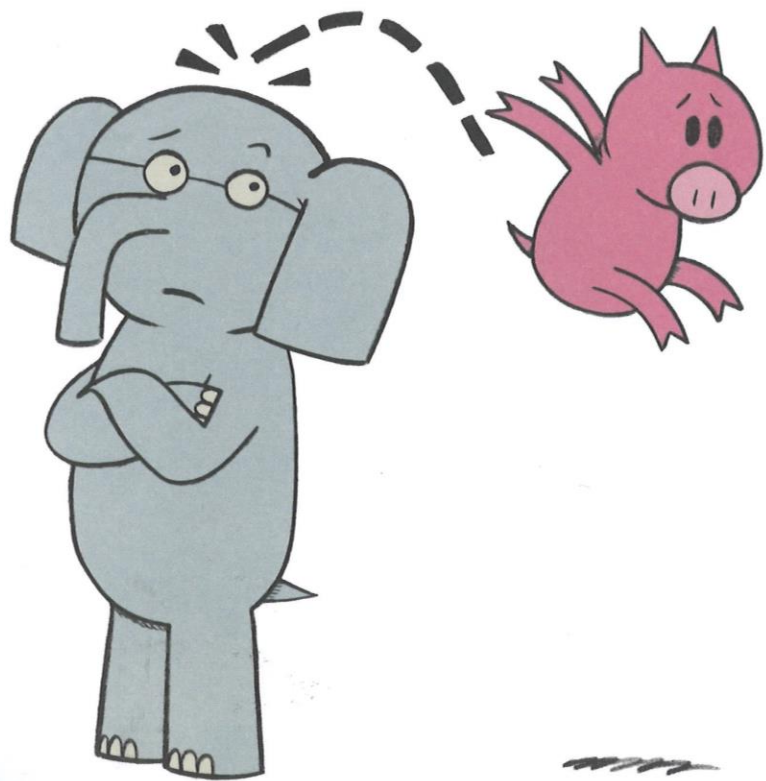


YOU JUMPED!

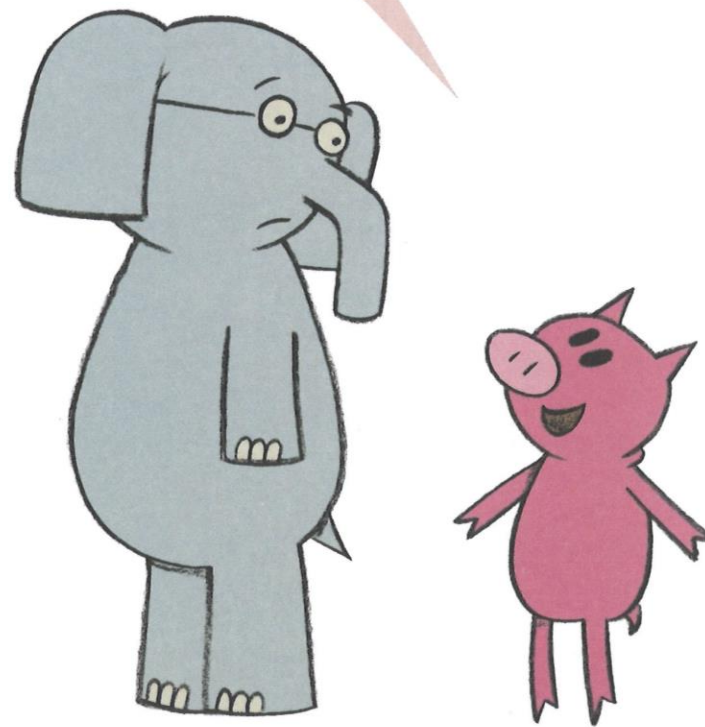


I jumped?



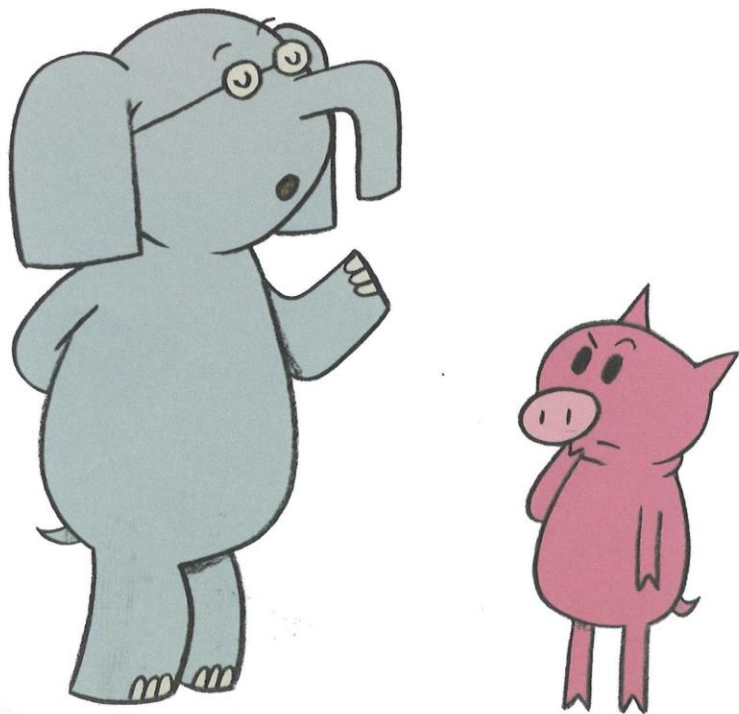


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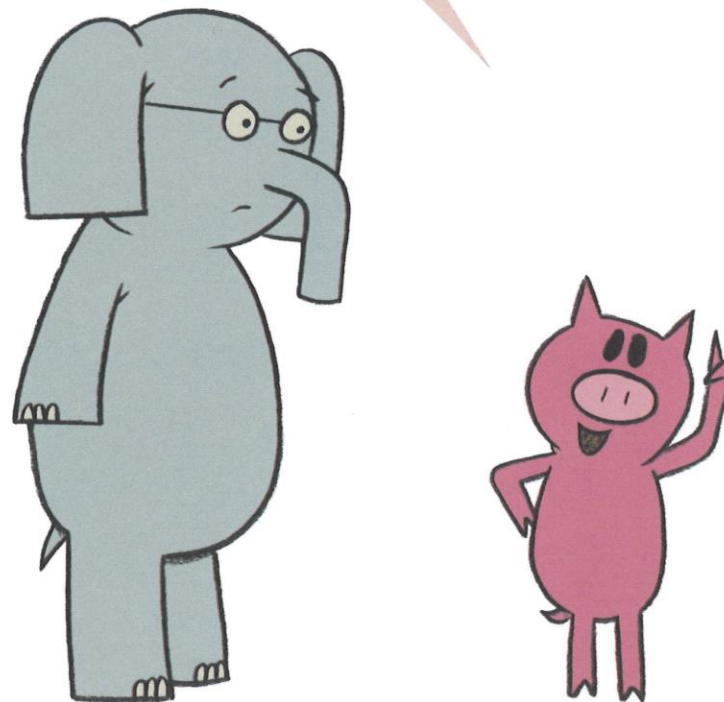




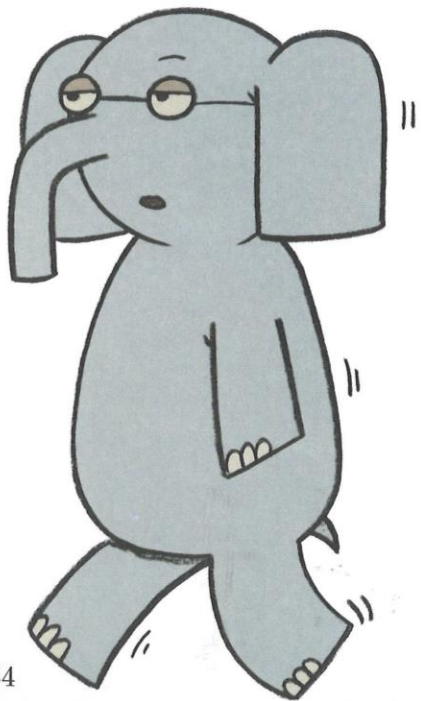
Yes, it was a big jump.  
But you did not fly.



I will try again!



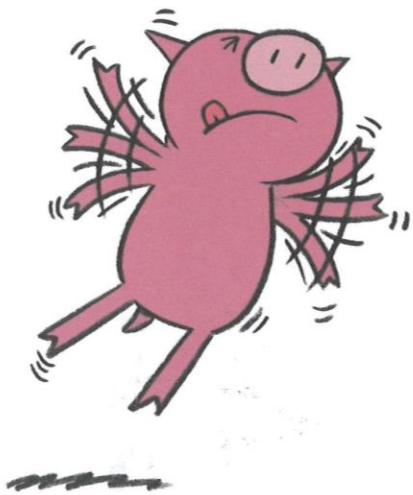
I will eat lunch.



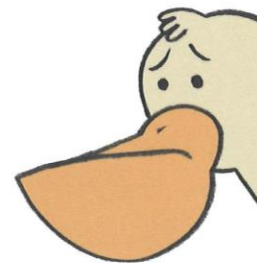
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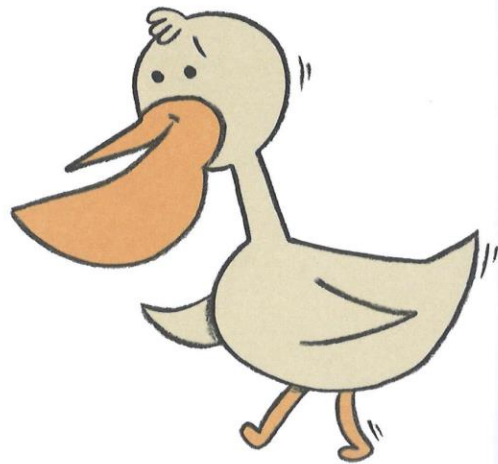
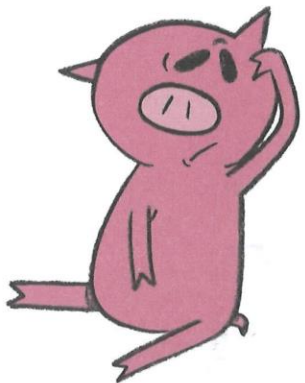
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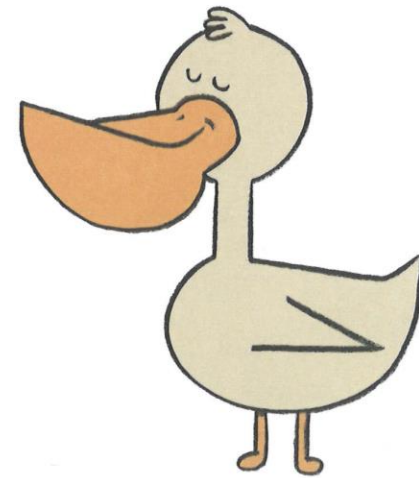
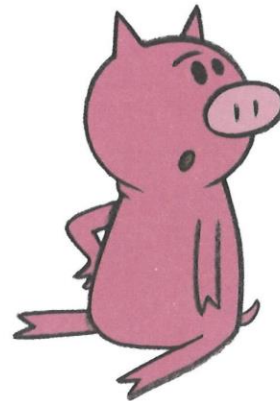
Oof!



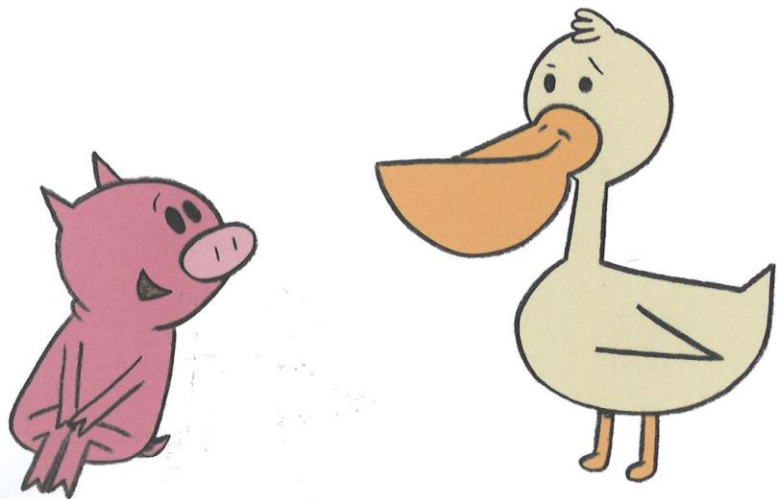
You need help.



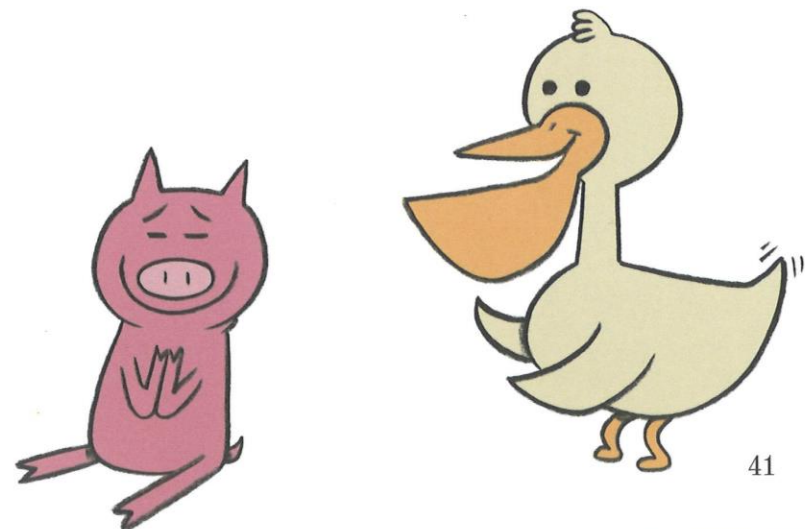
I do need help.



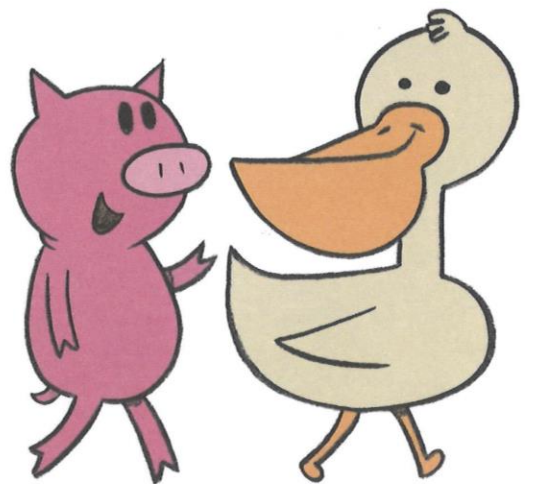
Will you help me?



I will.  
I will help you.



Thank you.



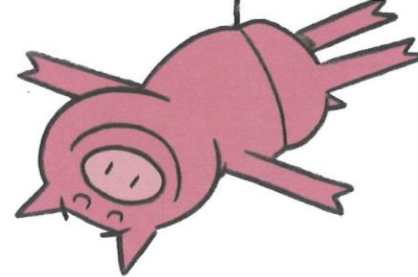
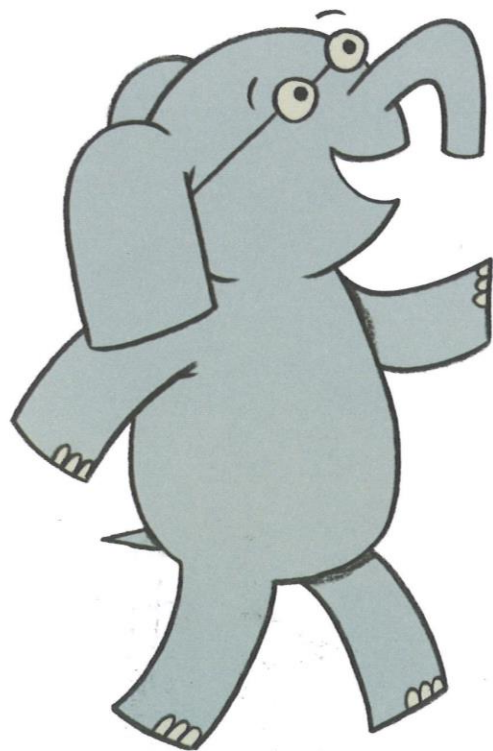
Hello?



Hello!



You . . . you are  
**FLYING!**

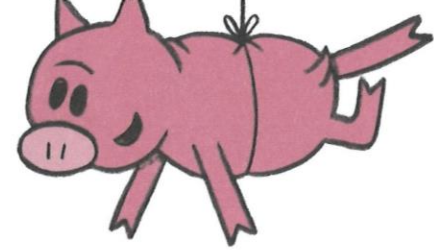
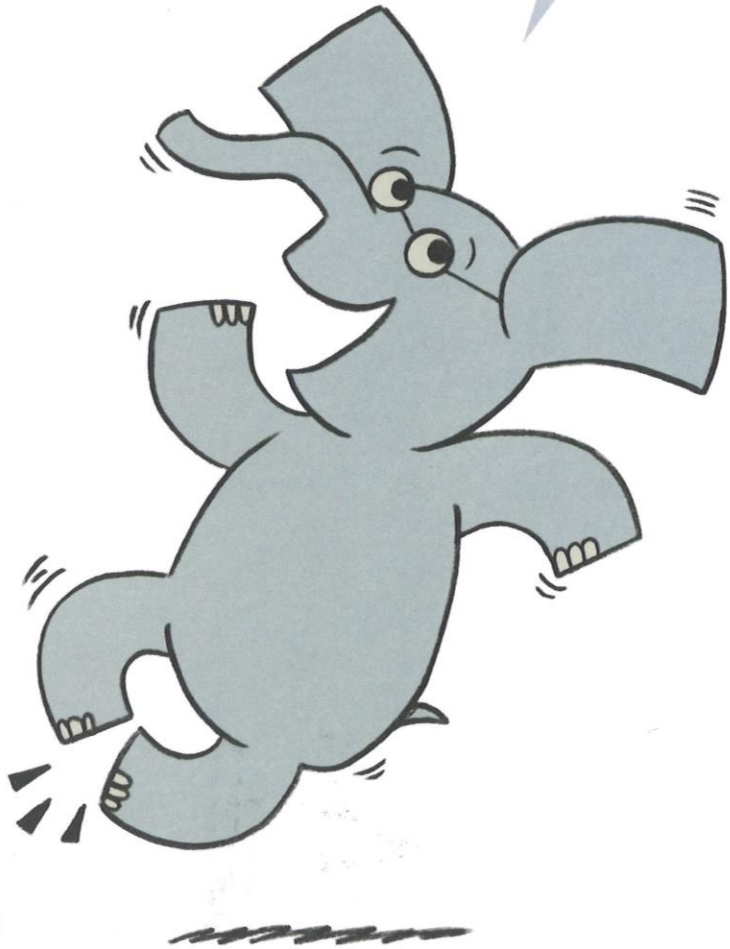


You are flying today!





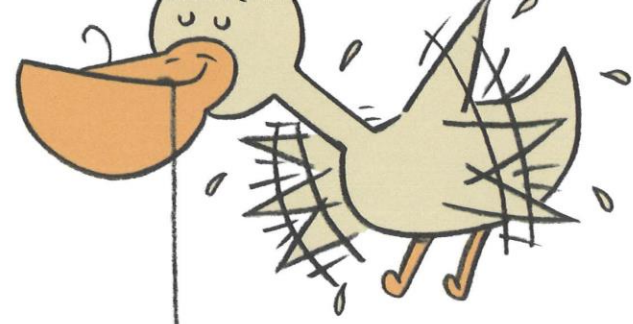
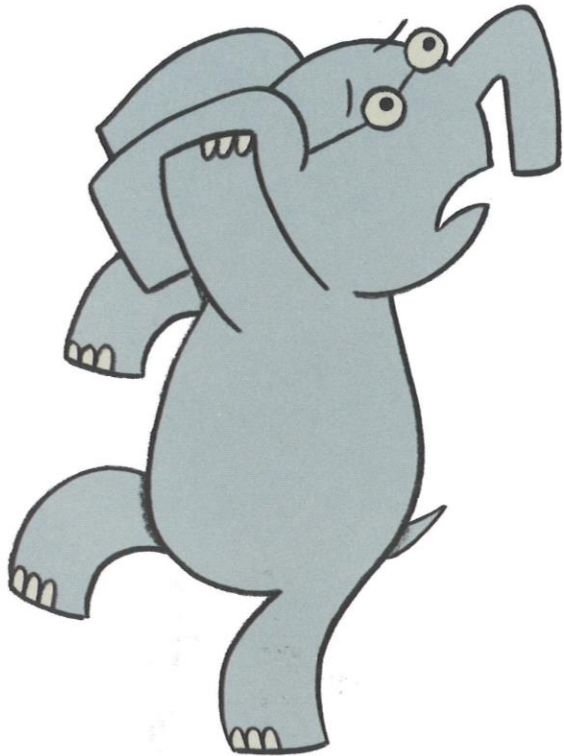
My friend can fly!  
She can fly!



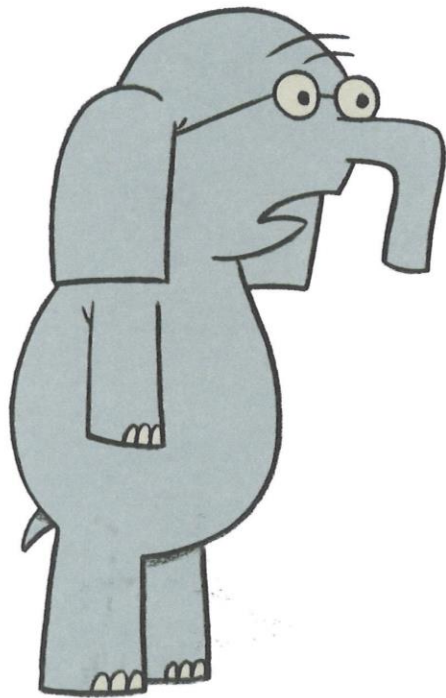
I am *not* flying!



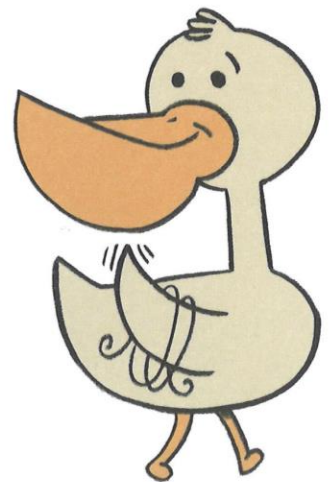
You are not flying?

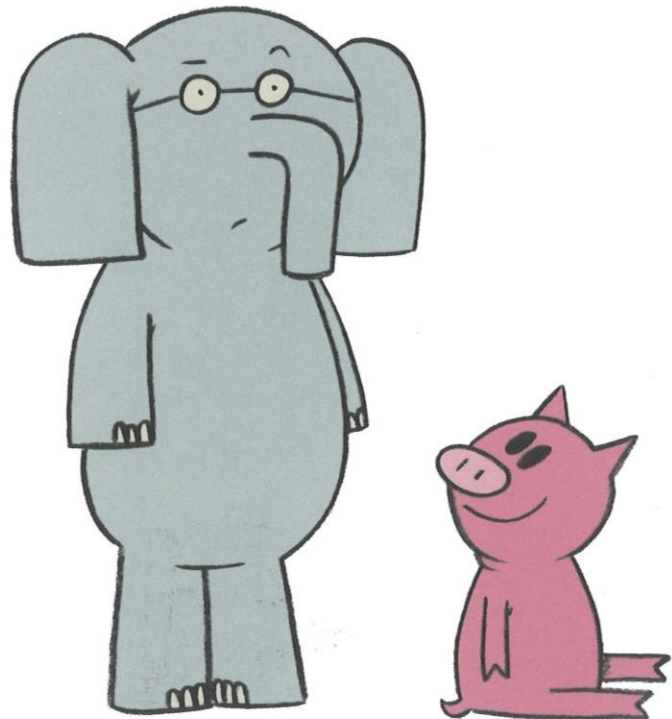


I am getting help.

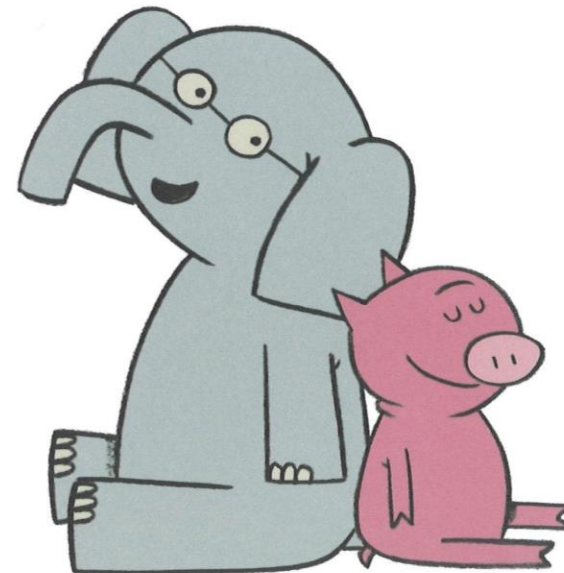


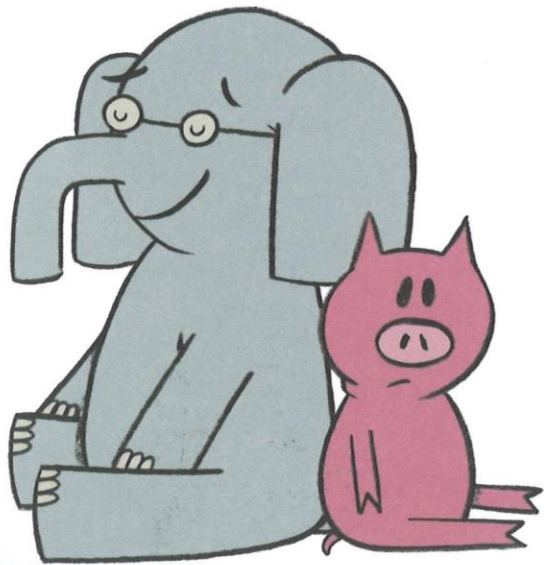
Thank you for your help!



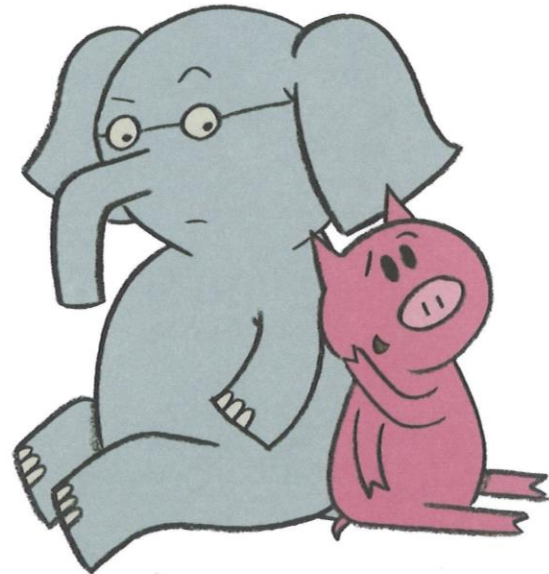


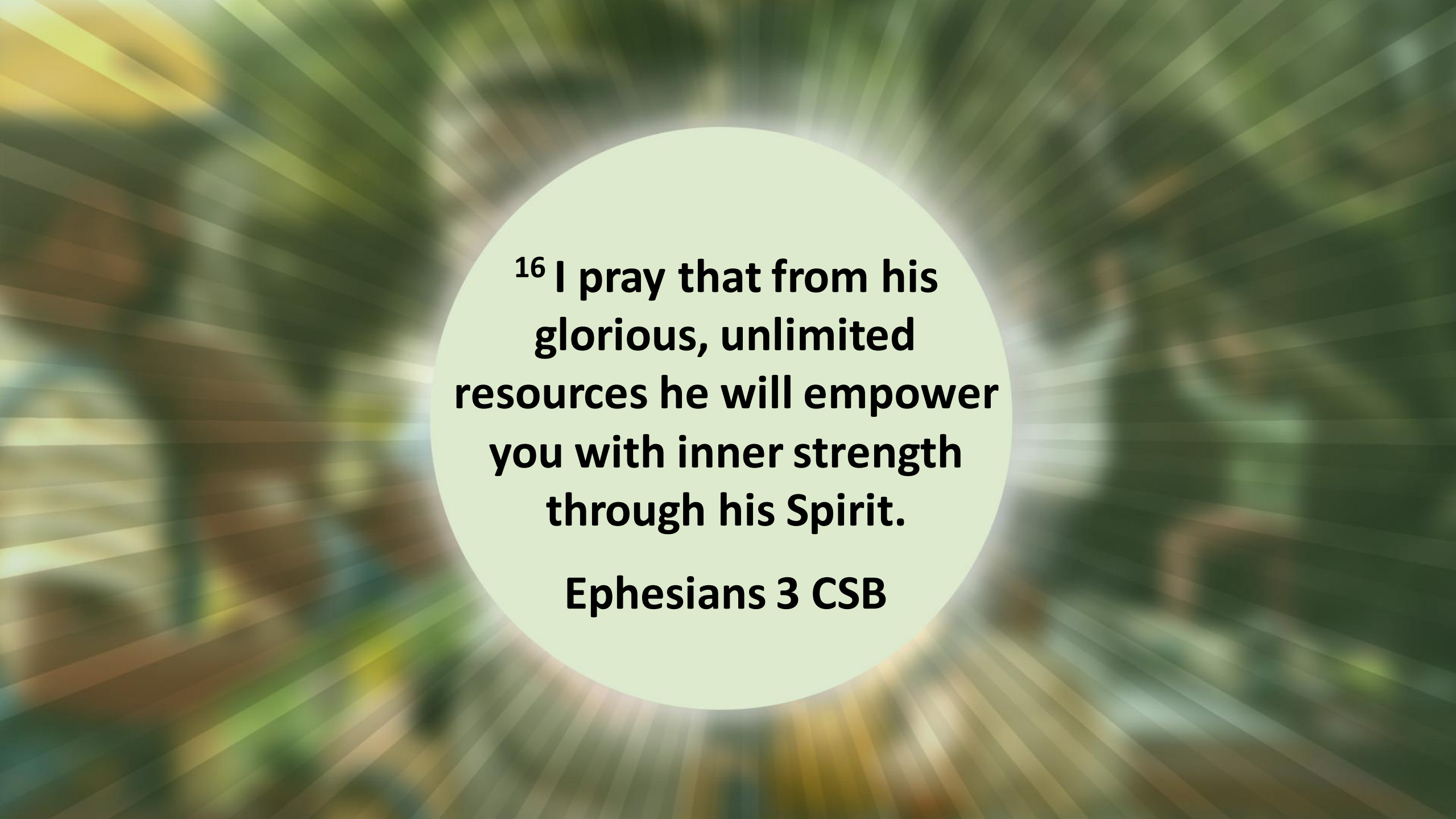
Tomorrow *I* will fly!





Good luck.





**<sup>16</sup> I pray that from his  
glorious, unlimited  
resources he will empower  
you with inner strength  
through his Spirit.**

**Ephesians 3 CSB**



**Sainthood brings so many things!**

- **New designation**
- **New identity**
- **New citizenship**
- **New way of life**
- **New Spirit**
- **New progress**



# FINDING JOY IN LOVING PEOPLE