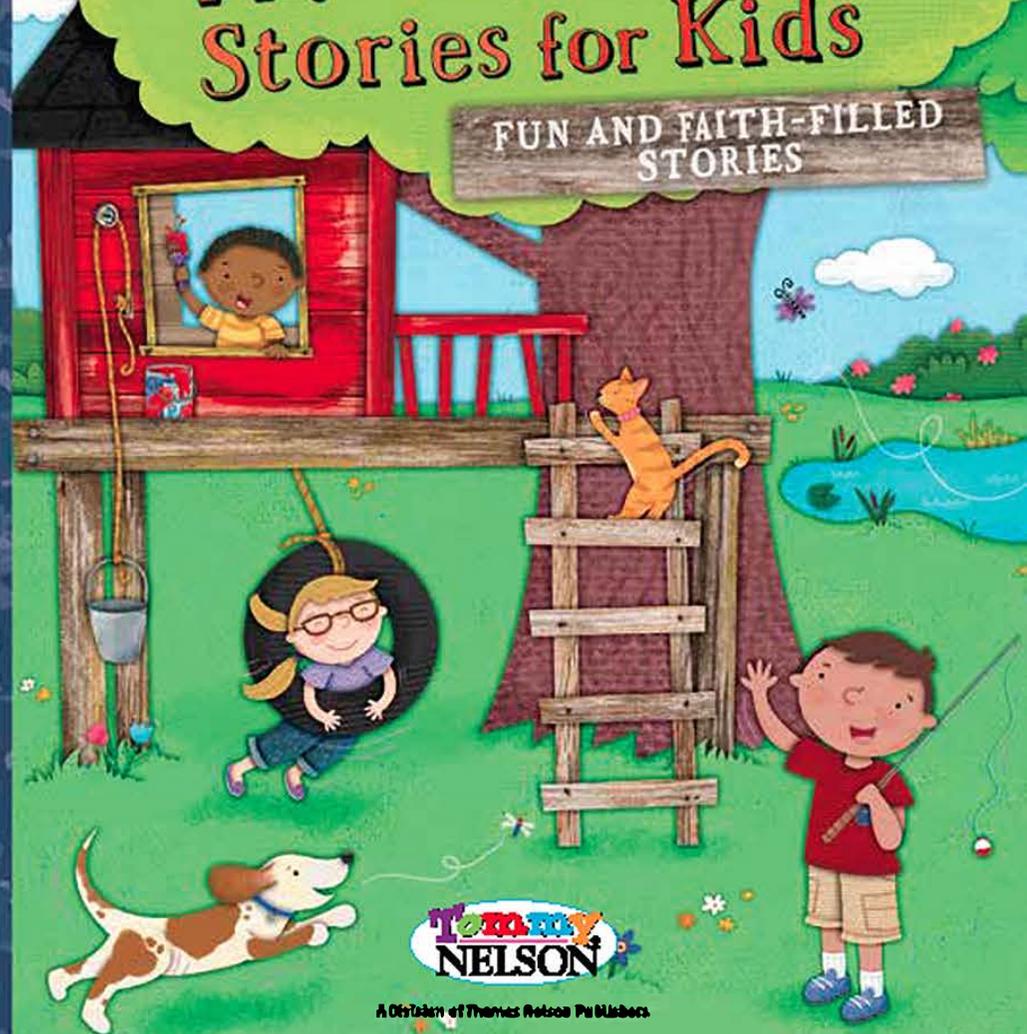


DUCK COMMANDER

# Happy, Happy, Happy Stories for Kids

FUN AND FAITH-FILLED  
STORIES



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# Introduction

To our readers . . .

We are happy, happy, happy that we were asked to write another book for children of all ages. *Duck Commander Happy, Happy, Happy Stories for Kids* is full of stories of the real-life adventures our family has experienced. From ski trips to chasing roosters, the Robertson clan loves to get together—and sometimes that leads to a little craziness. Our prayer is that these stories will entertain as well as inspire you. We know that Jesus taught using parables, which is another word for stories, and through those stories, many people have learned about God’s love for them. We hope the same will be said about our stories.

It’s been fun remembering events that have happened in our lives and writing about them. Then the special magic happens when

an artist draws and paints pictures to bring the stories to life! We love how colorful and fun the pages of this book are and want to thank the illustrator for her hard work.

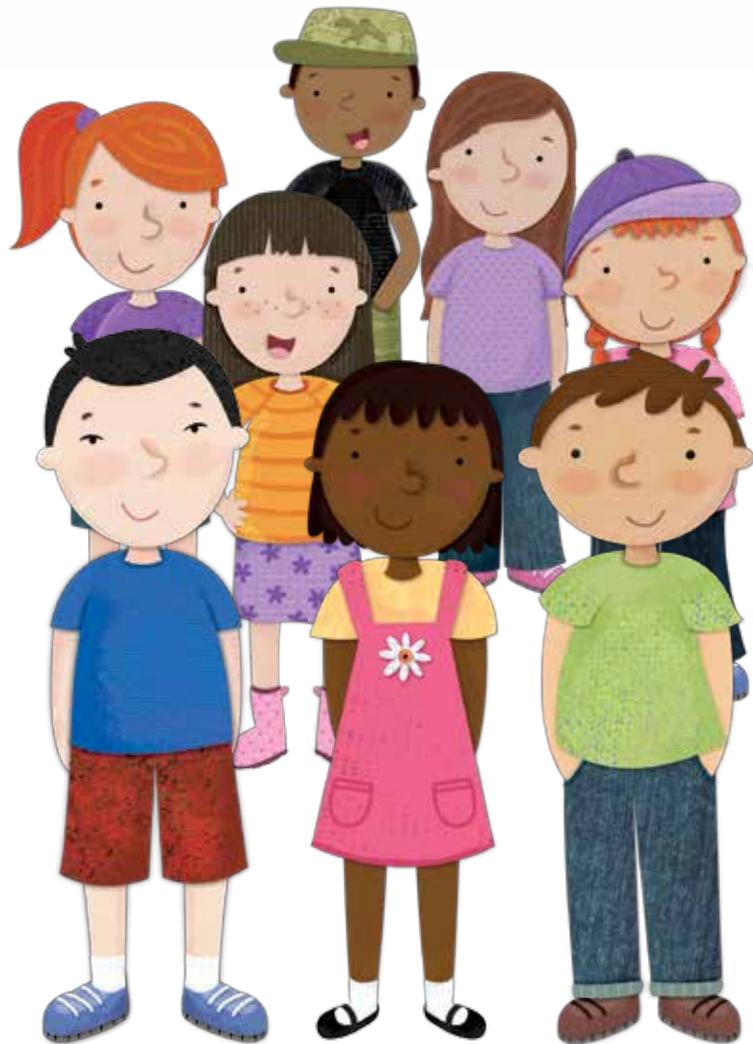
We also want to thank you for wanting to read things that will bring you closer to God. Each chapter has a section called Duck Commander in Action. Those are your action steps to put into practice the biblical application of the story. Thank you in advance for doing what it takes to be more Christlike in all you do.

We hope you enjoy reading this book as much as we enjoyed writing it. Keep your eyes open and ears alert to God’s calling in your life, and remember to tell your own stories around the dinner table or before bed at night.

No one’s story is as good as your own!

Hugs and Blessings,  
*Korie and Chrys*





**Tell it to your children,  
and let your children tell it  
to their children,  
and their children  
to the next generation.**

**Joel 1:3**



# The Birthday Party

Follow God's example, therefore,  
as dearly loved children.

**Ephesians 5:1**



"Spending the night with cousins is the funnest thing to do!" Will yelled as he ran to his bedroom to get his backpack.

He looked carefully around the room, not wanting to forget anything important.

*A football is super important*, he thought to himself. The cousins might want to play a game in the dark, so he stuffed his football in the bag first.

Then Will looked under his bed and found his favorite blanket.

Mamaw Kay had made the blanket. It was soft and fuzzy with footballs all over it. He would definitely need his blanket. Not like a

little-kid-attached-to-his-blankie kind of need. It was just really warm to sleep under.

Next Will opened his desk drawer and found his cards. At seven years old, Will was a master at Go Fish, and he knew his cousins liked to play too.

"What else? What else?" Will's eyes darted around his room and finally landed on a box filled with Legos. "Yes!" he said. "These have to go with me!"

Will's backpack was stuffed and ready to go when Aunt Ashley arrived to pick him up.

"Will! We're ready to go!"

Will was so excited he nearly ran out of the house without hugging his mom.

"Will Robertson!" Korie said, pretending to be angry, "You'd better come hug me good night."

"Love ya, Mom. See ya in the morning!" Will said as he quickly hugged Korie and ran out the front door.

Two of his cousins, Maddox and Asa, were already strapped in their seatbelts and waving for Will to jump in the van. Maddox is half a year younger than Will, and Asa is half a year older than Will. Will is *right* in the middle, and when the three of them together, "It's a . . . party," as Aunt Ashley, Maddox's mom, says.



And this day actually was a party. It was Maddox's birthday! Maddox didn't want a big party. He just wanted his cousins to spend the night and, of course, for them to go to their favorite places.

The first stop was Chik-fil-A. Will jumped out of the van first, followed by Maddox and Asa, and off they went.

"Chicken sandwich with cheese, no pickles!"

"Nuggets!"

"Chicken strips!"

"Coke!"

"Waffle fries!"

Everyone yelled their orders at one time.

Aunt Ashley put her hands over her ears. "One at a time, please!"

All three boys were quiet for a few minutes as they quickly gobbled down chicken and fries.

"Where are we going next?" Will asked, his mouth still full of chicken.

Maddox hadn't told them what they were doing for his birthday. He wanted it to be a surprise, but Will was too excited to wait.

"Maddox," his mom said, "do you want to tell them?"

Maddox looked at his cousins, their eyes wide. "Okay . . ." Maddox said. "We're going to ride go-carts!"

"YES! No way! I can't believe it! This will be SO COOL!"

The other customers in the restaurant nearly jumped out of their skins as the three boys screamed in excitement. Again, Aunt Ashley covered her ears and leaned forward. "We'd better get going before they kick us out."

Once they were back in the van, all the boys could think about was the go-carts and who would win.



"I'm sure I'll win," Asa said. "I'm the oldest and I've done it before. It was easy."

"You might be older, but I'm bigger," Will proudly announced. "I drove one at the last birthday party."

"It's *my* birthday," Maddox said. "I think I should win!"

"May the best driver win," Ashley said from the front seat. "Let's remember, this is for fun! Everyone just have a good time."

And they did. They got to ride three times, and guess what? Maddox won. Then Asa won. And then Will won!

Aunt Ashley took lots of pictures. With their helmets on, the boys looked like real race car drivers. One last pose with their arms around each other and off they went.

It was time to go to Maddox's house for sleepover fun.

Maddox's room was decorated with green tractors. He had a green tractor lamp and a bedspread and curtains with green tractors all over them.

But the boys didn't notice or care about what was on the bed or windows. They were too excited to take off their backpacks and start playing.

They played cards.

And Legos.

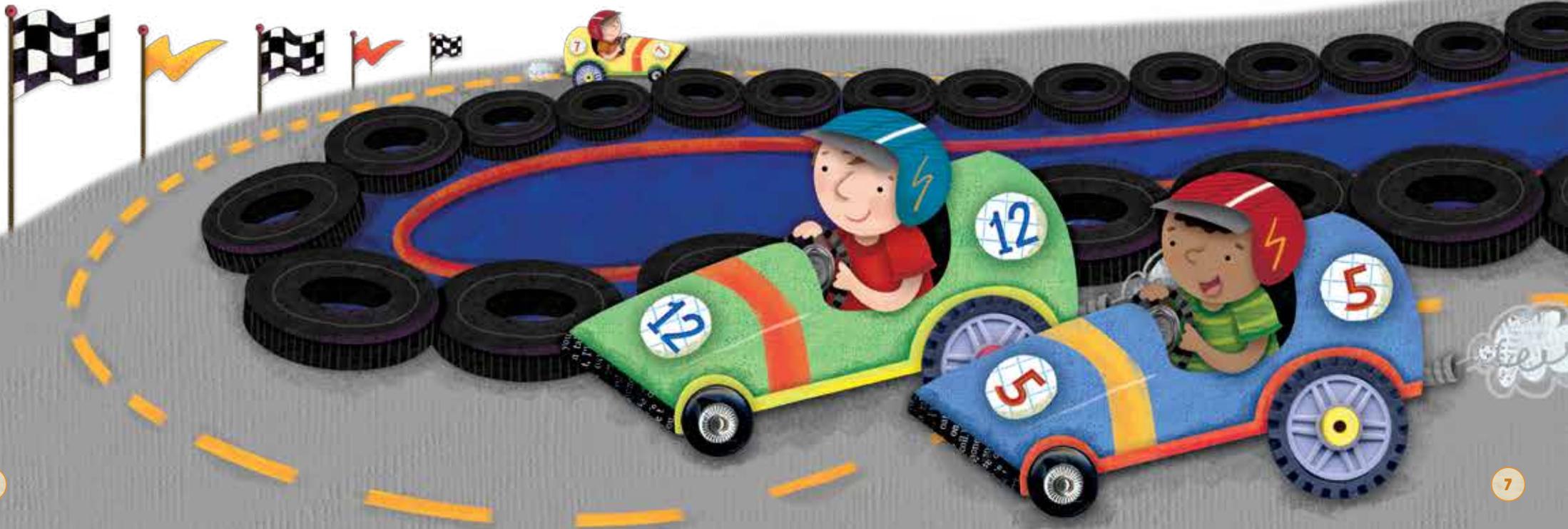
And football in the dark.

And watched a movie.

And ate popcorn.

And at midnight, they had cake and ice cream to celebrate Maddox's birthday.

It had been a long night of fun, but it was now time for bed.



Aunt Ashley sent everyone upstairs to brush their teeth and get their pajamas on.

Will grabbed his backpack and reached inside for his toothbrush and pajamas, but the backpack was empty.

He opened the front zipper hoping he had put them in there, but all he found was one sock from another sleepover.

*Maybe I already took them out,* Will thought to himself as he began searching Maddox's room while Asa and Maddox were busy getting

ready for bed.

Nope. No extra toothbrushes or pajamas were laying around Maddox's room.

"Maddox," Will said. "I forgot my toothbrush and pajamas."

"It's okay," Maddox replied. "I think we have extras."

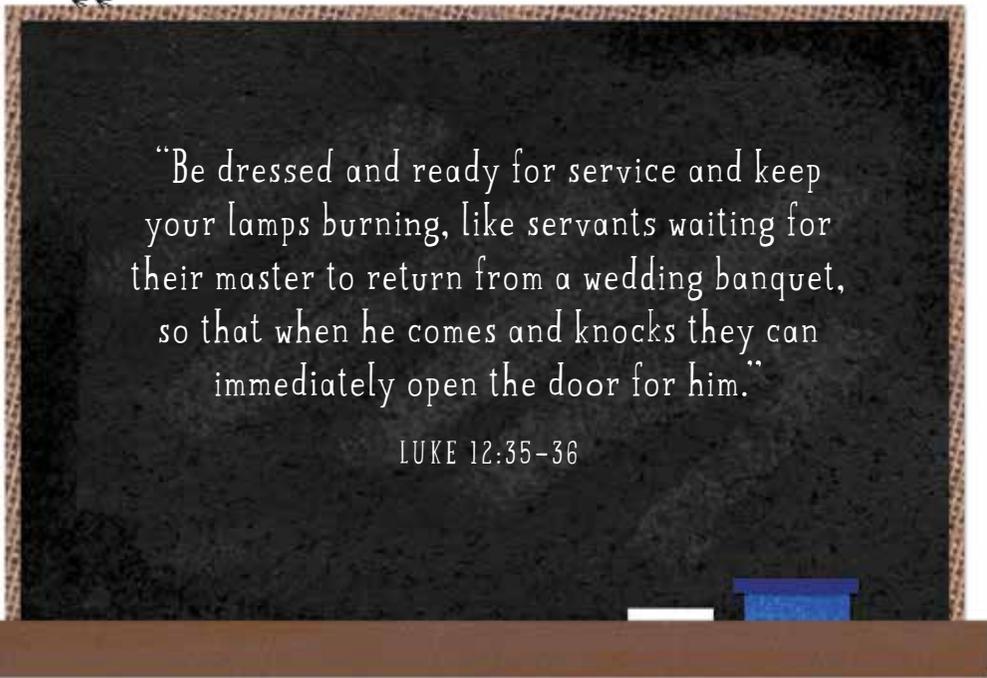
"Mo-om!" Maddox yelled down the stairs. "Will forgot his toothbrush and pajamas."

Aunt Ashley handed will a new toothbrush and some of Maddox's pajamas and ruffled his hair. "I guess when you were packing all the fun things, you forgot to pack the *important* things. Right, Will?"

"I guess you're right. The next time I spend the night, I'll put those things in first!"

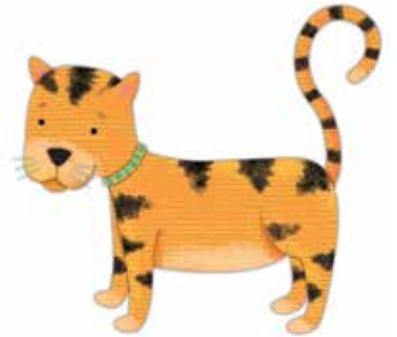


# WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?



“Be dressed and ready for service and keep your lamps burning, like servants waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him.”

LUKE 12:35-36



What did Mamaw Kay make for Will that he liked to sleep with? \_\_\_\_\_

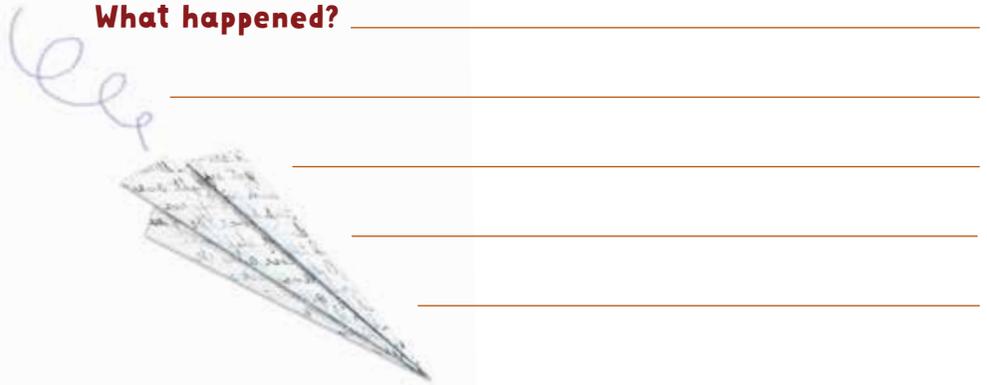
Whose birthday party did Will go to? \_\_\_\_\_

What restaurant did the cousins stop to eat at? \_\_\_\_\_

What time did they eat birthday cake and ice cream? \_\_\_\_\_

Tell about a time when you weren't ready for an activity.

What happened? \_\_\_\_\_



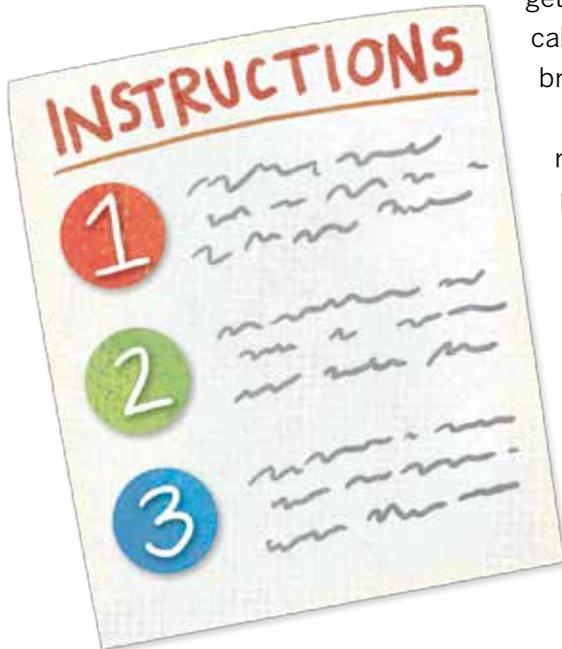
# DUCK Commander in ACTION

**Being prepared means being ready.** We have to be ready for lots of things. School, sports, church activities, and chores around the house are all things we have to be prepared or ready to do.

For school, you have to complete your homework and get your backpack ready. If you play sports, you need to practice and have your uniform clean and your equipment ready. To prepare for your chores around the house, you might need to start early in the day or

get something out of the cabinet, like dog food or a broom.

Every activity we do requires some kind of preparation. Moms and dads like for kids to learn to be prepared without them having to remind you. As you get older, being prepared will get easier, but you will have to work on it.



**You can work on being prepared by using this method:**

**1. Stop:** Sometimes you have to slow down so you can see what you need to do next. So slow it down. Or even stop! Then you can let your brain focus on what you need to do.

**2. Look:** Before you leave for an activity, train yourself to look around to be sure you have everything you need for the activity you will be doing.

**3. Listen:** Pay attention to any instructions given to you. Listen to your teacher, your coach, and your parents. That way you will know what is expected of you.

