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JOE AND JUDY



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Three Questions for Peter

"GRANDMA tells stories better than anybody else in the world, I think," said Mary.

Grandma smiled and looked around at the children as they settled down comfortably for the evening story time.

"As soon as Angela and John are finished with the dishes we'll begin, and here they are now."

Angela sat on the davenport with her arm around little Mary. John crowded into the big chair with Peter.

Six brothers and sisters looked expectantly at Grandma—Peter, Angela, Christopher, Ann, John and little Mary. Grandma's eyes were shining with pleasure as she looked at her interested audience.

"IT WAS ON one of the days after Our Lord's Resurrection that this story happened. As you know, Jesus appeared a number of times on the day He rose from the dead: to His mother first of all, to Mary Magdalene, to the women who were returning from the sepulchre, to Simon Peter, to the disciples on the road to Emmaus, then to the disciples all together, excepting Thomas. Eight days later, Jesus appeared to the disciples, and this time Thomas was with them. Thomas who had said he would believe only when he had seen for himself.

The disciples never knew just when or where Jesus would come to them, so they went about their usual tasks.

"One beautiful sunny morning Peter said to some of the others, 'I am going fishing.'

"Thomas, who is called the Twin, Nathanael, James and John and two others said, 'We also are going with thee.'

"THEY WENT OUT in their boat, but all during the night they didn't catch a thing. Just at dawn they saw in the faint light someone on the beach, who called out across the water, asking what they had. If they had caught any fish. When they answered, 'No,' they heard this order called out to them.

"Cast the net to the right of the boat and you will find them." Peter pointed at this, and being tired and a little cross after their wasted night's work, still the men did as they were told, and now they were not able to pull up the net, as filled was it with a great number of fishes. "Seeing what had happened, John called out in amazement to Peter, 'It is the Lord!'

"Simon Peter's heart swelled with joy at the word, and his sleepy soul could not wait for the slow-moving boat to reach the shore. He pulled his tunic around him, and threw himself into the sea. The others came with the boat, dragging the net full of fish.

"WHEN THEY landed, joyful and happy, they saw a fire made of fish all cooked and bread ready to go with the fish. "Peter leaped out of the net and ran ashore, and through those who followed my fish to it, the net had not been broken.

"Jesus said to the men, 'When you have eaten, you shall tell this to the people of Galilee: "I AM I, and there is none like me."

"Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, we will do as thou commandest.'

the bright sunshine by the sparkling lake, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, dost thou love me more than these do?"

"Peter answered, "Yes, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee."

"Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lamb.'

"A second time Jesus said, "Simon, son of John, dost thou love me?"

"Again Peter answered, "Yes, Lord, thou knowest that I love thee."

"Then Jesus said again, 'Feed my lamb.'

"A third time Jesus asked, "Simon, son of John, dost thou love me?"

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"SIMON PETER was grieved and hurt and puzzled because Jesus asked him three times, but he answered trustingly: "Lord, thou knowest all things, thou knowest that I love thee."

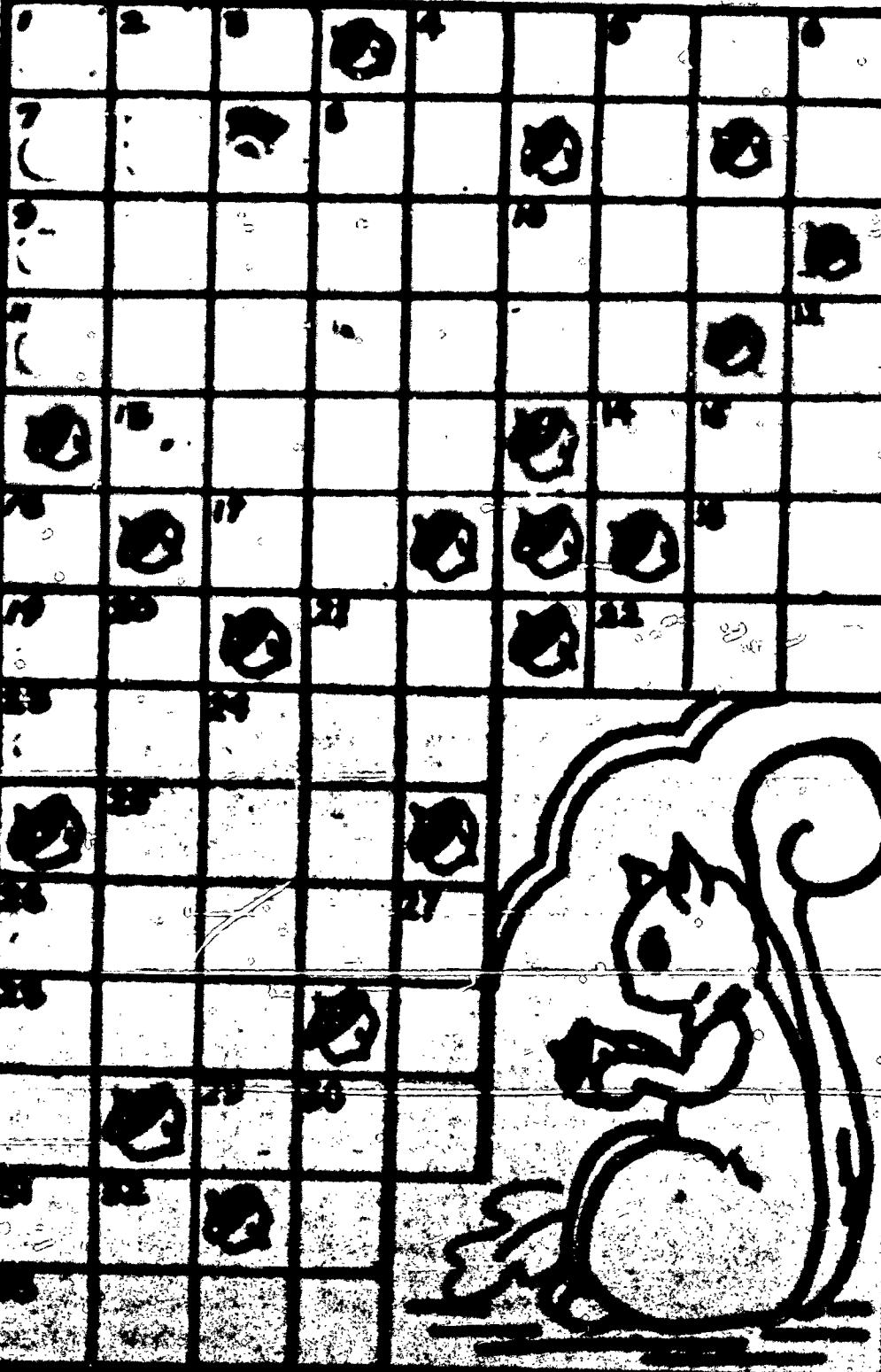
"Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'

"Peter knew then that Jesus was choosing him for the great task of leading others, and he thought of it with wonder while Jesus and the others talked, and the sun climbed higher in the sky until it was time to fix for market the fish they had caught, and Jesus left them."

"Oh, Grandma, that was a good story," said St. Peter's namesake. "We'll remember it next time Dad takes us fishing, and we'll tell it to him while we

have our lunch."

SQUIRREL CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Answers

- 1. Bushy
- 2. Tail
- 3. Fur
- 4. Chestnut
- 5. Squirrel

Definitions of Answers

- 1. Bushy: having a thick, bushy tail.
- 2. Tail: the posterior part of the body of a vertebrate animal, usually covered with hair or skin, used for balance, support, or as a means of defense.
- 3. Fur: the hair of mammals.
- 4. Chestnut: a reddish brown color.
- 5. Squirrel: a small, agile rodent with a long bushy tail.

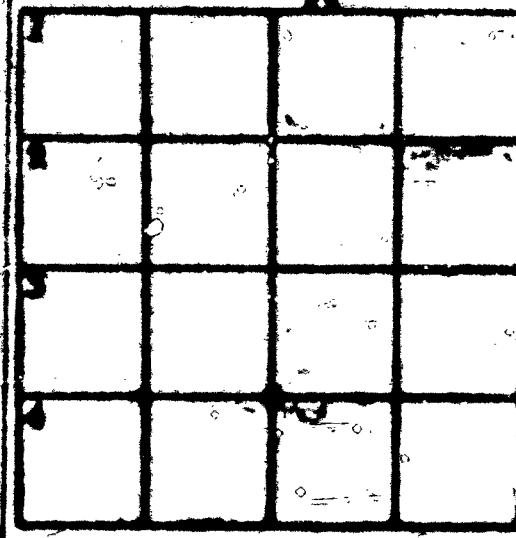
Definitions

- 1. Tree
- 2. Angry
- 3. Climb a tree
- 4. Come back by river
- 5. Name of an animal

Definitions of Definitions

- 1. Tree: a woody perennial plant usually having a single stem and reaching a height of several meters.
- 2. Angry: having or showing strong displeasure or irritation.
- 3. Climb a tree: to ascend a tree by using branches and trunk for support.
- 4. Come back by river: to return along a river.
- 5. Name of an animal: a name given to a specific animal, often based on its appearance or behavior.

Word Square



1. Brought by the Master Bunny
2. Small, stinging, winged insect
3. Fun; frolic
4. A stalk

The Annunciation

April 9

This feast is called the Annunciation because on this day the angel Gabriel announced the coming of the Son of God to earth.

Every time we say the "Hail Mary" we repeat the words the angel used in greeting Mary: "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee."

The Latin words for "Hail, Mary" are "Ave, Maria," and this prayer is often said or sung in Latin.

Do you know the story of the rich and noble soldier who left the world and entered the Clerician Order? The monks thought this man very ignorant, and appointed a teacher to give him lessons. But the monk did no good. The monk could learn nothing but the two words "Ave Maria." These words he kept repeating all day long.

When the good monk died and was buried with the other brethren, a strange and wonderful thing happened. Over his tomb there grew a lovely lily, on each petal of which could be seen in letters of gold the words "Ave Maria."

The monk then understood how pious to Mary had been the devotion with which this brother monk had said those words.

Word Scramble

Here are the names of famous characters from Saint Lucia's books. See if you can unscramble them. How many can you find?

THREE

NEWTON RICHARDSON

LUCIA TROYER

MARYLOVINA

MIRIAM

RACHEL

ROSE MARY

THEODORE LINDNER

THEODORE TROYER

THEODORE TROYER