Children the Rainbow of God - Premise is Mark 10:14-15 Richard Todd Merz

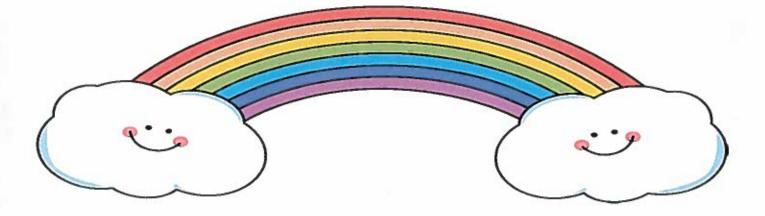


Hi, I am Alex and I am five years old. I have a friend who goes by Robbie the Rainbow. I have been friends with Robbie the Rainbow since I can remember.

Robbie the Rainbow is a friend unlike any in that Robbie the Rainbow can be seen from my bedroom window on rainy days when I do not have anywhere to go or have friends over. Robbie the Rainbow tells me to close my eyes, turn out the lights, and lie down on my grandmother's hand-made quilt so Robbie the Rainbow can tell me about God. Robbie the Rainbow does more than tell me about God, Robbie the Rainbow takes me on adventures in Scripture to learn about God.



Robbie the Rainbow is very tall, full of bright colors, and teaches me about God through the Bible. I do not know how old Robbie the Rainbow is but I do know that he was created by God in the Bible. Genesis chapter 9 verses 12-14 teaches me that God created the Rainbow to not flood the whole Earth. I wrote this down on my chalk board the last time Robbie the Rainbow showed me the Bible. That is who Robbie the Rainbow is.



Today is Saturday, it is raining, and I am not leaving my house. So, I am lying on the floor, eyes closed, lights out, and on my grandmother's hand-made quilt......

"Hello, Alex! How are you today - this is Robbie the Rainbow?"

"I am doing good for such a rainy day" said Alex.

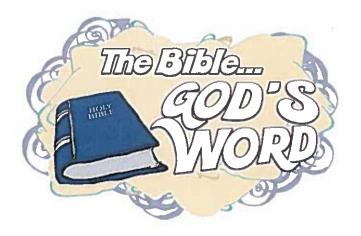
"From the last time we played together, I told you why God created me Alex" replied Robbie the Rainbow.



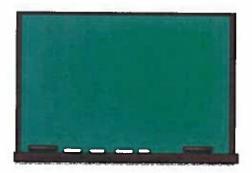
"Robbie the Rainbow, I am glad God created you and that you talk to me about God. But do you know why God created me?"

"I sure do Alex" replied Robbie the Rainbow.

Alex said, "But you were made in Scripture by God and are tall, full of bright colors, and have an Arch that reaches to the clouds! I am five, not much taller than our dog, and I have a quilt. Why did God create me?"



"Alex, children have been written in Scripture by God through man like I was" explained Robbie the Rainbow. "I am tall, am full of bright colors, and my Arch reaches the clouds as you said. But you have a body, soul, and spirit. We will not learn about each of these today Alex, but will learn about the body today and on two more rainy days will learn about the soul and spirit - so write down the Bible references when I tell them to you on your chalk board" finished Robbie the Rainbow.



"Robbie the Rainbow you sure are very smart" said Alex.

"Alex, my teaching comes from God and the Bible" replied Robbie the Rainbow.

Alex being excited said, "Thank you Robbie the Rainbow!"

Robbie the Rainbow said, "Now, Alex. Get the picnic basket over by the tree and bring it to me and stay under my Arch and out of the rain!"

"I got it" explained Alex.



"Alex, open up the picnic basket and tell me what you see" said Robbie the Rainbow.

"I find a coup of soup to keep me warm on this rainy day, a glass of apple juice to keep me healthy, a stick of cheese, and the Bible" replied Alex.

"That is right Alex, go ahead and eat. While you are eating, I will open up God's Word but I do not have arms so I have Nutty the Squirrel to assist me. She is also in the picnic basket" explained Robbie the Rainbow.



Just as Alex was about to open the picnic basket, Nutty the Squirrel opened the lid from inside and said "Hi, Alex. Hi, Robbie the Rainbow!"

Robbie the Rainbow and Alex both replied together, "Hi, Nutty!"

Nutty the Squirrel then explained to Alex, "Unlike before Alex, I am going to travel on adventures with you when we travel and I pack a lunch each time we go on an adventure. I also keep the Bible inside the picnic basket so we can refer back to it during our adventures. So you know, Alex, we have a new way of traveling. We are not transported by imagination, we ride on Robbie the Rainbow's Arch like a giant slide to our adventure."

Robbie the Rainbow added "That is right Alex, but today we learn about the body before we travel to answer your question about why God created you."

Alex replied, "Wow, this is exciting!"

Robbie the Rainbow then explained that Nutty the Squirrel reads the Bible and then Robbie the Rainbow explains what the Bible means.

Nutty the Squirrel said, "That is right Alex. Today has two lessons to be learned one from Mark 10:14-15 and one from I Corinthians 12:27."

Nutty the Squirrel then read the passages to Alex. Nutty replied, "Mark 10:14-15 teaches to not hinder children from God because anyone who does not receive the Kingdom of God like a child they will not enter and I Corinthians 12:27 teaches that all the people of God, adults and children, are the body of Christ".



Robbie the Rainbow explained that "Mark 10:14-15 teaches that adults are to come before God in humility like a child. A child teaches adults humility since they rely on their parents and guardians for protection and direction like adults are supposed to do with God. Children have a purpose under God and then grow to be adults to carry on the lessons learned as a child. I Corinthians 12:27 teaches us that each person under God are in the body of God since God covers all His children from all ages children to adults. So, you see Alex that children are held closely by God and have a specific purpose."



Alex replied, "Thank you Robbie the Rainbow and Nutty the Squirrel for this Bible lesson. Now, I understand how and why God created me. I, as a five year old, have a place in God's creation."

"That is right" replied Robbie the Rainbow. On the next rainy day, I will take you and Nutty the Squirrel on an adventure to learn about the soul.

And on the rainy day after that, I will take you and Nutty the Squirrel on another adventure to learn about the spirit. For now, Alex, the rain has ended and you have to wake up because your mother is calling for you"

Robbie the Rainbow finished.



"Alex, Alex" my mother explained as she shock me awake. "The rain has ended and your friends are here to play with you. It is time to wake up."

"Thank you mom. Hi Kathy, Susan, and Brian I am glad you came to my house today. I have a couple Bible verses I am going to add to my chalk board and will talk to you about them.... Mark 10:14-15 and I Corinthians 12:27. After that, we can play with the Tonka Toy and can ask my father to take us to the park since they have indoor soccer games going on today for both boys and girls."

At this stage of the story, the book comes to a close. Until the next adventures arrive, learn about God and tell others about God. God has a place for all His children. God bless.

