

## **The Hidden Kingdom**

*(A children's story – Author ~ Valinda)*

Once upon a time, there was a little boy named Blayton, and two little girls named Isabelle, and Taylor, and every night they would say their bed time prayers. It went something like this. “Now I lay me down to sleep I pray the Lord my soul to keep, God bless Mommy, Daddy, my brothers and sisters, and everybody I love.” Amen

Soon the children began asking, “Who is the Lord?” Where does he live, and why can't I see him? Well, Grandma explained, The Lord is the creator of all things. He made you, and me, and the birds and fish, and all the animals and trees. “The Lord lives in the Hidden Kingdom”. Where is this hidden kingdom? The children wanted to know.

Look up in the sky. You have seen the rain, the sun and clouds, rainbows, stars and even the moon hanging there in the sky. Did you know that beyond that sky is a big beautiful city? “Who lives in the beautiful City,” they asked. There is a man named Jesus who you will see when you get there. He will know you and you will know him.

In that beautiful city there are all kinds of beautiful animals and angels that fly. There are people dressed in white robes and they are all singing beautiful songs of praise to the Lord, and the light is so bright that you feel all warm inside. There are people there that used to live down here on earth with us, and one day we all will live together in the Hidden Kingdom. How will we get to the Hidden Kingdom? The children asked.

Grandma went and got her Holy Bible to show the children the book that Jesus had left for them. This is “The Book of Life”, called “The Holy Bible,” In this book you will find the hidden treasures to the Hidden Kingdom, said Grandma. In this book the Hidden Kingdom is called “The Heavenly Kingdom.” You must read it to find out all the answers to all the questions that you want to know about the Kingdom.

Keep this book and read it all of your life, and as you grow, you will get to know Jesus better and better, and he will become your best friend. Even though you cannot see him, he can see you from the Kingdom. You can talk to him about anything and everything. He will be your secret friend. Then one day you will want to share him with others. Jesus will come and live with you, in your heart, until you go to the Hidden Kingdom and live with him forever.

Make sure you keep the words that you read from your Book of Life (Holy Bible), close to you at all times. Remember the words you read about the kingdom. Hear them, see them, think of them, act upon them and share them. In these words you will find the greatest treasure of all, the way to the Hidden Kingdom.

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