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A is for asking.
We ask when we pray.
God is happy to answer
And help us each day.

The children and their father are praying. Can you see them? It is bedtime, and they are talking to God. They are asking God to take care of them, and they are saying, “Thank you” for all the kind things God does for them. God wants us to talk with him. He wants to be our friend. We can pray anytime, wherever we are, because God always hears us.

1. What are the boy and girl and their father doing?
2. If the bears could talk, what would they be thankful for?
3. What are some things you are thankful for? Let’s pray now and tell God, “Thank you.”

Tell God your needs and don’t forget to thank him for his answers.

PHILIPPIANS 4:6
B is for behave.
It means doing what is right.
Be happy and helpful.
Do not argue or fight.

Do you know what “behave” means? It means doing what your parents ask you to do. It also means playing nicely with other children. In this picture some of the children and animals are behaving and some are not. Look at the girls fighting over an ice cream cone. I think the ice cream cone is going to fall to the ground. Then neither of the girls will have it. But the puppies know better. They are sharing.

1. Are the little girls behaving? What are they doing?
2. Point to the puppies. Are they behaving?
3. What are the children at the table doing?

[Jesus said.] “If you love me, obey me.”
JOHN 14:15
C is for crying.
It hurts when you fall.
But please do not cry
About nothing at all.

Can you see what happened to the boy and girl on the bicycles? They bumped into each other, and the girl has fallen off. Ouch! That hurts. Perhaps she bumped her head. I think she’s crying. What would you do if you fell off? Would you cry? It’s all right to cry if you’re hurt. Crying will help you feel better. But if you’re not really hurt, try to smile. Smiling will also help you feel better.

1. Why is the girl crying?
2. Is it all right to cry if you’re hurt?
3. Should you cry every time you get a little bump?

A cheerful heart does good like medicine.
PROVERBS 17:22
With all-new art, Big Thoughts for Little People is an updated version of the best-selling picture book by renowned children’s author Kenneth N. Taylor. Using the alphabet as a learning tool, this beloved picture book connects Bible themes and verses with engaging art.

Children and adults will enjoy learning biblical concepts and verses while searching for lessons (and hidden ladybugs) in the art. Learning has never been so much fun!

Kenneth N. Taylor (1917–2005), best-selling author of numerous children’s books and The Living Bible, founded Tyndale House Publishers in 1962. His books have been read to four generations of children around the world, and they continue to touch millions of lives.

Award-winning children’s illustrator Andrea Petrlik Husenovic remembers the original Big Thoughts for Little People from her childhood. Now her charming artwork creates memories for children as they experience her vibrant characters and creatures.

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