

Most stories about kings involve epic battles against evil enemies in order to save a kingdom. But these are mere shadows of the true story of the whole world.

Our world has a King, a Kingdom, and a royal story that's still unfolding today!

If you're wondering where the Kingdom is, look around you. If you're wondering who the King is, keep watch, and listen closely. He wants you to know Him, because He already know<u>s</u> you.

He's a King like no other, defender and friend. Always and forever, world without end! In the very beginning, before there was anything, even in the darkness, our King reigned supreme. Water and waves rumbled in the wild and waste. And like the light of seventy suns, the King's words lit up the universe! He spoke and the earth burst forth towering trees, The sky started buzzing with birds, bugs, and bees, Schooling things of all sizes swam the bright blue seas!

So much light and so much life flowed from the heart of the King. Then He prepared His Kingdom for the very best thing! He created people who could love, laugh, and sing.

Would His Kingdom last forever? Could it even get any better?





The very next day the King rested on His throne, and gave His people loving laws that set them free to flourish in the garden. He wanted them to fill the earth with a great big royal family!

Adam was the first husband of the first wife, and Eve was the mother of all life.

God created them to rule and reign over the earth with Him, to share His dominion in a world without end!

What kind of king does that? Could it even be true? That He would share His rule with me and with you?

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But you'll never guess what happened next!

A creature full of hate—a scaly beast, radiant and awful slithered through the shadows of the garden!

And in the saddest moment there ever was, he convinced Adam and Eve to turn away from their good King, and hand over the great gift God had given them.

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Before things got better, they got worse...so much worse!

Death and darkness overwhelmed the world God had made.

So He washed it with wild rumbling waters that spread clear across the land.

It seemed like the Serpent-King had destroyed the good King's plan!

But those who knew God knew better.

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All creation was eagerly waiting. A hush fell over the King's army of angels. The stars and planets hovered with hope.

And without any warning, in a faraway land, the King appeared to a man called Abraham. God revealed a plan for a royal Son! Soon the Serpent-King would be undone!

He'll be a King like no other, defender and friend. Always and forever, world without end!