

Casey Learns to Trust God

For a long time, Casey had wanted a dog. Finally, he was given one. He named her Trixie because she did so many cute little tricks. Trixie was very full of energy. Casey and Trixie had so much fun together running and playing in the yard. Casey loved her very much. One day, Trixie was not her usual happy, peppy self. She did not want to run and play. This made Casey sad, so he talked to his mother about it.



Casey's mother reminded him that he had been learning about God and how He is in charge of everything. They took out the Bible and *Science and Health* to see what God had to tell them. In Genesis, it told them that God had made animals and God saw that they were all good. Mother then told Casey that Trixie's true self, which was love, joy, faithfulness, and right activity, was what God had made. She said that because God had created everything and had made it good, He could be trusted to take care of everything. And this meant Trixie, too. Then they looked in *Science and Health*. In it, Mrs. Eddy wrote that there is only one creator and one creation.

Mother told Casey that error was trying to tell him that something could happen to Trixie that was not good. She told him that he must not listen to error. He must listen to God and trust Him to take care of Trixie. Casey felt better after this talk. However, every time he looked at Trixie, he was unhappy. This made him forget to know that he could trust God to take care of his pet.

After dinner, Casey decided to call his grandmother, who was a Christian Science practitioner, and ask her if she would help Trixie. He was sure that she could help his dog because she had helped Casey when error told him that he didn't feel well.

He told his grandmother how sorry he was for Trixie and how afraid he was that she wouldn't be able to play with him anymore. Grandmother told Casey that he must stop being afraid. If he really trusted God, he wouldn't be afraid. She also told him that he must not feel sorry for Trixie, because that wasn't trusting God either. He must know that error is not part of God's creation. Instead of thinking about Trixie's problem all day, he was to think of God and of His love for everything He had made.

Casey promised to do this. When bedtime came, he was no longer feeling sorry for his pet. And he was not afraid, either. He knew that no matter what error was trying to say about Trixie, God was right there taking care of her.

The next morning, Casey went downstairs and found Trixie running around, ready to play with him. He hurried to the telephone to tell his grandmother the good news. She said that she was so thankful that Trixie could run and play again, but most of all she was thankful that Casey had learned the importance of trusting God.

Genesis 1:25,31 "God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good. God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good."

S&H 502:29 "There is but one creator and one creation."