



### The Good Buddy Angels

On Valentine's Day, Alison got many pretty cards from her friends. On one of them was a picture of little babies with wings. Alison showed the valentines to her mother and her little friend Timmy. Timmy asked about the picture of the babies with wings. Mother told him that they were pretend babies with wings called *cupids*. Alison said that some of her friends at school said that the cupids were really angels. But Alison knew that was not true because angels are God's thoughts that are with everyone.

The next day Alison and Timmy went out on the driveway to ride bikes. Alison rode on her two-wheeled bike and Timmy rode on his tricycle. As they were circling around the driveway, Timmy ran into Alison. He fell off of his tricycle and began to cry and hold his skinned knee.

Alison got off her bike and tried to help him stand up. But he kept on crying and said that he couldn't get up. Alison sat down on the driveway next to Timmy and put her arm around his shoulders. She asked him if he remembered the valentine cards and the things that they said about angels. Timmy nodded his head yes. He wanted to listen but his knee hurt, and he just kept on crying.

Alison turned her thought to God to help her know what to say to Timmy. She remembered what she had learned in Sunday school about God's angel thoughts. She told Timmy that there are two special angel thoughts from God that have names. They are called Michael and Gabriel. Michael is the angel that gives us thoughts that help us fight against the bad things that might hurt us. Gabriel is the angel that gives us thoughts of love to help us feel God's love for us.

Next Alison asked Timmy if he thought that Michael and Gabriel were there with them. Timmy said that Gabriel must be there because he told Alison to show love and helpfulness to him. And Alison said that Michael was also there fighting against the thoughts that Timmy could be hurt. The two children sat quietly for awhile letting the angels tell them thoughts that would stop the error thoughts.

Soon, the children returned to their bike riding, happy to know that their two friends, Michael and Gabriel, had been there to help them.

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*S&H 566-577: "The Old Testament assigns to the angels, God's divine messages, different offices. Michael's characteristic is spiritual strength. He leads the hosts of heaven against the power of sin, Satan, and fights the holy wars. Gabriel has the more quiet task of imparting a sense of the ever-presence of ministering Love."*

*S&H 581: "Angels" "God's thoughts passing to man; spiritual intuitions, pure and perfect; the inspiration of goodness, purity, and immortality, counteracting all evil, sensuality, and mortality."*