

Learning What Love Can Do

One cold, winter morning Tammy and her mother and dad were riding in their car on a road near to their house. Suddenly, Tammy saw a little dog lying in the middle of the road. It had been hit by a car.

"Daddy, stop quickly, please!" Tammy called. "His leg is moving; he needs us." Her dad stopped the car, and Tammy ran over to the little dog. She stooped down beside him and said, "You are all right, doggy, would you like to come home with us?"



As she was talking to the dog, another car stopped and a man got out. He walked over to where Tammy was and said, "Don't touch him little girl. He'll bite you." Now Tammy knew that God, Love, is everywhere, and she had no fear. So smiling up at the man she said, "No, he won't, sir; he likes me, see?" And she reached over and patted the dog gently on his head.

Tammy's dad carried the dog to the car very carefully. As they were driving back home, Tammy said, "I think I'll call him Happy because he looks so happy that we found him. Happy, you go to sleep now. We'll be home in just a few minutes."

When they got home, Tammy put Happy into a box where he would be warm and cozy. Then she sat down beside the box and Mother pulled up a chair nearby so she could talk to her. Mother told Tammy that God had made all the animals on the earth and that they were good. Happy was one of God's perfect creations, and God was there taking care of him. What everyone in the family needed to do was to see Happy as being cared for by Love, and no one needed to be afraid for him.

All that morning, everyone who passed Happy's box told him how much God loved him and was taking care of him. When noontime came, Tammy stopped by to see how Happy was doing, but he was not in his box. She ran to her dad and asked him if he had seen Happy. Her dad said Happy had gotten out of his box and then went over to the door and scratched to go out. Dad said that he let him out, and Happy immediately ran across the yard and down the sidewalk. Dad followed him and Happy lead him to a house near to where he had been found on the road. Happy ran up to the door of the house and scratched to get in. Almost at once, a kind-looking woman opened the door and said: "Sport, we've been looking all over for you. Where have you been?"

Dad told Tammy that he explained to the woman what had happened, and then the woman asked him if he would come into the house because she had something that she wanted to show him. "What did she show you, Daddy?" asked Tammy. "Well," said Dad, "maybe you had better go to your room and there you will find the answer."

Off to her room Tammy ran as fast as she could go, and there in her doll cradle was a puppy almost exactly like Happy, only much smaller. "Daddy!" said Tammy, "is he really mine?" "Yes," said her dad. "Maybe you would like to call this one Happy." "Oh yes," said Tammy, "that is a perfect name. Tammy wrapped Happy in the doll blanket. Holding him ever so nicely in her arms she said, "Isn't it just wonderful what Love can do?"

Deuteronomy 33:27 "The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the ever-lasting arms:"