

No Time For Toys

December 30

NARRATION

GRAPHICS AND CLIPS

CN. **01**

Rishon and his parents were moving from a busy city to a small village on a mountainside to share the message of Jesus. As Rishon had many toys, his parents talked to him about the importance of giving some of them away. "You will be busy in our new home helping us tell others about Jesus," his father said. "You won't have much time to play."

Images related to the text and animation.

CN. **02**

Rishon thought giving his toys to other children was a great idea. Seeing their joy, he felt good about doing something kind for others. After settling into their new place, Rishon's parents taught him school lessons at home. When he wasn't studying, he worked in the family garden. However, he found time to play with the village children and make new friends.

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CN. **03**

The children saw that Rishon was a kind, gentle boy and loved visiting his house. Rishon played church with them and taught them about Jesus, sharing Bible stories of Adam and Eve, Noah and the ark, David and Goliath, and Daniel in the lions' den. He explained how Jesus died on the cross so that everyone who believes in Him can live with Jesus forever. He also showed them how to pray to Jesus.

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CN. **04**

The children told their parents the Bible stories that Rishon had taught them, and some of the parents asked Rishon's parents to teach them about Jesus too. Rishon learned that if God asks us to give up something, it's only because "whatever we are asked to surrender is only that which we are better off without" (Ellen G. White, *Counsels on Stewardship*, page 300). Rishon also surrendered some of his toys because he too busy telling his friends about Jesus.

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CN. 05

We too can tell our neighbors about Jesus. And when we regularly surrender ten percent of our income or increase as tithe and another percentage as Promise, we are not only investing resources in Mission. As it was in the case of Rishon, our hearts may become more disconnected from the things of this world and more connected to God and His eternal plan for us. As we return our tithe and Promise offering today, may we put our desires last and God first.

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