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THE WALKING PATH

A little boy is walking on a pathway in a woodsy area.

The little boy stopped to look at a bush on the path.

JESUS was walking on the path behind the little boy, but to the left side of the path.

The little boy turned and saw JESUS.

He slowly looked at a Smiling JESUS, who appeared He was about to walk pass the little boy.

The little boy was stunned to see JESUS.

JESUS smiled at the little boy.

The little boy made a small hesitant step to JESUS and then looked up at him.

JESUS leaning on his staff smiled at the little boy.

The little boy reached his hand to JESUS.

JESUS shifted the staff to his left hand and stooped down and looked into the boy's eyes and said to him "Are you ready to walk this path?"

The little boy looked at JESUS and slowly shook his head for yes.

JESUS, standing took the little boy's hand and looking down at the little boy to begin their walk.

There was a noise in the bush and the little boy turned his head to see what caused the noise.

JESUS watched the little boy.

The little boy felt the eyes of JESUS watching him.

The little boy wondered what JESUS thought of him wanting to go and look at the squirrel in the bush.

JESUS said to the little boy, "Let's walk".

JESUS looking ahead to the path that lays before.

JESUS feels the little boy's penetrating eyes on Him wondering if he could make the walk through the path with JESUS.

The little boy was wondering if JESUS would leave him alone or let that snake slithering in front of him bite him.

The little boy grabbed JESUS' arm with his right hand, but the snake slithered into the bush.

Then the little boy looking at the snake that was in the bush keeping up noise thought, "That could have

been a snake in the bush back there."

JESUS said, "There are many snakes along this path".

The little boy coiled his head back in fear.

JESUS looked at the little boy and said, "Fear not. I will never leave you nor forsake you. I will be with you to the end."

The boy looked at JESUS' staff.

The little boy had begun to grow.

He is now a young boy.

Walking and holding JESUS' hand.

The boy startled by a gnarling bear jumped.

The bear stood up on its' legs and threshed its' arms in the air.

JESUS held His staff in the air and brought it down with a very hard hit on the bear's head.

The bear ran out of their path into the bushes.

The bear looked back at the young boy and snarled.

JESUS looked at the scared young boy and said, "Let's continue."

The boy looked back to see the bear.

He stopped in his track, the pathway they walked had disappeared.

Still holding JESUS's hand the boy jumped and was puzzled.

JESUS said, "Everything, in your past you have overcome. The things in your present you have overcome and the things in your future you will overcome as long as you stay your course on this path and hold onto my unchanging hand. Nothing can destroy you.

As they continued to walk, JESUS would point to different things that could cause the boy harm. He shared the scriptures and explained them to the boy. The boy began to understand the scriptures and he repeated the scriptures and saw the danger be bond and then move.

A lion was close to the boy's pathway.

The lion was watching the boy.

The boy finally saw the lion lying in wait.

He was very afraid.

He looked to JESUS and then JESUS' staff.

JESUS, looked at the young man.

He placed his right hand on the young man's shoulder.

Matthew 7:13-14

JESUS said, "When you were young, I traveled this path with you."

JESUS and the young man looked around to the pathway they had to go.

The young man could still hear the noise of the enemies of his past.

He heard the sounds of the snakes; the roar of the bears (seen and not seen) and the constant falling rocks and trees onto his pathway.

Now he sees the pride of lions that cover their pathway.

The roar of the pride was dreadful.

JESUS said to the young man, "You did not know that each step you took with me caused you to grow in my image. The path behind you is no more, the evil you hear are the weapons of satan trying to lure you off your path. Did you notice no person was on your path but you and I?"

The young man heard JESUS with one ear but kept his eyes on the pride of lions on his pathway.

His other ear heard the weapons of his warfare JESUS prepared for him.

JESUS, knew the young man's thoughts that he was in danger and said, "I have given you all power over all enemies forever."

The young man's ears perked up with the words "all power".

JESUS continued, "I loved the day you chose to walk this path."

JESUS removed his right hand from the young man's shoulder and his hand waved over the pathway.

JESUS continued, "You made a decision to follow me and be holy and righteous, living a virtuous life before my Father, before me, and all the holy angels. While you were yet tender, I walked with you and

held your hand. With me in your path I shielded and protected you. Your path was designed by our FATHER and He sent me to be sure you were strengthened and could follow this holy life."

The young man saw the lions began to run towards him and JESUS.

The young man felt in his heart this was an enemy in his path he must defeat.

He looked at JESUS's staff and then his eyes met JESUS' eyes.

JESUS reached his staff to the young man.

The young man grabbed the staff and run into the pride of lions.

He beat them merciless unto the ground

He stood and held JESUS' staff high in his hands.

He felt JESUS next to him and all over the pathway.

He felt JESUS' love.

He looked at JESUS' staff and felt his eternal authority and power.

His fear went away.

He and JESUS were speaking the same scripture at the same time.

"I have not given you the spirit of fear but power, love, and a sound mind."

The young man jumped up and down with excitement and held the staff (Word of GOD) high over his head.

He began to scream and yell, "The victory is mine."

And the young man began to run and use the staff of CHRIST.

He began beating in the bushes.

But all the noises of the bushes had ceased, and he looked for the lions and did not see them.

JESUS' is shown watching the young man's every move.

The young man, being very excited, turned around and around and did not see JESUS.

He ran from one side of the pathway to the other side.

He did not see JESUS.

JESUS watched the young man.

The young man's heart began to sink.

But he remembered the victory JESUS gave to him and he began to smile.

JESUS continued to watch the young man who put the staff on his shoulders as he continued his journey on his pathway.

He noticed more enemies that tried to lure him out of his pathway.

He remembered JESUS said, "The FATHER created your path."

The young man resolved that the devil and his manifold temptations would not destroy him.

He would not be and pulled out of his pathway to eternal life that his FATHER had created just for him and the pathway JESUS died to make sure he would travel and win by being an overcomer.

The young man noticed some places on his path were so narrow he had to place one foot in front of the other and sometimes slide across the cliffs and mountains. Slipping sometimes and scratching his face or hurting his hands and feet.

He would sigh and say, "GOD help me not to fall into these temptations but deliver me from evil."

JESUS spoke to the young man and said, "MATTHEW 7:13-14

13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in there at:

14 Because strait is the gate and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."

The young man heard JESUS' voice and the words of life, which caused him to be strengthen.

He pushed himself up from the dirt on the pathway and continued his journey.

Each day denying his flesh, resisting the devil and bridling his tongue, he began to feel JESUS' presence over him and over his pathway.

The young man rejoiced greatly on his path that GOD created.

JESUS made a way for him to be an overcome.

Tthe HOLY GHOST helped him to live each day.