

PROLOGUE

Jedediah and Anna Sue Blessing lived on a beautiful farm nestled in the mountains of a quaint, little country town named Hope. They had cows, horses, sheep, goats, chickens, and ducks. Their grandchildren loved to come and visit the farm. Their favorite place on the farm was the Blessing Barn. They had many exciting adventures there.

Jedediah and Anna Sue had a son named Samuel. Samuel had moved into the city after he graduated college to pursue his career in law. He soon married his college sweetheart, Lily Beth Mitchell. They had three children whose names were Jansen, Laurie, and Jedediah Charles which they all called J.C. These three siblings loved adventure so they really loved getting to visit the Blessing farm.

It was summer break and the kids were going to get to spend one whole month at the Blessing farm. They were so excited.

“I can’t wait to get there,” said Jansen.

“I know. Me too,” said Laurie.

“Me three,” said J.C. as they all chuckled.

It took three hours to drive from their home in the city to the Blessing farm. Many games of *I Spy*, *License Plate Bingo*, and the *Alphabet Game* were played. They also watched a video about Moses and the Ten Commandments. They finally arrived at the Blessing farm. Jedediah and Anna Sue came running out to the car to greet them and help unload the luggage. Samuel and Lily Beth stayed for supper and enjoyed some time with his parents. About 8 o’clock that evening, Samuel said that he and Lily Beth had better get started back so it wouldn’t be so late when they got back to the city. They gave hugs to Jedediah and Anna Sue. Then they gave hugs to each of the children and told them to be good and look out for each other while they were here. All the good-byes were over. Samuel and Lily Beth got in the car and drove away.

“How about one game of *Farmer’s Town* before we hit the sack,” Grandpa Jedediah asked.

“Sounds great to me,” said Jansen.

“I love that game,” said Laurie.

“Can I be the cow,” asked J.C.

“Sure thing. I’ll go get us some milk and cookies to enjoy while we play,” said Grandma Anna Sue.



The game was so much fun. Finally, at 10 o’clock that evening, the game ended. Everyone was tired and ready for bed.

“Well, young’uns, we’ll see you in the morning for a big, ol’ country breakfast,” said Grandpa Jedediah.

“Sounds great,” chimed all three children.

“Good night children. Don’t let the bed bugs bite,” said Grandma Anna Sue.

The kids were asleep as soon as their heads hit the pillow.

The smell of bacon and gravy, hot homemade biscuits, and strawberry preserves woke the kids up the next morning. They raced to get dressed and down to the table.

“Wow, grandma, this looks like the best spread I’ve ever seen,” said Jansen.

“And how,” said Laurie.

“We’ll be spreading if we eat like this ever’ mornin’,” said J.C. which brought laughs from all the rest.

Grandpa Jedediah asked the kids what they had planned for the day. The kids told him that they would like to go to the Blessing barn. Jedediah thought that was a fine idea.

“Stay together, though,” Grandpa Jedediah said.

“We will,” chimed in all three children.

After the kids helped Anna Sue clean the kitchen, they were off for their first
adventure of the summer.