

GENESIS

A World, a Promise, a Family



THE ILLUSTRATED FAMILY EDITION

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A story to enter together

Genesis begins with a world made good. It follows people who love, fear, fail, and begin again—and a promise that keeps moving toward the future.

This is an illustrated retelling for shared reading around ages 8–12. It selects stories from Genesis rather than reproducing every verse. The pictures imagine the scenes; the words retell them. The cover brings several stories together in a symbolic montage.

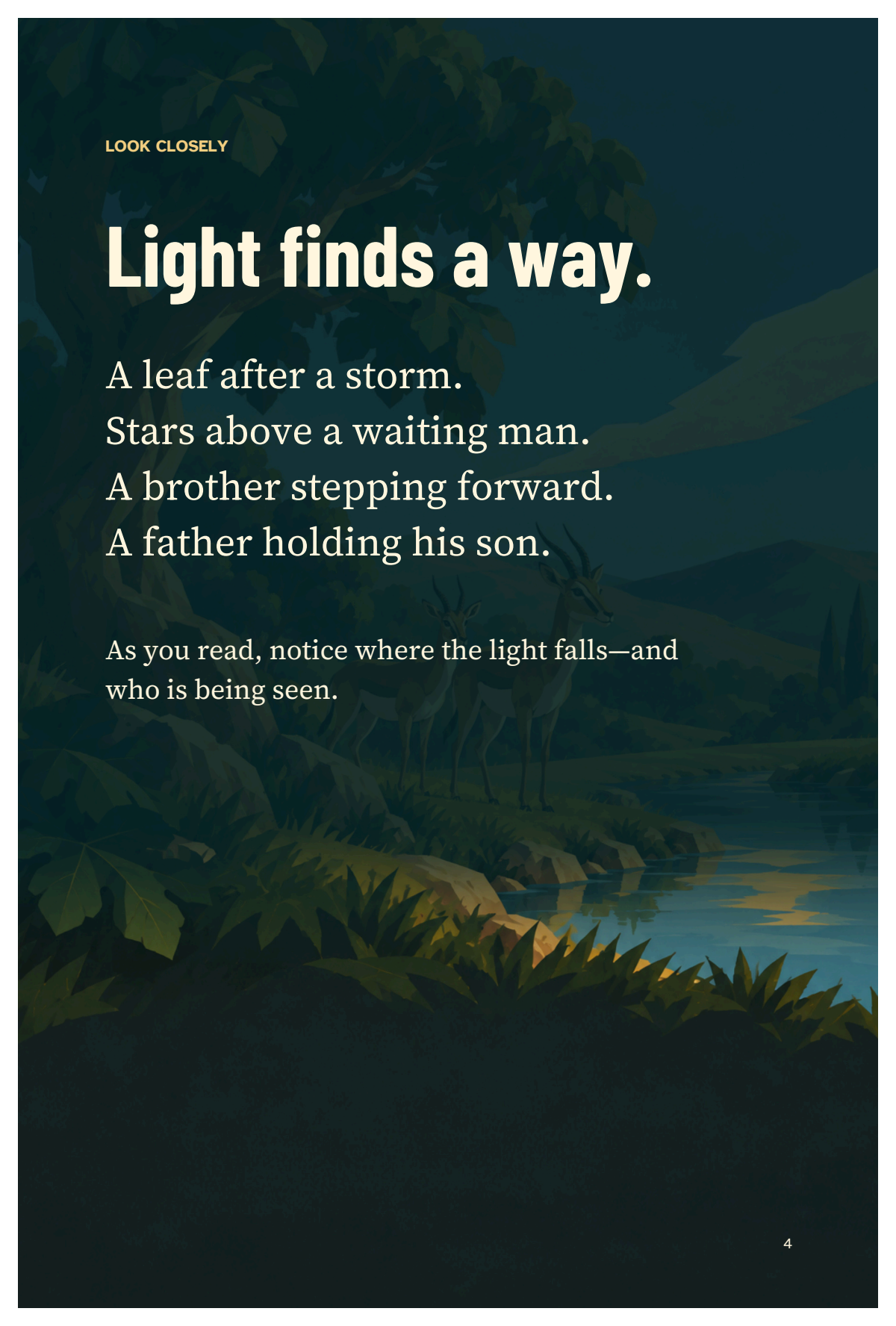
Read slowly. Look at the expressions, the light, and the space between people. Children can ask questions, pause, or skip a difficult passage. Notes for grown-ups and a map back to the Bible are at the end.

Some stories include death, slavery, and family conflict. Describing what happened does not make every character's action right. The story of a family is not a list of perfect people.

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LOOK CLOSELY

Light finds a way.

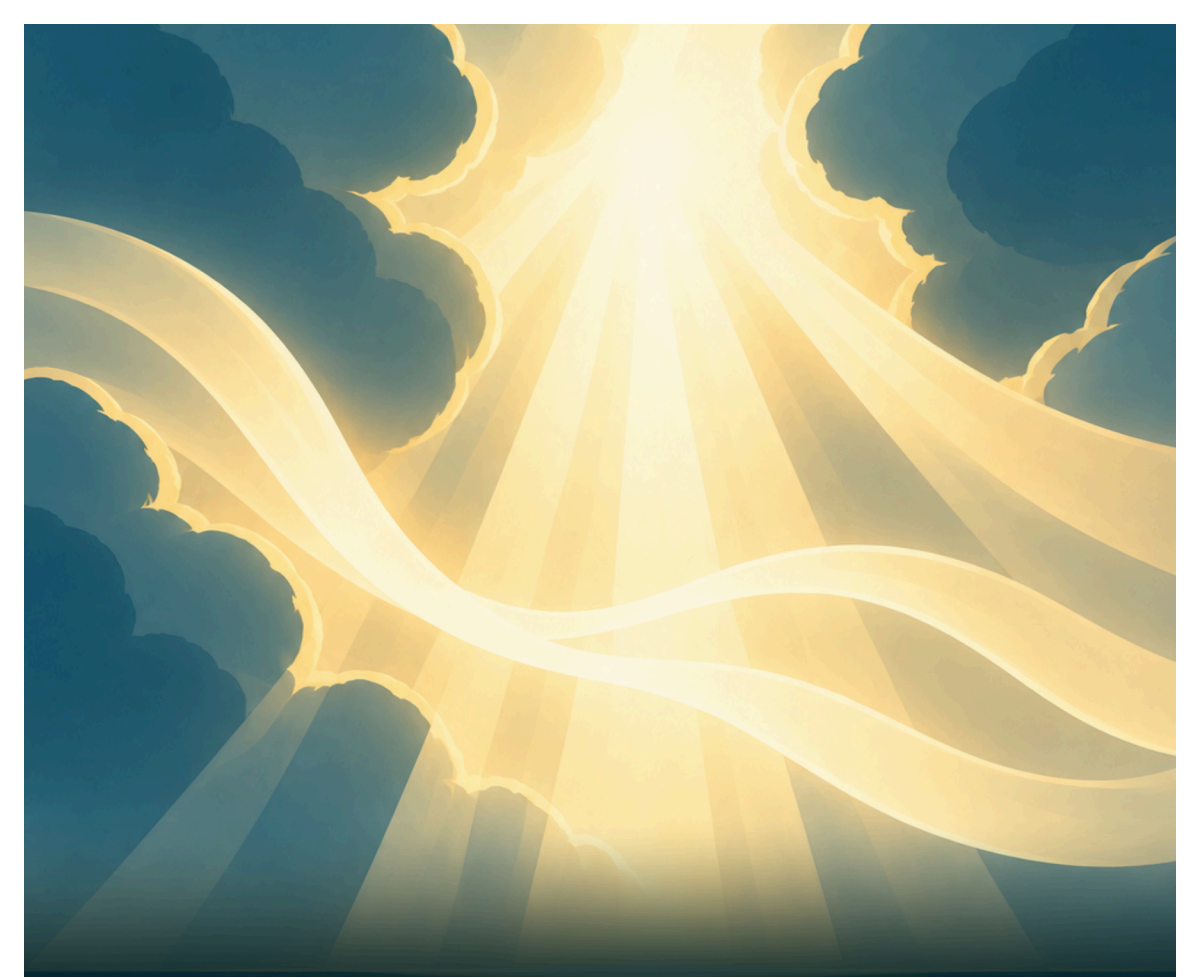
A leaf after a storm.

Stars above a waiting man.

A brother stepping forward.

A father holding his son.

As you read, notice where the light falls—and
who is being seen.



01 / GENESIS 1:1-5

A world made good

Before there were mountains or gardens, birds or people, God was there. Darkness lay over the deep, and God's Spirit hovered over the waters.

God spoke, and light came. God saw that the light was good. He separated the light from the darkness, naming them Day and Night. Evening came, and morning followed: the first day.



GENESIS 1-2

He made the sky and seas, the land and growing things. Waters filled with life. Birds crossed the sky. Animals moved over the earth. God saw that it was good.

Then God made human beings in his own image, male and female. He blessed them and gave them care of the living world. Everything God had made was very good. On the seventh day, God rested.



GENESIS 1-2

God formed the man from dust and breathed life into him. In Eden, a river watered a garden of beautiful trees. God put the man there to work and care for it.

But the man should not be alone. God made a woman, and the man welcomed her with joy. They belonged together.

The garden was theirs to enjoy, with one boundary: they must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. They were naked and felt no shame, surrounded by the goodness of a world they had been given to care for.



02 / GENESIS 3:1-7

Outside the garden

The serpent questioned God's command. The forbidden fruit looked good. The woman ate some and gave some to the man beside her. He ate too.

Then they felt exposed. They sewed fig leaves together for coverings and hid. When God called, the man blamed the woman, and the woman blamed the serpent.