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“THE WOLF OF GUBBIO”

Saint Francis of Assisi was born in Italy during a time when people lived in castles, knights in armour rode horses to fight for the king, and cities were surrounded by thick walls to keep the townspeople safe from harm.

In a town in Italy called Gubbio, a large, mean and hungry wolf came to the town one day. He ran around looking for food, scaring all the animals and people who lived there. They tried to chase the wolf away by shouting and running after him, but he was very mean. Soon no one wanted to go outside anymore. Everyone was afraid of the wolf.

St Francis was staying in the town, and since he loved every one of God's creatures - both people and animals - he decided to go out and talk to the wolf. The people said “Please do not go out alone. We are afraid for you. The hungry wolf will attack you!”

But St Francis trusted in God who is the Creator of all things, even a mean and hungry wolf. He walked outside to meet the wolf, making the Sign of the Cross, and praying that the wolf would listen to him.

“Come here, Brother Wolf,” he said, for he believed that all creatures of God were brothers and sisters, even the animals. As all the people of the town watched from a safe distance, the wolf came running towards St Francis with his mouth open to show his sharp white teeth. The people were afraid. But St Francis made the Sign of the Cross over the wolf and said, “In the name of Christ, please do not harm me or any of these people, Brother Wolf.”

The wolf stopped running, closed his mouth and lowered his head. He sat down at the feet of St Francis, as if he were a nice dog. He never bothered the people of Gubbio again.

QUIZ No 1

Name _____

Answer the questions

1. Who were the first man and woman?

2. Who created them?

3. Where did they live?

4. What special gift did God give Adam and Eve?

5. What is Grace

6. Matching: Draw a line from the word on the left to their matches on the right.

Adam and Eve

Adam and Eve's home

Garden of Eden

people with grace in their souls

Grace

our first parents

God's children

God's life in us