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*Pointing Little Hearts Toward God*

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## Korby the Hedgehog

When You Get Angry



by Michael J. Shank

*Korby the Hedgehog*

## When You Get Angry

**Emotions and Feelings**

*Also: Character and Virtue | Wisdom and Choices  
Family and Relationships | Faith and Trust | Faith Building*

Korby is building the best fort ever — until another little animal crashes through it and knocks it all down. Korby feels his anger rise fast and strong. Papaw sits beside him and teaches Korby that anger is just a feeling, and feelings do not have to be in charge. With a slow breath and a kind choice, Korby learns he can decide what comes next.

### Bible Verses:

*James 1:19-20  
Proverbs 15:1  
Proverbs 16:32  
Ecclesiastes 7:9  
Ephesians 4:26-27  
Colossians 3:8  
Proverbs 14:29  
Proverbs 19:11  
Psalm 37:8  
Galatians 5:22-23*

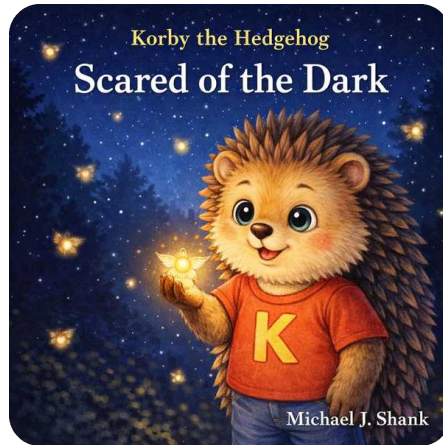
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## Scared of the Dark

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*Korby the Hedgehog*

## Scared of the Dark

**Emotions and Feelings**

*Also: Faith and Trust | Family and Relationships  
Creation and Nature | Identity and Worth | Faith Building*

Korby loves campfire evenings with papaw and nana — until the sun goes down and the dark comes. When a beetle lands on him he curls into a tight little ball. Papaw shows Korby that the dark is not empty at all. Fireflies blink, crickets sing, and God can see perfectly in the dark. God is already there in every scary place.

### Bible Verses:

*John 1:4  
John 1:5, 9  
John 12:46  
Psalm 136:9  
Psalm 139:12  
Hebrews 13:5  
Colossians 1:27  
2 Corinthians 4:6*

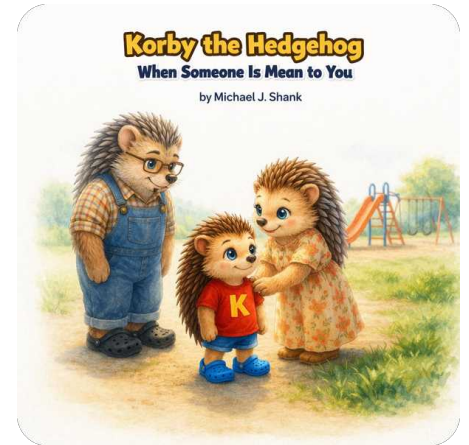
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When Someone Is Mean to You

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*Korby the Hedgehog*

## When Someone is Mean to You

**Kindness and Compassion**

*Also: Character and Virtue | Courage and Strength  
Wisdom and Choices | Family and Relationships | Faith and Trust*

Korby arrives at the park ready for a great day — until another child is unkind and tells him to go away. The words sting. Papaw and nana help Korby understand that people who are hurting sometimes hurt others, and that calm words and kindness are stronger than mean ones. Korby learns he cannot control how others act, but he can always choose his own response. Kindness and courage go together.

### Bible Verses:

*Proverbs 15:1  
Romans 12:21  
Ephesians 4:29  
Colossians 3:12  
1 Peter 3:9  
Matthew 5:5  
Ephesians 4:32*

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## Korby the Hedgehog Who is God?



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### Who is God?

**Gospel Foundations**

*Also: Faith and Trust | Faith Building  
Identity and Worth | Family and  
Relationships*

Korby asks the most important question he has ever asked — who is God? Papaw opens the Bible and shows Korby that God is love, God is light, and God is not far away at all. In fact, God lives within us. By the end of their walk Korby knows that God is always with him — closer than he ever imagined.

#### Bible Verses:

*1 John 4:8  
1 John 1:5  
John 1:9  
Acts 17:28  
Luke 17:21  
1 Corinthians 3:16  
John 4:24  
Matthew 28:20  
Psalm 46:1  
Hebrews 13:5  
Psalm 139:1*

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## Korby the Hedgehog Who is Jesus?



*Korby the Hedgehog*

### Who is Jesus?

**Gospel Foundations**

*Also: Faith and Trust | Faith Building  
Identity and Worth | Community and  
Belonging*

On a rainy afternoon Korby asks nana the most important question of all — who is Jesus? Nana opens the Bible and walks Korby through the life, miracles, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Korby learns that Jesus is the Word, the Son of God, the Savior, and that He is alive and nearer than anyone might think.

#### Bible Verses:

*John 1:1  
John 1:14  
John 8:58  
John 14:6  
John 8:12  
Matthew 28:6  
Revelation 1:18  
2 Corinthians 13:5  
Acts 17:27  
John 4:14  
...and 36 more verses throughout*

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## Korby the Hedgehog Learning to Be Patient



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*Korby the Hedgehog*

### Learning to Be Patient

**Character and Virtue**

*Also: Emotions and Feelings | Wisdom  
and  
Choices  
Faith and Trust | Family and  
Relationships |  
Faith Building*

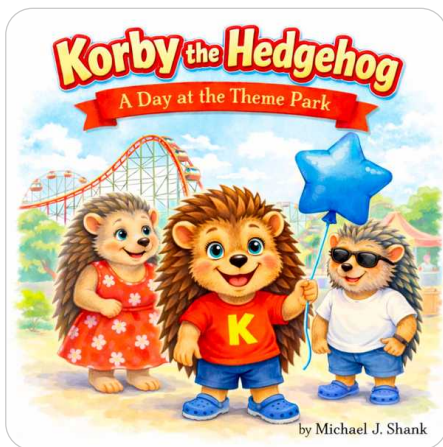
Korby wants to go fishing but has to wait — and waiting feels impossible. Papaw takes him to the pond and teaches him that patience is not empty time. Something is always happening beneath the surface. When Korby finally slows down and waits, the fish comes. And so does understanding.

#### Bible Verses:

*Psalms 27:14  
Ecclesiastes 3:1  
James 1:4  
Proverbs 14:29  
Galatians 6:9  
Romans 12:12*

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## A Day at the Theme Park

**Emotions and Feelings**

Also: Faith and Trust | Character and Virtue  
Family and Relationships | Faith Building

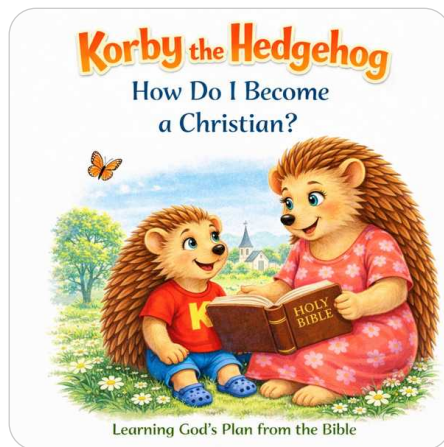
Korby and his nana and papaw spend a fun-filled day of rides, laughter, and new experiences at the theme park. As Korby explores — balloons, games, treats, and thrilling rides — he learns that things that feel the biggest and scariest can become the most rewarding when we choose to try. Through each moment, young readers move through excitement, hesitation, courage, and joy.

### Bible Verses:

Psalm 118:24  
Ecclesiastes 8:15  
Proverbs 17:22  
James 1:17  
Psalm 31:24  
1 Thessalonians 5:16

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## How Do I Become a Christian?

**Gospel Foundations**

Also: Faith and Trust | Faith Building  
Identity and Worth | Family and Relationships

When Korby asks how to follow Jesus, Nana opens the Bible and shows him God's plan of salvation exactly as it appears in Scripture. Together they explore hearing God's Word, believing in Jesus, repentance, confession, baptism, and living faithfully — each step woven through 25 carefully selected Bible scriptures so children see that these truths come from God's Word alone.

### Bible Verses:

Acts 2:38  
Romans 10:17  
John 8:24  
Acts 8:37  
Romans 10:9-10  
Acts 3:19  
2 Corinthians 5:17  
1 Peter 3:21  
Romans 6:3-4  
Acts 2:41

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## What is the Church?

**Gospel Foundations**

Also: Faith and Trust | Faith Building  
Community and Belonging | Family and Relationships

When Korby points to a building and asks Papaw what the church really is, Papaw opens the Bible with a simple answer: the church is not a building — the church is the saved. Step by step, using real Bible verses, children learn that the church is the body of Christ, Jesus is the head, there is only one body, and all who follow Jesus are part of something far bigger than any one place.

### Bible Verses:

Ephesians 1:22-23  
Colossians 1:18  
Ephesians 4:4  
Acts 2:41  
Acts 2:47  
1 Corinthians 12:12  
Acts 20:28  
Ephesians 5:25  
Romans 16:16  
Acts 2:42

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## The Korby the Hedgehog Children's Book Series

*Pointing Little Hearts Toward God*

The Korby the Hedgehog series brings the timeless truths of Scripture to life for children ages 3 to 8. Through warm, funny, and honest stories, Korby and his papaw and nana walk children through the everyday challenges of growing up — fear, anger, kindness, patience, forgiveness, and faith. Every book is built on multiple relevant Bible verses, crafted around a life lesson, and designed to spark conversations between children and the adults who love them. With over 300 titles planned, this is one of the most ambitious faith-based children's book series ever published.

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### About the Author

Michael J. Shank is a Christian author and publisher whose best-selling book, *Muscle and a Shovel*, has sold hundreds of thousands of copies and has been an instrumental gospel tool in helping thousands obey the gospel. Michael is a member of the church of Christ upon his obedience to the gospel message in 1988, and he brings the same passion for Scripture and souls to every Korby the Hedgehog story. He and his wife Jonetta are based in southern Illinois.

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