A Garden Full of Blessings

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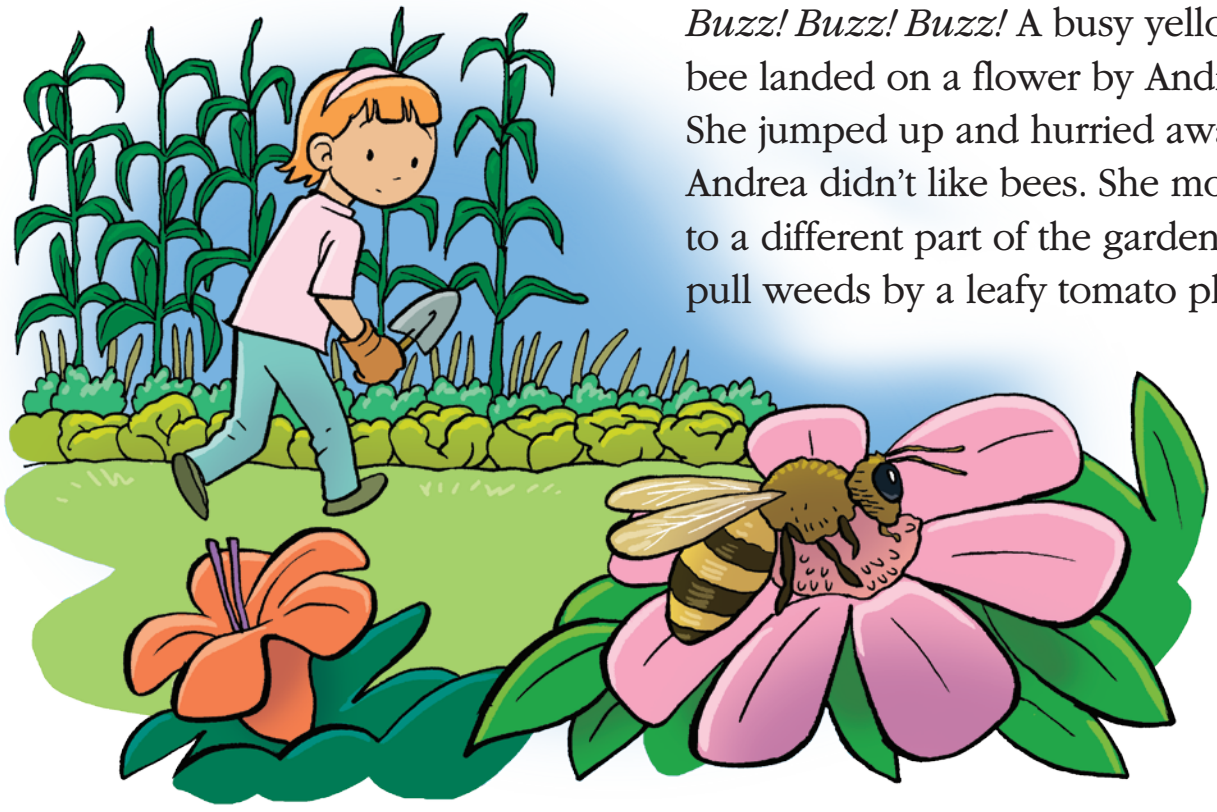
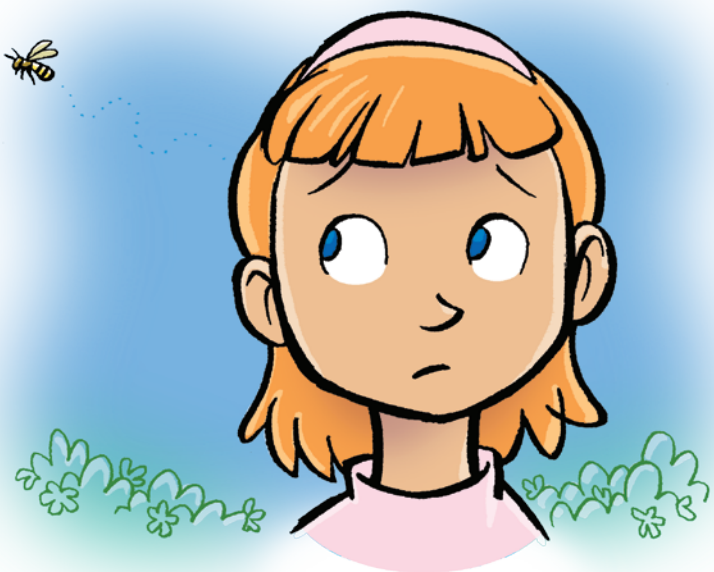
(Based on a true story)



Buzz! Buzz! Buzz! A busy yellow bee landed on a flower by Andrea. She jumped up and hurried away. Andrea didn't like bees. She moved to a different part of the garden to pull weeds by a leafy tomato plant.



The sun was warm on Andrea's back. She could hear Mom close by in the rows of corn. Suddenly Andrea heard more buzzing. *Buzz! Buzz! Buzz!* She ran to find Mom.

"There are too many bees, Mommy!" she said. "I want to work in the garden *without* the bees."

"We need the bees to make our garden grow," Mom said. "Jesus created bees to pollinate the plants so we can have our favorite foods."

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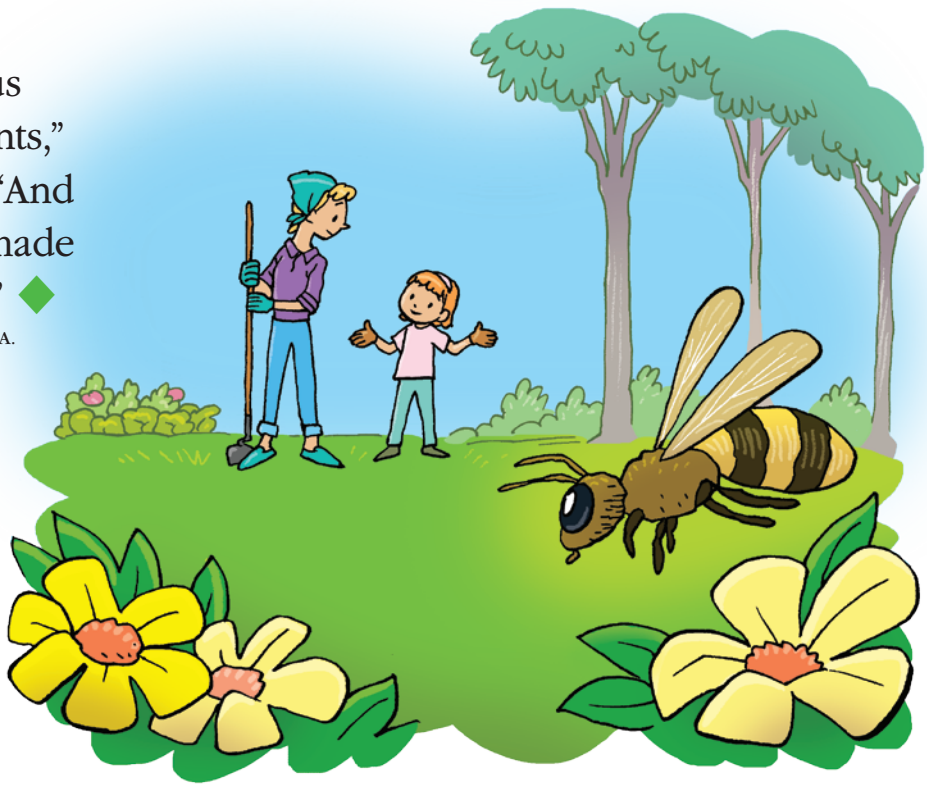
"Without the bees we wouldn't have our garden?" Andrea asked. She thought about all of her favorite plants. She liked pretty flowers. She liked to eat strawberries and tomatoes. She would be sad to live in a world without them.

"I'm glad Jesus made the plants," Andrea said. "And I'm glad He made the bees too!"

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