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Chapter 22 A Read-to-Me Story

Saint Nicholas Feast Day: December 6

A long time ago, a bishop named Nicholas was the leader of many parishes in a country called Turkey. Nicholas had a special love for the poor and for children.

Nichols heard about a man whose three daughters could not get married because their father did not have any money to pay for the wedding. That night, Nicholas went to their house and threw a small bag of gold through the window. The father was so happy. A wedding was planned for his oldest daughter.

Soon Nicholas came back to their house and threw another bag of gold through the window. The father was joyful. Now his second daughter could get married.

The father wondered who was bringing the gold. He wondered why the gold was delivered at night. The father decided to wait up to see if the person would come back. He wanted to meet the kind person and thank him!

When Nicholas brought a third bag of gold, the father was waiting for him. The father thanked Nicholas and asked him why he brought the gold in secret. Nicholas told the father that he did not want to be praised for helping. He wanted to keep his good deeds secret. He said that God sees our good deeds and rewards us for them.

We honor Saint Nicholas on December 6 each year. On that day, children in many countries put their empty shoes by the door. When they wake up in the morning, their shoes are filled with candy and other treats. It is a reminder of what a generous person Nicholas was.

We can do good deeds for others in secret, too. We can show our love for others by sharing and caring for them.