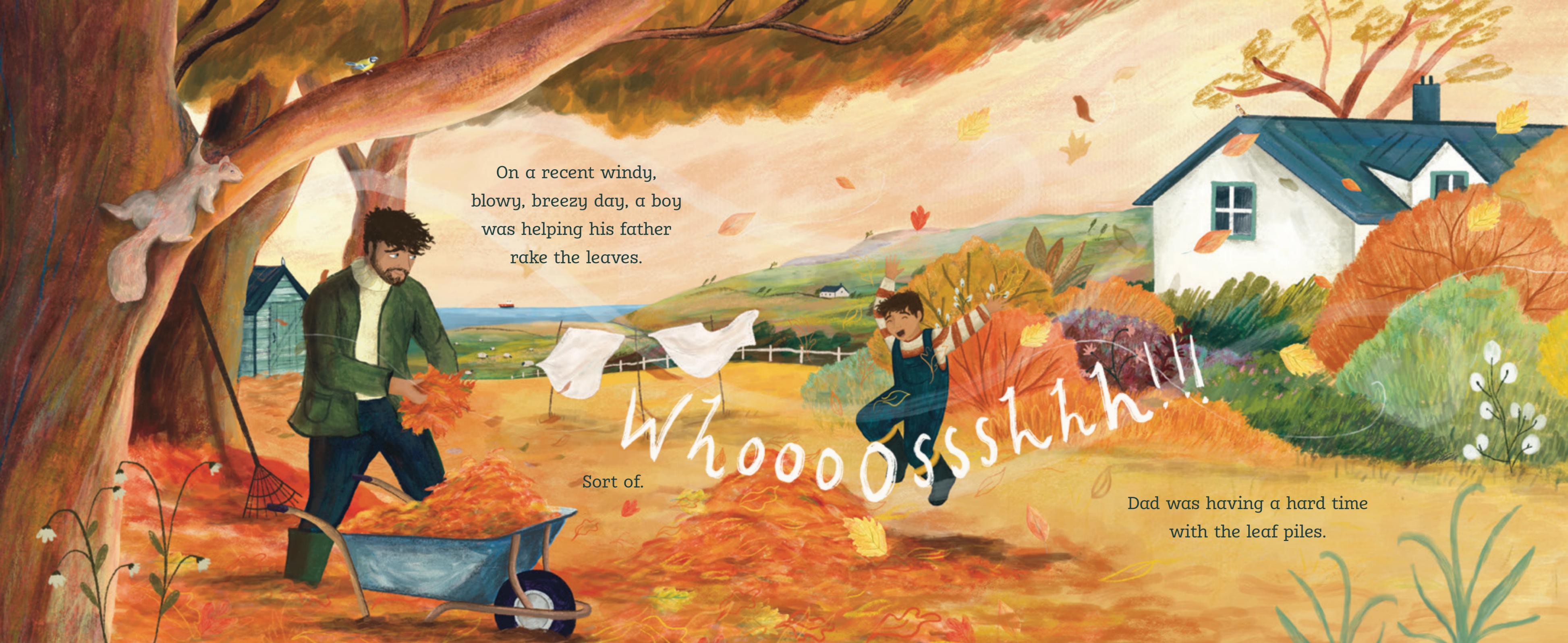


I Can't Believe My Eyes!



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On a recent windy,
blowy, breezy day, a boy
was helping his father
rake the leaves.

Sort of.

Whoooooosshhh!!!

Dad was having a hard time
with the leaf piles.



“Dad, is God real?”

“Yes, He is!
Why do
you ask?”

“Some kids at school say God isn’t
real because we can’t see Him.”

“It’s a great question.
Hmmm ... I’ve got an idea.
Let’s talk about it
after we ...”



“... Fly kites at the park!”

“γαααγγγγ!!!”



“To fly a kite,
you need to ...

Run into the wind ...

Let go of the kite ...

Release some
extra line, and ...”

Whooooo sssshhh!!!

“Wow!”

“Now you try.”





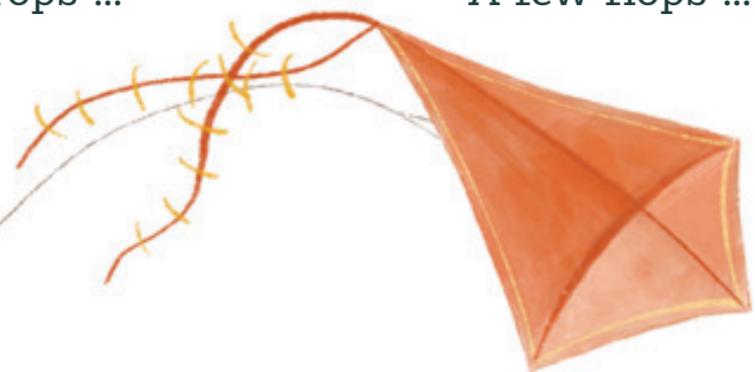
Flying a kite is harder
than it looks!



A couple of plops ...

I had some drops ...

A few flops ...



And once, the
kite even hit
poor Pops!

“How do you make
the kite fly, Dad?”



“Just remember
what I showed you ...
and trust the wind.”

OK, I can
do this.



Run into the wind ...

Let go of the kite ...

Release some extra line ...

Trust the wind, and ...



My kite soared
high into the sky!

I think it even
bumped a bird!

“Woohoo!”

Squawk!

Whooooo sssshhh!!!



“How do you know the wind is real, son?”

“Because ... because ... look!”

Whoooooosshhh!!!

“That’s right! And how do we know God is real?”

“Umm ...”

“We know God is real because ...”



“... LOOK!

God’s creation proves He exists. The beauty we do
see around us reveals the God we *don’t* see.
In the beginning, God spoke powerful words and ...

Whoooooo SSSshh!!!

He created the universe out of nothing!

Little guppies! Playful puppies! Buzzing bees! Towering trees!
Majestic peaks! Things with beaks! Sparkly stars! Jupiter and Mars!

God created everything!”

“Don’t forget wind, Dad!”

“Right! Even though we can’t see God,
we know He is real by observing His creation.
And God saved His greatest creation for last ...



“... PEOPLE! God made everyone in His image,
including you!



God speaks ...
and so do we!

God is creative ... and so are we!

“God loves ... and so do we!



The people we do see around us reveal the God we don't see.

But wait, there's more!