

## **The Ant and the Dove**

The ant was very thirsty. He went to the river to get a drink. But he tripped and fell into the river. The ant was afraid he was going to drown. A dove was sitting on a tree watching the water. She saw the poor ant trying to stay alive. The dove flew to the lowest tree limb. The limb bent until it touched the water. The ant was able to climb up. "Thank you for saving my life," the ant said to the dove.

A few days later, a hunter came along. He saw the dove sitting on the tree by the river. He pointed his gun at the dove. The ant happened to be nearby. He knew what the hunter was going to do. The ant stung the hunter on the foot. The pain of the sting made the hunter miss the dove. The shot scared the dove and made her fly away. "Thank you for saving my life," said the dove to the ant.

Moral: One good turn deserves another.