



The Sparkling Adventure

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Dear one.

*This book has no price,
for it was written as a gift.*

*Its only cost is this:
lift up a prayer for us,
share it with someone you love,
so the light may travel farther
than we could ever imagine.*

*Feed the hungry,
give to those in need.*

*If you're led to, you may connect with me through my social media
to help spread the gospel of the Lord,
So this message of hope may reach even farther.*

*Kindly
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Psalm 23:1*

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*For my Heavenly Father,
To my sons, Joaquín and Juan Pedro, who shine
with the light of God in all they do,
And to my beloved husband, a gift from God
and a reflection of His love—your strength,
kindness, and presence bless our lives every day.
To my granma a beautiful angel on heaven.*



Once upon a time, there were three little guinea pig brothers: Turtline, Fluffy, and Sonic.





They lived on a mountain blanketed with emerald grass, where butterflies danced and wildflowers painted the air with color. A gentle river hummed nearby—a melody of crystal-clear waters hiding a shimmering secret.

One radiant morning, their kind and wise older brother, Papulabumba, gathered them with a warm smile.

“My little ones,” he said softly, “go and find the shining treasure by the Kalumbulum River.”



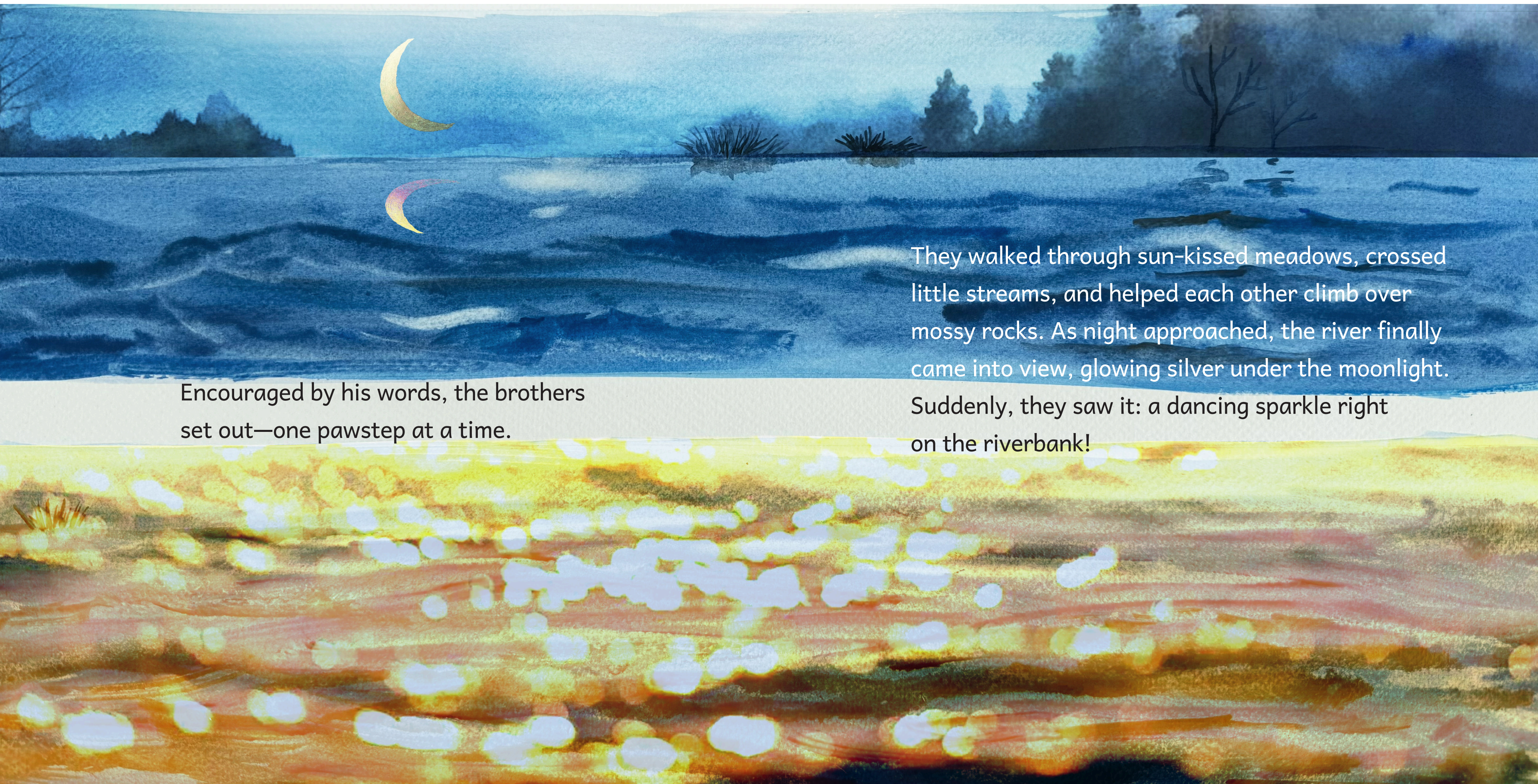
The three brothers looked at each other nervously.
The river seemed far. What if they got lost?
What if there were shadows?



Noticing their fear, Papulabumba knelt beside them,
placing a paw gently over their hearts.

“There’s a light within you,” He whispered,
“stronger than any darkness you’ll find.”





Encouraged by his words, the brothers set out—one pawstep at a time.

They walked through sun-kissed meadows, crossed little streams, and helped each other climb over mossy rocks. As night approached, the river finally came into view, glowing silver under the moonlight. Suddenly, they saw it: a dancing sparkle right on the riverbank!

Turtline rushed forward, Fluffy squealed with delight, and Sonic leaped joyfully—but when they reached the spot... there was no treasure. Just the quiet river and their own reflections. Confused, they stood in silence.



Then, out of the gentle breeze, Papulabumba appeared—smiling with joy. “The sparkling treasure you were looking for... it’s not in the river,” he said, pointing to them. “It’s inside of you.” The brothers looked at each other—and gasped. They were glowing.



A soft, golden light radiated from within them,
warm and comforting.
It was made of love, courage, and truth.

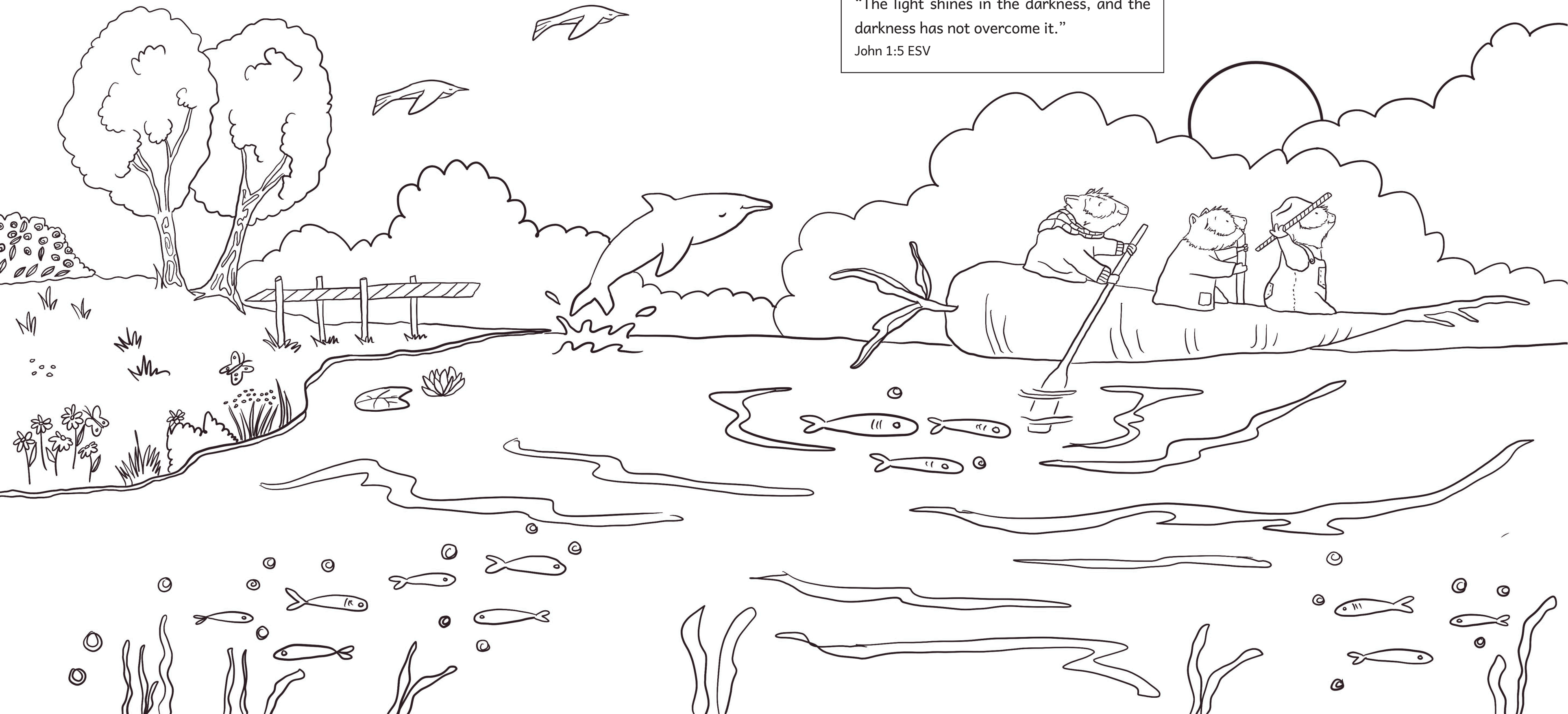
“Turtline!” cried Fluffy, “You’re glowing!”
“So are you!” laughed Sonic. “We’re all
glowing—with love!”

From that day on, they were never afraid of the dark again.
Because they knew that the greatest treasure wasn’t
something to find—

—It was the light of God’s love, already shining inside
them.



“The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.”
John 1:5 ESV





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