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## Forgive and Comfort

"Mooooom!" May ran into the living room. "Auggie ruined my drawing!"

"I said I was sorry!" Auggie shouted as he ran in right behind May. "It was an accident!"

"Whoa, whoa, whoa!" Mom held her hands up. "What happened?"

"Just look at my drawing!" May held up a soaked paper. "It's all wet! It's ruined!"

"It was on the table and I accidentally spilled my water when I went to grab the cup," Auggie admitted. "I feel really bad, May. I'm sorry."

"May," Mom knelt to her level. "The apostle Paul once said to forgive and comfort or the one will be swallowed up in sorrow. Auggie feels really bad for what he did."

"I know," May sniffed. "I'm just sad. This keeps happening to me."

"Bad things will always happen to us. It's up to us in how we handle these situations. May, I have asked you to put your drawings on the fridge so bad things don't happen to them. There are sad consequences that happen when we don't listen. Auggie, what can you do to make May feel happy again?"

"We could draw pictures together?" Auggie suggested.

"Okay," May agreed. "And Auggie, I know it was an accident. I forgive you. I love you."

"I love you too," Auggie hugged May.