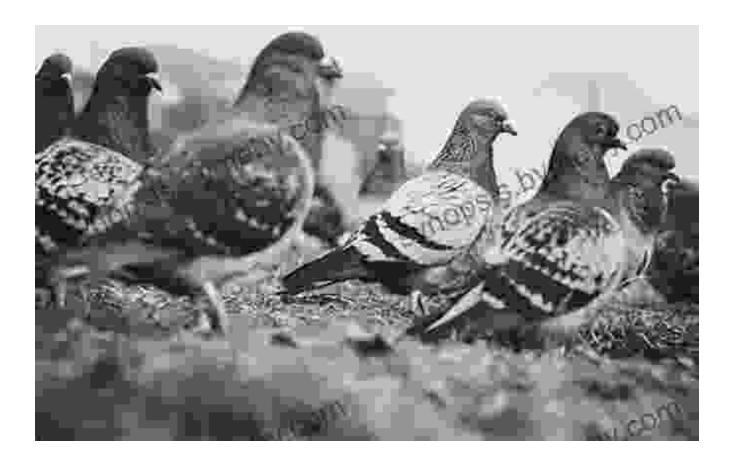
# The Humble Bee and the Pigeons: A Timeless Ethiopian Folk Tale





#### The Lion's Tale: Based on an Ethiopian Folk Tale

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# Once upon a time, in the lush green hills of Ethiopia, there lived a humble bee named Buzzy and a flock of pigeons.

Buzzy was a kind and hardworking bee, always busy collecting nectar and pollen from the flowers. The pigeons were a cheerful and playful bunch, always soaring through the air and cooing to each other.

One sunny day, as Buzzy was flying from flower to flower, he came across a group of pigeons trapped in a hunter's net. The pigeons were struggling and crying, their feathers ruffled and their eyes filled with fear.

Buzzy's heart went out to the pigeons. He knew he had to help them. But how? He was just a small bee, and the net was strong and sturdy.

Buzzy thought for a moment, and then he had an idea. He flew to the nearest tree and collected a sticky substance from the leaves. Then, he flew back to the net and began to spread the sticky substance on the ropes.

The pigeons watched Buzzy in amazement. They couldn't believe that such a small creature could be so brave and kind.

Buzzy worked quickly, spreading the sticky substance on all the ropes. Soon, the net began to loosen, and the pigeons were able to flap their wings and fly away.

The pigeons were so grateful to Buzzy for saving them. They cooed and circled around him, thanking him over and over again.

Buzzy was just happy to have helped. He knew that even though he was small, he could still make a difference in the world.

As the pigeons flew away, Buzzy realized that he had lost his way home. He had been so focused on helping the pigeons that he had forgotten to pay attention to where he was going.

Buzzy was starting to get worried. He didn't know how he was going to find his way back to his hive.

Just when Buzzy was about to give up hope, he saw a familiar sight. It was the flock of pigeons that he had saved.

The pigeons had seen Buzzy flying around in circles, and they knew that he was lost. They flew down to him and offered to help him find his way home.

Buzzy was so grateful to the pigeons. He followed them back to their nest, and then they led him to his hive.

Buzzy was so happy to be home. He thanked the pigeons for their help, and then he flew into his hive to tell his friends and family about his adventure.

From that day on, Buzzy and the pigeons were the best of friends. They would often visit each other, and they would always help each other out whenever they could.

The story of the humble bee and the pigeons is a timeless tale that teaches us the value of kindness, compassion, and determination. It shows us that even the smallest of creatures can make a difference in the world.

#### **Reflection Questions**

- What does the story of the humble bee and the pigeons teach us about kindness?
- How does the story show us the importance of compassion?
- What does the story tell us about the power of determination?
- How can we apply the lessons from this story to our own lives?

#### **Activity Ideas**

- Read the story aloud to a group of children.
- Have the children draw pictures of their favorite parts of the story.
- Talk to the children about the lessons that they can learn from the story.
- Have the children act out the story.

#### **Additional Resources**

- The Humble Bee and the Pigeons on Ethiopian Folktales
- The Humble Bee and the Pigeons on StoryWeaver



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