

## Daily Devotional

**April 25, 2005**

(Contributed by Sonya Lippincott)

**Theme:** Pure Trust

**Text:** Matthew 18:3

And he said: "I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven

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**Thought:**

A FEW YEARS AGO, when I was teaching pre-kindergarten at our local Christian school, we sometimes dressed in costumes and pretended to be Bible characters or storybook characters. For some functions, I dressed as Mary Poppins, complete with my umbrella and my flowered bag that was stuffed with items "Mary" would use for those teachable moments.

One year, while I made a big production of digging through my bag for our after-rest storyline book, a sweet little voice softly said, "Teacher, do you have a light?" It took me a minute, but I realized he fully believed that I would be able to produce a long pole lamp out of my bag, just as Mary had in the movie. My eyes welled and my throat ached at this child's total belief in me at that moment.

It helped me understand what Jesus meant when he said we must become as little children to enter the kingdom of heaven, having complete trust in Jesus as our care giver and teacher.

As grace is first from God, so it is continually from him,  
as much as light is all day long from the sun,  
as well as at ...dawn or sun-rising.

— Jonathan Edwards

**Prayer:** Dear God, thank You for little children and their trust that reminds us of our relationship with You as our Father. Help us always keep our trust in You alone. In Jesus' name. Amen.