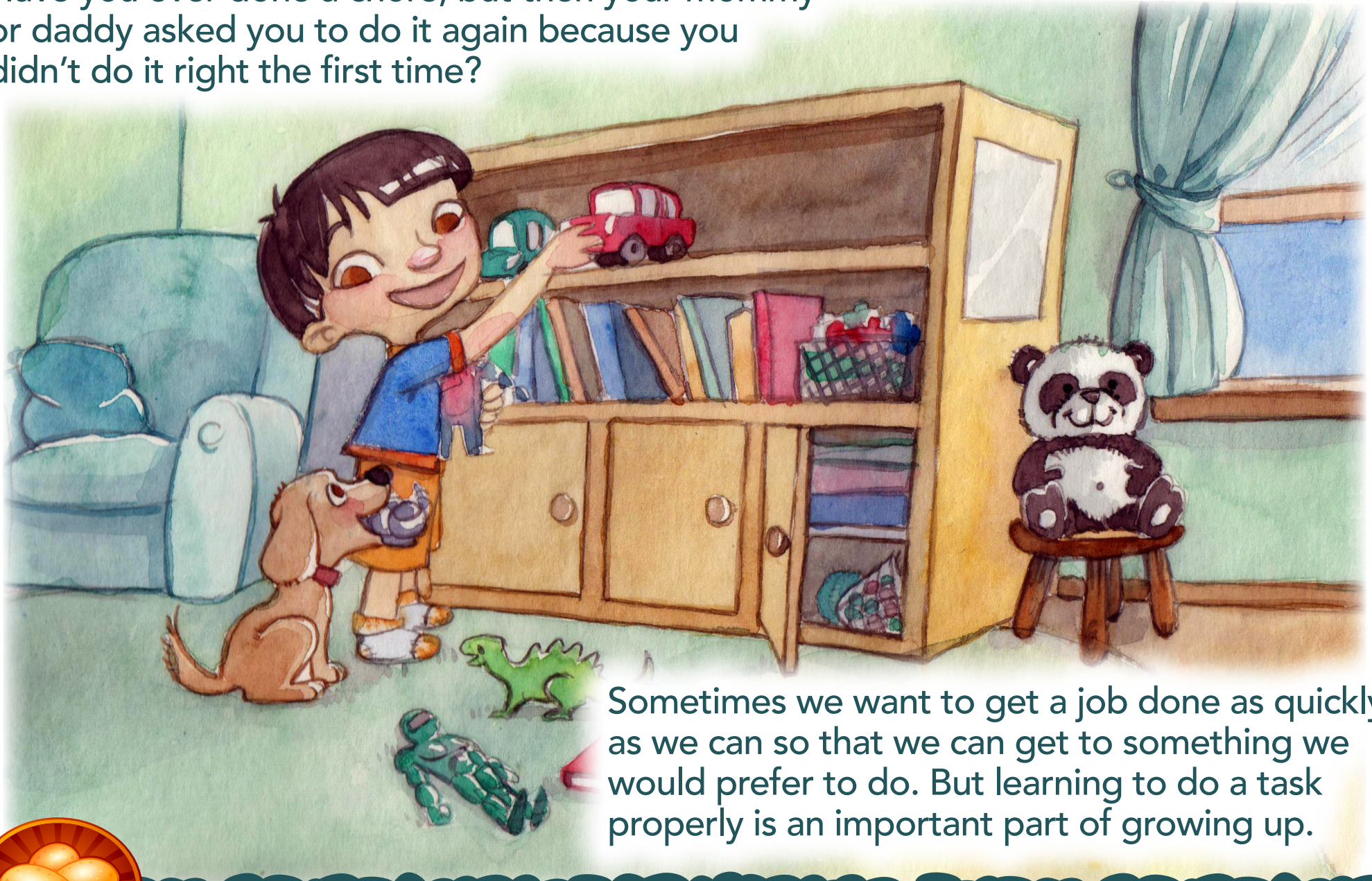


Diligent in All Things

Let all things be done
decently and in order.
(1 Corinthians 14:40 KJV)



Have you ever done a chore, but then your mommy or daddy asked you to do it again because you didn't do it right the first time?

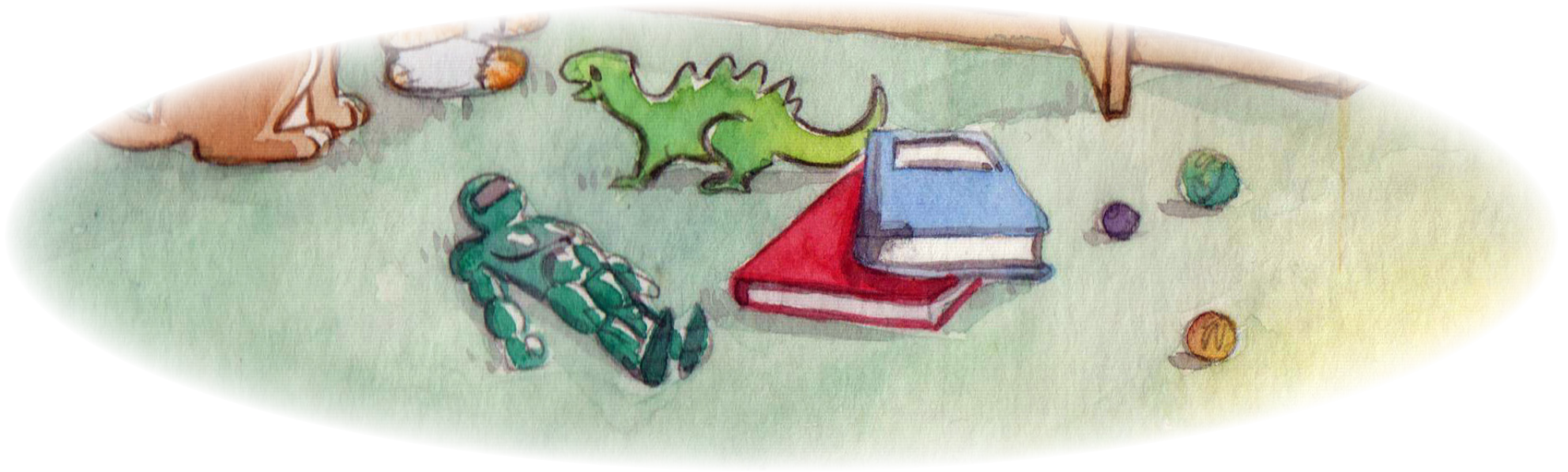


Sometimes we want to get a job done as quickly as we can so that we can get to something we would prefer to do. But learning to do a task properly is an important part of growing up.



We learn responsibility and diligence when we do things thoroughly. Sometimes the things we are asked to do seem unimportant, but they help us to build good habits that will make a difference in our lives as we grow up.





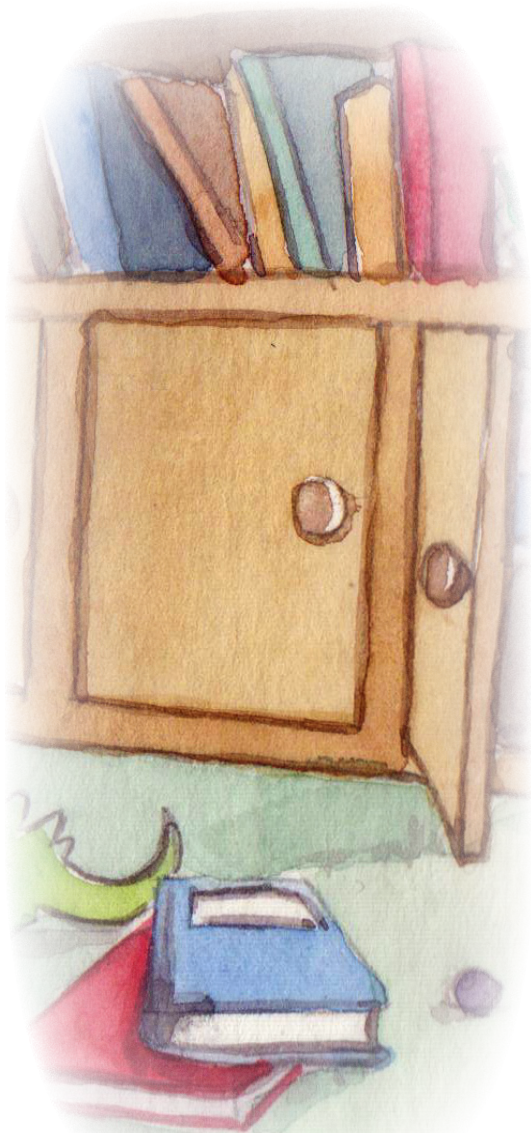
The Bible tells us that when we are diligent in the small things, then God and others can trust us with jobs or responsibilities that are more important. Little by little, each day we can learn how to do our tasks in the right way. We can learn how to see a need and respond in helpful ways. We can learn to do our tasks with order and diligence. And in these small ways we are growing and maturing into the boys and girls that God wants us to be.



Action

Pretend your parents have asked you to put your toys away, but instead of doing that, pretend to hop like a bunny, then spin like a top, and now roar like a lion. Do you remember what you were supposed to do? You may have forgotten, but you still need to clean up the toys, right?

Now try it again. When your mommy or daddy asks you to clean up, do it right away.
That is being diligent!



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