

The King's Christmas Spider



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*The spider taketh hold with her hands,
and is in kings' palaces.
~ Proverbs 30:28 ~*

I am such a small spider
I fear I'll turn callous
I want something better
Than this home in a palace.

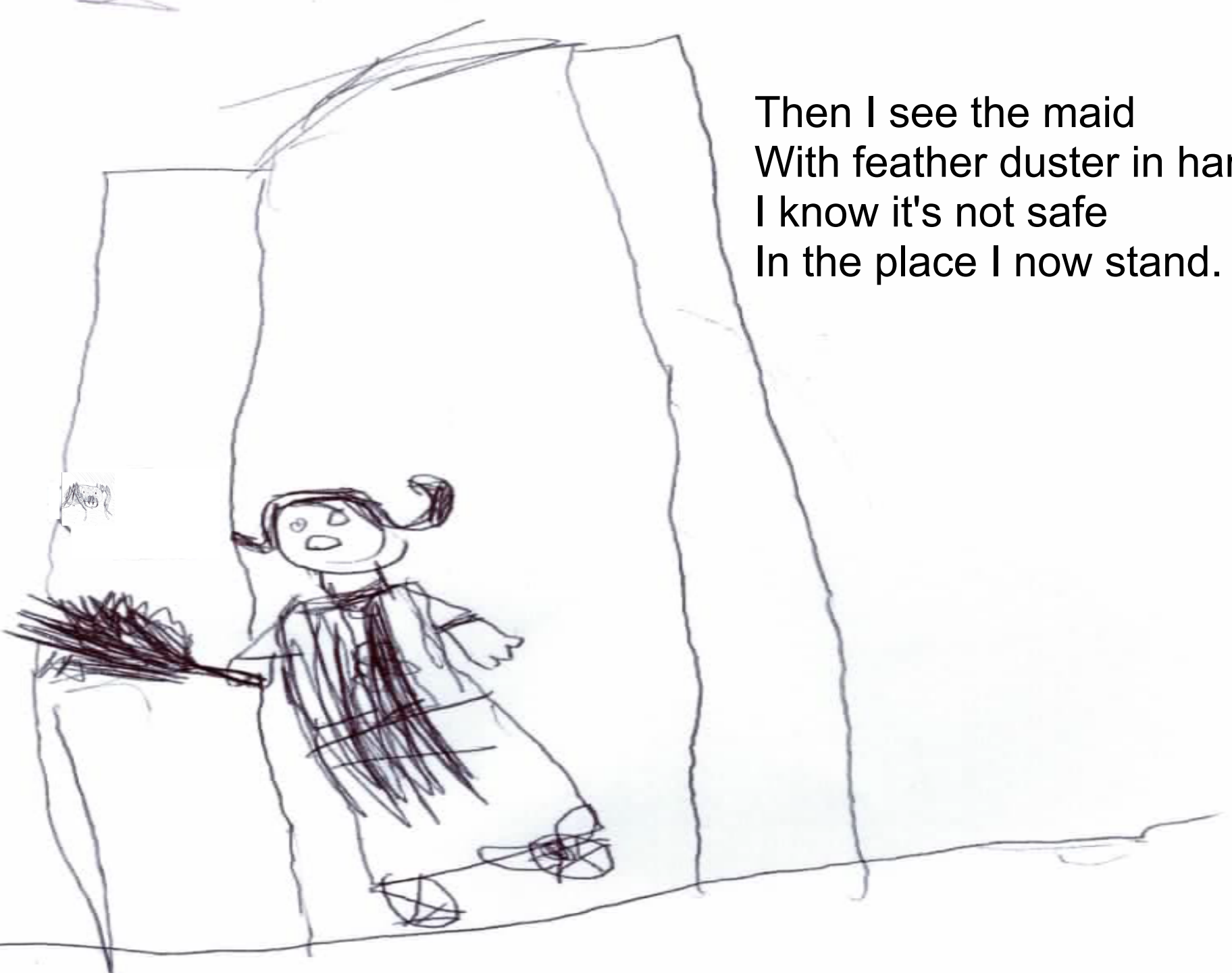


Every day I am sitting
Staring at the door

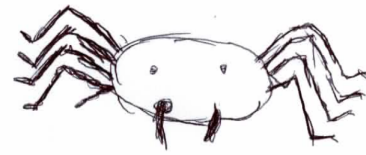


When the maid starts sweeping
It isn't safe on the floor.

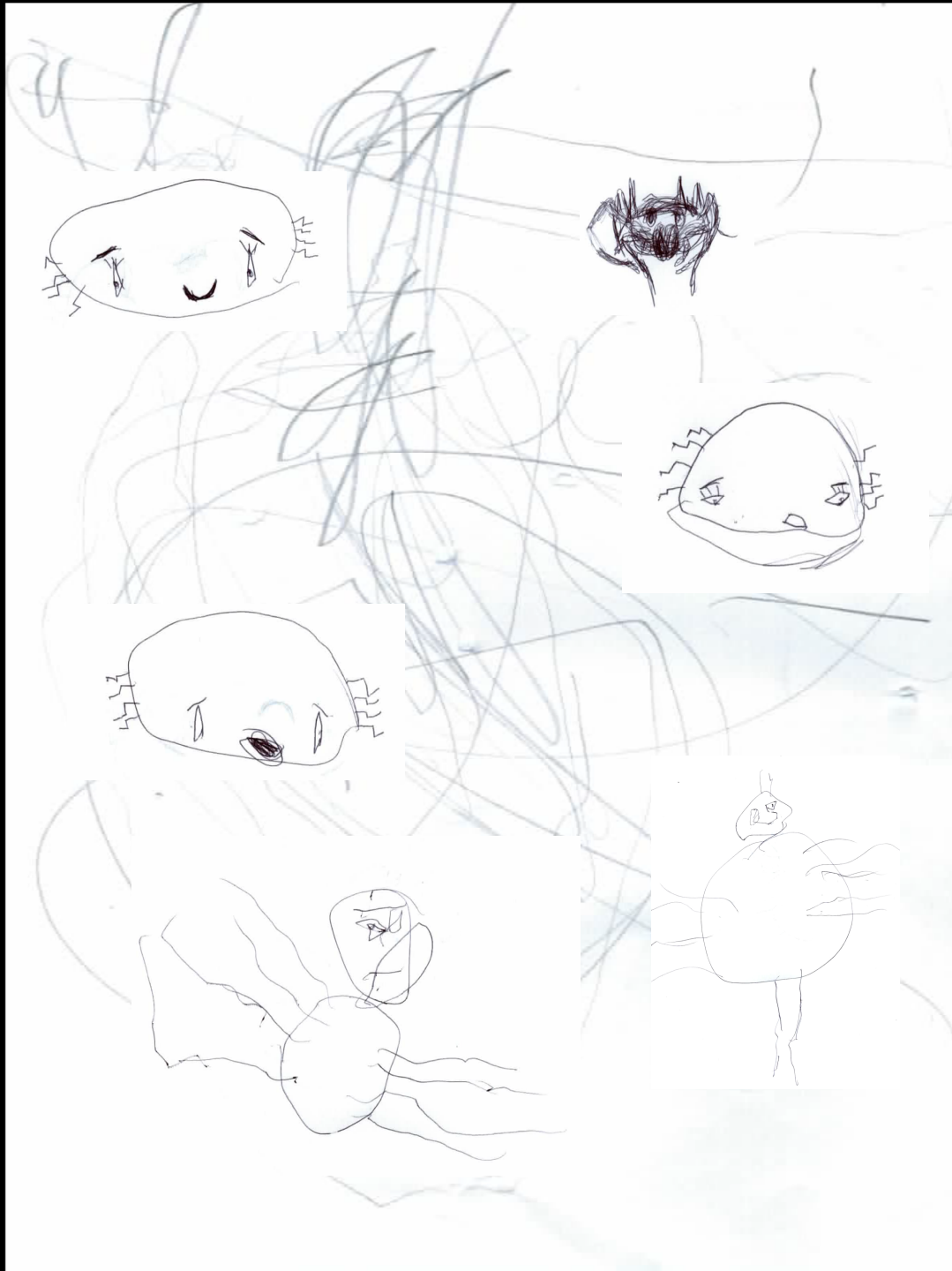
Then I see the maid
With feather duster in hand
I know it's not safe
In the place I now stand.



Everyday it's the same
I'm tired of hiding
I go to my friends
To do some confiding.



I don't want to stay here
I'm ready to part
Where should I go
I just need to start.

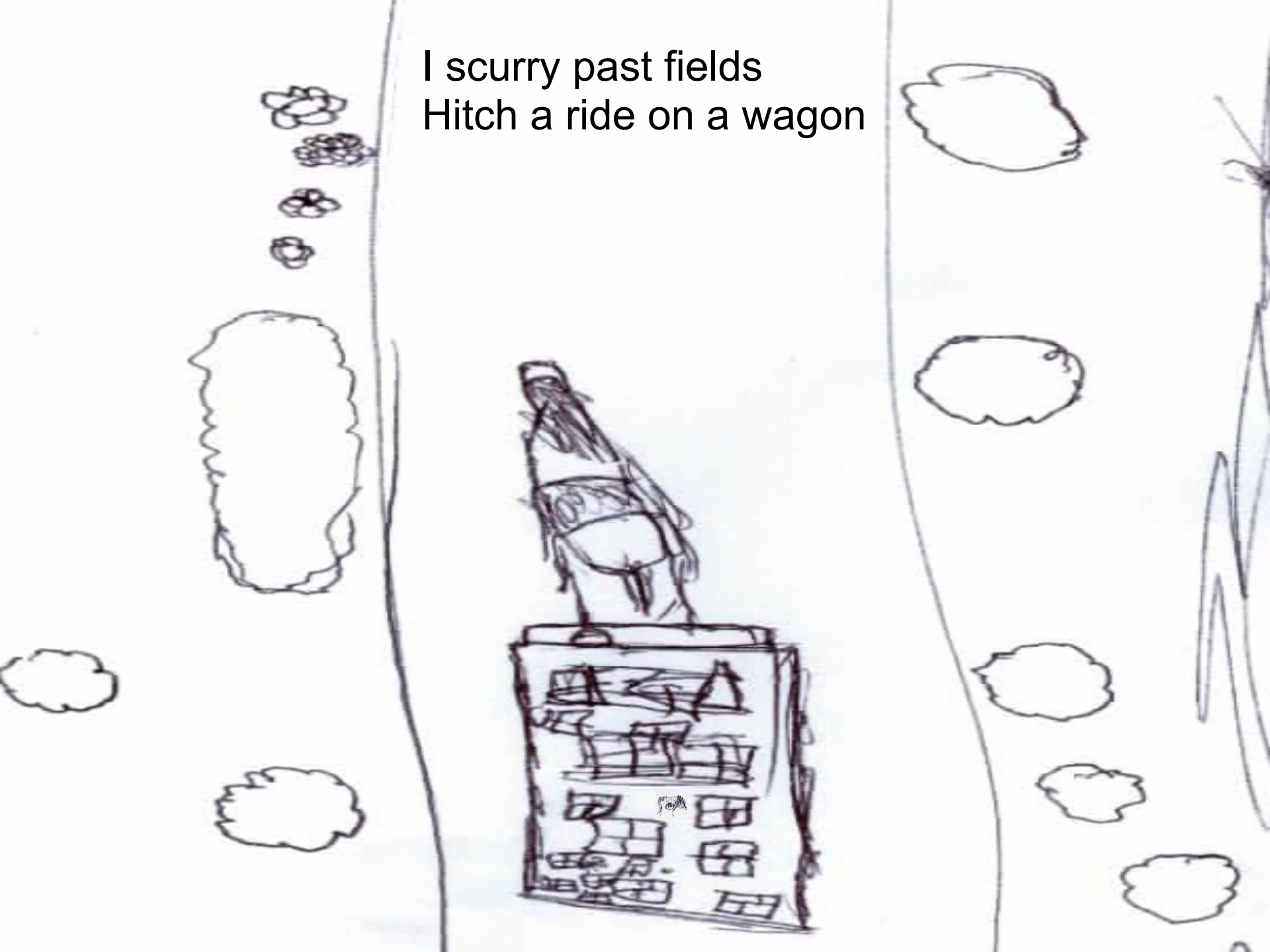


I pack my web
And scurry away
I tell my friends
I'll come back someday.



I jump out the window
And float to the ground
I know an adventure
Is soon to be found.

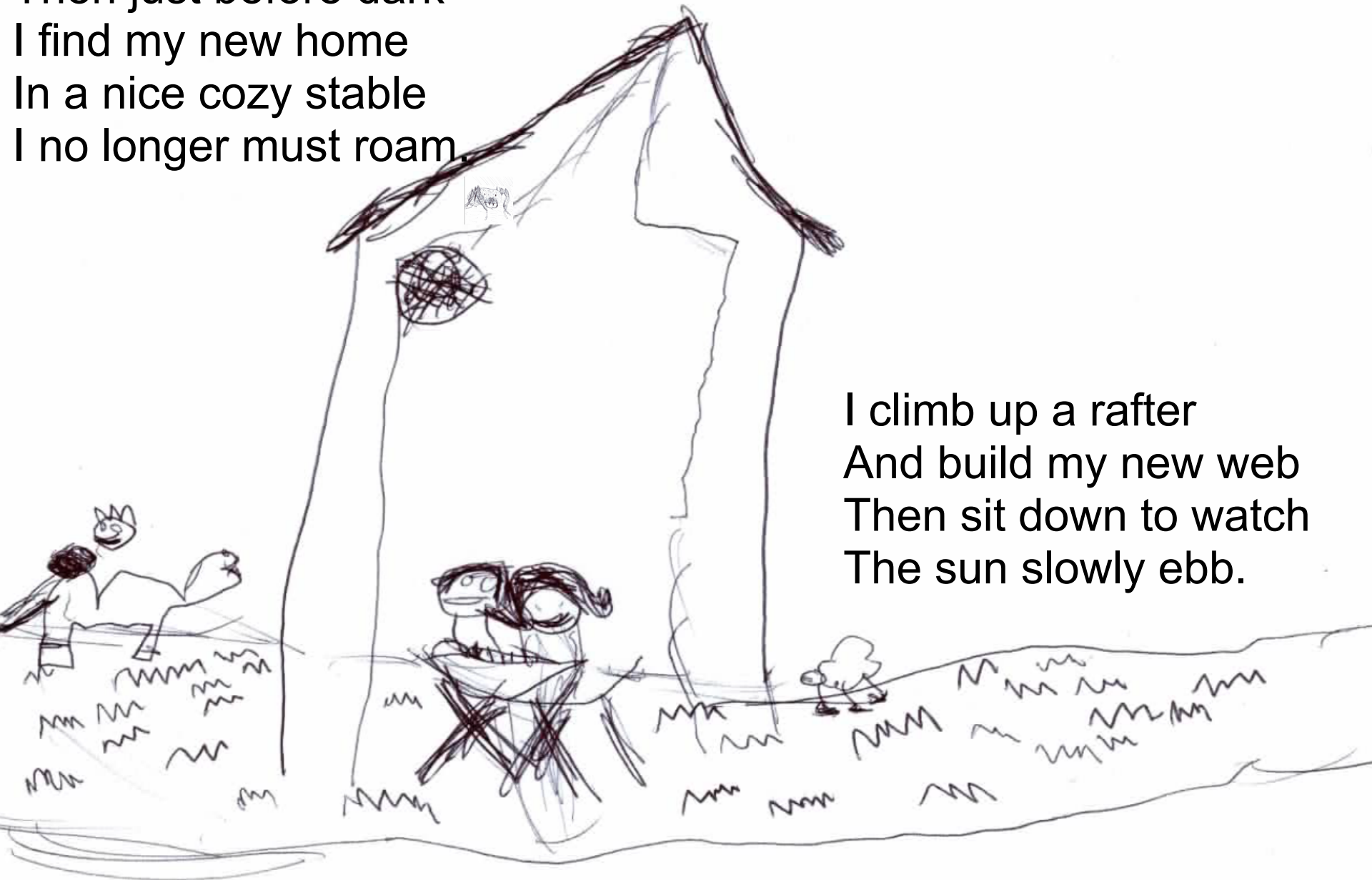
I scurry past fields
Hitch a ride on a wagon



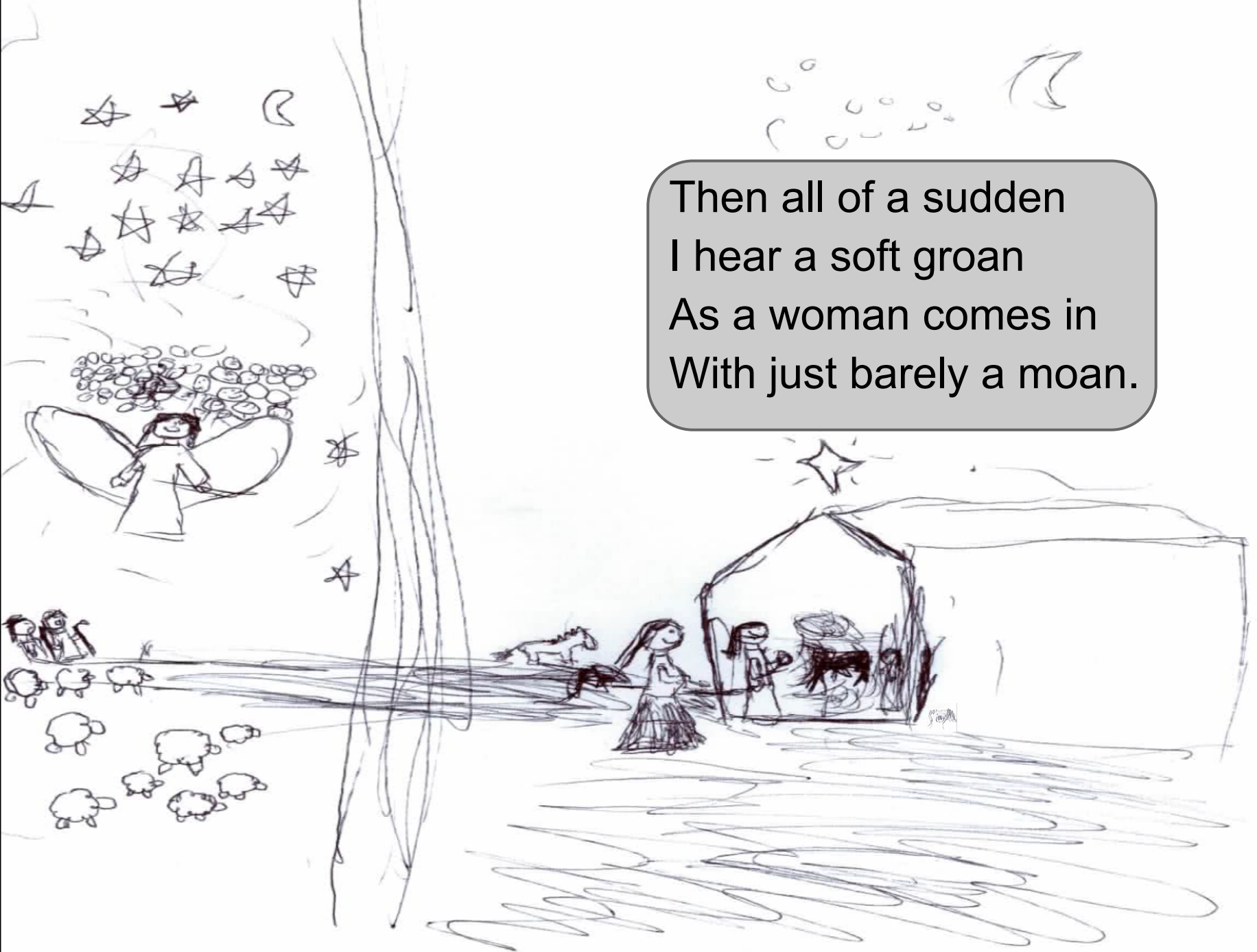
Watch out for that hoof
Glad it wasn't a dragon.



Then just before dark
I find my new home
In a nice cozy stable
I no longer must roam.



I climb up a rafter
And build my new web
Then sit down to watch
The sun slowly ebb.



Then all of a sudden
I hear a soft groan
As a woman comes in
With just barely a moan.

The stable is lit
With a lantern so bright
The woman cries softly
Then all becomes quiet.



Then out of some cloth
A baby starts crying
No angry sound
Just a slight whining.



Then into a feed trough
The baby does lay
As shepherds come in
To worship and pray.



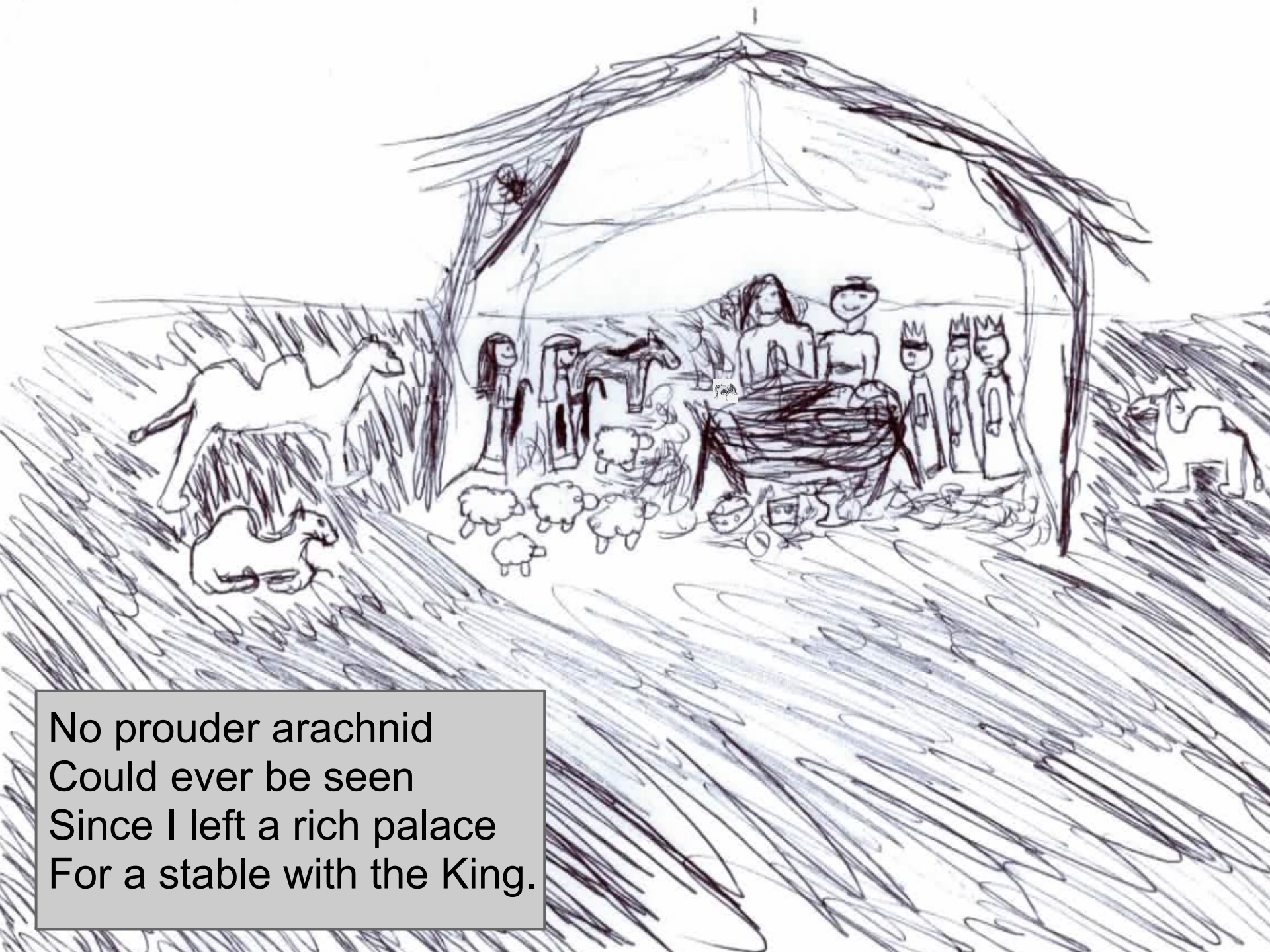
When the shepherds leave
They tell everyone
About the newborn King
Who is God's only son.





I slowly crawl down
And take a close peek
At the tiny young King
Who wise men will seek.





No prouder arachnid
Could ever be seen
Since I left a rich palace
For a stable with the King.

The End



About the Author



I am a preacher's wife. I have been happily married since 1996 to my husband and best friend, Scott. Who has been a big encouragement to me in following my dream to write. He helps me so much when I feel like giving up.

We have 6 children. Each one of our children have been pure blessings in our life. We couldn't imagine life without them. So it is only fitting that for my first children's book, I use their talents to help illustrate it.

They get their artistic talent from their father whose artwork I plan to showcase in future books. ~~Anastacia



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