

Children's sermon: February 8, 2009

"Broke & Together"

Fred and his buddies are broke.
How many of you are broke? ... kids? ... how about you adults? ... broke, too?
A lot of this going around lately.

So, Fred and "company" are arguing about how to raise money.
Today ... Fred is a turtle. So, he says ---- "We gotta take it slow."
Sally chimes in ----- "Hey, we need to read more about other ideas ... relax .. I'll let you know what
I find out in this book."

Well --- Nemo the fish has had enough.
You guys are like a "fish out of water" ... you have no idea what you are talking about. We need money
now ... we need to work now ... we need to do something ---- NOW!!"

Peter the Pez-dispenser doesn't like what he is hearing. All of you ---- YOU ARE CLUELESS!!
I'm a "dispenser" of goodness. I was made to dispense stuff ... LEAVE IT TO ME!!
Alice the little turtle begins to sing.
"When things are tough," she says ---- "always turn to music. Music makes life better. And beside, Pez ...
you have nothing to dispense ... look --- YOU ARE EMPTY."

Things seem kind-of hopeless. Nobody wants to work together.
Oh ---- look who is here. He looks a bit frustrated.
IT IS ----- **THE EVER-PRESENT ... AND EVER-FESTIVE: angel Bob.**

*My friends ... will you ever stop fighting.
Here is what I have for you ----- a toothbrush. Why? ... because you have to BRUSH ASIDE your differences
if you are going to solve this problem.
Along with this brush ... I have a tube. Toothpaste, you think?
NO ----- this is a tube of goodness.
So ---- brush aside your differences ... use this tube of goodness to work together ...
and we'll all be better off!!*

My friends ... we're all different.
We have ideas ... we have things we like and don't like ...
But ----- we are a team ... we are a church ... we are a country ----- and working together
with a "tube of goodness" in our hearts ... it can make all the difference.

Look what I have for you.
It's a kit.
Your own brush ... your own tube ... now ----- go make the world a better place!@@@