



One weekend, families gathered at a beautiful picnic spot near the village. The ponds sparkled under the clear blue sky, trees were heavy with fruits, and flowers danced in the breeze. After snacks, the children began playing—but each group stayed only with their own friends.

One little girl sat quietly, watching. She noticed something surprising: nearby, the animal children—bunnies, squirrels, sparrows, and even little rats—were all playing together in one joyful group. They laughed, chased each other, and shared their games without any differences.

Suddenly, a small bunny hopped over to her. “Girl, why are you sitting here alone? Come play with us joyfully!”

The girl hesitated. “But Bunny, you are an animal, and I am a human. How can we play together?”

The bunny smiled kindly. “Look around! All of us—birds, squirrels, bunnies—we play together as one family. We share food too: birds bring fruits from tall trees, squirrels crack coconuts, and we bunnies dig out carrots. After playing, we sit together and enjoy everything as one group. Love makes us equal. There are no differences among us—after all, we are all children of God.”

The girl’s eyes widened. She thought deeply: “What a beautiful message the bunny brings! If animal children can play together without differences, why can’t we human children?”

She stood up with joy and called out to the other children: “Friends, come here! Let’s all play together in one big group. It will be so much fun!”

Soon, laughter filled the picnic spot. Children of all groups joined hands, ran, jumped, and laughed together. Later, they shared the food prepared by their families and ate happily as one.

The girl realized that respecting and loving everyone equally brings peace and joy to the heart—just as the animals had shown her.

True joy comes when we love and respect everyone equally and live as one family under God’s light.

Question: What do you like most in this story about family, friendship, and values?

Heart-Work: Love and respect a friend outside your usual group. Share how it made your heart feel.