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Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

I Thessalonians 5:16-18, NIV



## The Kingdom of Thrim

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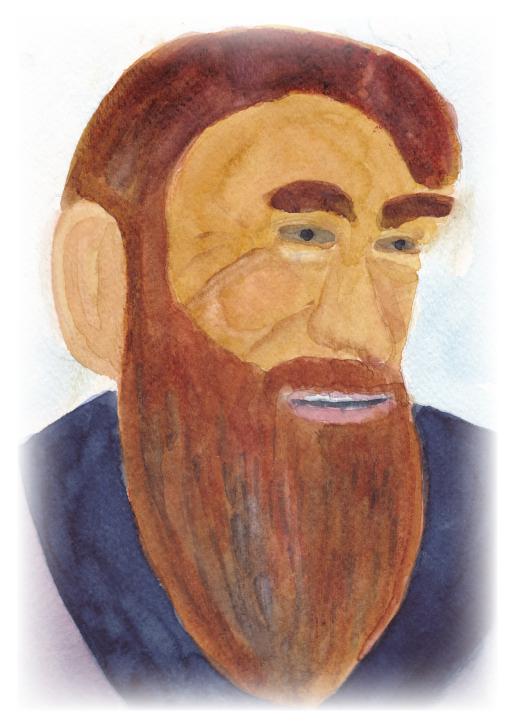
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Dedicated to my seven grandchildren



In the Kingdom of Thrim lived a happy doll maker named Yoj. Each doll was perfectly made and no two dolls were alike.

Yoj spent hours and hours thinking about each doll, from the colour of its hair to the size of its shoes. The people of Thrim were thrilled to have such a gifted doll maker living in their land. Travellers came from all over the world to visit his shop.

Every morning Yoj awoke with a song on his lips and a joy that overflowed into his twinkling blue eyes.

Thank You, God, for giving me this wonderful gift of making dolls. I am so happy, thought Yoj.



As he walked around the Kingdom of Thrim, he admired the colourful plants, green trees, and blue clear sky.

The townspeople would ask, "Hey, Yoj, how are you today?"

"I am fabulous and full of life!" he always answered.

He had dinner invitations almost every night.



One day a man named Serge from Shadowland entered Yoj's shop.

"Good day, Yoj. I have come from a land far away because I have heard of your wonderful dolls. I can make you the most famous doll maker in all the lands. I can make you so rich that you can have anything you want."

Yoj was curious. *Can life be even better than this?* he wondered.

Did Yoj take time to ask his friends? Did he take time to read his Bible? Did he take time to ask God?

No, he did not.

Before anyone knew what was happening, Yoj closed his shop in Thrim and left with Serge.



Yoj and Serge travelled for many weeks through different countries before they arrived in Shadowland.

On the way, they talked about all the money Yoj would make. They talked about the things Yoj could buy and how happy that would make him.



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