## The Treasure Given By The Angel | An Angel's Story

One day a poor man was walking through the forest path. He had been working very hard since morning. So he was very hungry. He was sitting with his food in hand and looking for a place to eat.

He found a place near an old large castor oil tree. It was a beautiful day with good winds blowing that day. Then he opened the jar where he had the food and there was only a little food in it for him to eat.

Even then he was hungry after he had finished eating. Just as he was getting ready to leave, an apple from the tree fell on his side. When he looked up to see where the apple had come from, he saw a small beautiful angel on the branch of the tree.

She was playing the flute, she also had colorful little wings. The poor man had never seen an angel before. So he looked very surprised.

The angel started to speak to the man. "Hello my friend! Why are you so sad? ". "Hello angel! I'm very poor and I do not even have enough food to eat. I work very hard. But I have no money to live on," the man worried.

"Well, I'll help you, friend. Do not worry" and the angel played a few tunes with her flute and then a big shovel came to the man. "Take this shovel and dig the soil and then you will find a beautiful treasure. With that, you can live happily ever after." Said the angel.

The man thanked the angel. The angel smiled and flew away singing some tunes with the flute. The man was digging the soil. It was noon but the man was very curious to know if such a treasure was real or not.

Soon a deep pit was dug. Then suddenly he heard a noise Tong, Tang. Then the man saw what it was. It is a treasure chest of gold. When the box was opened it was full of precious stones like diamonds and gems.

The man was very happy. But suddenly he had a thought. All this is not mine. It's like I'm stealing this. Whether an object here belongs to a citizen or not, that object belongs to the king. Though the angel told him to take the gold. But the man hurried and went to the king's palace, saying that he was going to take this king and ask his permission.

## As he stood before the king, the king asked, "Tell me, poor man, why did you come here?" What is in your hand?"

"King, a strange thing happened while I was having lunch today. An angel came and she asked me to dig around the castor oil tree saying that I can find a treasure there. I dug because I was told the treasure would be available there. Then I got this treasure.

## I do not know if I can keep this treasure with myself. It may belong to someone else. I don't want to steal this."

The poor man gave to the king the treasure he had brought. "Hmm you found a good treasure my friend but I like your honesty so much I need a man loyal to work in my palace I will give you the job. You are responsible for all the gems and all the diamonds in this kingdom. Your honesty is a gift to us. Always work honestly. You can happily work here. Take this treasure for yourself and you can keep it. The angel gave you this as a gift and I will give it as a gift for your faith."

## "I long to do the work you have given me, O king. I swear to you that I will work hard and honestly for you every day."

His life has changed since that day but his faith and honesty alone have not changed.