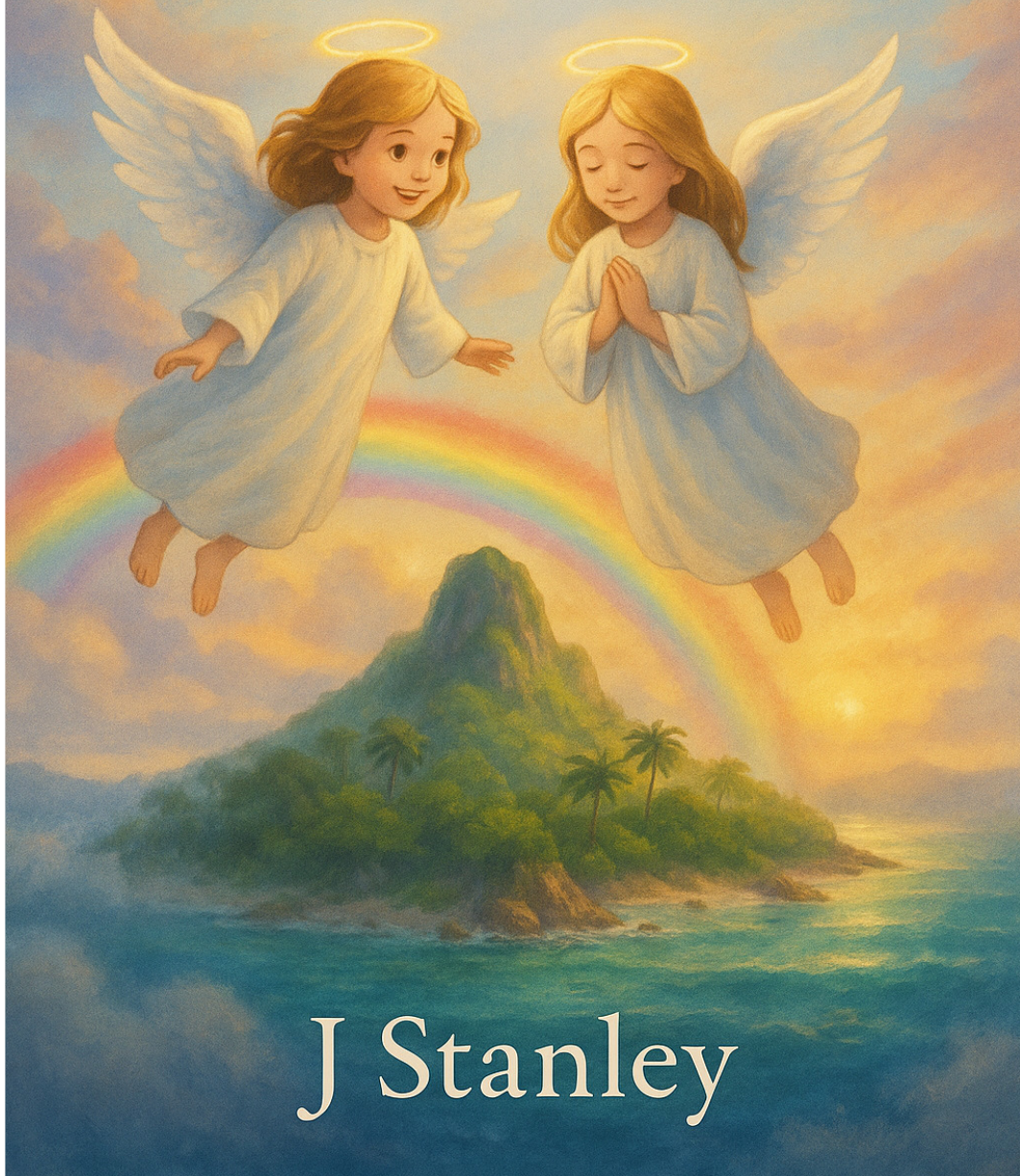


# The Secret of Angelitas Island



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"The Secret of Angelitas Island"

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Dedicated to my Niece and Nephew

Jacob and Libby

May you always walk in wonder, kindness, and faith.

May the angels light guide your hearts, and may you  
discover the beauty God has made in even the smallest  
corners of the world.

"In spite of everything, I still believe that people are really  
good at heart." – Anne Frank

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## Chapter 1: Hello Angelitas



Class was just starting when Mimi, a MariAngel, started calling out the names and assignments for the day, "Christy and Courtney, today you

have rainbow duty. Tommy and Bobby, you have pineapple showers today". Mimi continued calling out to the angels-in-training, who anxiously awaited hearing her soft voice call their names and tell them what they had to do. These angels-in-training didn't have their wings yet and went to class every day to learn how to become a full-fledged Angel, taught by MariAngels. Right now, they were called Angelitas, which means "little angels".

Angelitas learned about rainbows, pineapple showers, how to make the stars shine brighter, and even how to make the clouds look like animals, clowns, and funny faces. Every angel-in-training loved learning all these things and wanted to someday earn their wings. "Okay, okay," Mimi called out, "Angelitas, you can all go and bring some happiness to the world today". All the Angelitas flurried out of the room.

As Christy walked out of the classroom, she turned and asked, "Courtney, remind me again about the rainbows?". Courtney bent toward her friend and cheerfully answered, "The rainbow is made up of seven colors—red, orange, yellow, green, blue, deep blue, and reddish blue. Of course, there are a million more colors here in heaven".

"And what else?" asked Christy.

"The beautiful colors remind us what God told Noah," Courtney said. "When rainbows appear from the clouds, our father will

see it and remember his love and promise to us all". She continued, "Each color has a special meaning, like the color red". "He said that even though our sins may be bright red, they shall be white as snow, and though they be red like deep red, they shall be as wool. It is a promise he made to all—a promise of forgiveness of our sins. Just as a father forgives his children when they have done wrong, so does God forgive all his children when they ask him for forgiveness".

"Wait, I don't understand, Courtney," Christy said. "What does 'white as snow' and 'wool' have to do with the forgiveness of sins?"

"Christy, do you remember the nursery rhyme, 'Mary Had a Little Lamb'?" Courtney asked. "Mary is Jesus' mother, the Virgin Mary. Jesus is often referred to as the Lamb of God and the lamb that followed Mary everywhere she would go, and its fleece, which is another name for wool, was 'white as snow'".

She went on, "Jesus was on Earth for the forgiveness of our sins. So, when someone sins and asks God for forgiveness, their sins are no more; they are as white as snow".

Courtney was interrupted by Bobby as he skipped between her and Christy. He was giddy as he laughed, "I get to make faces in the clouds! How lucky am I today?".