

After Hannah ate, she handed Mom her bowl. "I'm ready now."

"I don't think so," Mom said. "Go look in the mirror."

Hannah ran to the bathroom and looked in the mirror. Her hair was tangled, and she had a big white milk mustache. Hannah grabbed a cloth and washed her face. Then she brushed her teeth and combed her hair.

"Now I'm ready," she called.

"Not yet," Mom said. "Look in your bedroom for something Grandma sent you!"
Hannah ran to her room. A new dress

Hannah's New

By Tamra S. Arthur (Based on a true story)

My body is the temple my Father gave to me (Children's Songbook, 153).

Four-year-old Hannah's eyes popped open. Today was zoo day! She jumped out of bed.

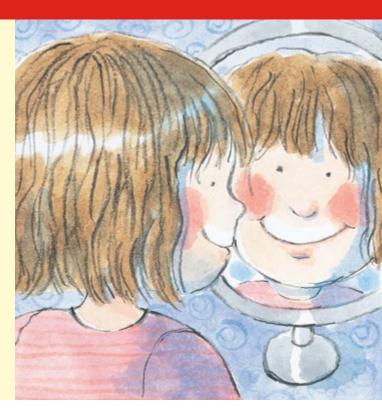
"I'm ready," she called.

"Ready for what?" Mom asked.

"Ready for the zoo!"

"Go look in the kitchen first," Mom said.

Hannah hurried to the kitchen. There was an empty bowl on the table. Then Hannah remembered. Breakfast came before the zoo.





Dress

was on her bed. It was white with red cherries on it. Red was her favorite color. But Hannah frowned.

"It doesn't have any sleeves," she said.

Mom went to Hannah's closet. She pulled out a bright red T-shirt that matched the bright red cherries.

"You can wear this under the dress," Mom said. "Then it will be modest."

Hannah quickly put the T-shirt on and then the dress.

"Now I am ready to go to the zoo!"

"Yes," Mom said and smiled. "Now you are ready." •

