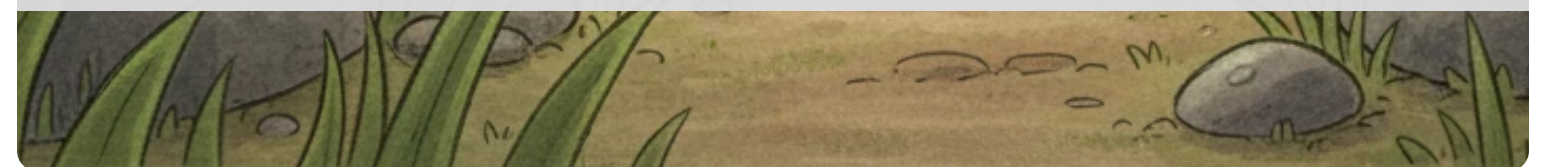




Andy's Big Lesson

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Tiny Andy lives in a bustling, magnificent anthill surrounded by hundreds of his brothers and sisters. Every morning, the colony buzzes with energy as the ants move in perfect harmony to keep their home strong and organized.

Andy's Stand



Under the golden morning sun, the wise leader of the colony stands tall on a smooth pebble and announces it is time to gather food. A great line of ants begins to form, ready to march into the tall grass to prepare for the coming rainy season.



While the others march off to work, Andy stays behind, hiding under the shade of a broad green leaf. He tells himself he is far too small to make a difference and decides to spend his day playing in the cool dew instead of helping.



From his shady spot, Andy watches his friends struggle with heavy crumbs and giant seeds under the scorching heat of the sun. They wipe their brows and keep going with determination, but Andy just relaxes, thinking he has found a much easier way to spend his time.

THE STORM'S ARRIVAL



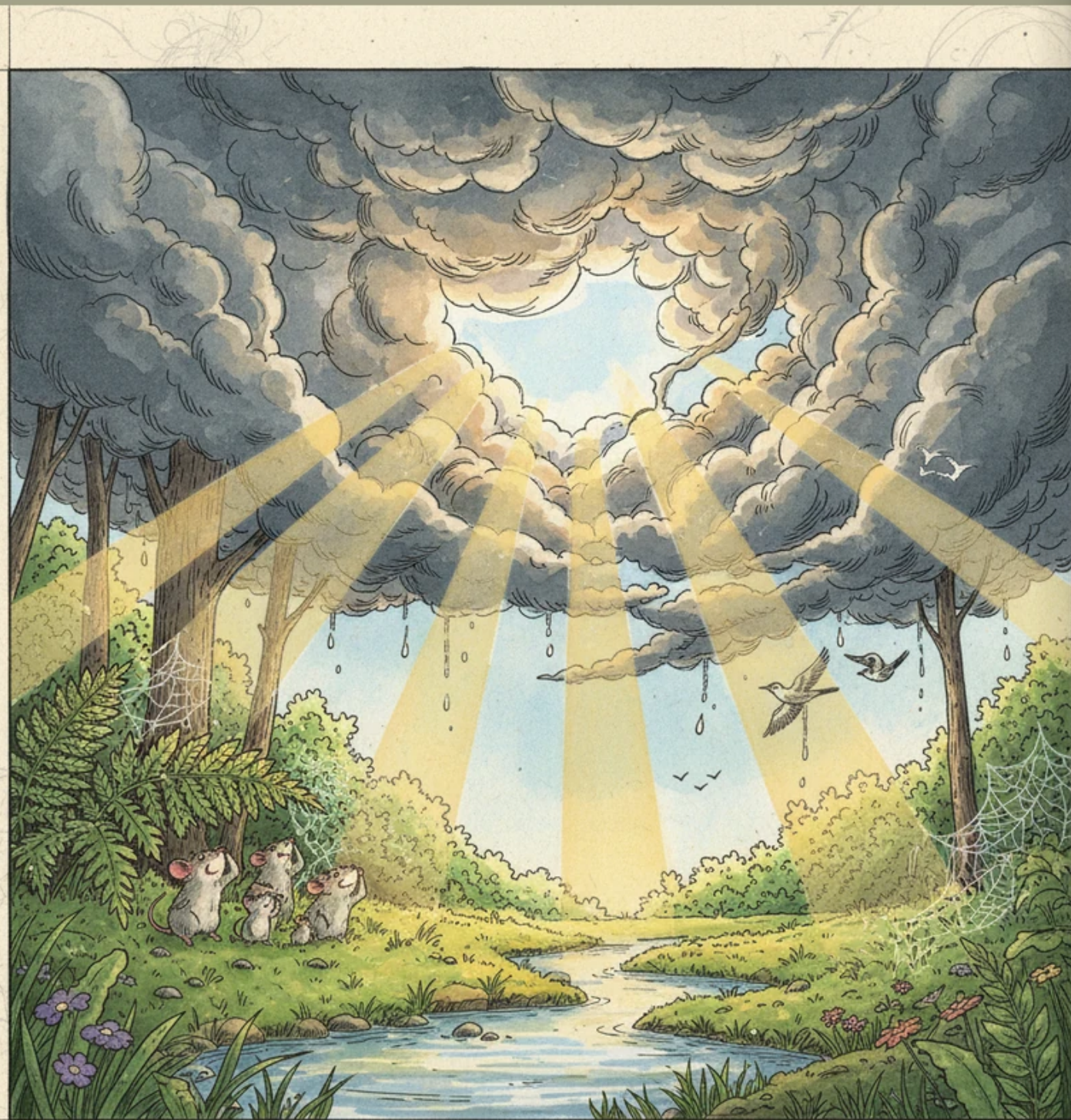
Suddenly, the bright sky turns a deep, moody gray and heavy raindrops begin to splash loudly against the earth. The worker ants scramble quickly, carrying the last of their precious haul back into the safety of the deep, dry tunnels of the hill.



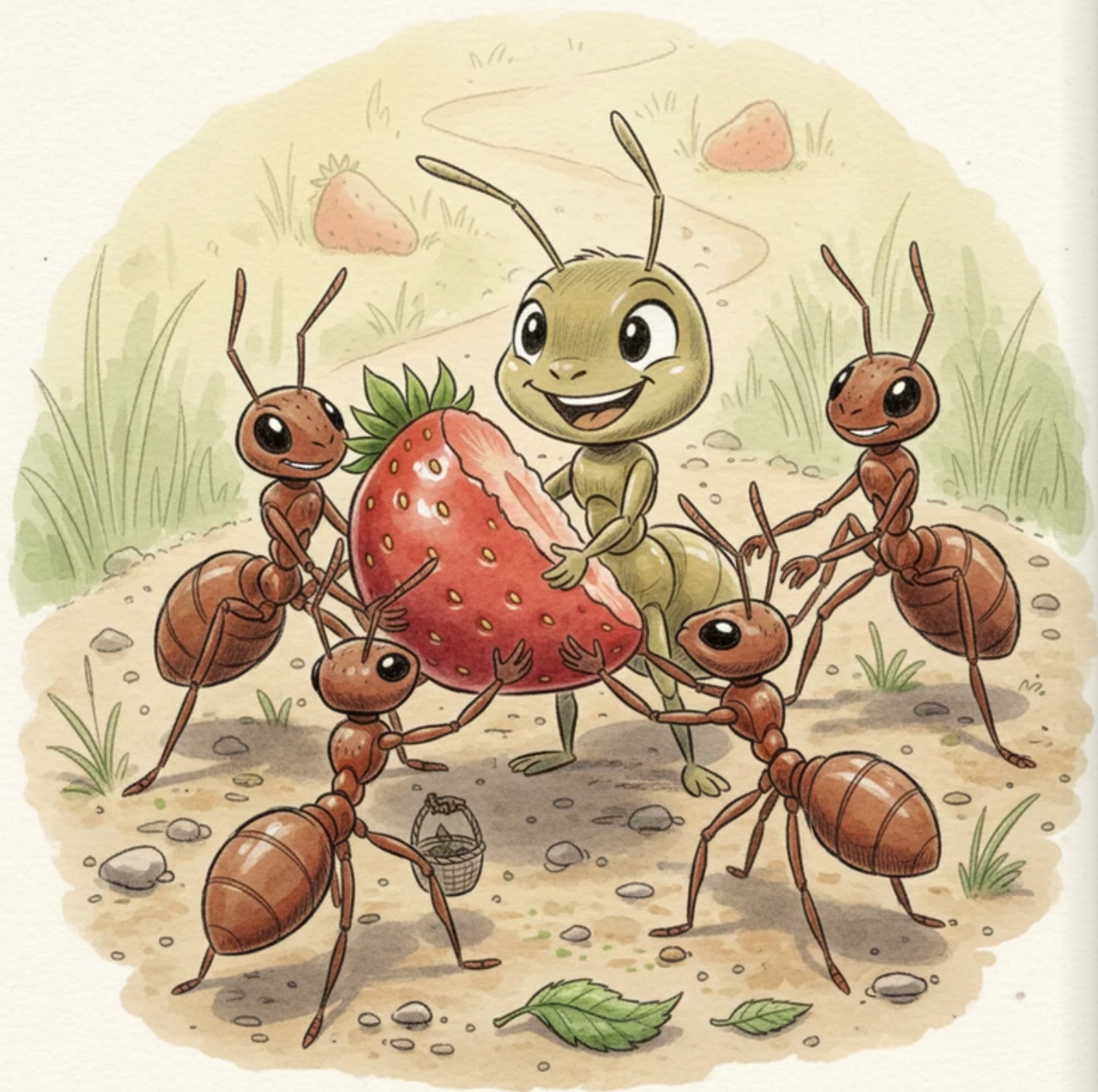
Deep inside the anthill, the air is warm and smells of sweet nectar and stored grain. While every other ant sits down to a delicious feast and shares stories of their day, Andy sits alone in a dark corner with an empty stomach.



The sound of rain tapping on the ground above makes Andy feel very lonely and regretful for his lazy afternoon. He realizes that by not helping his family, he has let himself down, and he makes a quiet promise to change his ways tomorrow.



When the clouds finally part and the bright sun warms the earth again, Andy is the very first ant out of bed. He stands at the entrance of the hill with a determined look on his face, eager and ready to show everyone that he is a valuable member of the team.



Andy works side-by-side with his friends, lifting a piece of fruit that is twice his size with a big, proud smile. He discovers that working together makes the heavy load feel light and fills his heart with a wonderful sense of belonging.

The New Light



By the end of the day, the storehouse is full and Andy is the happiest ant in the entire colony. He understands now that working hard today ensures a bright and safe tomorrow, and that even a small ant can do great things when he helps others.