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The Phasieland Fairy Tales

**Transforming into Animals
and the Onslaught of the Wolf Pack**

(Recommended for Bedtime Reading)

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Phasie and his long-haired friend Astra played in the yard from morning until evening nearly every day. Unlike the other children, they both knew about Phasieland and often spoke about it.

"Phasie, have you ever tried to be one of the animals there?"

"Can we do that?"

"In Phasieland we can! I once tried to be a little birdie, and was able to turn into one. I chirped and collected seeds!"

Phasie was sure that he already knew everything about Phasieland, and that's why he was surprised by this new opportunity.

After having his mother's delicious pie for dinner, Phasie decided to turn into a tiger and try to talk to animals that evening. Meanwhile, he hoped that there would be no wolves around, as he was quite afraid of them.

But Phasie had no idea where the undertaking would lead.





After turning up somewhere in the jungle in Phasieland, Phasie ran along the path on his hands and knees, trying to turn into a powerful tiger.

"Hey, new guy! New guy!" he heard a monkey say above him.

"Where are you from?" a bear asked threateningly as it blocked the road.

"I'm taking a walk here," answered Phasie. It turned out that he had already turned into a tiger with a striped tail.

Phasie made friends with all of the animals and played with them for a long time, having a lot of fun. But suddenly, bad gray wolves filled the forest and scared away all the animals. As it turns out, the dragon Faw was behind it. He didn't like the fact that Phasie had been up to something in Phasieland.

But Phasie's problems didn't end after waking up. When he left home in the morning, Spar came up to him and said that they would fight the next evening.





Phasie was sure that Spar would beat him bad, but still decided to spend the whole day training and building muscle.

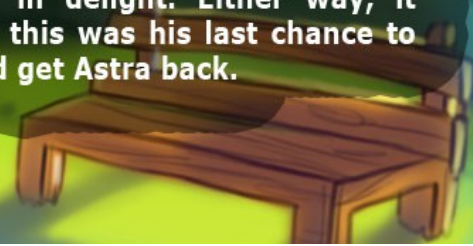
"Oh, you're going to get it!" Obi taunted Phasie. "After all, he's older."

"I can't give up: Astra doesn't like sissies!" answered Phasie, trying to get up on the pull-up bar.

"Stupid girls mean nothing but problems! We'd be better off without them."

Maybe Obi was right, but Phasie liked Astra, and he couldn't back down now. Until late evening, he did pushups and chin-ups, and practiced secret punches.

Meanwhile, Spar simply lay in bed and pictured his victory in his mind over and over again. He especially liked the moment when Astra touched his biceps in delight. Either way, it seemed to him that this was his last chance to humiliate Phasie and get Astra back.







Later that afternoon, Phasie met up with Astra and told her about his adventures with animals in the jungle:

"And then there were so many wolves! They scared everyone away and bit."

"And so what do we do now?"

"I don't know. But now I am too scared to go back there."

"Aren't you going to save those poor little animals?" Astra asked in frustration. "I thought you were a brave boy! Or maybe not?"

Phasie decided that Astra actually wouldn't be happy if Spar beat him up the next day. He thought boys always needed to be winners in the eyes of fickle girls.

In the end, he decided to first help the animals in Phasieland and do something about the wolves. Phasie hoped that it would also somehow help him in the fight against Spar.





While falling asleep, Phasie thought up an excellent plan for fighting the packs of angry wolves. During the magic moment of awakening, he immediately appeared in the Jungle, and became a tiger cub without any difficulty. After taking some more air into his lungs, he yelled as loud as he could:

"Animals! Everyone come here!"

He could hear the rustle of branches from all directions and in a minute all the animals, who were scared by the wolves, gathered around Phasie.

"I've figured out how to beat the wolves!"

"Hurray! Finally!" rejoiced the little animals.
"Good job, tiger cub!"

Phasie didn't have time to share his plan before an evil pack of wolves surrounded the animals. The wolves bared their teeth and growled in a frightening manner, coming closer and closer, and then jumped at them and started to bite and scratch everyone. Fear caused Phasie to immediately wake up at home.





Stubborn as ever, Phasie never gave up, and during the next magic minute of awakening he tried to immediately appear in the jungle. He wasn't successful, but he was able to get up from bed without moving a muscle, and nevertheless then appeared in the jungle.

Without losing any time, Phasie began to watch the sky in order to find a bird. His reasoning was that the wolves would not be able to get them in the sky, and were afraid of fire. And that could be used as an advantage.

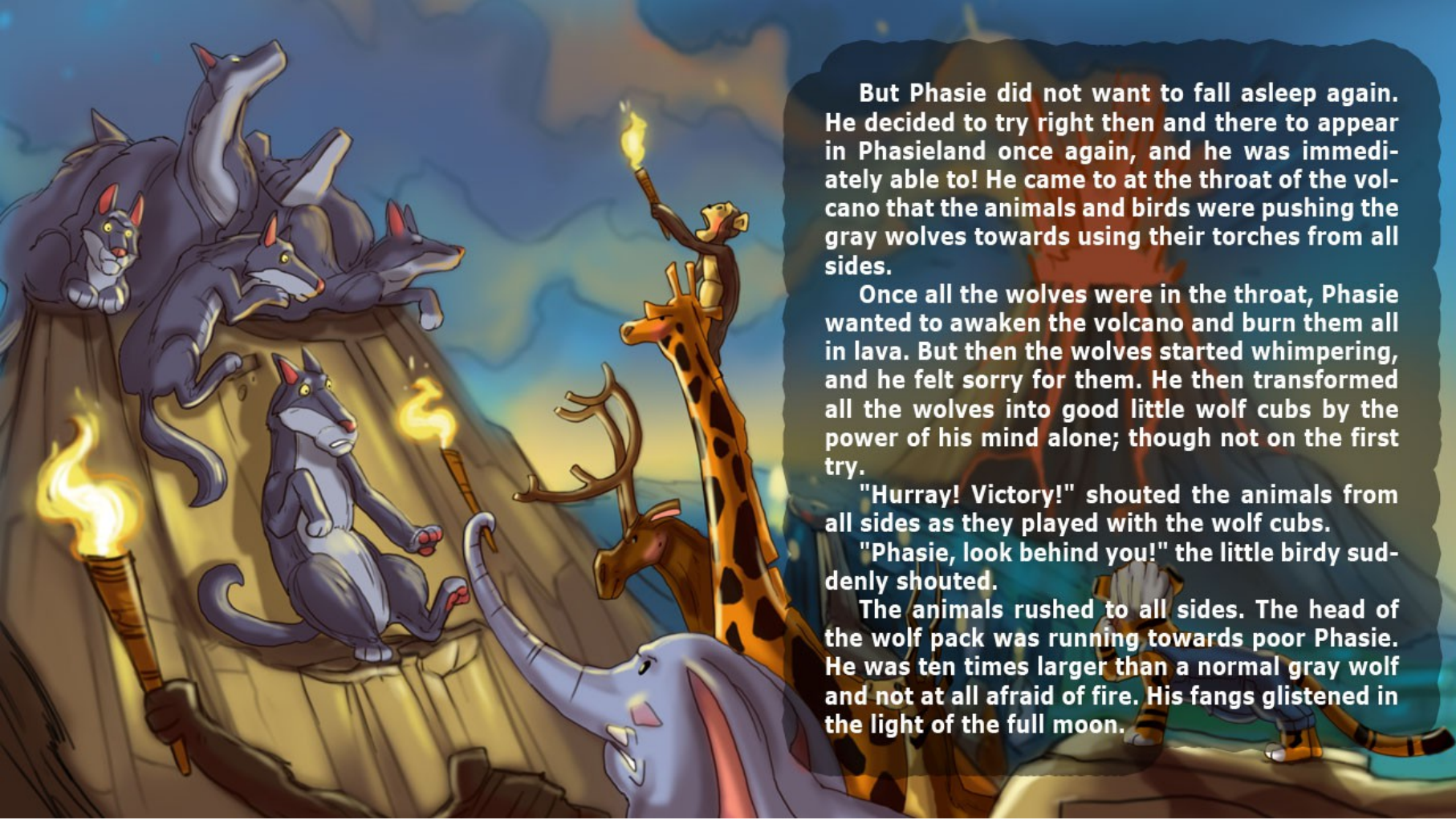
"Astra, is that you?" he saw a little birdie in the sky that the wolves were preventing from collecting seeds.

"Have you thought of something, Phasie?"

"Tell all the animals of Phasieland to take torches and force the wolves into the throat of the sleeping volcano!"

Phasie had hardly had time to tell Astra what to do when wolves descended upon him. They had enormous teeth, and he became frightened and woke up again.





But Phasie did not want to fall asleep again. He decided to try right then and there to appear in Phasieland once again, and he was immediately able to! He came to at the throat of the volcano that the animals and birds were pushing the gray wolves towards using their torches from all sides.

Once all the wolves were in the throat, Phasie wanted to awaken the volcano and burn them all in lava. But then the wolves started whimpering, and he felt sorry for them. He then transformed all the wolves into good little wolf cubs by the power of his mind alone; though not on the first try.

"Hurray! Victory!" shouted the animals from all sides as they played with the wolf cubs.

"Phasie, look behind you!" the little birdy suddenly shouted.

The animals rushed to all sides. The head of the wolf pack was running towards poor Phasie. He was ten times larger than a normal gray wolf and not at all afraid of fire. His fangs glistened in the light of the full moon.





The leader was also so scary and awful that Phasie the tiger cub's paws shook, his tail went between his legs, and his teeth started to chatter. How to overcome the fear?

There was nowhere to go, and the desperate tiger cub rushed to meet the awful animal with a roar. They bit at and clawed at each other. Phasie suddenly slipped past the wolf's enormous fangs, appeared behind him, and caught him by the tail with his nails and teeth.

No matter how the wolf turned, he could not throw off Phasie the tiger cub, whose teeth were young and extremely sharp.

"I give up! You win!" whimpered the exhausted wolf.

"Do you promise that you won't treat us badly anymore?" growled Phasie through gritted teeth.

"I promise! I promise!" the wolf pleaded as he was set free amidst the squealing of the jubilant animals.





The next evening, all the children assembled on the basketball court to watch the fight between Spar and Phasie. Astra also knew about it, but would never have guessed that it was all about her.

Spar naively expected an easy victory, but his knees went weak when he saw Phasie, whose movements and appearance were quite resolute! Phasie threateningly rolled up his sleeves and prepared for a desperate fight, as if he were going up against the alpha-male wolf; however, to his surprise and his friends' delight, his adversary merely yelped and ran away.

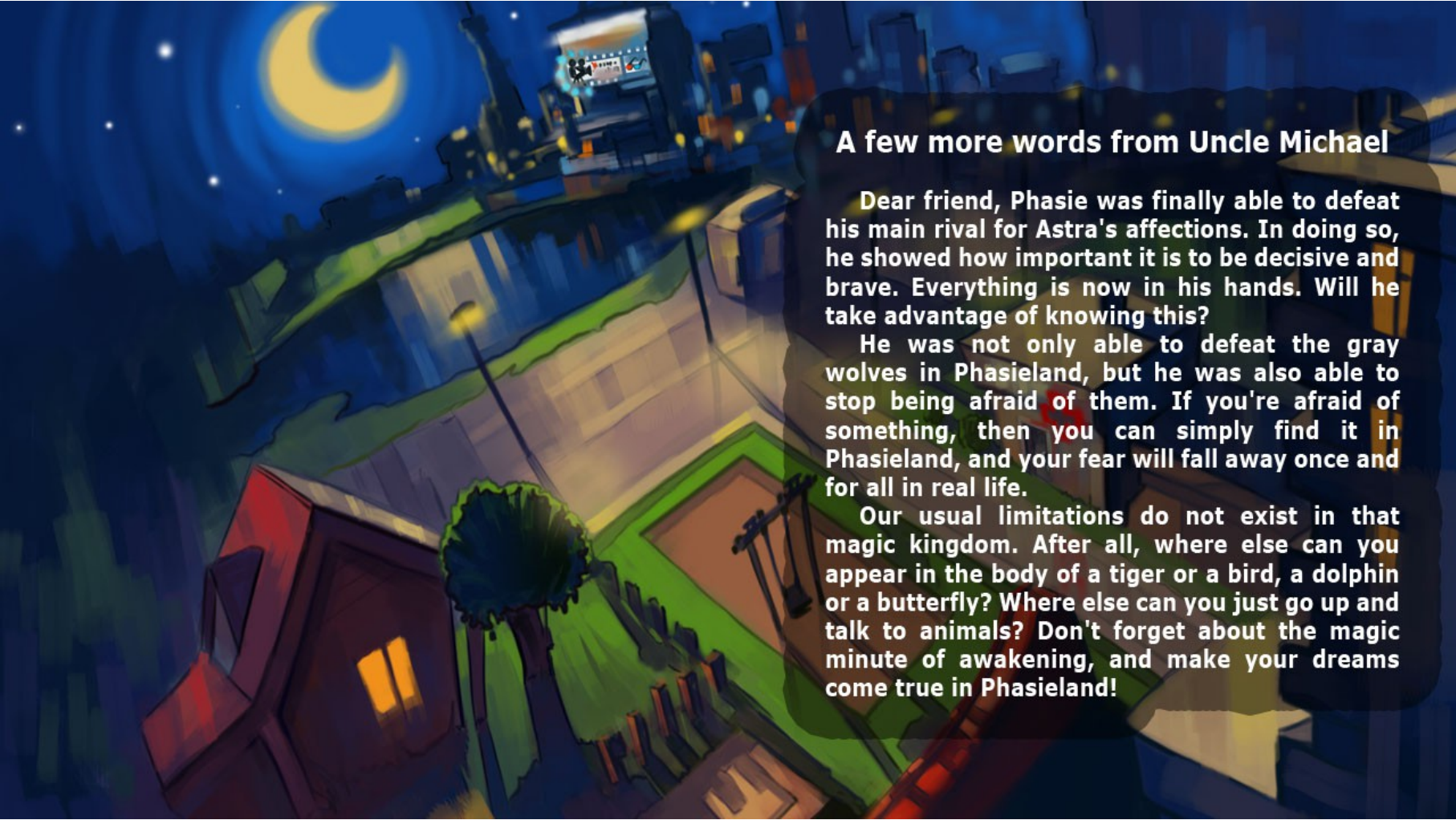
"I didn't know that he was such a coward!" giggled Astra.

"Me neither," Phasie replied. "All that's left is for us to free Phasieland from that evil dragon once and for all."

"Do you think it's possible?"

Phasie smiled enigmatically; a new plan was already hatching in his mind.



A stylized illustration of a city at night. A large yellow crescent moon is in the dark blue sky. In the background, a building has a sign that says "PHASIELAND". The city is built on a hillside, with a road and a building in the foreground. The style is colorful and cartoonish.

A few more words from Uncle Michael

Dear friend, Phasie was finally able to defeat his main rival for Astra's affections. In doing so, he showed how important it is to be decisive and brave. Everything is now in his hands. Will he take advantage of knowing this?

He was not only able to defeat the gray wolves in Phasieland, but he was also able to stop being afraid of them. If you're afraid of something, then you can simply find it in Phasieland, and your fear will fall away once and for all in real life.

Our usual limitations do not exist in that magic kingdom. After all, where else can you appear in the body of a tiger or a bird, a dolphin or a butterfly? Where else can you just go up and talk to animals? Don't forget about the magic minute of awakening, and make your dreams come true in Phasieland!



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