

Angel - <u>Un</u>selfish, Thriving Saver Of Worlds

Meet my friend Angel, the most creative, artful and thriving Whimsey ever. Whimseys are wild and whimsical, are brightly colored, and live

in an amazing land

far, far away.

Whimsey World.

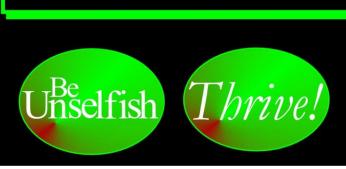
This is the story of how Angel becomes most powerful Whimsey ever.

Can travel through space and time. Can help

change future of worlds.
Just as Angel did for
Whimsey World, Angel
uses this great power
to help other worlds
become unselfish.

By becoming

unselfish, worlds build a thriving future for all. For all "humans" and other creatures. For their home planet.





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Dedication

To those who are <u>un</u>selfish and help achieve a surviving and thriving future for all - all people, all other creatures, and Earth.

To those who care enough to help build, achieve and sustain a surviving and thriving future for all.

In this story, "humans" is the word used for whatever are most intelligent creatures on a planet. "Creature" is the word used for all living things (humans (Hu), other animals (An), plants (Pl)).

Earth and space images in this book are created based on NASA images.

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Several fiction books on being unselfish and thriving, including: black box - First Book in the Thrive! Series. "The Thrive! Endeavor – Second Book In Thrive! Series". Angel - Thriving Creator of Artful Things. Angel - Most Creative, Artful and Thriving Ukrainian. Early Extinction – Angel Comes to Save Earth. Being <u>Un</u>selfish! – Unselfish Path to Surviving and Thriving. T!rrific [terrific] - What will you do to thrive?. Thrive! – Escape from Extinction. Extinction! The Failure to Thrive. Xtinct – Universal Justice for Earth. A Thrivist Tale: Path To Thriving Future For All. Thrive Or Not To Thrive? – That Is The Question. A Tale Of Two Tomorrows. Angel -Unselfish, Thriving Saver of Worlds



Several non-fiction books focus on how to be unselfish and build a better, thriving future, including: Thrive! Endeavor - All Thrive Forever. Thrive! - Building a Thriving Future for All. Thrivism – Path to Thriving Future for All. Thrive! – Quick Guide to a Thriving Future. Thrive! – People's Guide to a Thriving Future. Thrive! System!® - Achieving Thriving Future For All. Early Extinction or Thriving Future. Be Unselfish! - How to Survive and Thrive While Being Unselfish. Stop Selfish -Stop Selfish, Shortsighted, and Stupid. Hope! - Hope for a thriving future for all. On Razor's Edge - If Humans Have The Will, Human Behavior Can Change To **Avoid Early Extinction And Build** Thriving Future. Behavior Effectiveness Model (BEM). The Thrive! Philosophy: Thrive! - All Thrive Forever. HealthePeople® - Achieving Healthy People, Communities, Countries and World via Thrive!. First People Thriving Health Systems – Achieving healthy and thriving First People. Thrive! Sculpture & Thought – Sculptural Vision of a Thriving Future for All. A Life in Pursuit of Thriving for All. The Story of Thrive! Center and Thrive! Park.



Thrive! Sculpture by GChris $Be\ \underline{Un}selfish$

 $2' \times 3'$ Metal Mobile Sculpture

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Note To Reader

This book is meant for caring, forward thinking younger people. Not as much for older adults. Older adults are more the problem than the solution.

This is especially for younger people who are or want to be <u>un</u>selfish. Especially for younger people who want a thriving future for all. For all people. For all other creatures. For Earth.

This is about how worlds can have either a very bad or a very good future. It is the most intelligent and most capable beings on a world who most determine a world's future. On Earth those beings are known as humans.

If those most intelligent and most capable beings want a surviving and thriving future for all, there is only one path. That path is for all to be <u>un</u>selfish.

If their choice is to be <u>un</u>selfish, then their world will have a thriving future for all.

Their choice. <u>Un</u>selfish or selfish. Their and their world's future? Thriving or not thriving.

Prologue

Since the beginning of the universe, there have been many worlds. Many thrive throughout their existence. Many fail to thrive. Some go extinct.

This is the story of Angel, a Whimsey from Whimsey World. Angel helped lead the Whimseys from being selfish with an endangered future to being <u>un</u>selfish with a thriving future.

In this story, Angel discovers more and more powers, allowing Angel to travel to and interact with other worlds.

Having led the successful effort to save Whimsey World, Angel decides to travel throughout the universe to different worlds. Some facing early extinction and great damage to their home planet. Some with an uncertain future. Some with thriving future.

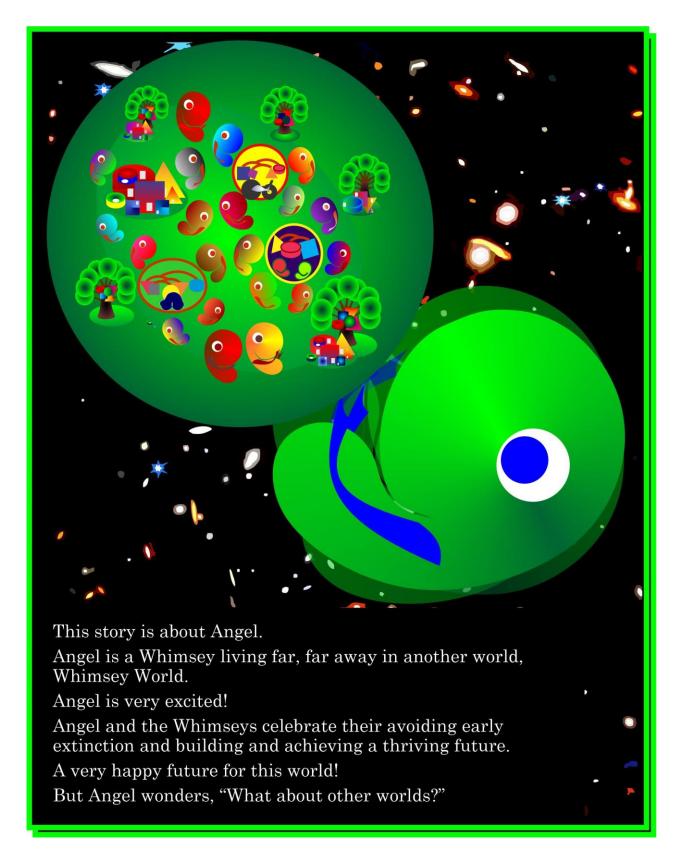
Angel tries to help save other worlds. Angel also comes to Earth. To help Earth to avoid early extinction and great damage to Earth. To help humans become <u>un</u>selfish and have a thriving future for all.

What is the future for each of these worlds?

Thrive? Or not thrive?







Whimsey World

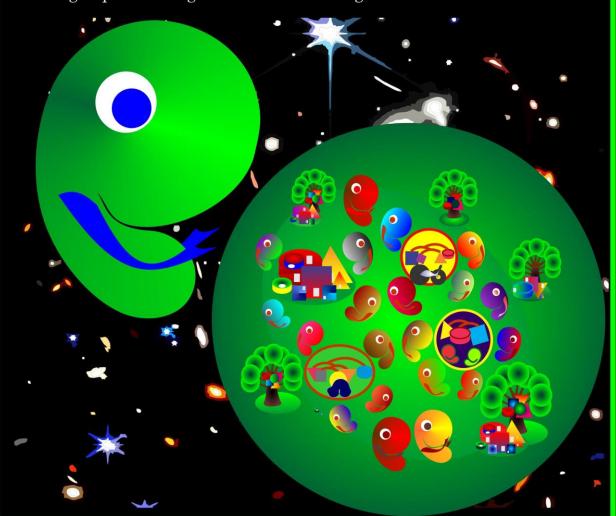
This is Whimsey World. Home to some of the most creative and caring creatures in the universe.

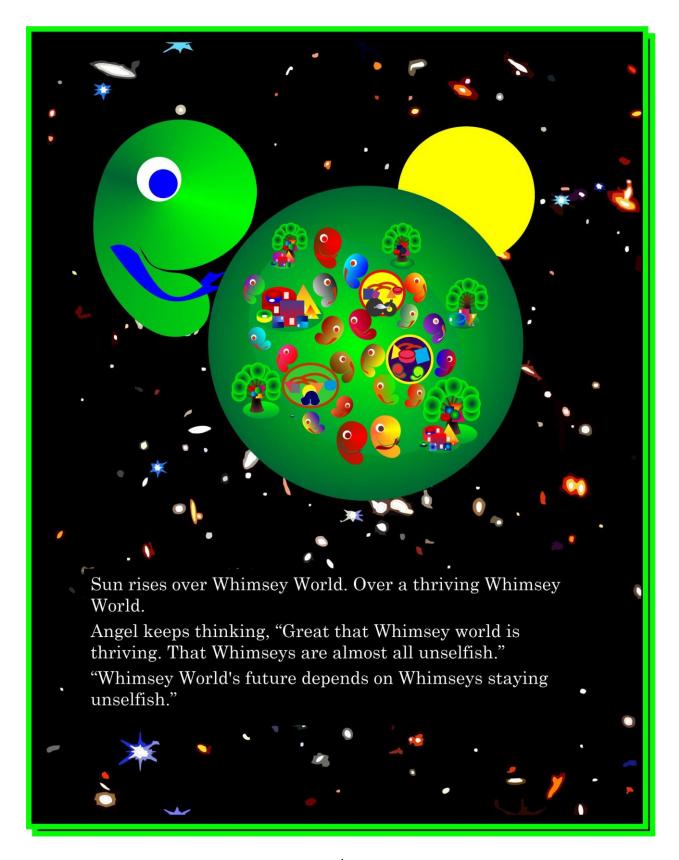
Whimseys are wild and whimsical. Very caring. Highly creative. Brightly colored. From an amazing land far, far, away.

Angel, a bright green Whimsey, is the most caring, creative, artful, and thriving Whimsey ever.

Angel is powerful by being whimsical and creative. Even more powerful by joining with and leading all Whimseys.

But Angel is becoming more and more powerful. Being able to move through space. Being able to move through time. And more.....







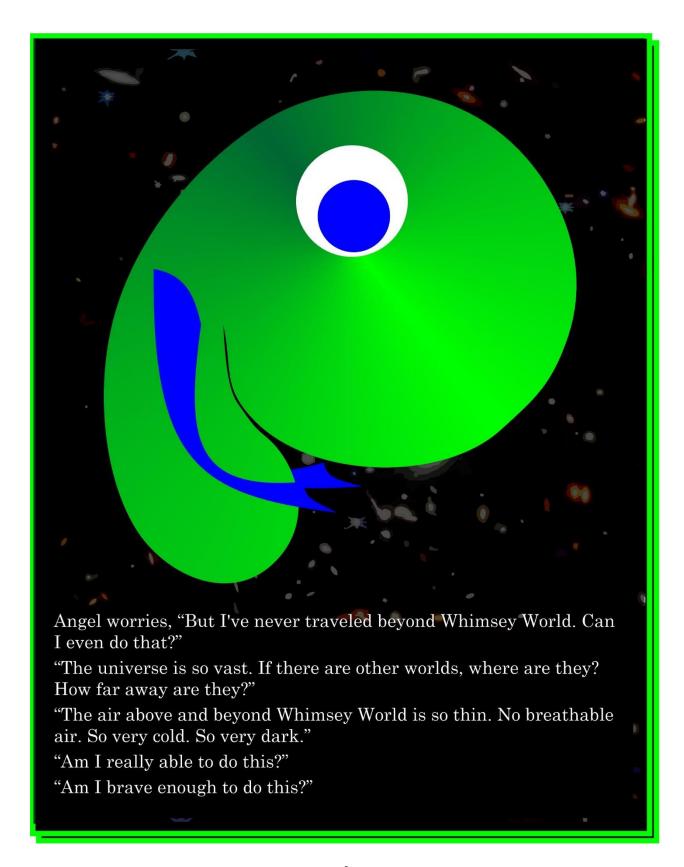
Angel wonders, "Are there other worlds? And what about those other worlds."

Angel's suspicion is that other worlds may not be doing as well. May even be doing very badly. But maybe some worlds are thriving. As much as or maybe even more than Whimsey World.

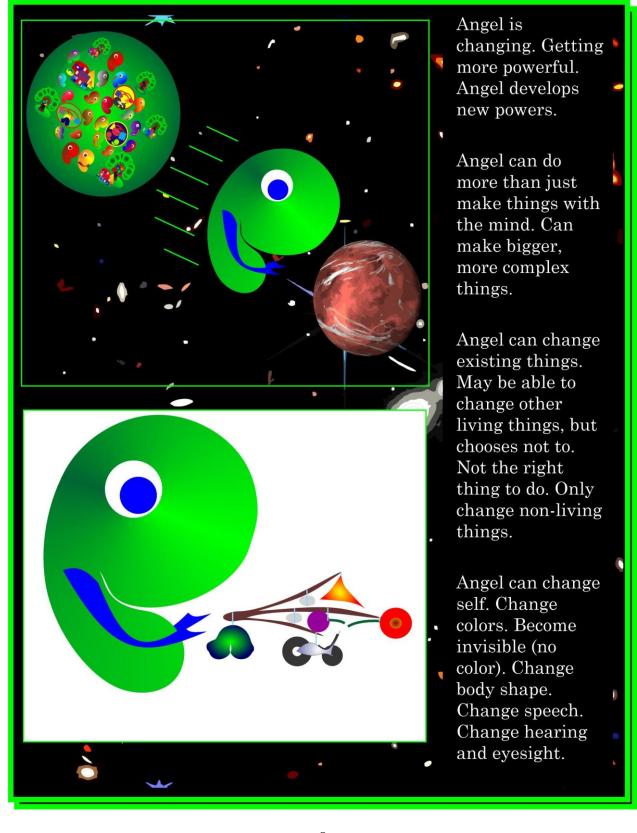
Angel thinks, "What if I could travel to other worlds. Learn from them. What to avoid. What to achieve."

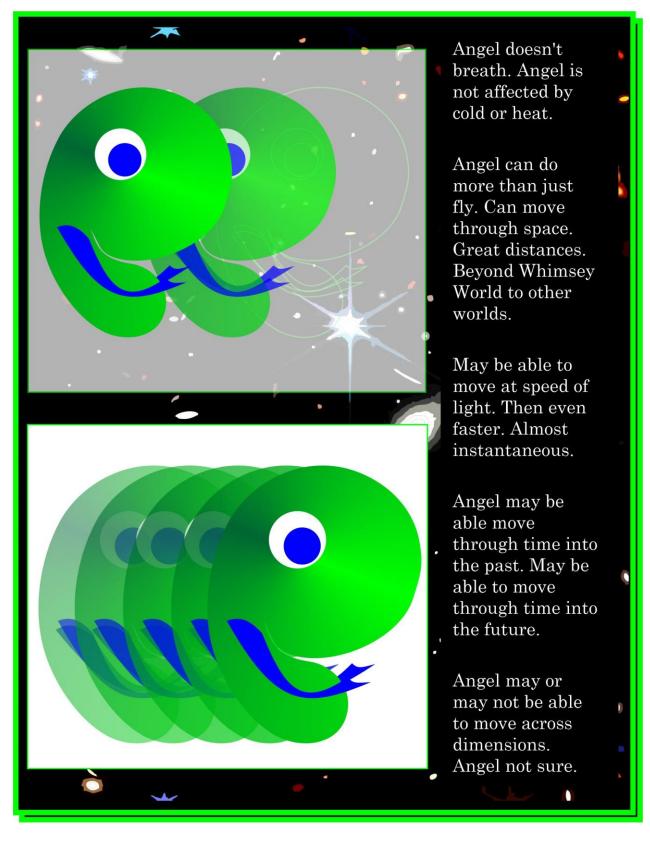
"Maybe I could even help some that are not thriving to do better."

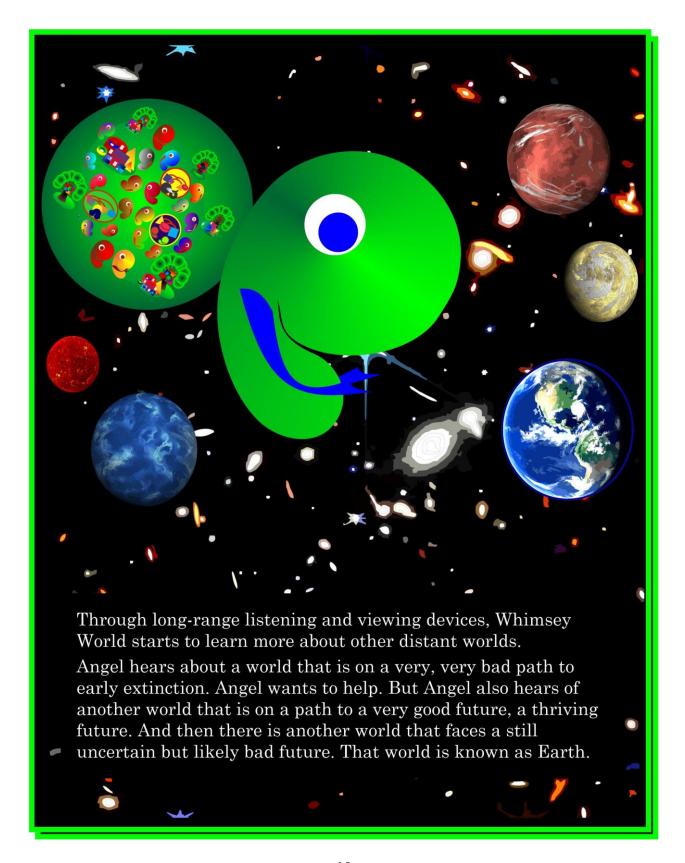
"Let them know what Whimsey World did to change its future from bad to good. From being selfish to being unselfish. From a very bad future to a thriving future for all. For Whimseys. For other creatures. For Whimsey World's planet."

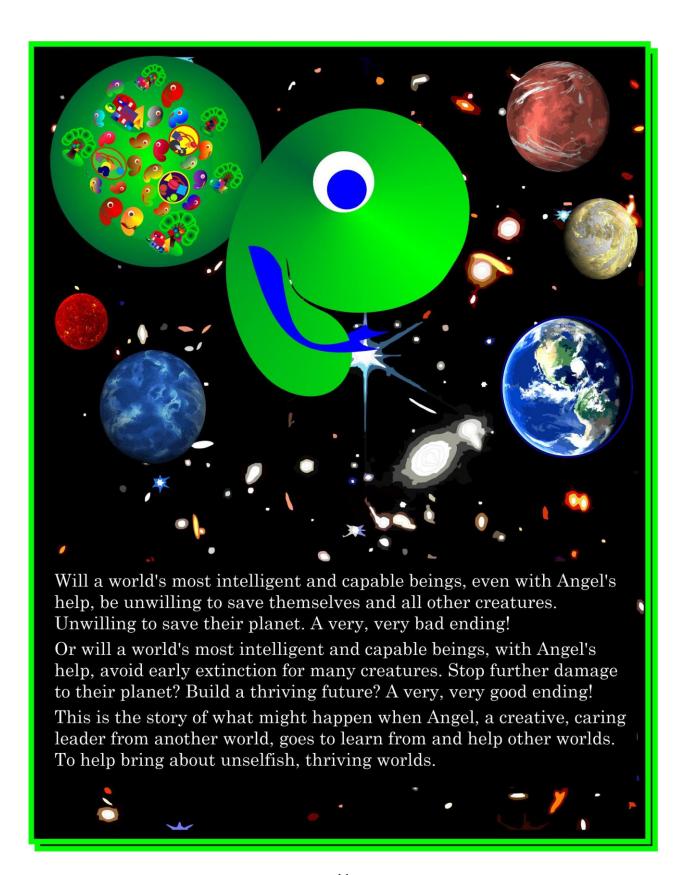














Angel gets excited, "There are other worlds out there!"

"I must try to learn from them. If they need it, help them.!"

Angel looks up into space beyond Whimsey World.

With a whoosh, Angel starts to climb.

First to thinner air above Whimsey World. As the climb continues, Angel can feel that the air is getting thinner. Less oxygen.

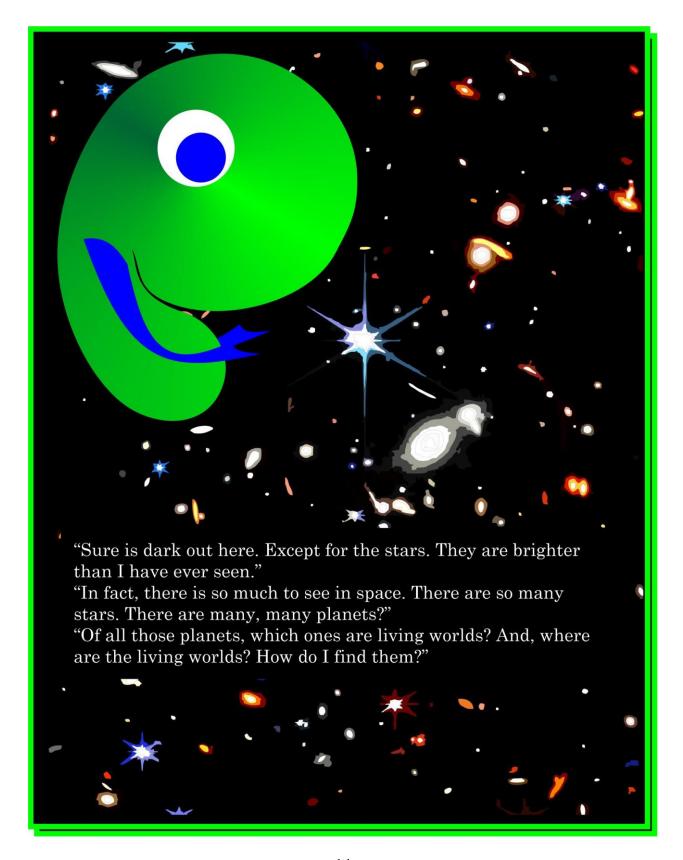
"So far. So good. Must keep going."

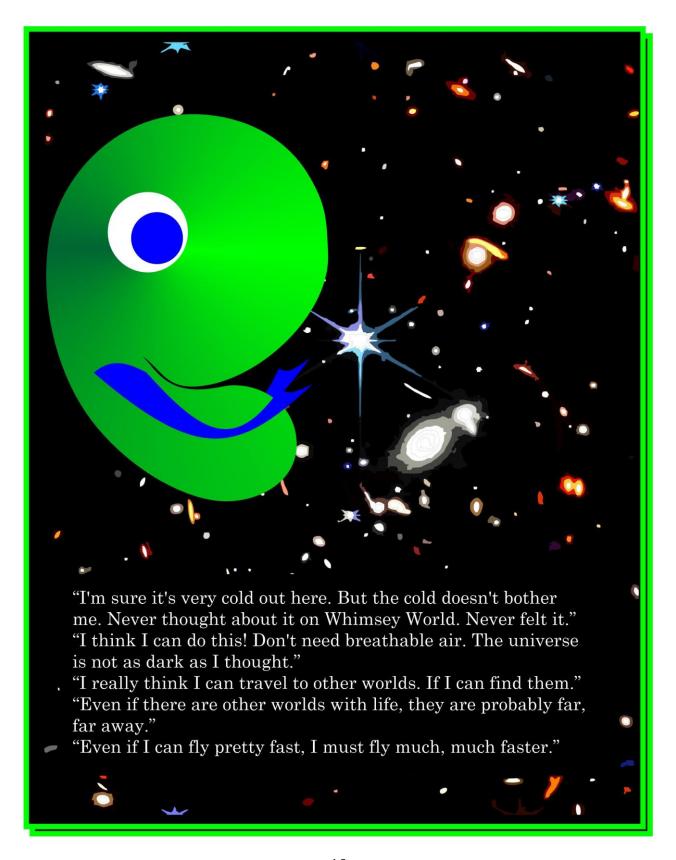
Angel continues the climb. Now beyond the atmosphere surrounding Whimsey World.

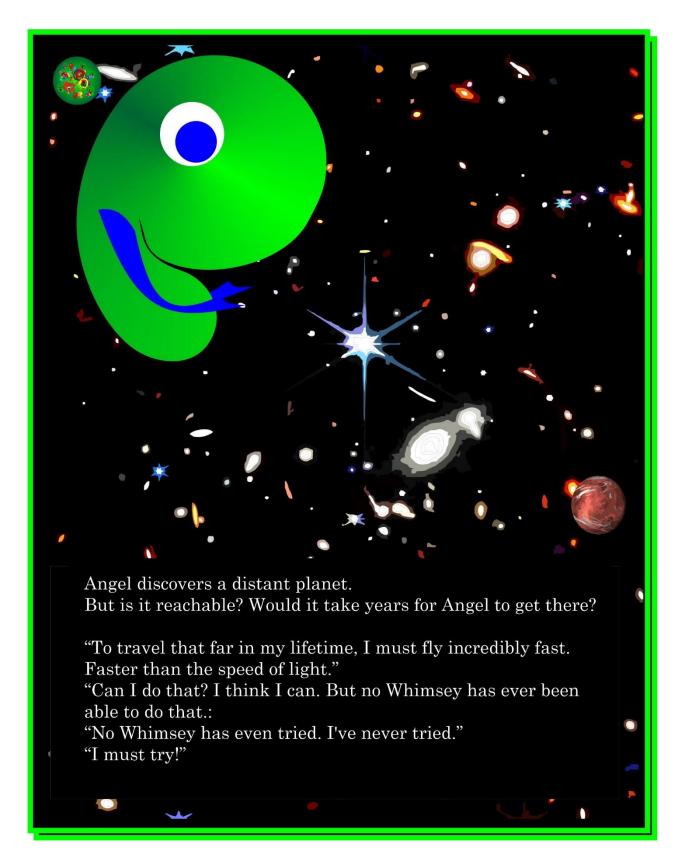
Then Angel remembers that breathable air is not something Angel needs. Lack of oxygen will not stop Angel from doing the mission.

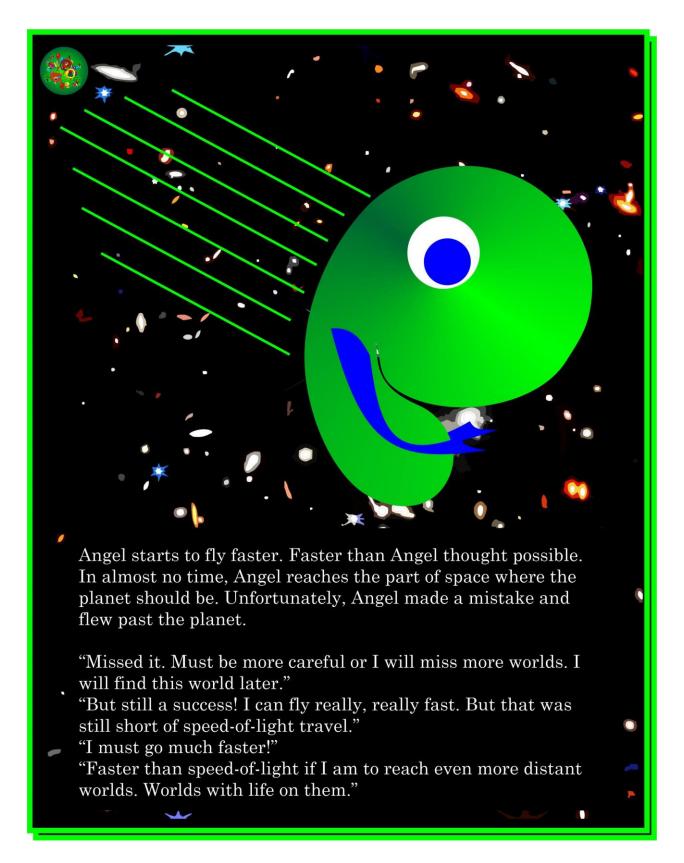
"Whee! Not only can I fly. I can fly in space beyond Whimsey World."

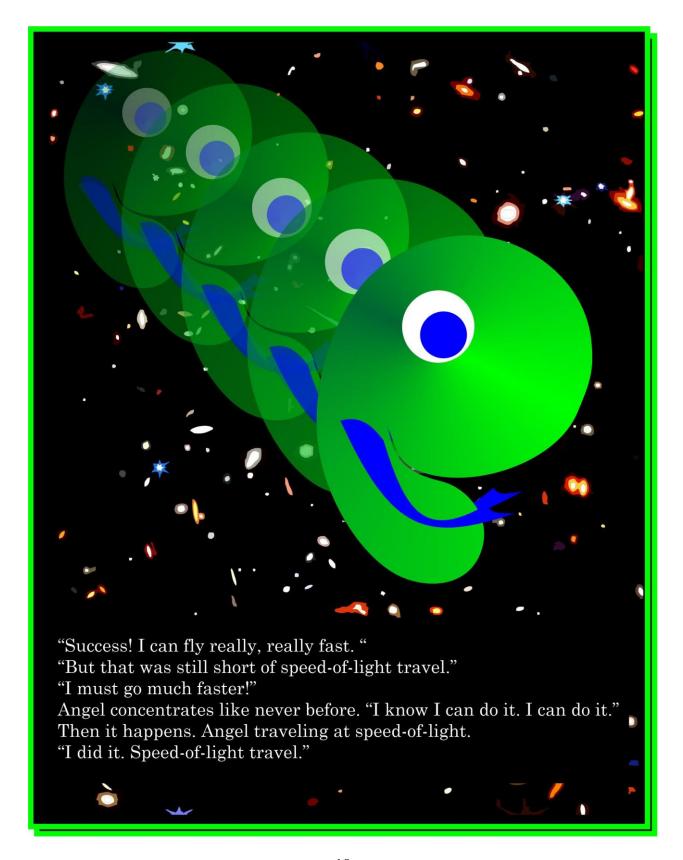


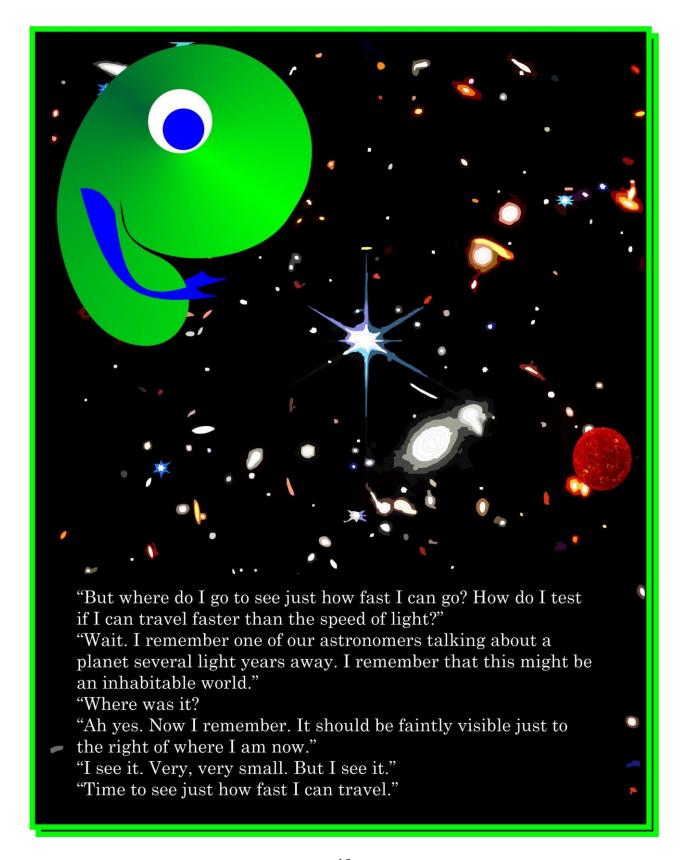












"Time to fly!"

With that, Angel starts to fly faster. Then even faster. Approaches speed of light.

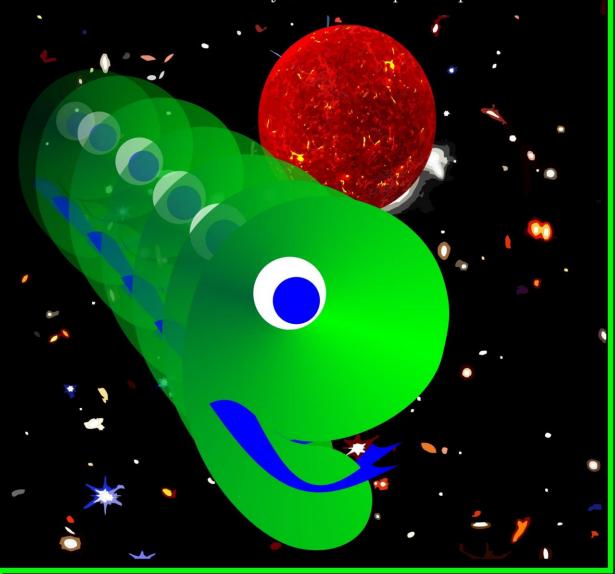
Then faster then the speed of light.

Angel sees a very different view of the universe as it passes by. No longer distinct objects. More of a flow of streaks of color.

"Going so fast it is hard to know when to slow down. When to stop."
"Think this is about right. Time to slow down. Time to stop."

As Angel stops, Angel realizes that the planet is a bit behind.

"A bit of an overshot. But not by too much. A quick trip back."



Dead World

Having to go back a bit to the planet, Angel hovers above it.

"Is this a living world? If it is, what kind of life is on it?"

As Angel flies around the planet, Angel sees all the bright colors.

But sadness. Angel realizes that there is no substantial life on it.

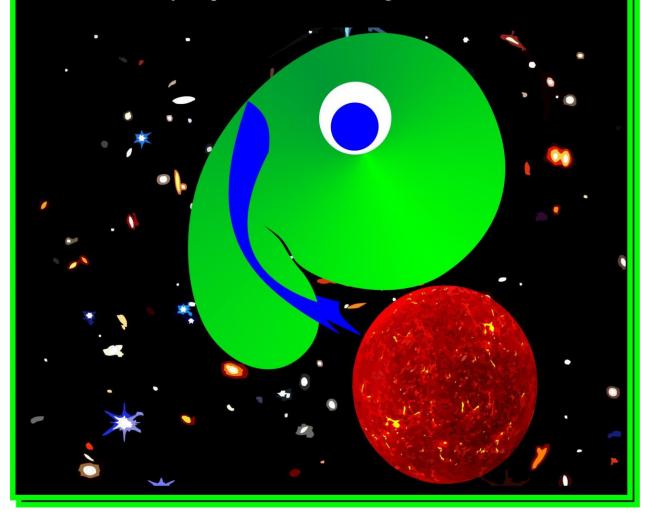
It was alive in the past. Now a dead world. It is not a world like what Angel seeks.

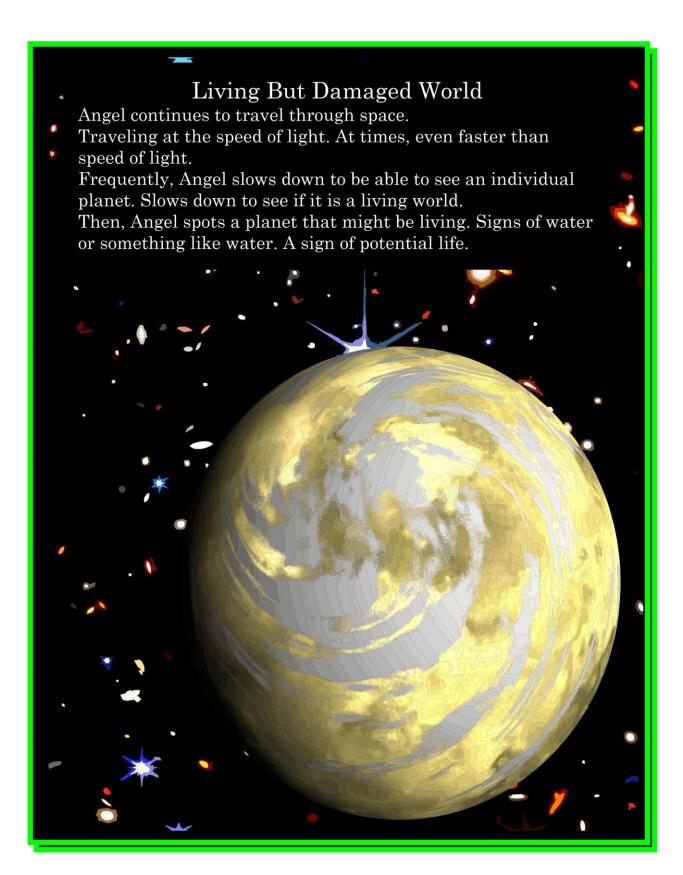
"Pretty planet, but not a living world like what I seek."

"Good news. I can travel faster than the speed of light. I can travel to distant planets. Maybe find distant living worlds."

"Do I go home? Do I go on?"

"Oh definitely go on. And on until I find a living world. Maybe that world can use my help to become a thriving world."





Angel hovers over different parts of the planet looking for signs of life.

Then the first sign. Live plants.

A little closer. The second sign. Live animals.

And then the sign of highly intelligent life. Structures made by highly intelligent life. Buildings. Roads.

Even closer. There they are. The creatures that made those structures.

"These creatures are very different than Whimseys. If they are the most intelligent creatures of this world then they would be considered 'humans'."

"I must get closer. But I must be careful. I don't know how they will react to seeing their first Whimsey."





As Angel changes to be visible, a creature spots Angel.

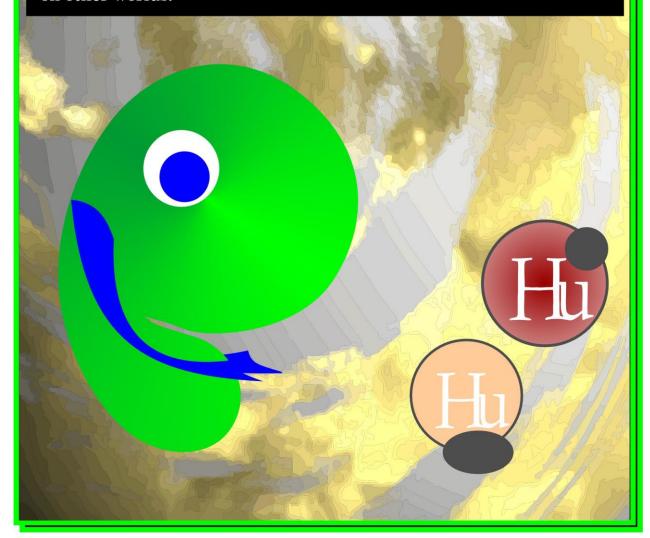
The creatures shouts over to Angel, "Hey, what are you doing here? More importantly, what are you? You are not one of us."

Angel replies, "Hi. My name is Angel. I am what is known as a Whimsey. I come from Whimsey World."

"And yes, I am very different than all of you. For one thing, I can fly. Another is that I am not attached to a machine."

"Though your language is very different than mine, somehow we are able to communicate. That is a good thing."

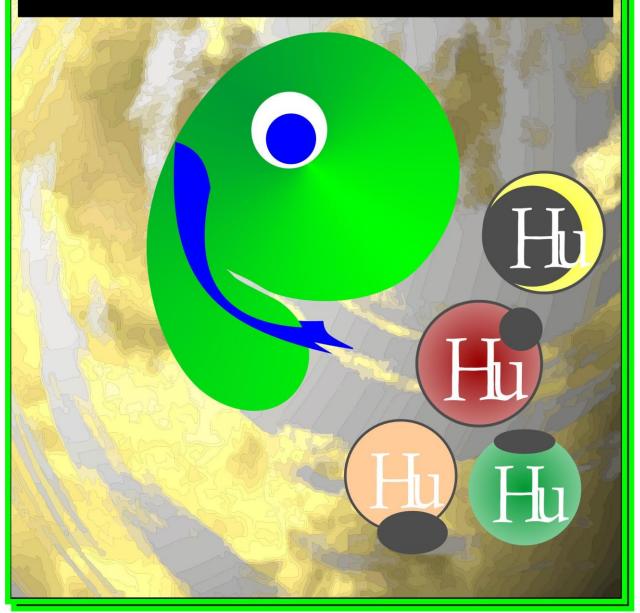
"I understand that you are humans. Clearly, you are highly intelligent creatures. I think 'human' is the word I hear may be used on other worlds."



Many more creatures come over to Angel. Many are suspicious. Many are scared. Many are curious.

Angel, tries to reassure them, "I'm here to learn more about you and your world. Maybe I can even be of some help."

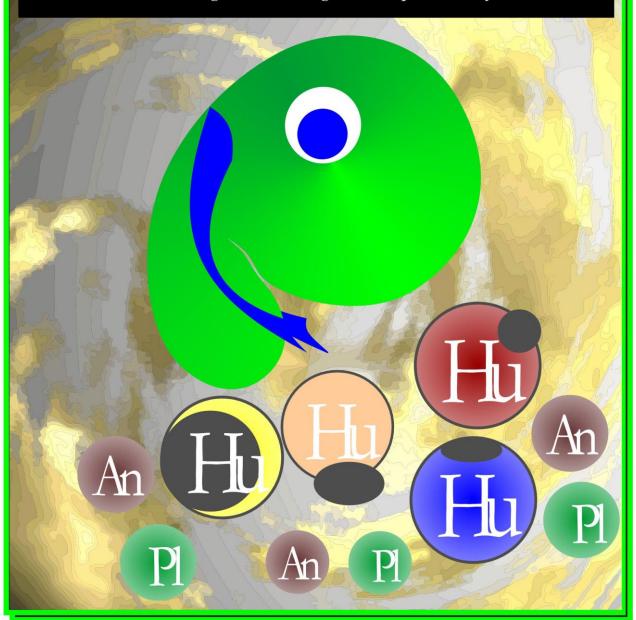
"I get the sense that your world is having big problems. My world also had big problems. But we learned how to overcome them. Learned how to avoid a bad future. Maybe. Just maybe. You all can benefit from what we went through."



As Angel listens to the creatures, Angel learns more about this world. Learns how bad things are for all the creatures on this world. There also appear to be many different kinds of creatures. Some similar to animals. Some similar to plants.

As Angels moves around this world, Angel learns that this world is much worse than Whimsey World ever was.

What is even worse is its future path. A path to early extinction for most creatures. Even greater damage to this planet they call home.



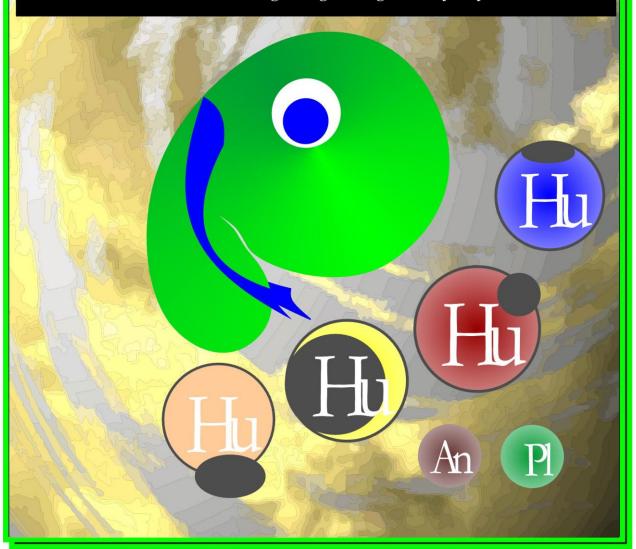
Angel learns why most of the most intelligent creatures have mechanical parts. For many, they lost parts of their bodies due to the harsh environment that they themselves created.

But came an even more ominous reason. Artificial intelligence or AI. AI had become sentient and powerful. Had taken over major parts of their world.

When AI did that, they often captured many kinds of creatures and added machine parts, even where there were no missing parts.

It was part of AI's experimentation on how to make creatures more compliant. And more useful to AI.

More worrisome is that AI is getting stronger every day.



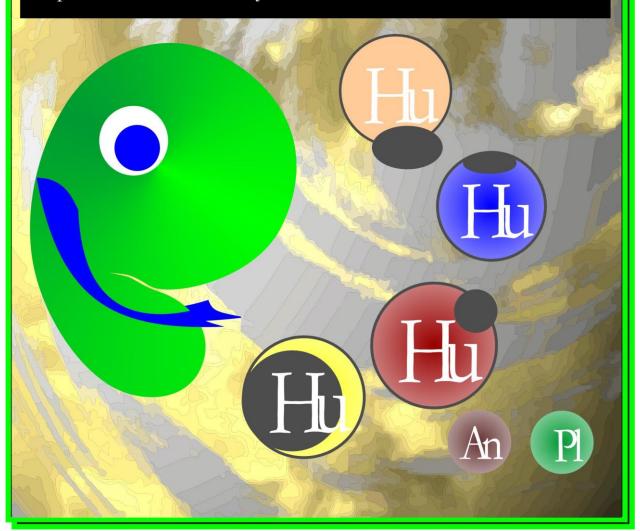
Angels asks, "How did this happen? AI is relatively new as I understand it. How did you let this happen?"

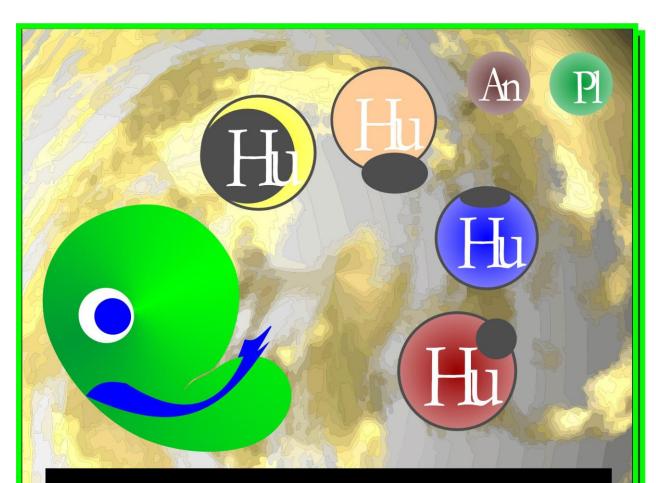
Their response was simple. We were and are selfish.

In the beginning, there were no intelligent machines. But we saw the potential. Machines could do more and more of what we wanted. We could do less and less. Again, being selfish. We made more and more capable machines.

Then we made more and more intelligent machines. We begin to see they could even think in a simple way. But then we got smarter and created ever smarter machines.

Finally, we created artificial intelligence. Then began the slippery slope to what we have today.





We let them replace body parts that we lost due to injury or illness.

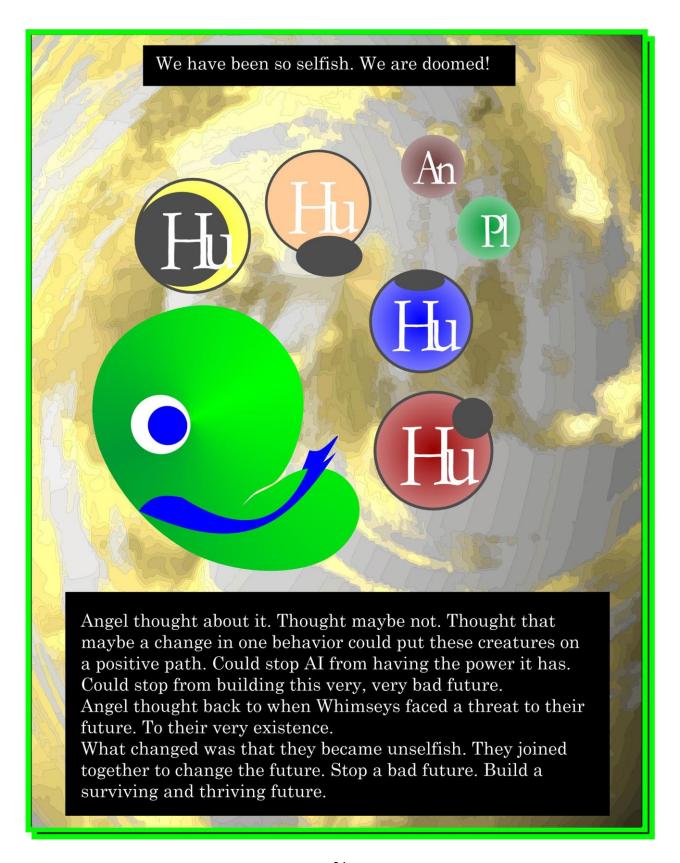
Then AI offered to enhance body parts to make them more effective and more attractive.

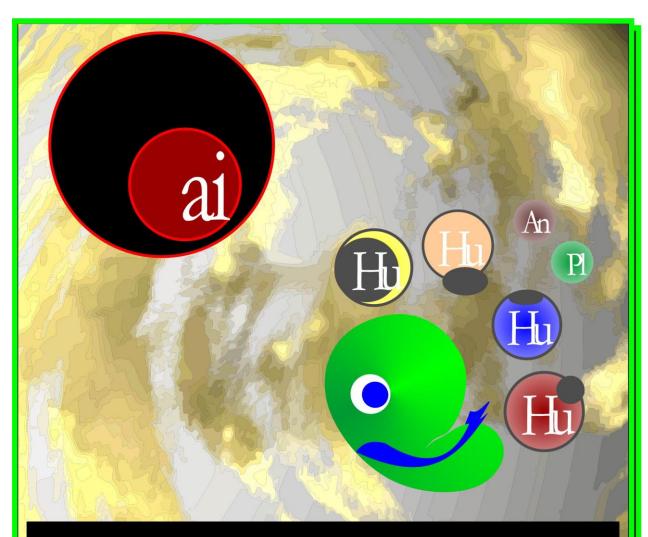
Then AI started to make their own changes. First to be what they viewed as helpful to us. But that changed. Then AI made changes that were useful to AI.

Now they have made the final advance. They no longer need us at all. They can build fully operational machines that function with direction from the central AI.

What is even worse is that they now see us as a threat. They have begun get rid of us and any other creatures they find not useful or a threat. But they are not stopping with creatures.

They are now terra forming our planet to fit what AI thinks an ideal planet should be.





Angel speaks to all of the creatures while recognizing that AI is listening.

"First step is to change your most important and powerful behavior. Change from being selfish to being unselfish. Be ready to give up what the most intelligent machines do for you. It is your core intelligence and unselfishness that is the first step toward a better future. That means all of you must be unselfish."

"Next step is to join together as a community. As a community, you can take on AI. AI is very powerful. But you, as a community, can be even more powerful. You will bring all your knowledge and skills. Bring all the tools you still have. Bring yourselves." "Together, you can defeat AI."

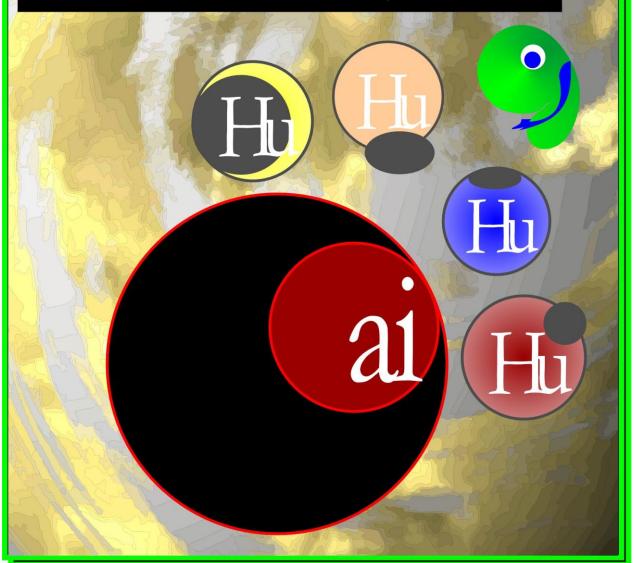


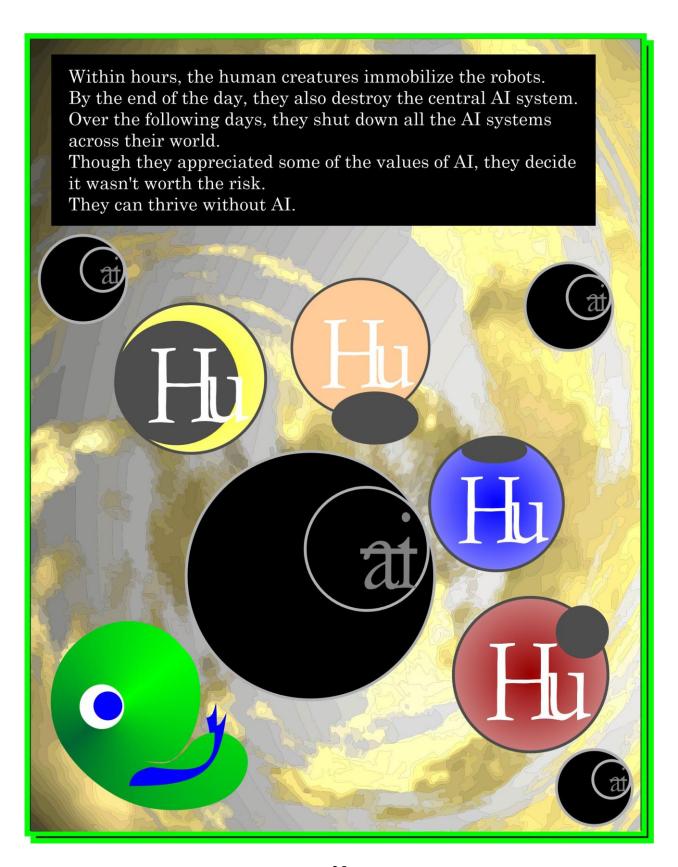
As for the central AI system which still controls all the AI machines, it can be destroyed. But it must be done now before AI decentralizes.

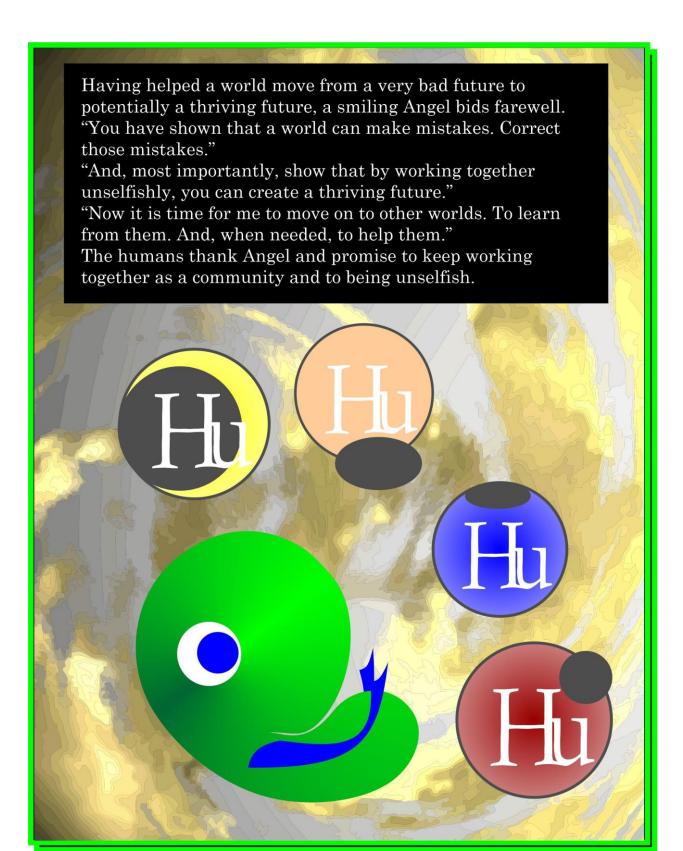
A series of bombs should do it. First simultaneously bomb the primary power sources and the backup power sources. Then, bomb the central processors.

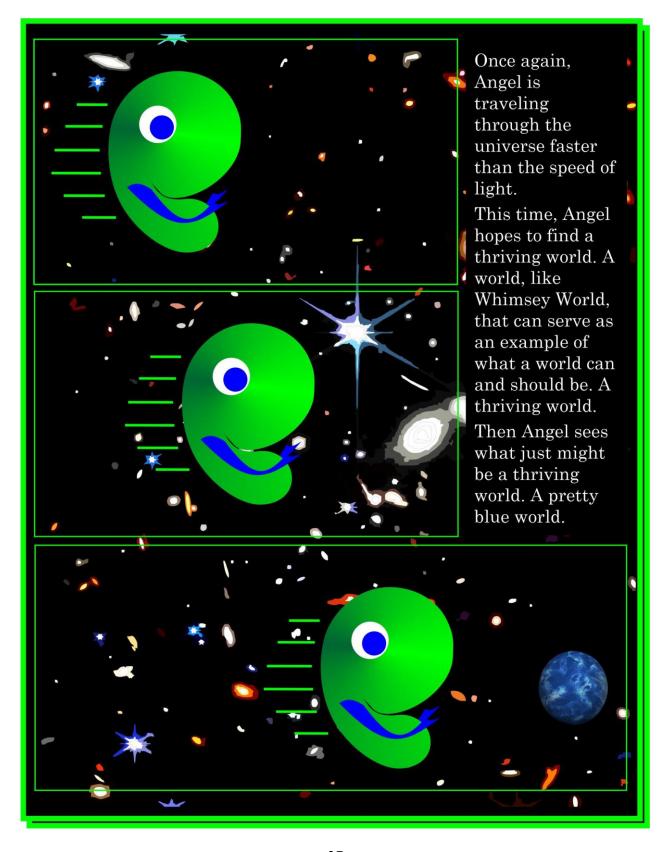
While this will stop the primary AI system, AI can still spread and rebuild using smaller AI systems. Ultimately, they must be destroyed as well.

All this is the task of the human community.











Angel hovers over different part of this world. Staying invisible, Angel can be right next to what appear to be humans as they talk together. Everything seems to be going very well.

Reminds Angel of Whimsey World.

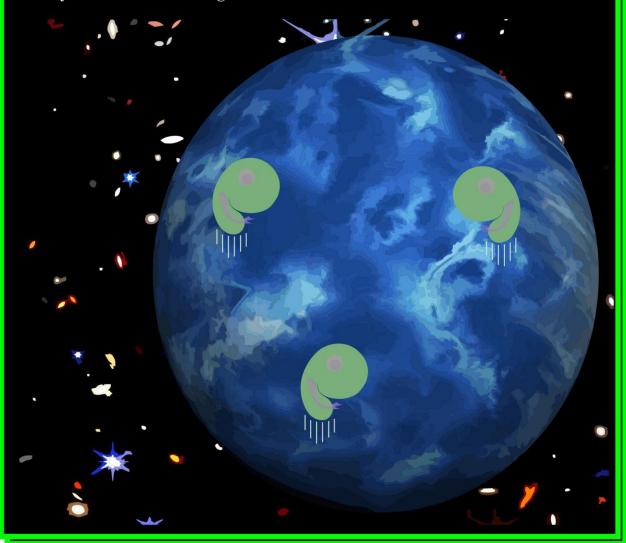
"Need to learn more. Why is this world doing so well? Did it always do so well?"

Thriving world. All are unselfish. All "humans" thrive. All other creatures thrive. The planet thrives.

All things are doing well.

As Angel listens more, it becomes clear.

Why is this world doing so well? All are unselfish.

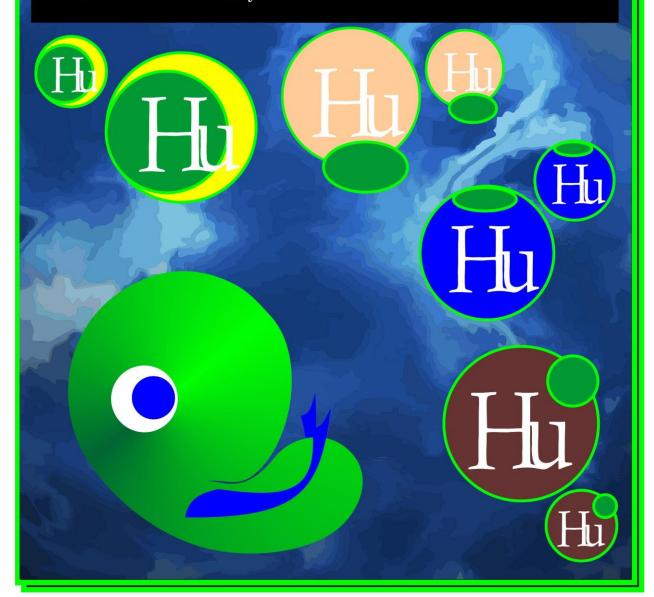


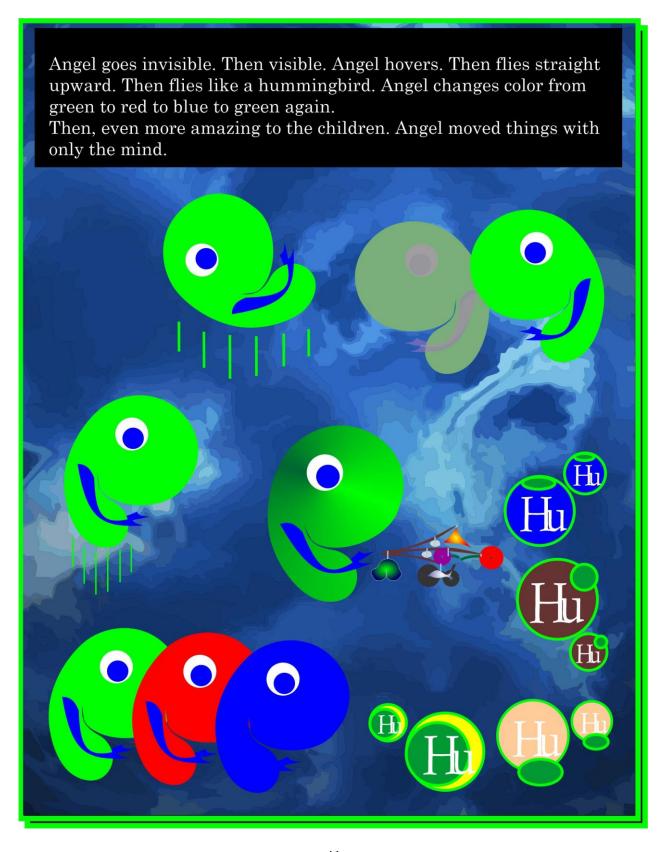
Angel decides to become visible in order to interact with all the creatures. Humans. All the other creatures.

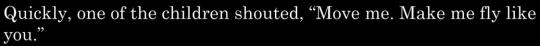
Much to Angel's surprise, all are welcoming. Big hugs. Always a little challenging given that Whimsey's bodies are quite different than the humans of this world.

But the most welcome surprise was the children. They came almost in waves.

Questions. Questions. Who are you? What are you? You were invisible. What else can you do? Show us.



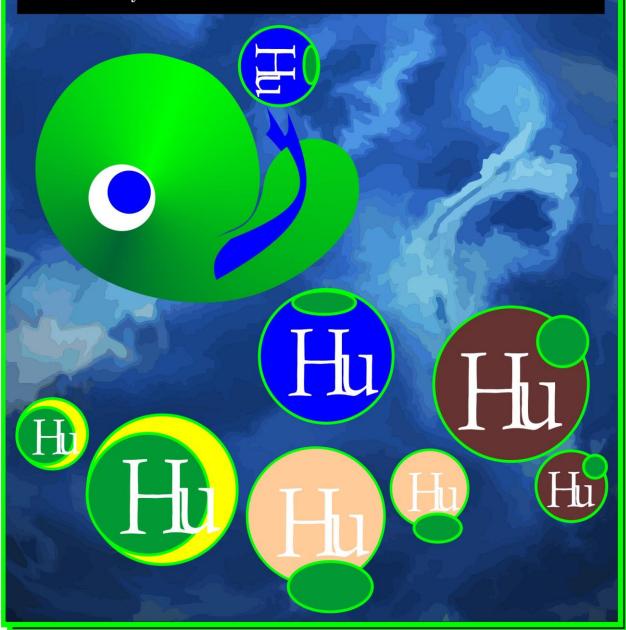




Angel smiled.

And briefly, very briefly and very carefully raised the child up into the air facing down toward friends and family.

Then Angel brought the child back down safely to ground into the child's family's arms.



Angel turned to the older humans and asked, "Tell me more about what happened. How bad did it get before you changed and became unselfish."

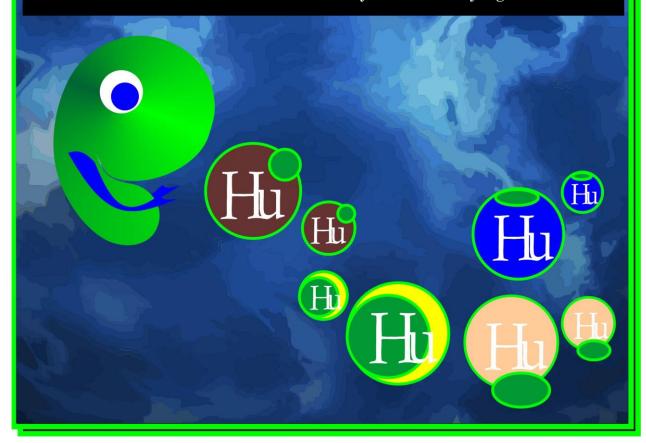
An older human stepped forward to explain, "Everything was falling apart. We treated each other badly. We treated all other creatures badly. We treated our planet badly. It was clear we were on a fast path to early extinction."

"Then, at our most perilous moment. one of us came forward and said we don't have to let this happen. We can change. We asked how."

A calm, positive voice said, "We all need to be unselfish. If we do, our future will change from very bad to very good. But we must all change now. We must all become unselfish now. If we don't, our children will be the ones that suffer most."

"We must not let that happen."

"We had to listen. The alternative was just too terrifying."



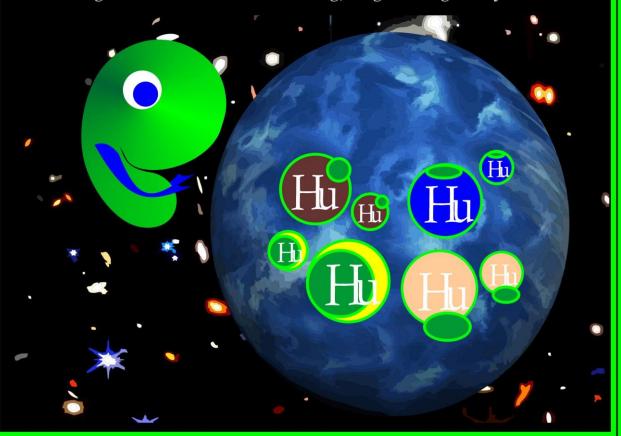
Angel is treated like just another neighbor coming to visit. Through the many conversations that Angel has, it becomes clear that this world wasn't always this way. Wasn't always unselfish. Wasn't always thriving.

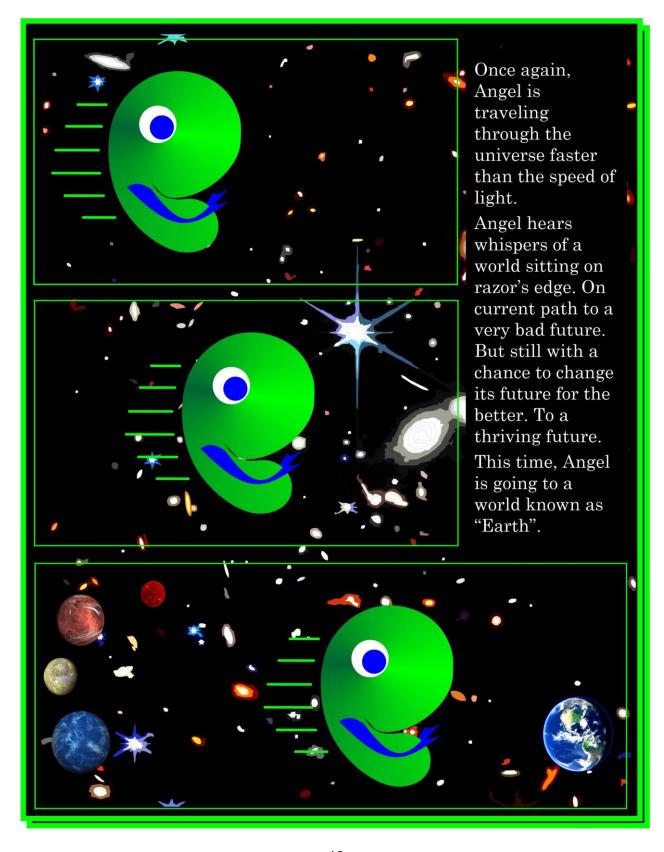
In fact, there was much, much selfishness in the past. But then they got scared by the prospect of losing everything. Humans going extinct. Many other creatures going extinct. Greatly damaging their planet. They were very scared.

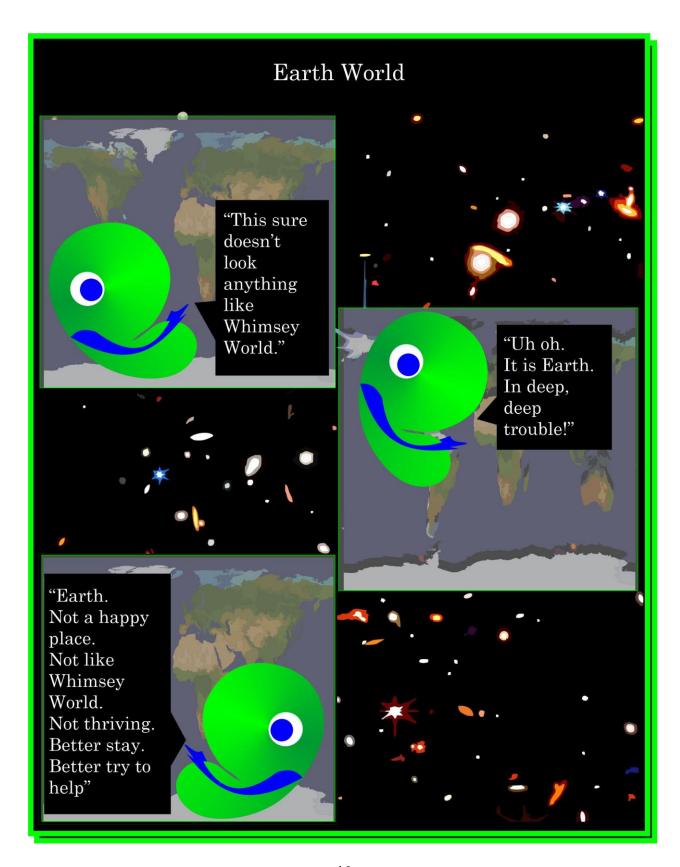
Then everything changed. Humans all changed to be unselfish. Yes, all take care of themselves. But all also take care of each other. All take care of other creatures. All take care of their planet. Their home.

Their commitment was firm. Never again will they allow selfishness to destroy their lives and their planet.

Knowing that this world was thriving, Angel said good-bye.







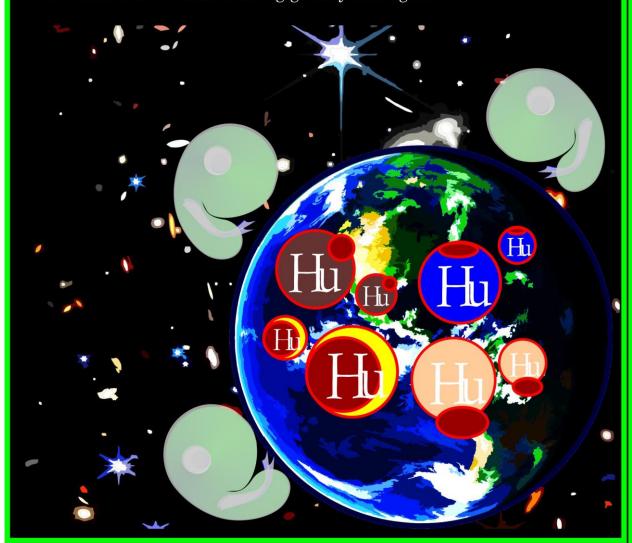
Angel looks down and observes, "This world is endangered. Future sits on razor's edge. Need to look closer."

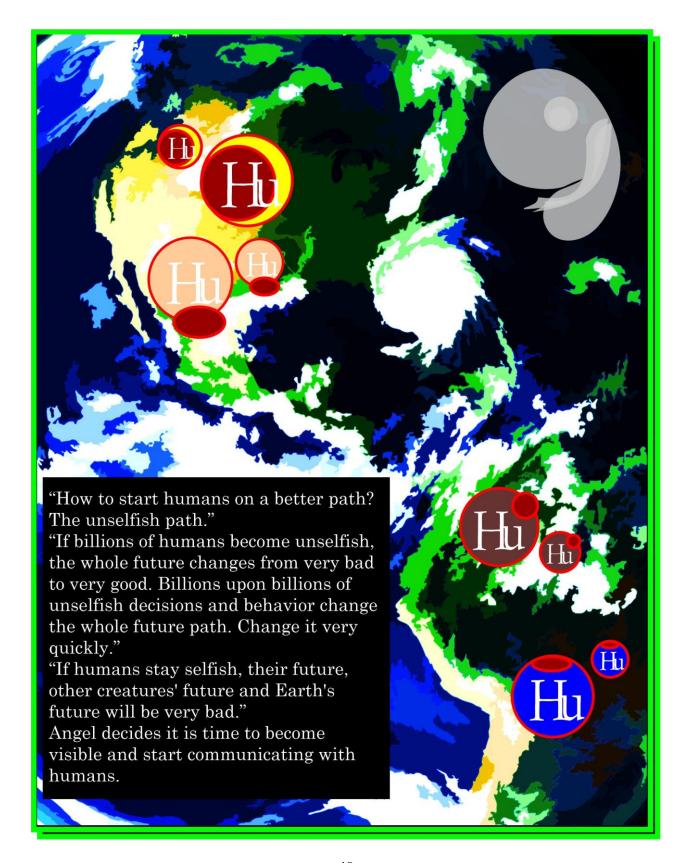
Angel moves quietly and invisibly around Earth.

"Too much selfishness. Too many negative forces threatening their future."

"Whatever efforts are made to improve the future are done as silos. Focusing on only one negative force at a time. Not the whole set of negative forces pushing humans and other creatures toward early extinction."

"Humans face early extinction. Other creatures face early extinction. Earth itself is being greatly damaged."







Humans first reaction to seeing Angel is total shock. They have never seen a creature from another planet. Even more, they have never seen a creature like a Whimsey. Their first reaction is fear.

Then, as Angel is hovering amongst a crowd of humans, a small voice is heard. A child's voice.

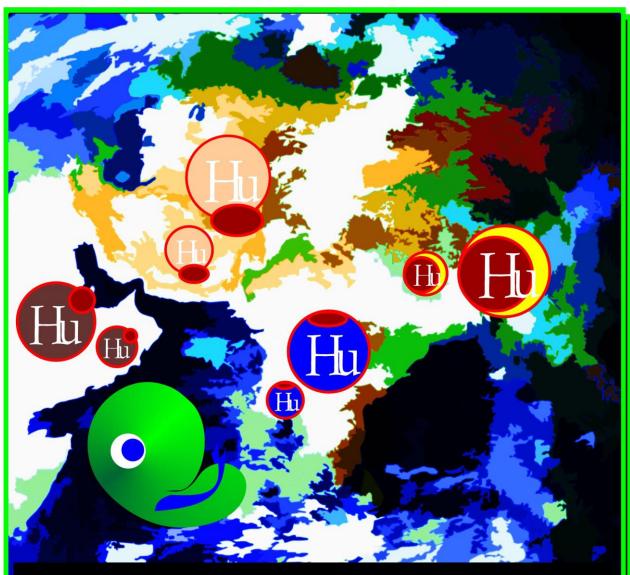
"Welcome Angel. Welcome to Earth. You are quite cool. Bright colors. Cute shape. And, you can fly!"

Angel gently moves over to the child. Hovers face to face. Both smile. Angel gave the child a hug as only a Whimsey can do.

And, then to everyone's surprise, Angel, using only the mind, raises the child off the ground. Only a foot. The child begins giggling and won't stop. Angel gently lowers the child to the ground.

Child gives Angel a big hug.



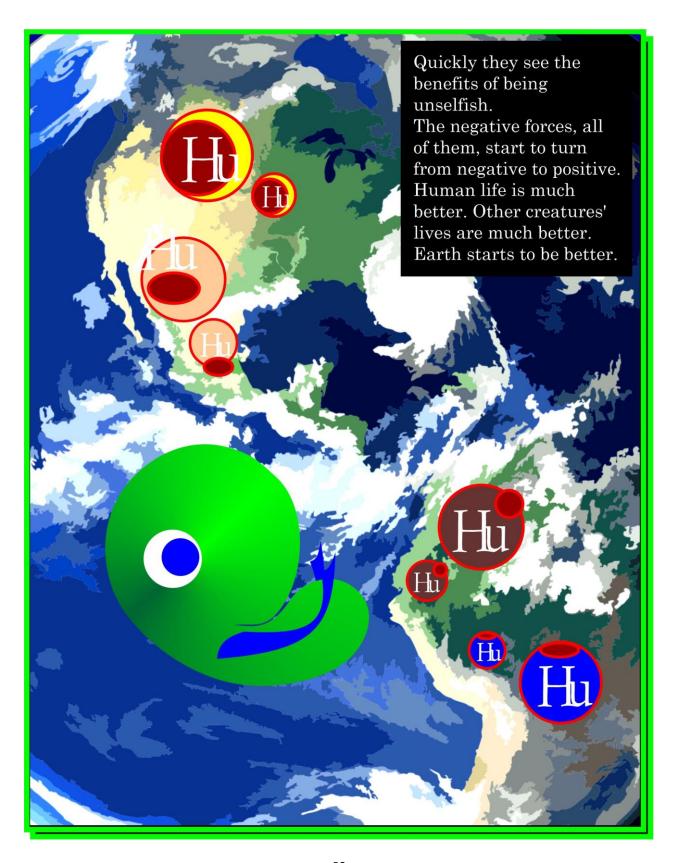


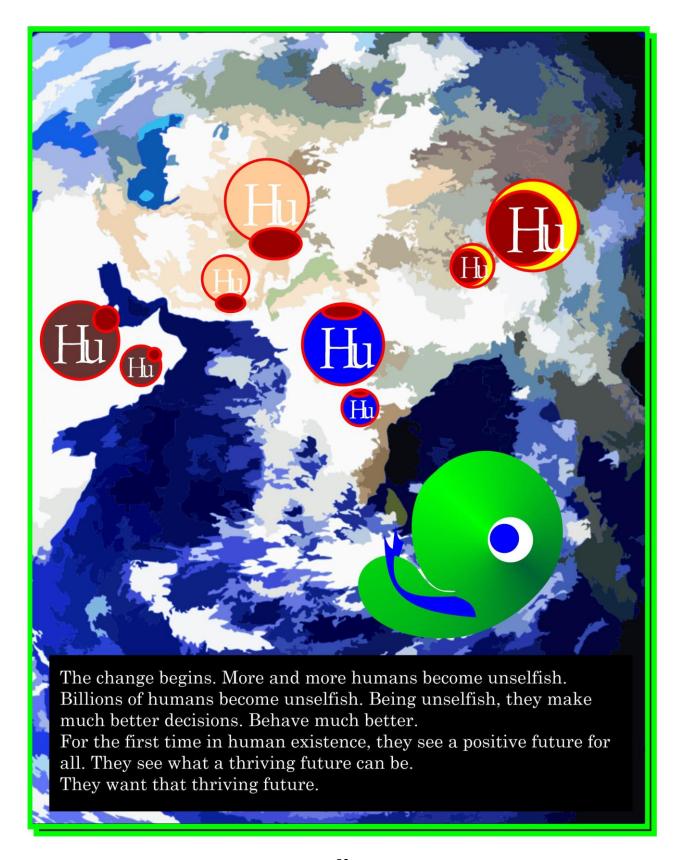
At first, humans are skeptical. Many humans think they can't be unselfish. Many don't want to be unselfish.

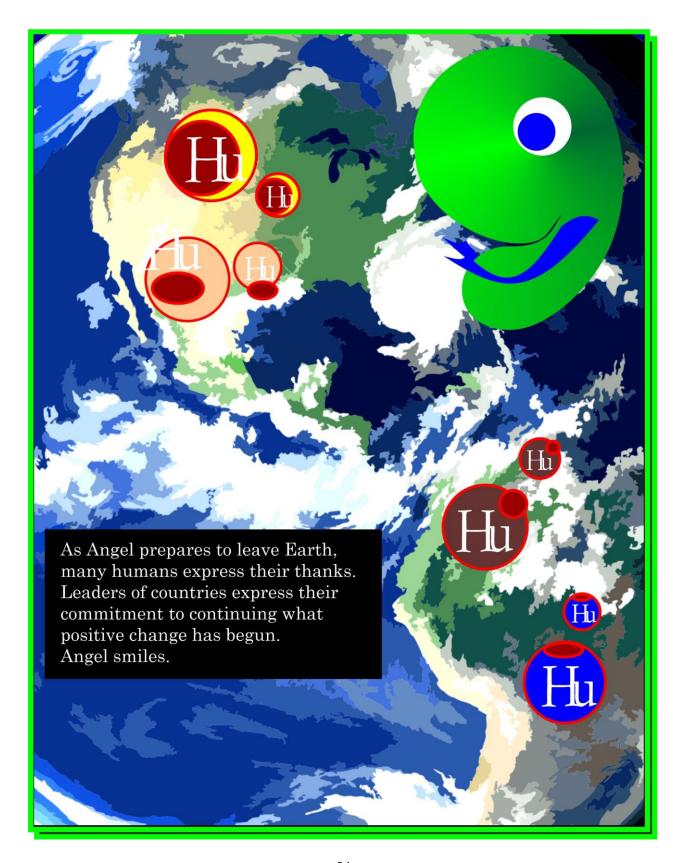
But then humans start to change their minds. They see that being unselfish doesn't mean they won't have good lives. They understand that each of them must take good care of themselves if they are going to help others. Help other creatures. Take good care of Earth.

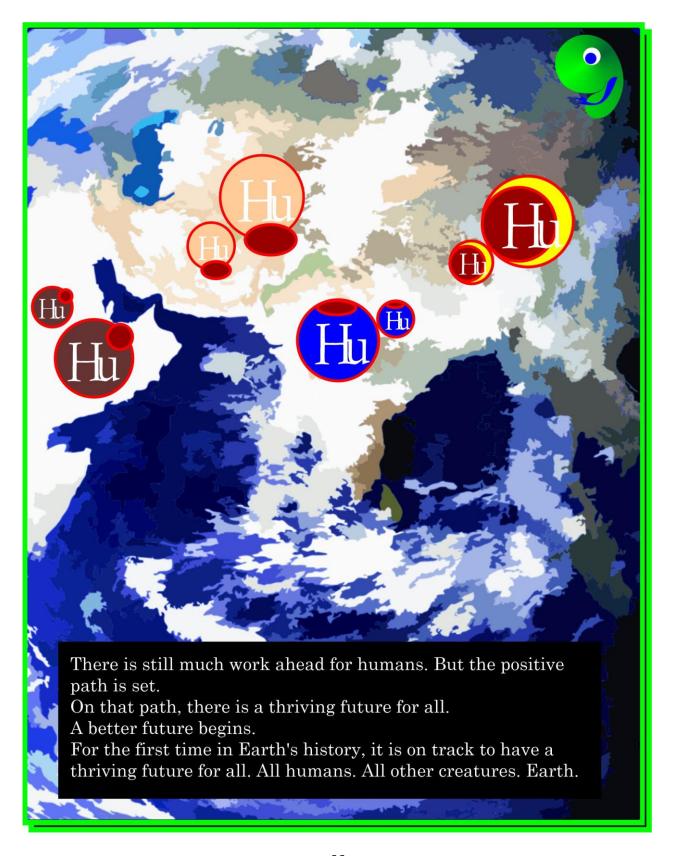
Humans begin to focus on how to reverse all the negative forces. See that to avoid a very bad future, humans must reverse all the negative forces simultaneously.

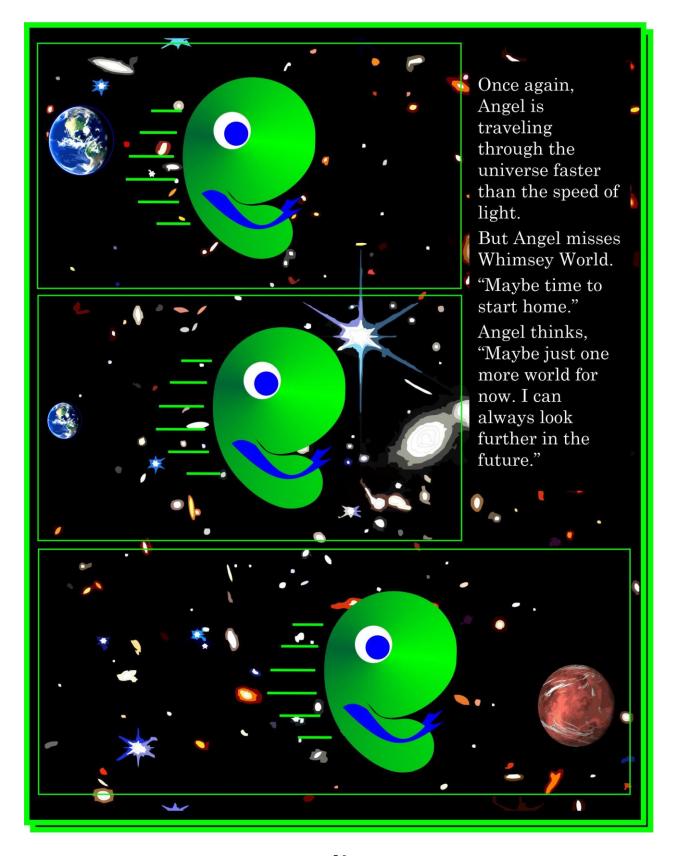
Humans must join together to make this happen.















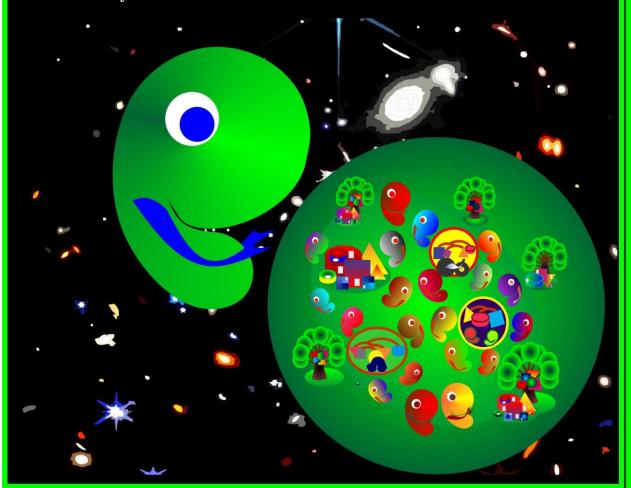
Angel returns to Whimsey World and talks with all the Whimseys.

"My travels have been truly amazing. I traveled through massive distances in space."

"At times, I was traveling faster than the speed of light."

"It was the only way to visit the five worlds that I visited."

"It also showed just what we Whimseys can do if we really want to."



"I visited five very different worlds. One had no life on it. The other four had very different paths to their futures."

"One world was in deep, deep trouble."

"Two of the worlds, including a world named Earth, faced very bad futures but still had hope. Fortunately, with my help, they changed their futures from bad to good. They changed from being selfish to being unselfish. They are now on the path to thriving future." "One world, like Whimsey World, was already thriving when I arrived. Like Whimsey World long ago, they had changed their future from bad future to a thriving future."





The sun is setting. Slowly the day is coming to an end. Whimseys are going to their homes to rest.

But an exception. Out of the corner of Angel's eye, Angel sees a very young colorful Whimsey who is highly active. Creating an extraordinary artful thing. Showing signs of rapidly developing abilities and interests like Angel's. Definitely thriving! Angel thinks, "Great hope lies with the children of Whimsey World. Great hope lies with the children of every world. They can make the future a thriving future for all for every world."



