

the wilderness, hungry & fasting. Dad said right away, "Oh, that looks like the Devil!" since David's beard was painted on rather ferociously, so everyone was quite surprised when I jumped out looking a lot more like the Devil than David did!

23. I BEGAN TO SWEEP AROUND DAVID WITH A CAPE OVER MY SHOULDERS JUMPING HIM, AS DAVID BOLDLY QUOTED THE ENTIRE CHAPTER PORTION OF MATTHEW 4 in reply to all the Devil had to say. At the end of the skit we sang the song, "If You'll Bow Down & Worship Me!", while I tempted David & Da-



Rebuke the devil & he will flee!



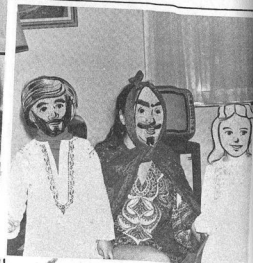
Song of victory after the Temptation!

vida with toys, candy, etc. "Jesus Is Enough For Me!" the children would sing back, & rebuked the Devil away in Jesus' name as I fled. David was very dramatic in the attack to the Devil's temptation; he would put his hands on his hip & tap with the Devil's meager attempt!

24. DADDY SAID LATER ON THAT HE WAS SO SO SORRY THAT WHEN DAVID FIRST APPEARED ON STAGE THAT DAD HAD THOUGHT HE WAS THE DEVIL & had said something about it aloud. "You know", he said, "kids will



"... & the 'angel' came & ministered unto him!"



Our cast takes a bow!

never forget a thing like that. He'll always remember that I called him the Devil! Maria told me later that Daddy felt really bad about it & mentioned it several times. So this was actually my fault in not stressing before the skit began what roles were to be played by who, & we have since learned that it's a good tip to post such information on a posterboard or chalkboard, etc. before a skit, film, video, etc. so that everyone will have it clear in their minds what the story's going to be about etc. before you even begin!

25. SOMETIMES WHEN STARTING TO HAVE A BRAND NEW SERIES OR BIBLE STUDY I tell David, "Now this is pretty 'heavy meat', so you're going to have to listen real well to keep up with us!". David replied once to this, thinking of course that he's so much older than David, "And my old bottle won't break, either, hearing all this new wine". Ha!

26. DADMENT THROUGH A STAGE DURING THIS TIME OF ACTUALLY ENJOYING, IT SEEMED, AGGRAVATING LITTLE DAVID TO TEARS, poking her, teasing her, & playing rough, sort of like the big older brother role he enjoys playing with her. Sometimes his behaviour, when not checked by warnings, would warrant a spank, but overall he was entering a more 'boyish' stage too, & TTL David's pretty tough & can take it!

27. HE NEVER LIKED AT ALL BEING CORRECTED, HOWEVER, & WOULD OFTEN GLARE AT ME almost in a hateful way when reprimanded or actually punished with spanks, which were very few & far between. Even correcting him verbally caused him to feel quite offended, even though I always try to do it apart from others if possible, so sensitive feelings have to be dealt with sensitively; nevertheless, bad behaviour should be punished.

28. AND DAVID HAS CONTINUED DOING ALL SORTS OF FUNNY THINGS IN HIS SLEEP, talking out loud, stirring, even sitting up in his bed oftentimes. One night he actually leapt out of his bed & landed on the floor, then just cuddled up & laid down to go to sleep on the rug! I asked him if he was dreaming about "The Little Green Frog" going hippity-hop. (ML No. 275.) Ha! Dad has said that Aaron used to do all sorts of funny things in his sleep too, including walking in his sleep all around the house at night!

PLAYTIME
29. ALTHOUGH THE SUNNY SUMMER WEATHER USUALLY WARRANTS wearing shorts, T-shirts



David stayed on the floor this night he jumped out of bed!

& sandals, David's new growing interest in climbing, jumping & running everywhere required that he wear long pants & light socks to protect himself! He's always been extremely cautious throughout his life, but at this time began to attempt lots of "daring tricks" such as a shiny over a low fence as quick as he could & jumping down off the other side. Often when he'll get the idea of such a venture his eyes will light up, then he'll start to run then stop & pray, "Lord, help me not to hurt myself in Jesus' name. Amen!"



David up a tree!