# Where the Red Fern Grows

## Enrichment / Writing 3

It is not intended that every suggestion and activity presented in this section be followed. A variety of ideas is listed for you to choose from as your interest and time permit. Some suggestions require adult supervision.

**Projects.** Choose from the following to enrich the study of this time period.

#### Chapter 8

- 17. Chop a pile (a huge stack) of firewood.
- 18. Locate and memorize scriptures dealing with God's promise of strength when we are weary.

#### Chapter 9

19. Find examples of God using the wind for his purposes.

**Pen and Paper.** Typically, only one or two of these topics are chosen during this study. Some choices take several weeks to complete.

#### Continued

1. Write a report on expressions.

#### Chapter 9

7. Chapter 9 begins with a great example of "showing, not telling" how a person feels. The author does not write," I got very tired". Instead he shows us the weariness: "My back throbbed like a stone bruise. The muscles in my legs and arms started quivering and jerking. I couldn't gulp enough air to cool the burning heat in my lungs." Find other examples of this type of writing. Write your own vivid descriptions.

Personally Thinking. Choose one or two topics to write about each week.

The length of each writing assignment will depend on the topic and student's ability. Use topics not selected as writing projects for discussion questions.

### Chapter 8

- 26. Would you have chopped down the big tree? Why?
- 27. Describe a time you worked physically hard. Explain your feelings, both physical and mental.

#### Chapter 9

- 28. Who understands you the best? Share an example. Who encourages you the most? Share an example.
- 29. Do you agree with Grandpa about learning determination and willpower? What are other activities that would teach those qualities?
- 30. Would it have made any difference if Billy had given up on the tree? Would his parents or anyone been disappointed?
- 31. Did God send the wind to blow down the tree? Explain your answer. When has God sent a "wind" in your life?