Ooh, these are good! Simply and beautifully written. The fish story captures the aloneness and fear of being "trapped under ice" (literally and metaphorically), and then has a hopeful ending. The story about delay of gratification and balancing work and play was also sweet. These are actually wonderful children's stories, with deeper meanings. I liked the very thoughtful study questions, especially that "chirp chirp" could also refer to thoughts in Tim's mind! These are really sweet stories, with good messages (even when you're alone and scared, the ice will break and you'll find your friends; there's a time for play and a time for work).

HI KIDS AND GRANDkids!:) in going through my files I found two little short stories (2 pages each (with ?s at end). I'm not sure when i wrote them (and don't believe I ever read them to you!). Anyway, mom read them (and of course helped write/edit them!) and suggested I pass them along to skyla (in a few years) and ditto Weston. Which I'm doing. But I thought I'd let you also read them and share with your boys, as you wish. Love love