

God Speaks Through a Donkey

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As Balaam and two servants were riding along, Balaam's donkey suddenly saw the Angel of the Lord standing in the road with a drawn sword. She bolted off the road into a field, but Balaam beat her back onto the road. The Angel then stood where the road went between two vineyard walls. The donkey squirmed past the angel by pressing against the wall, crushing Balaam's foot in the process. So he beat the donkey again. Then the angel blocked the path and the donkey lay down. In a fit of temper Balaam beat the donkey a third time. The Lord caused the donkey to speak! 'What have I done that deserves your beating me these three times?' she asked. You have made me look like a fool!' Balaam shouted. Then God opened Balaam's eyes to see the angel.

