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JESUS AND THE LONGING OF EVERY HUMAN HEART

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MATTHEW 4:18-25

... ²¹ Going on from there He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and He called them.

²² Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him ...



MATTHEW 4:18-25

... ²³ Jesus was going throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every kind of disease and every kind of sickness among the people. ...

MATTHEW 4:18-25

... ²⁴ The news about Him spread throughout all Syria; and they brought to Him all who were ill, those suffering with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, paralytics; and He healed them. ...

MATTHEW 4:18-25

... ²⁵ Large crowds followed Him from Galilee and the Decapolis and Jerusalem and Judea and from beyond the Jordan."

MATTHEW 4:18-25

WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT REASON YOU ARE A PART OF A CHURCH?

- 24% For Spiritual Growth
- 18% It's My Faith
- 14% It Keeps Me Grounded
- 15% I Believe in God
- 14% I was brought up that way
- 12% To Worship God
- 9% The Community



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People Who Begin Somewhere

People Who Can Take Hold of One Thing



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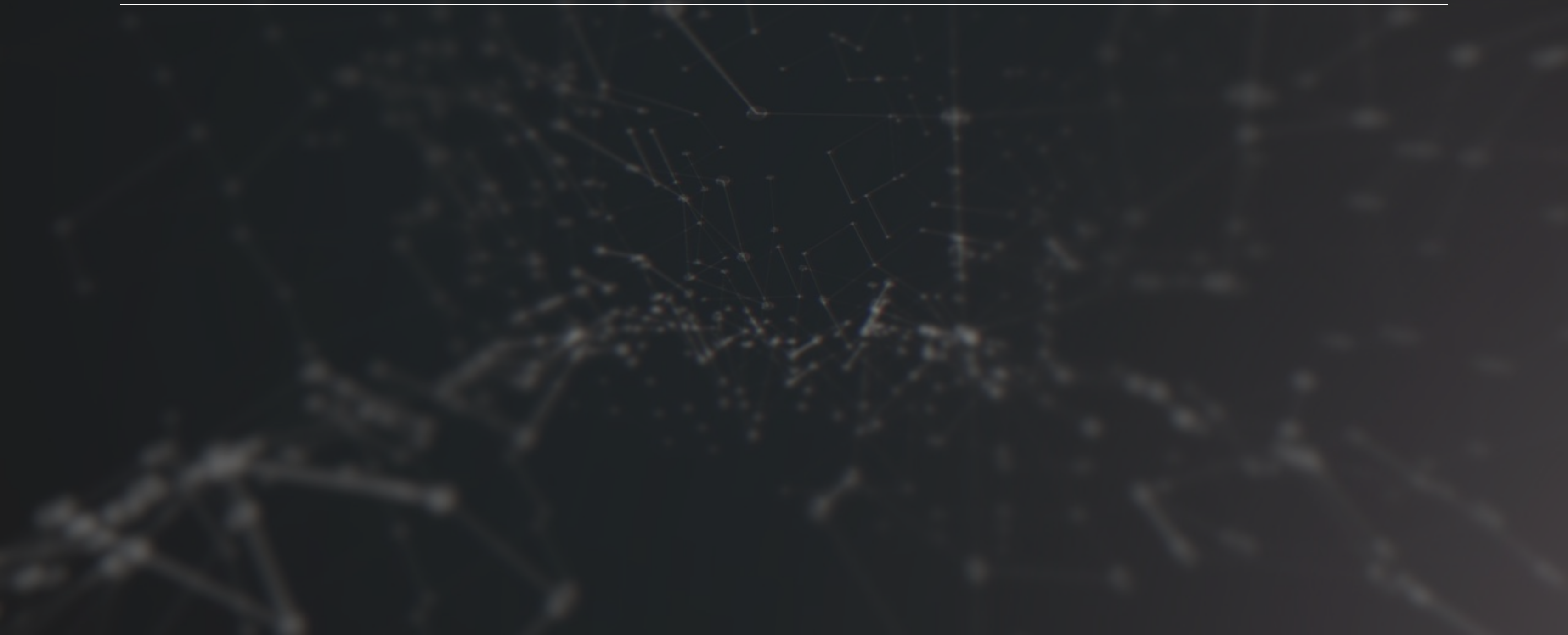
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MATTHEW 4:18-19

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MATTHEW 4:19

Jesus is saying:

You begin to **play your part**
in my story by being my disciple.

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- ▶ A Different Starting Point
- ▶ A Different Saying

"In the day-to-day trenches of adult life, there is actually no such thing as atheism. There is no such thing as not worshipping. Everybody worships. The only choice we get is what to worship. And the compelling reason for maybe choosing some sort of god or spiritual-type thing to worship—is that pretty much anything else you worship will eat you alive. ...

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... If you worship money and things, if they are where you tap real meaning in life, then you will never have enough, never feel you have enough. It's the truth. Worship your body and beauty and sexual allure and you will always feel ugly. And when time and age start showing, you will die a million deaths before they finally grieve you. ...

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... Worship power, you will end up feeling weak and afraid, and you will need ever more power over others to numb you to your own fear. Worship your intellect, being seen as smart, you will end up feeling stupid, a fraud, always on the verge of being found out. But the insidious thing about these forms of worship is not that they're evil or sinful, it's that they're unconscious. They are default settings."

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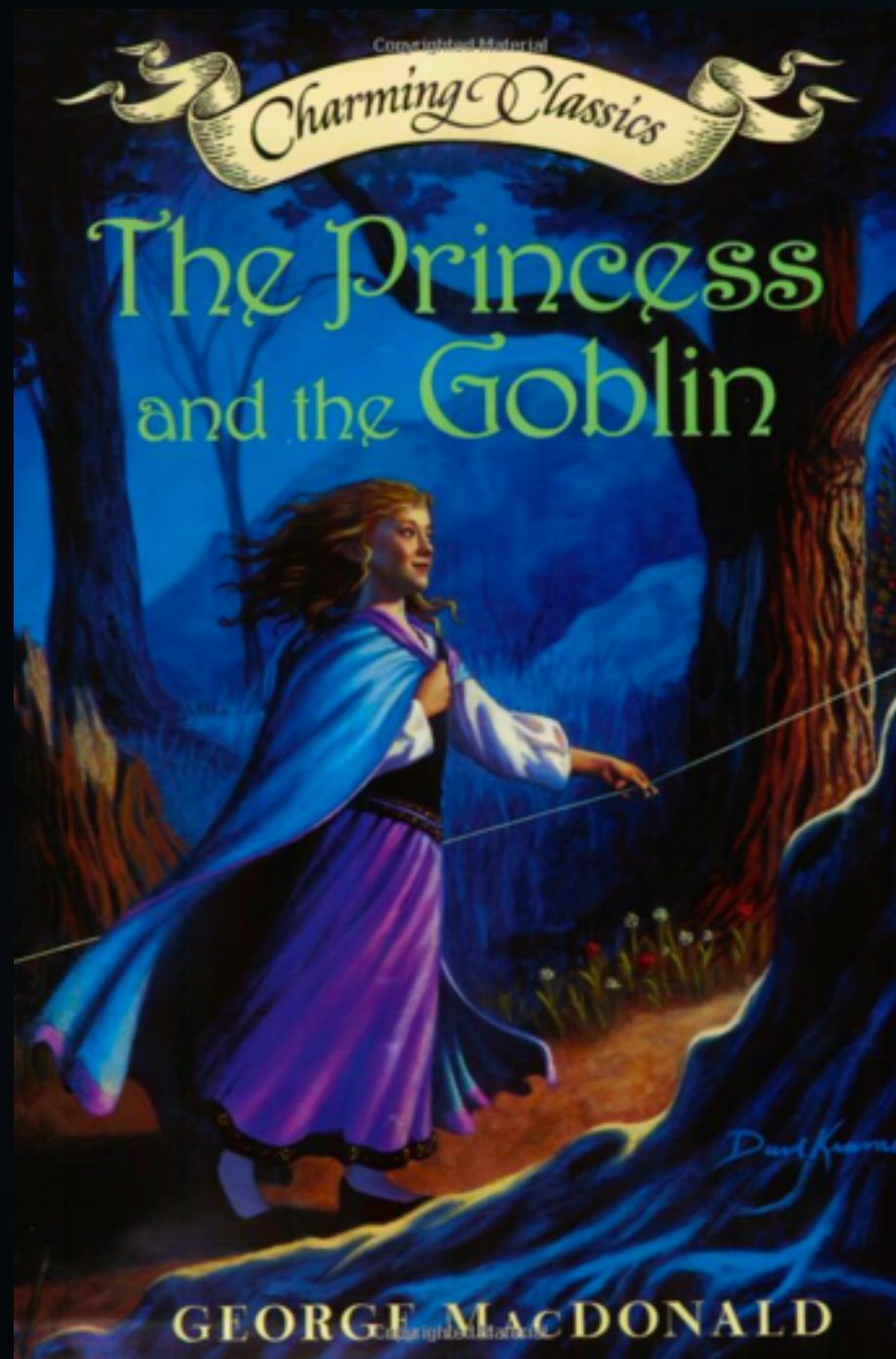
- ▶ A Different Starting Point
- ▶ A Different Saying
- ▶ A Different System

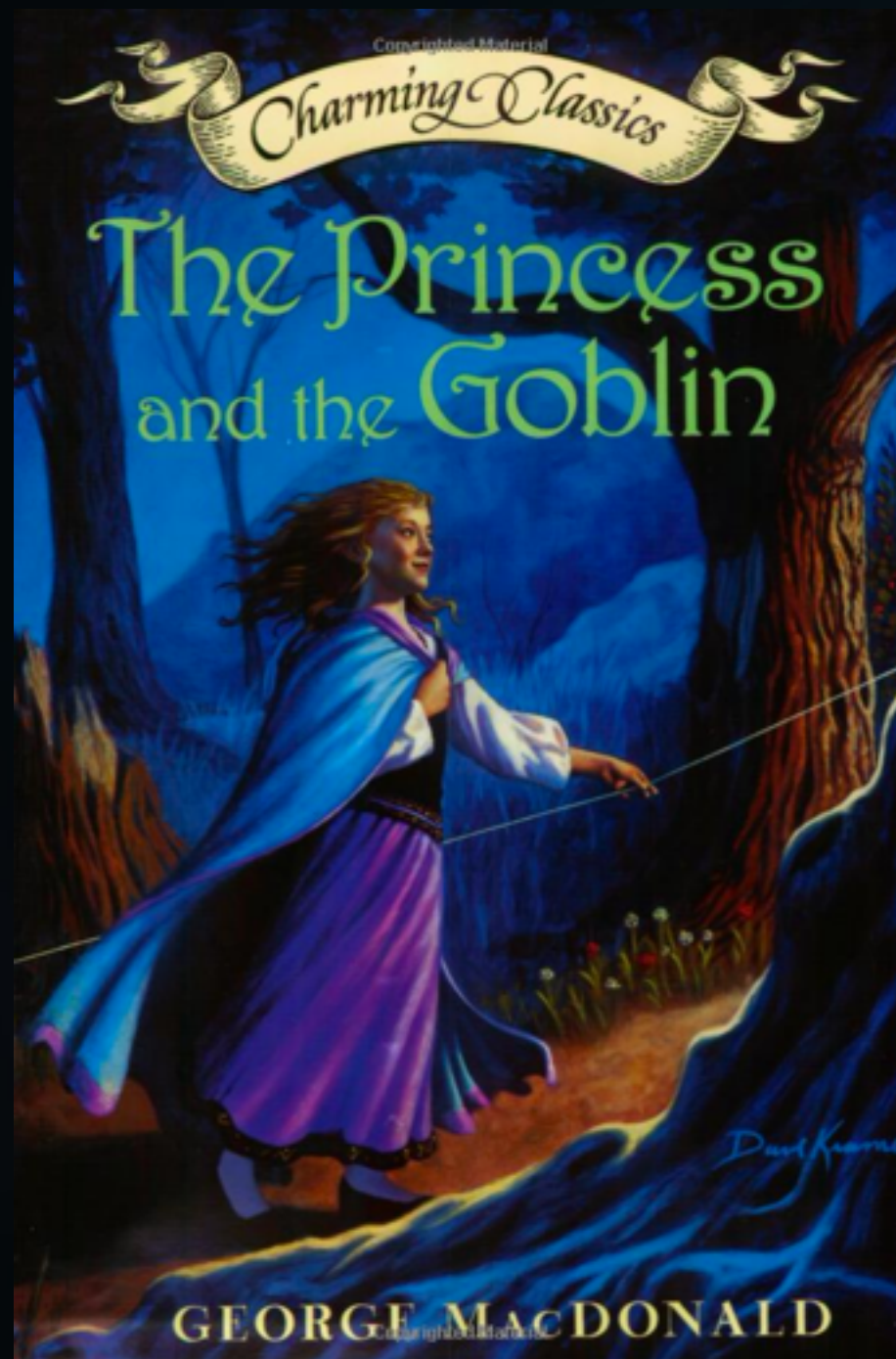


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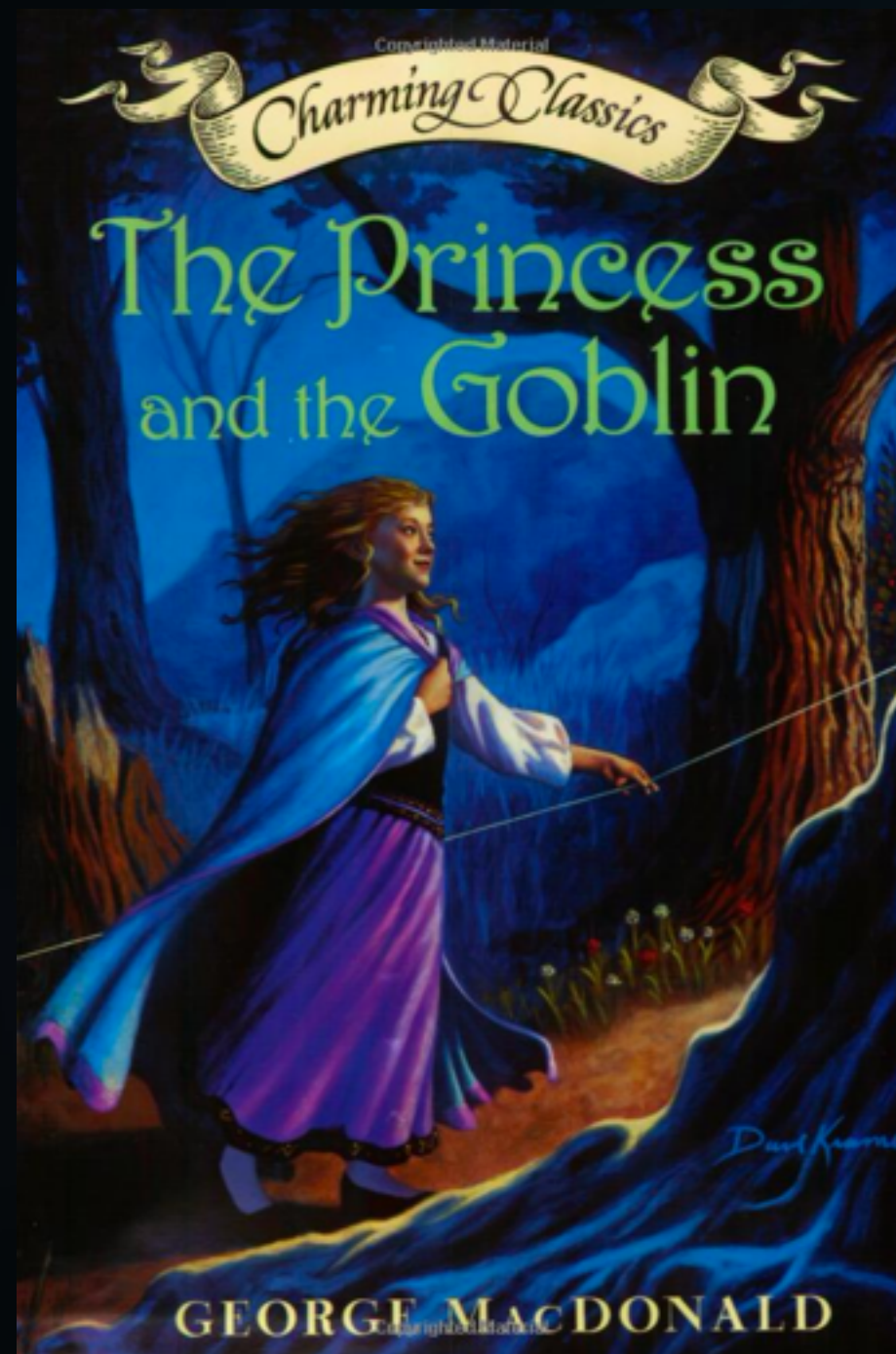
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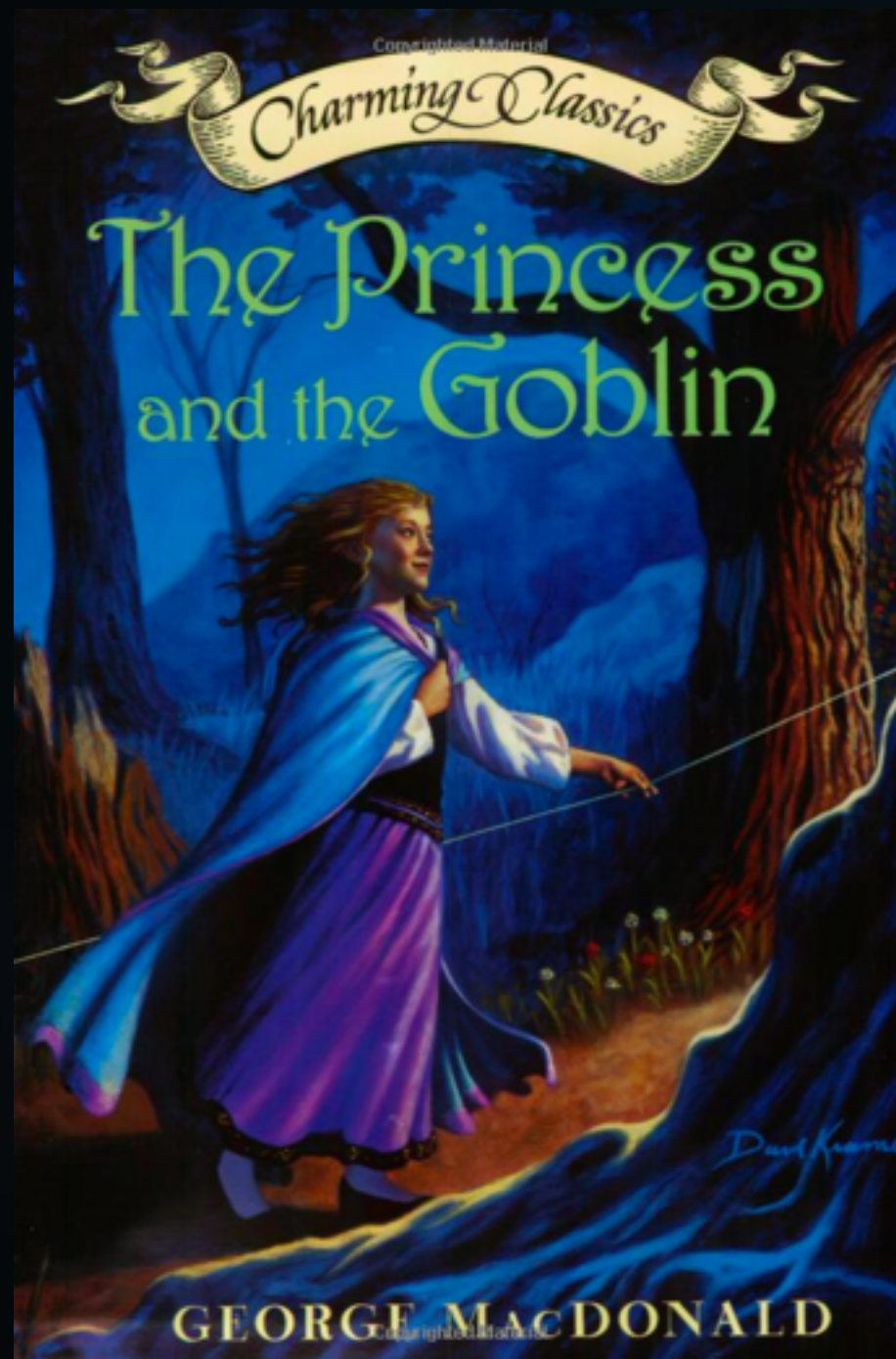




"But I can't see it." Says Irene.
"No, the thread is too fine for you to see it. You can only feel it."
"Now, listen," says the grandmother, if ever you find yourself in any danger, you must take off your ring and put it under the pillow of your bed. Then you must lay your forefinger...upon the thread, and follow the thread wherever it leads you. ...



... Oh, how delightful! It will lead me to you, Grandmother, I know!" "Yes," said the grandmother, "but remember, it may seem to you a very roundabout way indeed, and you must not doubt the thread. Of one thing you may be sure, that while you hold it, I hold it, too."



"Where are you going there? That's not the way out. That's where I couldn't get out."

"I know that," says Irene.

"But this is the way my thread goes, and I must follow it."



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