Love Begins With Me
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Maybe humans don’t think we need each other, but we do. We are like blocks of a building; if too many of those blocks are missing, we will topple down. We all care about our friends and family, don’t we? People don’t understand how killing animals is hurting them. Perhaps even more sad is how we hurt one another. Why do we hurt the Earth that has given us so much? Why can’t we all work together to change the world? We can change our world, our country, our family by changing ourselves. If you make yourself happy, you can pass on your happiness to a brother or sister, then that brother or sister will pass on happiness to other people and it can change the world. If we treat each other with love, there would be less fighting, less war, and more care. When we care, something extraordinary will happen. We will care what happens to our friends, our world, our universe. When we love each other, we are helping our world by passing on peace, and everything might live again. Then we will be happy. We have to return hatred with love. Darkness with light. Then we live on and on, as friends forever. Then we have truly changed the world.