

Angel's Wings

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(Upbeat and pondering; wistful.)

Why can't people represent angels correctly? Seriously, think about it! If humanoid beings were going to have wings, they'd be using hummingbird wings, not those feathered bird look-alikes! Ya, they're pretty and all, but they're not functionally possible, much less effective. They'd never be able to create enough up-draft to propel and keep an individual in the air. But hummingbird wings? No problem! They flap in a figure eight pattern instead of up and down. It creates much more force for an updraft *and* offers more flight maneuverability in general. Gosh! Think of all the cool stuff-

(Stops, turning to her pet fish in irritation.)

Don't give me that look Bubbles! You can't possibly be bored!

(Comes to a realization.)

Ohhh, wait. That's right. You can't ever leave your watery tank. Sorry, I didn't mean to leave you out. It's just... I don't know... don't you ever wonder how much simpler things must be up in the sky? Way up in the clouds where all of the people and troubles are far below you, out of reach? That must be why Mom likes her stunt plane so much, right? Why else does she spend all of her time up there doing stunts for that Devlin guy? She's been doing it since I was *four*. It's got to be *so* amazing up there that she hardly wants to come down. And imagine how much cooler it'd be if she could be up there with her own set of wings, like the angels! There's so much she could do! And then- and then... Well, I guess she'd *never* want to come down from there, huh Bubbles? I don't think I'd want that. She's barely around as it is. Ya know?

(Sudden, upbeat again as she brainstorms.)

... Oh! What if... What if *both* of us had wings! Wings like the hummingbirds! Then *both* of us could be up there in the sky! We could fly and spin and loop around as freely as we please. We could *both* be angels... *together*.