

Gimme-Jimmy

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Dedication

For my daughters

Kerry Elisabeth

&

Cailin Rosemary

*who have helped me with their
expertise, advice, concern and love
throughout all my books...
and their lives!*

And, as always, for the Grands:

*Josh, Parker, Colby,
Lindsay, Tucker,
Kelsey, Mikaila, Kylie,
Cristiano and ?*



James Alexander's nickname was Jim,
But nobody would be friends with him.

No one wanted to play with Jimmy,
For Jim Alexander always said, "Gimme."

"Gimme my books," he'd say. "Gimme my toys."
He'd grab from the girls and he'd snatch from the boys.

Jill didn't like him and neither did Jack,
For Jimmy would take things and not give them back.

Jim was a bully at home and at school;
Though nobody liked him, he thought he was cool.



One day his daddy said, “Jimmy, my boy,
You must learn to share, or you’ll have little joy.
You’d better be careful, you must understand,
Your greed may show up in the size of your hand.
Your hand will get bigger, the more that you take,
And you will be sorry you made this mistake.
Your poor little hand will continue to grow
Until it will rest on the top of your toe!”
But Jimmy just shrugged and then said, to explain,
“All the kids say Gimme-Jimmy’s my name.”

