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A crocodile was looking into another crocodile's eyes. It was so fun, that he could not look away. He just kept staring at his friend. "Why are you staring at me?" asked his friend. "Are you curious to see what I look like?" "No," answered the first croc, "I just want to be with you." He could not even think of being apart.

Then came the first lie. It was accidental. The lie was that the crocodile stopped looking and said, "I do not see you." He had somehow become disinterested and looked away. And with this came disrespect and disregard. But it was not really true; it was an accidental lie. The truth was, and is, and always will be his overwhelming gratitude for his friend.

THERE IS NO GRATITUDE WITHOUT REGARD