

## “Hook(ed)”.....

As I was channel surfing a couple days ago I passed along a movie that I must put in my top 10. It is “Hook” the sequel to Peter Pan. You know the one with Dustin Hoffman (Hook), Julia Roberts (TinkerBell) and Robin Williams (Peter Pan). So many lessons in this film.

My favorite takes place near the beginning. Peter and his children have been kidnapped by Hook. Hook wants revenge. A good fight to the end with Peter. Hook disappointingly finds a Peter that has grown up and is not a battling challenge at all. So, what to do??? “Just kill them”, says Hook. But, to the rescue comes TinkerBell who tells Hook that if he gives her a week she’ll get Peter back in shape and the good fight can proceed. Hook gives her three days and off they go to get Peter back in shape.

Tink takes Peter to Neverland back to the Lost Boys where she is struggling to convince them that this is really Peter Pan. Now the good part. Rufio is the new Lost Boys leader and is not buying in to Peter. He draws the line in the sand and says who is with me? All cross the line to his side except one of the littliest of the Lost Boys. He looks at Peter and looks at Peter. He starts to circle him and pokes at his belly then he pulls Peter down to his height and looks in Peter’s eyes. Pulling back on Peter’s face as if it is play dough he knowingly yells out “There you are Peter!! You are in there”.

I don’t about you, but I got a tear in my eye and goosebumps. Why? Because in this is a truth that we all know. That the little boy or little girl of our childhood is still in us. It may take some prodding and pulling to find that little soul but it is in there. The little one that has an imagination and is playful and knows how to have fun and really see the truth is in there.

If you think happy thoughts then you can fly

Just believe in yourself and you can beat Hook